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# BARBADOS CRUISING CLUB

Aquatic Gap, St Michael, Barbados

## Boat Storage Policy

### Background

The Barbados Cruising Club facilitates sailing and other water sports in accordance with its mandate by, inter alia, allowing members to keep their boats on the Club premises for a reasonable fee. It is understood that boat storage on BCC premises is a privilege and is to benefit only active boat users. With limited space, the areas earmarked for storage and minor work facilities are not to be used as a commercial boatyard.

For the purposes of this policy, boat or water craft are used interchangeably and include sailing or inflatable dinghies, other tenders, paddle or sail boards, kayaks etc.

The Club has an obligation to monitor boat usage and storage. It is the responsibility of the individual members to ensure proper storage and maintenance (including seaworthiness) of their water craft.

Boats that remain unused and unattended do nothing to promote sailing or water sports and not only project a poor image of the Club but present a health hazard when they fill with water and become breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

This document outlines a policy for boat storage to be included in the Club's bylaws which allows members to enjoy using their boats responsibly at the Club.

### Conditions of Boat Storage:

1. Only full members of the Barbados Cruising Club may store boats at the Barbados Cruising Club for more than one week.
2. Members wishing to store boats at the club must receive permission in writing to do so.
3. Members wishing to store boats at the Barbados Cruising Club must apply in writing and agree to accept the following terms and conditions.
4. A refundable deposit of \$200 per boat must be made to store boats at the Club. This fee will be returned once the member removes their boat. Should the member fail to remove their boat upon termination of their membership or fail to comply with the conditions as determined by the Sailing Captain, this deposit (estimated to be the amount necessary to cover the cost of removal to the members' address in Barbados) will be forfeited to the Club.
5. Receipts will be issued for the deposit as well as for the annual storage fee.
6. Boat fees must be paid at the same time as the annual membership subscription (due on 1<sup>st</sup> November of each year).

7. The Cruising Club reserves the right to cancel a boat owner's storage privilege.
8. The Cruising Club accepts no responsibility for damage to or loss of boats stored at the Club.
9. Boat owners who choose to lock their boat MUST leave a copy of the key (or combination) with the Sailing Captain.
10. The Barbados Cruising Club accepts no liability for injuries incurred by persons using the Barbados Cruising Club due to storage of boats.
11. Boats stored at the club must be maintained in a seaworthy condition and must not collect stagnant water.
12. Ownership of each water craft must be clearly visible (for example with the owners name written on it or, if a tender, the Sailing Vessel name ). Boats not clearly marked in such a manner may be marked by the Club (for example with a waterproof marker).
13. The location of storage of the boat will be determined by the Barbados Cruising Club Committee or a flag officer appointed to do so (usually the Sailing Captain).
14. Boats stored at the Club must be taken out to sea at least once in a six month period.
15. The Barbados Cruising Club reserves the right to move any boat stored at the club without the prior permission of the owner.
16. Boat owners no longer Club members or members who fail to comply with the above conditions must remove their boats immediately upon notification. Should the owner not respond or not comply, the boat may be removed from the Club and, where possible, returned to the address of the member as stated in the Club records. If the Club is not able to contact the owner within three months of the initial attempt, owners who agree to store the boats at the Club agree to forfeit ownership of their boat to the Club and the Club is entitled to dispose of the boat as it sees fit (the boat can be removed from the property of the Barbados Cruising Club, donated or sold).

### **Boat Fees**

1. Boat Fees may be determined by the Committee without the approval of a general meeting.
2. Boat fees will apply to any boat stored at the Club for more than one week.
3. Boat fees to apply to the following categories:

For the 2013-2014 year. Boat fees will be as follows:

Kayaks, Paddle boards, Surfboards, Windsurfers, and rigid Yacht Tenders of less than ten feet in length - \$100 per annum or part thereof.

Inflatable Dinghies - \$200 per annum or part thereof.

All other boats - \$3 per square foot per annum as determined by length x width.

The storage fee for trailers stored independently of boats shall be the same as for boats - \$3 per square foot per annum or \$0.25 per sq. foot per month as determined by length x width.

### **Club Responsibilities**

1. To keep an up to date and accurate record of boats maintained at the Club and the contact details of the owners.
2. To provide adequate storage facilities for boats kept at the Club.