

ROYAL FRESHWATER BAY YACHT CLUB POLICY DOCUMENT

Policy	Dinghy Storage Allocation Policy & Procedure
Distribution	Registered Dinghy Owners
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Introduction

- Storage of Class dinghies requires authorisation.
- Only dinghies with a current registration are permitted to be stored in the designated dinghy storage areas.
- Storage approval may be granted upon application to the On-Water Department with preference given to members who meet the criteria as set out below. Primarily these are members who regularly use their boats and/or participate in Club events for classes supported by the Club.

Criteria & Conditions+

- Members must apply for dinghy storage by completing a 'Dinghy Storage Application Form' and lodging it with the On-Water Department.
- Members must qualify for dinghy storage as per Schedule 1 for the available spaces for their nominated class of boat.
- Bottom racks or ground floor areas considered 'prime locations' will be allocated as per Schedule 1.
- Storage allocation will be based on participation as per Schedule 1 and availability of appropriate space.
- On-going storage rights are based on participation.
- All dinghies stored at RFBYC must have a current Certificate of Currency, regardless of participation.

Applicants Agree

- Dinghy and trolley equipment must be stored within the allocated bay/rack. This includes masts being confined to designated bay or tagged and stored on the mast racks. Dinghies failing to comply with this may have their storage allocation revoked.
- Trailers are NOT permitted to be left on the RFBYC grounds overnight. By exception, trailer storage may be allowed by the Yachting Operations Manager upon application.
- Dinghies stored at the Club may have their storage allocation changed or revoked for not racing regularly, participating in RFBYC events or contravening this policy. It is understood that storage is in high demand and those that participate in Club racing & training sessions regularly will be given priority.
- Dinghies without an approved application for storage, current registration or current Certificate of Currency will be removed from the premises.
- Storage allocations are not transferable should the boat be sold.

Storage Process

- The storage process is initiated by submitting a Dinghy Storage Application form to the On Water Department at RFBYC.
- In consultation with Fleet Captains, the On-Water Department will review the application and having applied the criteria outlined in this policy will either grant or decline storage for the applicant.

- If storage is approved, the On-Water Department shall allocate a specific storage space for the member's dinghy, trolley, mast and advise the member of these details.
- Once storage is approved, the dinghy owner shall provide a Certificate of Currency to demonstrate that the dinghy is compliant with the required insurances.
- The On-Water Department will update the Club's database to reflect the allocated storage bay/rack.
- For some Dinghy Classes, the allocated storage bay / rack will be tagged.
- The Club's database and participation records will be periodically reviewed, and the assigned storage allocation may be changed based on participation.
- A map detailing the allocated storage for dinghies will be displayed at the DTC, on the Club website and within each storage area.

The Member Shall

- Pay the appropriate storage fee.
- Ensure that their dinghy is stored in the allocated bay/rack at all times, that their dinghy is kept in a satisfactory condition and that the area around their dinghy is maintained in a clean and tidy state.
- Not store their dinghy on the grassed area at any time unless they are participating in a Club regatta/race. Dinghies are to be returned to their allocated rack/storage bay or taken home (if no storage rights have been approved) at the conclusion of the Regatta or race day. Dinghies are not to be left in aisles or thoroughfares.
- Not move or interfere with any other dinghy or sundry equipment without the express permission of the owner concerned.
- Agree to remove his or her dinghy within 2 weeks of written request sent to the address as per the Club mailing list. Failure to remove the dinghy for any reason, shall initiate transfer of ownership of the dinghy to RFBYC or disposal 5.2.1 of the RFBYC Rules of Association.
- Acknowledge that failure to use their dinghy regularly in RFBYC Club events, or comply with the conditions set out in this policy, may lead to the forfeiture of their storage rights without refund of the fees.
- Agree to provide Certificate of Currency upon request to demonstrate that the required insurances are current and up to date.
- Notify RFBYC if the dinghy is sold or removed, and storage at RFBYC is no longer required.

Kayak and Surf Skis

- Kayaks and surf skis are only approved for storage at RFBYC if there is storage space available and in almost all cases, craft will be allocated a top rack.
- Craft must be regularly used for fitness.
- RFBYC are under no obligation to provide ongoing storage of kayaks and surf skis. RFBYC reserves the right to request relocation or removal at any time if the storage bay is required for a dinghy or if the craft is not being used regularly.
- A Certificate of Currency is not required for kayaks and surf skis, however RFBYC is not liable for any damages that may be incurred as a consequence of storing the craft at RFBYC.

Annual Storage Fees

- Member storage fees are contained in the Fee Schedule. These are reviewed annually.
- Dinghy Storage is for the period 1 May until 30 April however fees will not be charged to members' accounts until July.

Schedule 1 – Allocation/Qualification System

Storage will be allocated on a supported class basis, subject to space availability, to members who demonstrate prior and committed participation. Each year the member will need to reapply for the storage space. The application will be reviewed by the On-Water Department in consultation with Fleet Captains.

Supported Classes/Areas

The following supported classes are to be stored in the following manner:

Class	Storage Type	Under Cover	Area
Optimist/O'pen Skiff/Windsurfers	Rack	Yes	Area 1
Training Shed	Rack	Yes	Area 2
Contenders/29ers/Waszps	Mast Up	No	Area 3
Lasers/Mirrors	Rack	Yes	Area 4
49er	Mast Up	No	
Racing Pacers	Mast Up	No	Area 5
Club Boat Compound	Mast Up	No	Area 6
Training Pacers	Mast Up	No	Area 7



Participation

The allocation and renewal of storage will be based upon ongoing participation. The Club has the discretion to terminate storage allocations for those who do not participate sufficiently in Club activities. The following items will be taken into consideration when allocating storage racks/bays:

Participation in

- Scheduled Club Racing
- Dinghy Winter Series
- Training Sessions
- ICR
- Special Events – Adventurers’ Club, Masters’ social sailing, Teams Racing, Pacer Challenge

Volunteering (includes parents/partners)

- Race Management Teams
- Canteen Duty
- Dinghy Club Busy Bee

Social & Clubhouse Support

- Dinghy Prize Night

Leadership

- Attendance at the Annual General Meeting
- Attendance at the Junior Annual General Meeting
- Current & Past Commodore and Flag Officer
- Serving Members of General Committee
- Serving Fleet Captain
- Serving Junior Club Captain
- Serving Junior Committee member