SHERMAN PARK AND RECREATION 2024 BOAT DOCK APPLICATION

Registration to receive a seasonal license for a boat dock at the Sherman Town Park for the 2024 season will begin on **SEPTEMBER 01, 2023** and close at **NOON on SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**. Applications received after noon on September 30, 2023 will not be accepted. Docks will be assigned the first weekend of October.

- Boat Application Instructions and Rules:
- Docks are reserved for Sherman home and land owners whose names appear on the Town Tax List. Dock applications are limited to one per address.
- Fill out the application form and include a copy of your valid boat registration.
 Registration is in person at the Park and Recreation office in the Sherman School on Saturday mornings from 9:00 11:30 or by mail to P&R c/o Mallory Town Hall,
 P.O. Box 39, Sherman, CT. 06784. No telephone registrations.
- All applications must be accompanied by have a valid boat registration in the State of Connecticut and proof of ownership must be provided.
- The Town of Sherman currently has 57 docks available. In the event supply
 exceeds demand, a dock lottery will be held for all boats, <u>regardless of size</u>. If
 necessary, the lottery will be held at Mallory Town Hall on October 7, 2023 at
 10am and is open to the public. Please note there are a limited number of wideberth docks available.
- By submitting an application, you agree that if you are assigned a dock, you will abide by the attached Rules and Regulations for the Use of Sherman Boat Docks and Launch.
- A fee of \$1200 is payable to the Town of Sherman in full no later than the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Fees not paid on time will result in the forfeiture of the Dock, no exceptions. Payment may be made at Town Hall. At the time of payment you must present your original certificate of registration and insurance for your boat.

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Rules and Regulations for the Use of Sherman Boat Docks and Launch

Definitions:

"Town" is used herein to describe the Town of Sherman, the Sherman Town Park and the Sherman Park and Recreation Commission.

"Dock(s)" refers to the Town owned boat slips, docks, and launch access.

"Licensee" refers to registered boat owners who have been granted a limited right to use the Town Docks.

- An annual Fee will be charged for boat Dock privileges as set by the Park and Recreation Commission, which must be paid in full no later than the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Fees not paid will result in the forfeiture of the Dock.
- 2. Docks are reserved for Sherman home and land owners whose names appear on the Town Tax List. Docks are limited to one per address. Should Licensee cease to be a property owner or resident while assigned a Dock, Licensee must notify shparkrec@hotmail.com within 72 hours and Licensee forfeits their right to the slip.
- If the Town determines the Licensee provided materially incorrect information concerning boat length or width, it will result in the loss of the dock space and forfeiture of the registration fee.
- 4. All boats must have a valid, unexpired registration in the State of Connecticut and proof of ownership must be provided. All Licensees must maintain liability insurance with \$300,000 minimum coverage.
- 5. No sub-letting is permitted and any Dock not being used must be returned to the Town for possible reassignment and reimbursement.
- Only the boat registered and assigned to a Dock will be permitted in that dock space. No boats may be docked until the first Saturday in May, and require an annual beach pass from the Park and Recreation office.
- 7. Dock space not occupied by the first of June may be reassigned by the Town at its discretion.
- 8. The Town is not responsible for aquatic weeds or algae growth on or around the Docks. The Town makes no representations as to the depth or the fluctuations of the water necessary for egress or ingress, or the lake bottom conditions in the Dock area.
- 9. All boats are to be tied in such a way as to prevent drift into neighboring lanes. Licensee is responsible for securing their boat and for any damage caused to other boats situated at the Docks and/or any damage to the Dock structure by their boat.
- 10. All boats must be removed by November 1. Boats left after that date will be considered abandoned. The cost of removal of such boats will be at the owner's expense. Unclaimed boats will be disposed of after written notice.

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- 11. No boats will be stored on the shore or on Town property during the winter.
- 12. No alterations to the Docks will be permitted and the cost of repairing any damage caused to the Docks will be at Licensee's expense.
- 13. In the event of a severe storm or Act of God, Licensee is solely responsible to take all emergency measures possible, and the Town does not assume responsibility for protection of and/or damages to Licensee's boat.
- 14. By using a Town Dock, Licensee for him/herself, and his/her heirs, executors, employees, agents, contractors, guests and invitees (hereinafter the 'Licensees") agrees to indemnify and hold the Town and its employees and Commissions harmless from any and all manner of liability, claims, demands or causes of action whether based in contract or tort, arising from any personal injuries or property damage incurred in the use of the Docks. This includes but is not limited to any action or non-action by the Town. Licensee further agrees to indemnify and hold the Town harmless from any claims, demands, or causes of action brought by third parties against the Town arising out of any act or omission by Licensees.
- 15. The Town assumes no responsibility for the safety of persons or property, directly or indirectly.
- 16. Licensee agrees to comply with the Code of Conduct for Town Dock Use.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR TOWN DOCK USE

Licensee (and family, guests, and invitees for whom Licensee is responsible) agree to the following:

- Licensee shall conduct themselves at all times so as not to create an annoyance, hazard or nuisance to the Town Park, the Docks or any other boat owner or boat berthed on the Town property. This includes good housekeeping and sanitation practice.
- 2. The cleanliness of the Dock is the responsibility of the Licensee. No generators, cook stoves, boat covers or any such other items may be used or left on the docks or boardwalk.
- 3. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in the Dock area is prohibited.
- 4. Swimming, diving and/or fishing is not permitted off of the Docks.
- 5. No fires are permitted on Docks or on boats while docked.
- 6. Discharge or deposit of waste material, rubbish or refuse of any kind or description in the lake or on Town Docks is strictly prohibited.
- 7. Pets must be leashed at all times.