

A Yachtsman's Guide to Mystic Seaport



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Welcome, Yachtsmen!

2009 Yacht Rates

Dockage Rate Per Night

Sustaining Members & Higher Categories:

\$2.75 per foot

(Includes Museum admission for members' guests arriving aboard and one free night per season, second night of two-night stay)

Mariner Members

\$2.75 per foot

(Includes Museum admission for members' guests arriving aboard)

Individual, Dual, Family Members and Non-Members:

\$3.75 per foot

(Includes Museum admission for those aboard)

Dock fees are computed on the basis of length overall (LOA) per night.

All members receive free dockage October 15 through April 30, except Saturday nights; two nights maximum per visit.

Reservations can be made now by phone or mail.

Mail should be directed to:

Dockmaster
Mystic Seaport
75 Greenmanville Avenue
PO Box 6000
Mystic, CT 06355-0990

Phone: 860.572.5391

9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, year-round
9 a.m. - 5 p.m., daily, July and August

Reservations and Cancellations

Due to an ever-increasing demand for our limited dock space, reservations cannot be confirmed without a deposit of \$100 or one night's dockage, whichever is less. Credit card deposits can be taken by phone. Written reservation requests should be accompanied by a check. Deposits are refundable upon 48-hour notice of cancellation, less a \$25 service fee. No refund for cancellations within 48 hours.

Unless a late arrival is prearranged, reservations are held until the 5:40 p.m. bridge opening, *Revisions in dates are on a space-available basis.*

Dock space will be assigned at time of arrival. We are unable to take reservations for specific locations.

As sailors, we understand and appreciate the difficulties of keeping to a schedule when cruising. However, since we are a Museum, we have very limited dock space for the many yachtsmen who wish to visit Mystic Seaport. If you cannot keep a reservation, please phone or radio as soon as possible so that we may accommodate your fellow yachtsmen.

We look forward to your visit and we'll be happy to do whatever possible to make your stay more enjoyable. Stop in at the Dock Office with greetings, problems or questions and we'll be happy to help.

Dick Lotz, *Dockmaster*

Radio Contact

While our docks are open for business throughout the year, our Dock Office is only fully operational July through Labor Day. Phone contact is best out of season.

The Dock Office monitors radio channel 68 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., July 1 through Labor Day.

Arrival and Departure

Arrive any time *after* the 1:40 p.m. Mystic River Bascule Bridge opening. Please depart *prior* to 1:40 p.m.

Please check in at the Dock Office after arrival.

The Dock Office is located at the head of the *Dunton* and *Sabino* Dock. Dock attendants are on duty at check-in location 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., July 1 through Labor Day.

To Get Here

Use U.S. chart #13214 and pay strict attention to the buoys. The channel is narrow and twisting; shoals abound just outside the channel.

The Mystic River Railroad Bridge will open on call, unless a train is expected. The Mystic River Bascule Bridge (Route 1) opens at 20 minutes before each hour from 7:40 a.m. until 6:40 p.m. The Bascule Bridge opens on call prior to 7:40 a.m. and after 6:40 p.m. Both bridges monitor radio channels 9 and 13.

Emergency

Contact a Mystic Seaport security officer or any staff member if aid is needed in case of an emergency. The Mystic Seaport Security Office can be reached at 860.572.5310.

Storm Procedures

Mystic Seaport's first priority must be for the protection of its own irreplaceable historic

watercraft. Therefore we regret that space, which is normally used by visiting vessels, may have to be cleared if a hurricane or other violent storm appears imminent. The Dockmaster and his staff will warn visitors as soon as it becomes evident that they must leave. *Mystic Seaport reserves the right to cancel any and all dock reservations for the duration of the storm.* Should this situation arise, your cooperation and understanding will be greatly appreciated.

Anchoring

Please note that there is *limited* anchorage above the Mystic River Bascule Bridge. Water outside the channel is *very* shallow, and Federal law strictly prohibits anchoring in the channel. Anchoring in the areas designated for Mystic Seaport exhibit craft is also prohibited.

For Your Convenience

Heads and showers are located at the North Gate. A similar facility, with a laundry machine, is available at the south end of the property in the Shipyard area. (Please do not hang laundry on your boat while at Mystic Seaport.)

- **The Mystic River is a no discharge zone. Use shoreside toilet facilities or holding tank aboard.** Free pump-out service is available at our pump-out dock in the Shipyard. Please contact the Dock Office to make arrangements.
- The wharves are equipped with fresh water faucets and 110-volt AC electric outlet boxes at convenient locations. A limited number of 220-volt outlets are available.
- If you wish to buy ice, contact a dock attendant or the Dock Office.
- **Recycling: cans and bottles must be separated from trash and placed in labeled barrels throughout docking areas.**

- Telephone numbers for such services as taxi, engine repairs and general local information are available at the Dock Office.
- The Mariner's lounge in the Membership Building is available to members to have a cup of coffee, read a book, check email or browse the Internet.

For Your Protection

- **Fires of any kind** including solid fuel grills (charcoal, etc.) are forbidden. Cooking is permitted on board boats only on *approved marine stoves or bottled gas grills*.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the Museum's docks or grounds. Consumption of alcoholic beverages must be confined to your vessel.
- *Boarding exhibit ships or craft is not permitted after hours.*
- Pets must be leashed when on the grounds.
- Personal automobiles, motor bikes, or bicycles and scooters are not permitted on the grounds or docks.
- Shoes and shirt must be worn at all times when on the grounds of Mystic Seaport.
- Consideration for others in dress and conduct is expected and we must request "all quiet" after 11 p.m.
- Swimming and fishing are not permitted.
- Night lights on wharves and grounds are necessary for the protection of persons and property.
- Use of power tools is prohibited while dock side.

Fly Our Burgee!



If you're already a member, you know about the advantages of a Mystic Seaport Mariner membership: discounts on dockage (second night's free dockage of a two-night stay once per season for sustaining category members), free admission to the Museum grounds, discounts for guest admission and a free subscription to *Mystic Seaport*, our membership magazine that details upcoming member events. You are also entitled to fly the Mystic Seaport burgee, the house-flag of the *Charles W. Morgan* on her earliest voyages.

Membership at Mystic Seaport directly supports the Museum's efforts to preserve our national maritime heritage. Your membership support is vital to maintaining the educational programs, traditional skills and crafts, and sail training offered at the Museum. Purchase your member's burgee at the Membership Building.

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