

Rules and Regulations for Use of Vessel & Equipment

In order to be allowed to rent a boat you must be over 21 as evidenced by a valid driver's license, passport or other official government ID. You must be physically able to perform the tasks involved in the safe operation of a boat and our staff must be able to communicate with you enough to insure that you understand the rental agreement and safe operation of the boat. The operator of the boat may not be consuming alcohol or drugs. We reserve the right to refuse to rent to anyone when our staff feels that you are not capable of safely operating our boats or of understanding the terms of the rental agreement. Customers must also have an operational cellular phone on board and must leave it on so that the Marina can contact them for emergencies or to report weather information.

We offer boats well suited to a wide variety of uses. Most of our customers enjoy fishing, whale watching and cruising between San Juan Island, Orcas Island and Lopez Island. Our boats are beautifully appointed with GPS chart plotters, depth sounders/fish finders, powerful VHF radios, and all of the safety equipment required by the U.S. Coast Guard. Some customers just want to take a coastal cruise, sunset cruise, harbor cruise, or just visit our local harbor coves.

Rental Boat Terms and Conditions of Use:

1. Vessel & Equipment is not to be taken outside of prescribed operation area. None of our boats are allowed beyond a 25 mile radius of Roche Harbor Resort, San Juan Island Washington, and only in US waters. Refer to maps for approved operation area. Boats have GPS locators so we know where you are at all times.
2. Vessels are intended for use by the certified number and weight of passengers and gear. Do not overload boats; you will be fined. When loading people and gear on boats, try to evenly distribute weight both side-to-side and front to back. This will make for safer operation and insure that the bow does not plow through large waves that you may encounter.
3. All safe boating regulations must be followed including no wake zones, life preservers for children and all others. You are personally responsible for any damage to our boats, other boats or other property caused by your violation of safe boating regulations or of Island Boat Rentals, LLC.
4. It is illegal for boat operators to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind regardless of the degree of impairment. Renters who are known to be drinking alcohol will be refused the use of a boat. If you have a reservation but are obviously intoxicated, you will be refused a boat and charged for the cancellation.
5. Vessel & Equipment must be returned on time, there is no grace period for late returns.
6. Any and all damage to the vessel & equipment that is caused as a result of the CUSTOMER's operation or oversight is the sole responsibility of the CUSTOMER. Do not leave boats unattended.
7. CUSTOMER is responsible for being aware of tides, currents and winds. Do not beach/ground boats or allow boats to become beached/grounded by falling tides or changing winds.
8. Vessels & equipment are to be returned relatively clean and in the same condition as they were when you took them out. Inspect the vessel & equipment carefully before taking it out because you will be charged for any new damage upon your return to the dock.

9. No one under 21 is allowed to operate boats.
10. You are not allowed to let anyone other than the primary renter (CUSTOMER) use or operate the vessel & equipment. If you do allow anyone else to use the boat you are entirely personally responsible for any damage that they cause to our boat or to other persons or properties.
11. All operators must have a cell phone on board and we must have this number.
12. Do not attempt to locate or disable OPS locator on boats, these are placed there for your safety and convenience.
13. In any areas with marked channels always stay between green and red markers. Remember to keep red markers on your right side when you are returning to the marina or other port and green on your left. This also means that green markers should be on your right as you head out from the marina or other port. Refer to the provided charts to determine channel location and approximate water depth.
14. Any time you are in less than 3 feet of water go dead slow, this means as slow as the vessel will go and still be in gear.
15. Pets are allowed on vessels but owners must clean up after their pets or a clean up fee will be charged. Owners are responsible for any damage caused by pets.
16. Prohibited uses: Customers may not use the vessel & equipment in any manner or for any purpose not intended by manufacturer. In addition, customers shall not use the vessel & equipment in any of the following manners:
 - a. In any type of race or competitive event
 - b. For any illegal purpose or in an illegal manner
 - c. To carry any type of hazardous or explosive substance
 - d. To push or tow any other watercraft or tubes, skis or other water toys
 - e. After dusk or during the night
 - f. To carry loads beyond stated capacity
 - g. In a reckless, abusive or negligent manner
 - h. For any commercial purpose or for hire.
 - i. By any person consuming alcohol or drugs
 - j. If further use may cause damage to boat or motor (warning light or buzzer on)
 - k. In violation of the terms and conditions of this agreement in any way
 - l. Outside of approved use area
17. In no event shall customer sub-lease boat to another person or entity. Customer's rights under this agreement are non-transferable.
18. If vessel & equipment is obtained by fraud or misrepresentation, is used for an illegal purpose or in violation of these conditions in any way, all rights to the use of the watercraft are revoked and subsequent use is without owner's permission. In any such case, the Island Boat Rentals, LLC, has the right to immediately repossess the boat and keep all rental fees and charge customer for any damage to boat.
19. Customers are required to read and execute a Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission approved Motor Vessel Safety Checklist.

THIS DOCUMENT, "RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR USE OF VESSEL & EQUIPMENT IS MADE A PART OF YOUR RENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ISLAND BOAT RENTALS, LLC ("IBR"), AND IS INCORPORATED THEREIN AND IS ENFORCEABLE AS IF FULLY SET FORTH IN YOUR RENTAL AGREEMENT