



## Town of Lake Lure Boat Slip Leasing Policy

### Purpose

The Town maintains a marina with rented boat slips for two primary purposes:

1. To provide additional opportunities for property owners, who otherwise do not have access to a private slip, to enjoy the convenience of mooring their boat on the Lake.
2. To help provide revenues that offset the costs of the marina and other necessary lake operations.

The purpose of this policy is to outline the priorities and procedures of the slip leasing program.

### Boat Slip Lease

#### A. Eligibility:

Lessees of boat slips must have current state registration and Town of Lake Lure Boat Permit in lessees' name; slips may not be subleased.

Preference will be given in order to:

- (1) Property owners with a residence but without lake front access who do not otherwise have a lake front boat slip and property owners with a residence and with lake front access who do not otherwise qualify for a lake structure permit and who do not otherwise have a lake front boat slip;
- (2) Second preference will be given to non-property owning residents; and
- (3) Third preference will be given to non-residents.

B. Commercial entities that offer any of the same services provided by the Town marina concession are prohibited from conducting business or advertising such business at the Washburn Marina.

### Lease Renewal and Billing Procedures

Boat slip leases will be reviewed for continued qualification and renewed annually. A part of the renewal process will include an assurance by the lessee that the lessee is using their boat slip only for the lessee's boat that the lessee owns. Applicants for annual boat slip renewals must also demonstrate that they have appropriate liability insurance, (minimum \$300,000) for property damage and personal injury and that the boat has a current Lake Lure permit while in the slip.

Renewal leases and billing of the slips will be mailed by December 15th (year prior) with a \$250 deposit due by January 15. The remaining balance may be split into two equal payments, one being due by February 15<sup>th</sup>, and final amount due paid in full by March 15 of leasing year. If a response is not received by March 20<sup>th</sup>, the person or legal entity will be deemed to have surrendered their slip and it will be offered to the next person on the waiting list. All monies paid are considered non-refundable.

### Boat Slip Waiting Lists

A. Whenever a boat slip becomes available, the town representative will offer the slip to the person whose name is at the top of the waiting list, based on the above mentioned preferences.

That person will have three options:

1. Take the slip and immediately and pay the appropriate lease fee for the year.
2. Decline the slip and have their name moved to the end of the waiting list.
3. Request to be removed from the list.

### Miscellaneous

- A. Boat trailers may not be stored for more than 24 hours at the marina parking lot and only for the day of unloading and loading a boat.
- B. **Boats shall not be moored in the marina slips with construction materials, debris, junk or unsightly items on them.**
- C. **Boats shall not display offensive or provocative items OR advertisements of any kind. (A business name on the boat is not considered advertisement.)**
- D. The slip lessee may not make any permanent changes to any slip area or associated structure, nor may anything be nailed to or otherwise permanently attached to the dock, including, but not limited to storage bins and carpeting. The use of bumpers hanging over the sides, bow, and stern of the boat is permissible and encouraged.
- E. The Marine Commission reserves the right at any time, and from time to time, to change, amend, or delete any portion of this policy.
- F. Boat slip lease fees may be changed at any time at the discretion of the Marine Commission.
- G. Questions of interpretation shall be resolved by the Marine Commission.
- H. Town reserves the right to change slip assignment or revoke slip at any time.
- I. Town reserves the right to lower the Lake every three years or when otherwise deemed necessary. Slip fees will not be prorated during these times. If during this time the Lake is lowered dramatically, slips may be required to be vacated at the lessee's expense.

Effective date

This policy will be in effect upon approval.

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Carol Pritchett, Mayor

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Michelle Jolley, Town Clerk