

Cincinnati Ski Club Policy Manual

BOAT OWNER POLICY

Effective November 2009 (Supersedes May 2005)

Section 1: Sign-Up Policy

Boat Owners intending to participate as such on Weekend Trips will identify themselves by circling "BOAT OWNER" and filling out the information needed on each trip application. The boat owner must submit checks payable to the CSC for the amounts specified for the cost of the trip, at the time of sign-up. These checks will be held on file until after the boat owner has fulfilled his/her duties as a boat owner for the duration of the trip.

A Boat Owner "Preferred BO" sign-up status has been established. It is earned by being a Boat Owner on at least 3 water ski trips during the previous summer program. The "Preferred BO" status will fall between the Worker priority & First priority for any Water Ski trip Boat Owner lottery.

A Boat Owner CAN NOT USE BOTH a Worker priority and a Preferred BO priority on a Water Ski sign-up night. This priority status IS ONLY FOR signing up as a Boat Owner on water ski trips, i.e., it IS NOT VALID for signing up as a participant. This priority status DOES NOT APPLY for any other trip sign-ups

Boat Owners/Trip Leaders will be allowed one additional sign-up slot for a member companion of his/her choice, to be named at least (2) weeks prior to trip departure. Boat Owners/Trip Leaders intending to reserve a slot on the trip for a companion; must declare so at sign-up. Checks payable to the CSC as specified for the cost of the trip, must be submitted by the boat owner/trip leader or their companion at the time of sign-up and are subject to the standard cancellation policy for that trip. (5 weeks for condo trips and 2 weeks prior to departure for camping trips.) Companions are tied to the eligibility and status of their host boat owner/trip leader.

Section 2: Lottery

In the event more Boat Owners sign-up for a trip than is needed, Boat Owners will be selected through a lottery process. Boat owners subject to the lottery will be determined after sorting Worker, Preferred, (see above for eligibility details), First, and Non priority sign-up status. A lottery drawing will be conducted by the trip leader and the V.P. for Sports (or board member). After the lottery selection process is completed, boat owners and their companions selected by that process will be entered on the roster as boat owners and companions. Boat owners and their companions not selected by that process will be entered on the participant list (or wait list) in the order they were drawn along with other participants. It is understood that if an individual designated as a boat owner cancels from the trip, the next boat owner in line, not yet a designated boat owner (whether on the participant list or wait list), will be chosen for that position. If the trip is expanded, boat owners necessary to cover the expansion (and their companion) will be put on the trip, before other participants. If a boat owner does not get drawn as a boat owner, he/she and their companion may elect to cancel off the trip and not be subject to cancellation policy, this must be decided upon when first notified by the Trip Leader.

If a boat owner accepts a position on the trip as a participant (not a boat owner) and later decides to cancel, then he/she will be subject to the normal cancellation policy.

Section 3: Registration And Responsibilities

For the duration of a Club trip, only one person is recognized as the owner of a particular boat. Boats must have a rating of at least 150 HP, be Coast Guard approved to carry five people, and be between 17 and 22 ft. in length. Exceptions to these requirements will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Board of Trustees. All boats must be equipped as specified by Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and Tennessee state laws; fully insured; and in good working condition for the duration of the trip. To be a boat owner on a CSC trip, a CSC "Boat Owner Information Form" must be completed and given to the V.P. for Sports prior to the lottery sign-up. The registration number and a copy of the boat insurance policy must be on file with the V.P. for Sports prior to trip departure. It will be kept confidential within that office. It is recommended that all boat owners complete a legitimate boating course taught by the proper authorities.

Boat owners that are participating on a CSC water ski trip for the first time or who are unfamiliar with the lake will be assigned to an experienced boat owner (mentor) with whom they will stay in close contact for the duration of the trip.

Section 4 Travel Fuel

Boat owners must complete a gas report from for each trip and must present gas receipts no later than thirty (30) days from the trip return date, to receive reimbursement. The Club will reimburse gas usage (RECEIPTS REQUIRED) and the boat owner is not to accept reimbursement from trip participants. **Any participating boat owner for a club trip that fails to furnish receipts will be issued reimbursement in the amount not to exceed fifty (\$50.)**

Should a prop become severely damaged or destroyed during normal use (this assumes a five year prop life and that the boat owner was not negligent when the damage occurred), he/she will be reimbursed the depreciation cost. If a boat remains unused for some portion of the normal ski day (which will be determined by the Trip Leader(s) in conjunction with the V.P. for Sports), it will be cause to charge the boat owner a prorated fee for accommodations and meals. If he/she completes the trip as a boat owner, both checks will be returned after the trip is completed.

(a) Supply Hauling

Boat Owners or participants willing and able to haul supplies, should coordinate the hauling of supplies with Trip Leader(s). The V.P. for Sports will have trip budgets defining the supply hauling fee, available on sign-up night.

(b) Dock Tabs

Fuel tanks for boats are to be full for the start of the first day of skiing (Saturday for weekend trips) at the owner's expense. Boat owners and participants arriving early and skiing on (usually Friday) do so at their own expense.

For Fuel: Dock tabs open at 10:00 a.m. on the first full day (Saturday) and close at 3:00 p.m. on the last day.

For Ice: Dock tabs open at 4:00 p.m. on the first evening (Friday) and close at 3:00 p.m. on the last day.

All expenses not on dock tabs during that time must be presented to the Trip Leader(s) within thirty (30) days of return date. They must be in the form of a legal receipt; and include the name of the person to be paid, nature of expense, amount, date, and name of the person or company who provided the service. Only legitimate expenses will be reimbursed. Boat owners must sign dock tabs with signature, printed name, and CSC membership number.

Section 5: General

The following clarifies what is expected of the boat owners and use of their boats on CSC trips:

During hazardous or inclement weather, the boat owner is not expected to pick up passengers. However, at the request of the Trip Leader(s), you would be expected to pick up passengers at the dock until 12:00 midnight.

During prime water skiing hours, each boat must carry no fewer than four (4) passengers, besides the owner, (excluding special boat runs such as injury, etc.) while water skiing on a regular basis throughout the day. A concerted effort should be made so that all trip participants receive a minimum amount of water skiing or boat time. Boats carrying four or five participants, besides the boat owner, must make a minimum of three runs per day. Boats carrying six or more, excluding the owner, must make a minimum of two runs per day. In both cases, boat owners must change crews after each run (excluding companion). The so-called "social group swims" must be kept to a minimum, at least until after all participants have been out skiing at least once. Boat engines shall be turned off when any person is in the water near the boat.

Boat owners must have full insurance coverage against damage or bodily harm for their boat and passengers for the full duration of the trip.

Boat owners have the right to reject any person(s) as passenger(s) whom they deem unsafe, due to substance abuse or misconduct. Boat owners should also understand that Trip Leader(s) may reject you as a boat owner if they deem you unsafe, due to substance abuse, or misconduct on a trip. Boat owners should maintain the safety of people on the lake at all times.

In the past, compliance with our Boat Owner's Policy has been good. However, to prevent the rare abuse, Trip Leader(s) will be instructed to report any serious violations of the policy to the V.P. for Sports for appropriate action. If the complaint is deemed warranted, the boat owner will be issued a warning. Subsequent violations may cause that boat owner to be excluded from further boat owner participation, and may also cause the boat owner to be fined.

A complete Boat Owner Policy manual is made available to boat owners at the time of sign up.