

Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron Policy Statement

Subject: Use of the hardstand facilities.

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to:

- Ensure that the hardstand facilities are used in a safe manner in accordance with the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 and associated legislation.
- Ensure the hardstand is utilised in accordance with the operating licenses issued by Sydney Water, the Environmental Protection Authority, Work Cover and Maritime NSW.
- Ensure that the use of the hardstand is fair and equitable for all Members.
- The use of the hardstand is consistent with the objects of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron as stated in the constitution.

General information:

1) The Squadron is a private Members Club. Non-Members may only enter the club and use the facilities as an invited guest of, and in the presence of a Member. A guest of a Member must be signed in by the Member and upon doing so will be admitted as a Temporary Member until the end of that day.

2) The operations of the hardstand are overseen by the Waterfront Committee.

Policy Guidelines:

- The Hardstand may only be used by General Members, Visiting Members and Honorary Members. Temporary Members may only use the hardstand facilities if they have request and received specific approval from the Secretary.
- Members wishing to store vessels on the hardstand must request a position by writing to the Waterfront Committee.
- All requests for hardstand positions must be approved by the Waterfront Committee.
- Hardstand storage positions are allocated on a 12-month basis. Members will be invoiced on a monthly basis via their House Account at a rate determined from time to time by the Waterfront Committee.
- Hardstand storage positions are only available to Members who sail their yacht regularly and compete in the clubs programmed regattas or sailing events.
- At the end of each 12-month period a Member holding and existing hardstand storage position will have the first right of refusal to continue for another 12 months if, in the opinion of the Waterfront Committee they have abided by the By-laws of the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron during the previous 12 months.
- A hardstand storage position may be revoked by the General Committee on recommendation of the Waterfront Committee by giving 1 months' notice in writing to the Member. If a vessel is not removed within this notice period the Squadron will place the vessel in the water on a mooring and charge the related expenses to the Member's House Account.
- A maximum of four boats can be stored on the hardstand at any one time on authorisation by Waterfront Committee. The trailer must be single axel and stored along the back wall.
- Trailers must not be left on the hardstand without prior authorisation from the Waterfront Committee. A request to leave a trailer on the hardstand must be made in writing to the Waterfront Committee prior to the trailer being left at the Squadron. Unauthorised trailers will be towed off the premises and left on the street. The Squadron accepts no liability for trailers stolen or damaged when move in this manner.
- Visiting Members may be allowed to use the hardstand in conjunction with an RSYS authorised sailing regatta following specific approval by the Waterfront Committee. Hardstand storage fees may be charged to Visiting Members in proportion to the General Member rate.
- The jib cranes may only be used by Members. Members must have received an WHS orientation on crane use by the Dockmaster prior to use.

- Jib-cranes access is available from 15 minutes before sunrise to 15 minutes after sunset via membership cards.
- The jib cranes must be locked in the off position whenever the Dockmaster, his authorised delegate or an orientated Member is not present.
- Fresh water may only be used from hoses on the hardstand when allowed by Sydney Water usage restrictions or controls.
- High pressure recycled water guns are supplied at the Western jib crane for wash down requirements. Wash downs must be conducted on the Western side on the hardstand bunding (west side of the Western jib crane).
- No flammable, corrosive or dangerous goods are to be left on the hardstand.
- All equipment left on the hardstand is done so at the Members own risk. The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron does not accept any liability for loss or damage to property on the hardstand or resulting from the use of the hardstand or its facilities.

If you have any queries regarding this policy, please contact the CEO/Secretary