

Fulton Marina Handbook



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1-Boat must fit inside slip (example- 35 ft boat must go into 40 ft slip). You may park anything within your finger pier slip as long as it does not extend into the channel.

2- Hull number of boat must match what is on record at City Hall. If you sell your boat or replace your boat, it is your responsibility to get the current information on file. This rule is for both summer and winter storage. (Example- if you sell your boat and your summer slip is paid in full or winter slip is paid in full, we will not refund any moneys to you or the new owners. The new owners will only be guaranteed the same spot if they are paid in full as everybody else.) You must carry insurance on your vessel, and it must be current and on file at City Hall.

3- Summer dock fees must be paid in full by March 15th of the current year to reserve your slip from last year. This summer dock fee pays for April 1st through October 31st. The summer includes one 30 amp or one 50-amp service. If you use two 30 amp or two 50 amp plug in services, you must check the extra box on your summer storage sheet. This is an extra add-on charge and must also be paid in full before your boat is put back in the water. The travel lift will be put away by November 15th. We can only pull 3 boats a day, depending on water level, so please plan accordingly. There will be no exceptions to the rule.

Wi-Fi password will be changed yearly and given out upon payment of slip fees.

Launching of boats will begin April 1st of every year (exceptions if it falls on Saturday or Sunday and river levels permitting). All boats must be ready to go in the water. We will be starting from North to South. If your boat is not ready to be launched and is blocking the boat behind you, we will lift your boat and re-block at your expense. No exceptions. We will be launching all boats first round until all boats that are ready to go in are in the water. From that point on, we will launch your boat at your request by appointment until May 30th. All boats must be in water or off the marina property by June 1st. No exceptions. **We do not rent summer dry dock storage.**

4- Winter storage must be paid in full by October 15th to guarantee a winter storage space in the south lot and also must be scheduled to be pulled out of the water before at that time. The winter storage includes lifting out of the water, set on blocks in the south lot, and put back in the water. When we are lifting your boat, jack stands are supplied by Fulton Marina or you personally.

5- **Water will be shut off October 31st of the current year or if deemed necessary because of weather, it could be shut off earlier.** Patrons will be notified if it is shut off before October 31st. The waste pump out will be removed at the time the water is shut-off.

6- Freeze in boats will start paying electric bill as of November 1st through March 31st. You will be getting a monthly electric bill for this time period - so electric bill will be due by the 20th of the following month. If your address is different, please make sure you update it.

7- If you have a permanent slip and you would like to have a bigger slip or a smaller slip, you must personally come to City Hall and put your name on the wait list. They will then give you a number of where you are on the list. The boater is responsible for checking to make sure their name remains on the list season to season until they get the slip they want. When space is available, we will try to move people to accommodate the best we can. We will be taking into consideration these criteria: size of boat and whether you winter storage with us. This may not seem fair, but we are looking at what is the best financially for the marina.

8- Docks. Marina will supply the following: dock cleats, a safe walking area, a floating finger, a working water spicket, and working electrical receptacles. Six dock cleats will be at the bow, middle, and aft. The marina does not supply any end guards or rollers for the fingers for padding along the edge of the dock. It is the responsibility of the boater to supply, repair or replace any of these things that were presently there. They are not the responsibility of the marina.

9- The marina will supply port-a-johns and a dumpster - April 1st to November 15th.

10- The public ramp, you still must pay the daily ramp fee of \$3.00, or you may purchase a season pass for \$30 at City Hall. City Hall is open between 8:00A-4:00p, you can mail a check to 415 11th Avenue. They can return mail you a season pass. The only exception if you rented a seasonal slip, you can launch your boat in for the season and retrieve your boat at the end of the season at no cost.

11- There will be no permanent parking or leaving of empty trailers on marina property for the summer season. You will be ticketed. If you are a permanent slip holder parking your empty trailer, runabout, or fishing boat in the south grassy lot for the weekend, 1-4 days, is acceptable. Permanently parking, or longer than 4 days, during any season is unacceptable.

12- If high water occurs, the marina will email out that it is ok to leave your small run about craft around the marina so you can access your boat and try to make the most out of your season. This will be deemed by water over roadway. When the water goes below the roadway, we expect the small motor crafts to leave the marina water/roadway property. We would just ask that you email (marina@cityoffulton.us) or call (815-589-2616) to notify the make and model so if we have the information on hand to deal with problems. Our main point is to allow you to get the most enjoyment of your boating experience at the Fulton Marina.

13- Please respect fellow boaters when entering the harbor as it is a **no wake zone** throughout the Fulton Harbor.

14- Speed limit in Fulton Marina Harbor roadways is 10 MPH. Please respect this. It keeps the dust down and if we cannot control the speed issue, we will have to put in speed bumps to slow traffic down which is an added cost of the bumps plus the added cost in trying to clean up after the high water.

15- We are trying to move the marina to a web-based service center, so you can have access to all information at all times for your convenience, not just at City Hall by 4pm, Monday through Friday. We will be putting out more information via email, so it is of the utmost importance that your contact information is correct. If it is not, please visit our website (www.cityoffulton.us/city/fulton-marina/fulton-marina.html) and print out the proper forms to have your contact information changed. If you do not have computer or internet access, please inform us and we will mail you through the postal service any forms necessary, and to be put on a mailing list instead of an internet/email-based communication.

16- Housekeeping. Expectations are to keep the walkway clear so other boaters can pass in a safe, neat, and orderly fashion. Also be considerate to other boaters, 10:00pm is quiet time.

17- You cannot change or alter the floating structure in any way. Anything that is permanently attached must have prior approval before being attached via request to Marina Committee. Permanent meaning that it is attached by welding or bolting to the fingers or walkway.

18- All boats must be able to run under their own power at time of launch in the spring, boat owner must accompany boat during launch.

19- If you have any emergency, please call 911. They will assist you.

-Police

-Medical

-Fire

20- Make sure you take all cords, hoses, cleaning supplies, chairs, and any other boating supplies with you at the end of the year. The Fulton Marina is not responsible for any missing personal belongings.

21- All City ordinances and marina rules must be adhered to. The City has the right to refuse slip or dry dock rental to anyone. Everyone must conform to City, State, and Federal rules.

22- Temporary Slips – If you are renting a slip on a month-to-month basis only; you will be charged an additional 30% of the normal prorated fee for that particular slip size.