

DUBAI OFFSHORE SAILING CLUB

BYE - LAWS

The Bye-laws detail the day to day rules and regulations of the Club. The Committee may initiate any of the following disciplinary procedures against a member failing to abide by them: Written warning, 3 month membership suspension, expulsion from Club membership as detailed in article 3.5 of the Constitution. In accordance with the provisions of Article 9.2 of the Constitution, the Committee may make and amend such bye-laws as they see fit. Any exception to the Bye-laws will be considered by the Committee on a case by case basis.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

BYE-LAW No. 1

All persons entering Umm Suqaim Harbour or the DOSC Club grounds, marina or clubhouse ("the premises") are hereby notified that such persons enter The Premises entirely at their own risk and that no liability whatsoever is accepted by the Commodore, the Committee, the members, the employees or agents of DOSC for either: a) the death or personal injury to any person entering the premises or b) the loss of or damage to any property brought into the premises.

BYE-LAW No. 2

The aim of the Club is to promote sailing and therefore the beach and water immediately off it will be used primarily to launch and recover dinghies. Members and their guests may use this area for other activities but give way to sailing boats and Club ribs.

BYE-LAW No. 3

Any member of another bona-fide sailing club residing no less than 80kms from Dubai, may be admitted to the Club premises for one day on presentation of his club membership card together with and payment of the visitor's fee which may be in force at DOSC at that time.

BYE-LAW No. 4

Children have access to DOSC as dependents or guests of Club Family Members. The control and welfare of children on DOSC premises remains at all times the duty of their parents. Children under the age of 14 may be present in the Club only while accompanied by a parent or responsible adult.

BYE-LAW No. 5

Members of the Club, their families and guests, are not permitted to bring dogs onto the Club premises except with special permission from the Commodore. Cruiser members may, by way of exception, bring their dogs by car only, directly between the gate and their yacht.

BYE-LAW No. 6

Parking

- Parking at the marina side of the Club is authorized for keel boat owners only. No crew or friends may use the barrier swipe card to park in the marina car park
 - Guests attending members' private parties may park on the Club premises at the discretion of the Club Manager.

HOUSE REGULATIONS

BYE-LAW No. 7

Private parties at Dubai Offshore Sailing Club may be held provided that: a) The host plus a minimum of 5% are members of DOSC b) A list of guests together with the prevailing guest fee is given to the gateman before the event. c) Members private events may not be held on Tuesday or Friday. Drinks will be sold at bar prices and no other items may be brought in from outside the Club.

BYE-LAW No. 8

Dress – Members should respect the local culture and customs of the U.A.E. and dress accordingly. Swimwear is not appropriate within the Clubhouse.

BYE-LAW No. 9

Smoking in any enclosed area is prohibited. Smoking is allowed in all outdoor areas where provision is made for ashtrays and disposal of cigarette butts.

BYE-LAW No. 10

The Club's hours of operation are from 0830 to 0200 seven days a week.

BYE-LAW No. 11

All members must settle their monthly food and beverage bills by the 15th of the following month. Failure to do so will result in their name being presented on the main notice board as a defaulter for a further 15 days. Thereafter they will be excluded from the Club until all outstanding bills are settled.

BYE-LAW No. 12

Members may not offer gratuities directly to Club employees, but may instead contribute to the staff tip box.

MEMBERSHIP REGULATIONS

BYE-LAW No. 13

With reference to Articles 10.5, 10.6 and 10.7 of the Club Constitution members are required to pay a Guest Fee for non-members they invite to the Club. The current fees are Dhs.25/- per adult on Friday (children under 14 yrs free). Guests taking part in an official race on Fridays will also be charged Dhs.25/-. From Saturdays through to Thursday the fee will be Dhs.10/- per adult

(children under 14 yrs free). A guest ticket entitles the guest to make use of the Club facilities for that particular visit. No guest will be permitted to enter the Club premises until the guest fee has been paid. Members must be at the Club for the duration of their guests' visit and when the member leaves their guests must also leave.

BYE-LAW No. 14

Student Group Membership - This category of membership allows a maximum of ten students per Group, accompanied by their designated supervisors or instructors, to use the Club at a time or times specified by the Sailing Manager and at those times only. Each Group will provide its own supervision. The Club will make available a rescue boat service; boats will be driven by DOSC authorized safety boat drivers. Participants in the Student Group Membership scheme may not introduce guests to the Club.

BYE-LAW No. 15

Provisional Members are non voting members and therefore not allowed to propose or second prospective new members.

BYE-LAW No. 16

In any one year, the Committee may at its discretion increase the membership levels by up to, but not more than 5% of the Oct 2010 maximum of 637 Provisional Single, Provisional Family, Family and Single memberships.

Additionally, and solely at the discretion of the Committee, it may grant applicants membership on the grounds of having specialist skills required by the Club, as needed from time to time, or to high profile residents and dignitaries. The maximum number of discretionary memberships granted will be 50.

BYE-LAW No. 17

For Provisional Family membership, the requirement is for 30 credits assessed across the family as opposed to 15 credits required for the individual for Provisional Single membership. So for example where children are the key sailors, they can earn credits through training and racing. Equally their parents can earn credits by undertaking Club activities the child might not reasonably be expected to participate in – e.g. organizing races, rescue boats, etc.

Provisional members are required to complete the activity slip (available from the administration office) which must be signed by the Skipper, the Instructor or a Committee Member or the Club Manager. Where the signee is a provisional member, the slip must be countersigned by a Committee Member or the Club Manager. Completed activity slips are to be returned to the administration office who will attach them to the member's application file.

MARINA AND BOAT PARK MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS

BYE-LAW No. 18

All non-members and former members of the Club must obtain written permission from the Rear Commodore if they wish to store boats or equipment at DOSC. Failure to do so will result in their property being disposed of after 30 days. The Club will adhere to the procedures required for such disposal by the laws of the UAE / Dubai Municipality. Storage of any such property is subject to the fees that apply at the time.

BYE-LAW No. 19

The Committee may dispose of any boat or other equipment for the benefit of the Club which they reasonably believe to have been abandoned at the Club. For the purpose of this Bye-Law, the Committee shall have been deemed to have acted in the reasonable belief that a boat or other equipment has been abandoned if the Committee shall have posted a notice on the Club notice board describing the boat or other equipment and giving notice that it intends to dispose of the

boat or other equipment unless ownership is established to the satisfaction of the Committee within a period of three months from the date of the notice.

BYE-LAW No. 20

Provided a visitors berth is available and the owners abide by the rules of the Club in force at the time, visiting yachts arriving by sea under sail, will be welcomed as guests of the Club for a period not exceeding one week after which marina fees will be charged by the Club at the prevailing visitors rate. Priority for visitor berthing will be given to Club members.

BYE-LAW No. 21

It is a requirement of DOSC that all persons owning boats which are berthed at, or used from the Club Premises are to have adequate, current Third Party Insurance and that the policy must state that all right of subrogation against the Club is waived. If boats are taking part in any form of racing the skipper or owner must ensure adequate race coverage is provided by their insurance policy. A valid and current registration card/sticker is also required.

BYE-LAW No. 22

Harbour Speed - the maximum speed of all members' boats, power or sail, operating in the harbour is 5 knots.

BYE-LAW No. 23

Marina & Boat Park Fees.

a) In accordance with the decision taken at the full Committee Meeting of the 20th September 1999, a 10% increase on marina berthing fees was approved and set at Dhs 110 per foot of overall boat-length per boat per annum. Current storage fees for dinghies are displayed in the Sailing Office. Fees are payable fully in advance by 1st October each year (or pro-rata for whole months remaining of the year for new boat arrivals after 1st October).

- b) For multi-hull boats occupying two adjacent berthing spaces inside the marina, the basic fee is double. For multi-hull boats occupying outer berthing space the annual fee will be negotiable between the owner and the Committee but still predicated on the basic fee.
- c) The conditions pertaining to amendment and re-imbusement of marina fees are identical to those for membership fees as set out in articles 10.1 and 10.8 of the Constitution.
- d) If for any reason fees, a valid insurance and registration certificates for a particular boat are not provided by 1st October the owner will be advised by the Committee in writing of a notice period of 30 days in which to comply or remove the boat from the Club premises. If the owner fails to do so by the expiration of the 30 day period the Club reserves the right of recourse to one or all of the following courses of action:
- i) Re-allocation of the berth/parking space occupied by their boat to another Club member.
 - ii) Withdrawal of their eligibility to participate in racing organized by the Club.
 - iii) Suspension of their Club membership.
 - iv) Disposal of their boat and/or cancellation of their membership.
- e) Electrical power meter readings are taken on a monthly basis and billed on a three monthly basis to members who use electrical power on their berth.

BYE-LAW No. 24

Anybody wishing to live aboard a vessel in the DOSC marina should make a request in writing to the Committee. This request should include the vessel title, vessel registration and vessel insurance papers. Passport copies and valid U.A.E. residence visa copies should also be attached. Any such permission, if granted, will be reviewed annually by the Committee on 1st Oct and is a privilege. The violation of any of the Club's regulations or the rules below may result in the live aboard privilege being withdrawn.

The following rules will apply:

- Waste disposal within the harbour is strictly forbidden
- All garbage is to be disposed of in the bins provided.
- Boats to be kept in a tidy manner.
- No storage area to be taken up on the pontoon.
- No washing to be hung on or outside the boat.
- No dogs allowed.

Should this application be granted a surcharge of AED 250 per month will be levied in addition to the regular marina fee.

BYE-LAW NO. 25

Only Club members resident in the U.A.E. may be entitled to a marina berth. Sailing boats will always take priority when it comes to berthing space.

Application –

An entitled member wishing to keep a boat in the Marina shall submit a completed berth application form, together with all of the required documentation (ownership proof, registration – if available and insurance). The boat must be in the UAE, or reasonably expected to arrive in Dubai, within 12 weeks from the date the Club notifies the applicant in writing that a berth is available.

Ownership –

The owner of the vessel for the purposes of these bye-laws shall be the owner shown on the vessel's registration certificate.

Allocation -

Berths shall be allocated in order of date of receipt of approval of the valid application form, provided that a suitable berth is available.

Waiting List –

If no suitable berth is available at the time of application, the applicant will join the waiting list. As berths become available they will be allocated in order of the waiting list.

Additional Berths –

From the inception date of this Bye Law a member shall not be allocated more than one berth.

Vacant Berths –

If an allocated berth remains vacant for a period of greater than 14 days, the Committee reserves the right to re-allocate the berth until such time as the original vessel returns. An allocated berth which is not utilized for a period of 3 months will be permanently re-allocated.

Selling/Buying a vessel –

If a member sells his/her vessel whilst it occupies an allocated berth, the member may choose to relinquish the berth to the new owner, provided they are entitled to a berth. If the member intends to retain the berth, then the following conditions apply:

- i) A new boat of similar dimensions must be put into his/her berth with all the appropriate documentation.

- ii) If the new vessel is larger than the existing one the member shall submit a completed berth application form in accordance with the bye-law conditions above. The Club cannot guarantee a berth in the marina if there is none available for the size stated in the application.

- iii) If a new boat is due to arrive, then the berth owner has a period of 3 months to occupy the berth with the new boat and provide the correct documentation. In the event that the seller of the boat allows the buyer to temporarily occupy the berth, the buyer must sign an agreement to vacate the berth when the seller's new boat arrives.

BYE-LAW NO. 26

Any boat deemed not to have sailed in the calendar year will lose her berth/boat park storage space. The onus is on the owner to prove sailing activity when requested to do so by the Sailing Sub-Committee.