

Marina News

The City Marina

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Water Cents

Water use at the City Marina Skyrockets

The Charleston City Marina is a participant in the South Carolina Clean Marina program and tries daily to be a steward of the environment. South Carolina along with 24 other states and territories are a part of an international effort to protect and improve water quality at marinas by using best management practices administered by South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management and the South Carolina Marine Association.

The Charleston City Marina has earned the designation of a Clean Marina and we need your help to maintain that status.

Facts: On average 6.6 gallons of water is dispensed through a standard water hose from a standard spigot per minute. Over a 30 day period this equals 285,120 gallons. At a rate of \$.0015 per gallon the cost of using fresh water for a raw water system can escalate upwards to \$400 per month. The Charleston City Marina has seen water consumption increased 268% from October '07-June '08(4 million gallons consumed) compared to October '08-June '09(10.8million gallons consumed).

MARINA WATER USE POLICY

The Charleston City Marina's water policy allows fresh water use for wash downs, heads, showers, and galley uses. It is against marina policy to use fresh water with raw water systems, to include AC/ Heat units. **If you are using fresh water with your raw water system, please stop immediately!!** Those found using fresh water for raw water systems will be asked to revert back to raw water and the said vessel will be monitored there after daily by Marina Staff. If vessel in question continues to use fresh water in raw water systems it will be necessary calculate water usage and charge accordingly. Such charges may be determined on the basis of individual meters or by such other methods as TCM shall determine.

Thank you for your help to cut back on our water use!

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Don't forget that when you renew your annual slip at the City Marina, you also receive a FREE haulout at the City Boatyard.

We currently have 60', 50', 40', and 35' slips available. When you refer a new annual tenant to the City Marina, you will receive 1/2 off of one month's dockage when they sign the agreement. Call McKenzie for more details. 843-278-4920 or mestes@megadock.us

Rules to Remember

- Pump Outs:
Require 24 hours notice with the dock office. 843-723-5098. Remember that it is illegal to discharge untreated and treated sewage in the marina basin.
- Dock Boxes:
Flammable and/or hazardous substances and materials such as acetone, gas, diesel, etc are not allowed to be stored in dock boxes. Batteries are not allowed to be charged in dock boxes.
- Dock Carts:
Not to be used for hauling oil and oily rags or fuel.
- Bilge Pumping:
If your bilge has fuel in it, do not pump overboard.

DHEC is the monitoring agency that enforces environmental law at the marina. During inspections they are looking for violations such as the items listed above. Individual boat owners are responsible for any violation of these rules.

Slip Holder Appreciation Day and Dinner 10-31-09

The Charleston City Boatyard's Mobile Service will host the first annual Mobile Service In-Dock Fishing Tournament and Awards Party for slip holders of the City Marina and Bristol Marina. The Event will take place Oct. 31st with dinner and bar at 6:30 pm followed by the awards at 7:30 pm in the City Marina parking lot. For those participating in the fishing event, check in will take place at 9:30 am in the respective dock offices. Lines go in at 10:00 am and out at 4:00 pm. Weight-in stations will be at both marinas. Prizes will be awarded for the heaviest (legal) Trout, Whiting, Dog Fish, Flounder, and largest legal Blue Crab. There will also be prizes for the best costume at the dinner party. This is a family event so let's get everyone involved.

Contact Dave Coker at 843-278-4928 or dcoker@thecityboatyard.com for more details and registration.

Website Updates

The City Marina Website will now host a page just to keep you updated on Marina happenings. Look for the new link titled, MARINA NEWS to appear this week.

The page will include information such as dock office hours, changes to rules and regulations, and current events.

Upcoming Events

SAILFISH SLAM

October 1 -31, 2009

The Sailfish Slam is a citywide catch and release billfish competition headquartered at The City Marina in Downtown Charleston, SC. Anglers will convene at this facility on Wednesday, September 30 for the Captains' Meeting followed by a month long competition.

The Sailfish Slam concludes on Saturday, October 31 with a Halloween Awards Party and Dinner at The City Marina complex and Salty Mike's. Awards will be given for outstanding fishing as well as the best costumes!