

## PERMANENT BERTHS

- A. To qualify for a permanent berth, the applicant member of a Household must:
  - 1. Own, or control the entity owning the registered boats or documented vessels that are using the berth.
  - 2. Be an inhabitant in the Town of Gosnold, meaning a person that is a real estate taxpayer or a renter on a continual basis, and actually lives and bases a main livelihood in the Town for a significant portion of the year (six (6) month guideline).
  - 3. Moor or store their boat or vessel in the town nightly (with only occasional absences) for a significant portion of the year (six (6) month guideline).
  - 4. Request a permanent berth each year by written application to the Wharfinger by March 1st.
- B. Assignments shall be made in the following manner:
  - 1. Notations as to request with date shall be made in the wharf book upon receipt of the application.
  - 2. Permanent berth assignments shall be made by the Wharfinger in accordance with these regulations and as they may be revised from time to time and on file in the Town Offices.
- C. Those who are assigned a permanent berth shall have an expectancy of renewal of the assignment each year insofar as they continue to qualify for a permanent berth, and notify the Wharfinger each year by March 1.
- D. Berth assignments shall be moved from year to year at the discretion of the Wharfinger to accommodate changing boat requirements.
- E. Assignment of a permanent berth by the Town of Gosnold does not entail a lease of that berth, but rather is an agreement by which a Householder may berth only their own boat (whether owned directly or by a controlled entity) in a berth for one year, for a flat rate. Berths may not be used by friends of Householders.
- F. The Wharfinger may use temporarily vacant permanent berths for transient boats. The burden of notification as to when a berth will be needed is upon the Householder to whom the berth is assigned.
- G. Only one permanent berth or seasonal berth will be assigned per Household. Only one boat at a time is allowed to occupy a berth.
- H. No boat in a permanent berth shall be used as living accommodations, except by permission of the Selectmen, and even then for no more than a brief period.
- I. Holders of permanent berths shall keep all docks clear of fishing or other equipment not in immediate use. The Wharfinger may remove gear or personal property from the docks or Town parking area at the owner's expense after due notice to the owner.

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