

EMSWORTH YACHT HARBOUR LTD

BERTHING AND STORAGE ASHORE LICENCE FOR VESSELS

ISSUED TO: _____

FOR THE VESSEL: _____



FOR: BERTHING/STORAGE

I/ WE HEREBY AGREE TO THE LICENCE CONDITIONS SET OUT BELOW:

SIGNED: _____

DATED: _____

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS:

- 1.1 Where the following words appear in these Conditions, the Licence and the Company's Regulations they shall have these meaning:-
- 1.2 Company shall mean Emsworth Yacht Harbour Ltd to whom the application for berthing or storage is made
- 1.3 Harbour shall include a Yacht Harbour, Marina, Mooring or any other facility for launching, navigating, mooring or berthing a vessel
- 1.4 Premises means all the land, adjacent water and buildings occupied by or under the control of the Company, including docks, slipways, pontoons, jetties, quays, workshops, hard standing, roadways and car parks.
- 1.5 Owner shall include any charterer, master, agent or other person for the time being in charge of the Vessel, excluding the Company
- 1.6 Vessel shall include any form of craft, boat, ship, yacht, dinghy, multihull, or marine structure including cradle or trailer, which is in the care and control of the Owner.
- 1.7 Length Overall (LOA) means the overall length of the space occupied by the Vessel including any fore and aft projections, temporary or permanent.
- 1.8 Berth means the space on water or land from time to time allocated to the Owner by the Company for the Vessel during the term of this licence.

2. THE LICENCE

- 2.1 Berths at the Harbour or Premises shall be licensed for the periods and at the rates of charge from time to time published by the Company at its Premises and in force at the commencement of this licence. Details of the charges applicable to the Berth at the beginning of the licensed period will be given to each licensee at the time that the licence is granted or renewed.
- 2.2 The licence shall not be automatically renewed but may be renewed with the agreement of the Company and on the payment of the amount due for the renewal period. Otherwise the license will end at the conclusion of the period agreed if not terminated sooner in accordance with this agreement.
- 2.3 Failure to renew the licence prior to the commencement of the new licence period will result in berthing or storage being charged at visitor rates. The Owner will forfeit any right to a permanent berth or hard-standing place. Renewal will be at the discretion of the Company, subject to any waiting list.

3. LIABILITY, INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

- 3.1 The Company shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused by any event or circumstance beyond its reasonable control (such as extreme weather conditions, the actions of third parties not employed by it or any defect in any part of a customer's or third party's Vessel): this extends to loss or damage to Vessels, gear, equipment or other goods left with it for repair or storage, and harm to persons entering the Premises or the Harbour and/or using any facilities or equipment.
- 3.2 The Company shall take all reasonable steps to maintain the facilities and the security systems in reasonably good working order at the Premises and in the Harbour. Subject to this, and in the absence of negligence or breach of duty on behalf of the Company, Vessels, gear, equipment or other goods are left with the Company at the Owner's own risk and Owners should ensure that they have appropriate insurance against all relevant risks.
- 3.3 The Company shall not be under any duty to salvage or preserve an Owner's Vessel or other property from the consequences of any defect to the Vessel or property concerned unless it shall have been expressly engaged to do so by the Owner on commercial terms. Similarly the Company shall not be under any duty to salvage or preserve an Owner's Vessel or other property from the consequences of an accident for which the Company is not responsible. However the Company reserves the right to do so in any appropriate circumstances, particularly where a risk is posed to the safety of people, property or the environment. Where it does so it shall be entitled to charge the Owner concerned on a normal commercial charging basis (and where appropriate, to claim a salvage reward).

3.4 Owners may themselves be liable for any loss or damage caused by them, their crew or their Vessels and they shall be obliged to maintain adequate insurance including third party liability cover for not less than £3,000,000 and where appropriate Employer's Liability cover to at least the statutory minimum. The Owner shall be obliged to produce evidence to the Company of such insurance within 7 days of being requested to do so by the Company.

4. CHANGE OF DETAILS

4.1 The Owner must notify the Company in writing of the details of any change of names of the Vessel or change of address or telephone number of the Owner.

5. BERTH ALLOCATION & USE OF BERTH WHEN VACANT

5.1 The physical layout of every Harbour and Premises and the varying needs and obligations of the Company and its customers requires that the Company retain absolute control of Berth and hard standing allocation within the Harbour and Premises. Accordingly the Owner shall not be entitled to the exclusive use of any particular Berth but shall use such Berth as is from time to time allocated to him by the Company.

5.2 The Company may have the use of the Berth when it is left vacant by the Owner.

6. PERSONAL NATURE OF THE LICENCE

6.1 This licence is personal to the Owner and relates to the Vessel described herein. It may not be transferred or assigned to a new Owner or a different Vessel, either temporarily or permanently without the express written consent of the Company.

6.2 Within 7 days of any agreement for the sale, transfer or mortgage of a Vessel subject to this licence the Owner shall notify the Company in writing of the name, address and telephone numbers of the Purchaser, Transferee or Mortgagee, as the case may be.

7. TERMINATION

7.1 The Company shall have the right (without prejudice to any other rights in respect of breaches of the terms of this Licence by the Owner) to terminate this licence with two full calendar months written notice, and in the following manner in the event of any breach by the Owner of this Licence;

- 7.2 Having regard to the nature and seriousness of the breach and the risk it poses for the financial or other security of the Company and/or of the Company's customers and if the breach is capable of remedy, the Company may serve notice on the Owner specifying the breach and requiring him to remedy the breach within a reasonable time specified by the Company. Where the breach is serious or poses an immediate risk or threat to the health, safety or welfare of any other person or property the time specified for remedy may be immediate or extremely short. If the Owner fails to affect the remedy within that time, or if the breach is not capable of remedy, the Company may serve notice on the Owner requiring him to remove the Vessel from the Harbour or Premises immediately.
- 7.3 If the Owner fails to remove the Vessel on termination of this licence whether under this Condition or otherwise, the Company shall be entitled:
- 7.3.1 To charge the Owner at the Company's 24 hour rate for overnight visitors for each day between termination of this licence and the actual date of removal of the Vessel from the Harbour and Premises and/or
- 7.3.2 At the Owner's risk (save in respect of loss or damage caused by the Company's negligence or other breach of duty during such removal) to remove the Vessel from the Harbour and Premises and thereupon secure it elsewhere and charge the Owner with all costs reasonably arising out of such removal including alternative berthing fees.
- 7.4 Any notice of termination under this Licence shall, in the case of the Owner be served personally on the Owner or sent by registered post or recorded delivery service to the Owner's last known address and in the case of the Company shall be served at its principal place of business.

8. RIGHT OF SALE AND OF DETENTION

- 8.1 Where the Company accepts a Vessel, gear, equipment or other goods for repair, maintenance or storage the Company does so subject to the provision of the Torts (Interference with Goods) Act 1977. This Act confers a Right of Sale on the Company in circumstances where a customer fails to collect or accept re-delivery of the goods (which includes a Vessel and/or any other property). Such sale will not take place until the Company has given notice to the customer in accordance with the Act. For the purpose of the Act it is recorded that:
- 8.2 Goods for repair or other treatment are accepted by the Company on the basis that the customer is the owner of the goods or the owner's authorised agent and that he will take delivery or arrange collection, within a reasonable period or within a specified notice period as stipulated by the Company, when the repair or treatment have been carried out.
- 8.3 The Company's obligation as custodian of goods accepted for storage ends on its notice to the customer of termination of that obligation.

- 8.4 The place for delivery and collection of goods shall be at the Company's Premises unless agreed otherwise.
- 8.5 Maritime Law entitles the Company in certain other circumstances to bring action against a Vessel to recover debts or damages. Such action may involve the arrest of the Vessel through the Courts and its eventual sale by the Court. Sale of a Vessel may also occur through the ordinary enforcement of a judgement debt against the Owner of a Vessel or other property.
- 8.6 The Company reserves a general right ("a general lien") to detain and hold onto the Owner's Vessel or other property pending payment by the Owner of any sums due to the Company. If the Licence is terminated or expires while the Company is exercising this right of detention it shall be entitled to charge the Owner at the Company's 24 hour rate for overnight visitors for each day between termination or expiry of this Licence and the actual date of payment (or provision of security) by the Owner and removal of the Vessel from the Harbour and Premises. The Owner shall at any time be entitled to remove the Vessel or other property upon providing proper security, for example a letter of guarantee from a Bank or a cash deposit, sufficient to cover the debt with interest and, where the debt is contested, a reasonable provision for the Company's prospective legal costs.
- 8.7 Advice regarding the Act may be obtained from the Citizens Advice Bureau, Law Centre or any firm of solicitors.

9. TERMINATION BY OWNER

- 9.1 This Licence may be terminated on two full calendar months written notice by the Owner to the Company. Following such notice the Company shall prepare an account of:
- 9.1.1 All sums owed by the Owner in respect of services or facilities used up to the intended date of departure of the Vessel, and
- 9.1.2 The charge that would have been payable by the Owner to the Company in respect of this Licence if the original term had ended on the date of expiry of the Notice of Termination, less
- 9.1.3 The sum actually paid by the Owner to the Company in respect of this Licence.
- 9.1.4 Where the balance is in favour of the Company the Owner shall be required to pay the balance before removal of the Vessel from the Harbour or Premises and where the balance is in favour of the Owner the Company shall pay it to the Owner upon departure of the Vessel from the Harbour or Premises.

GENERAL RULES

10. VESSEL MOVEMENTS

- 10.1 The Company reserves the right to charge at published rates to move any Vessel, gear, equipment or other goods at any time for reasons of safety, security or good management of the Harbour and Premises.
- 10.2 Vessels shall be berthed by the Owner in such a manner and position as the Company may require and unless otherwise agreed adequate warps and fenders for the Vessel shall be provided by the Owner. The Vessel, its warps and any attachments are to be fit for purpose and maintained in clean and operational order.
- 10.3 No Vessel, when entering or leaving or manoeuvring in the Harbour, shall be navigated at such a speed or in such a manner as to endanger or inconvenience other vessels in the Harbour.
- 10.4 **Advisory Note:** Owners, their guests and crew are advised that Vessels are at all times subject to the speed restrictions and byelaws of Harbour and Navigation Authorities and the requirements and powers of regulatory authorities, including but not limited to the Maritime and Coastguard Agency and the Health and Safety Executive; there are criminal penalties for the breach of such restrictions, requirements and Byelaws.

11. COMMERCIAL USAGE

- 11.1 No part of the Company's Harbour or Premises or any Vessel or vehicle while situated therein or thereon shall be used by the Owner for any commercial purpose, except where the Owner has sought and obtained prior written agreement from the Company.

12. STORAGE

- 12.1 Dinghies, tenders and rafts shall be stowed aboard the Vessel unless the Company allocates a separate berth for them.
- 12.2 Any Vessel stored in the Harbour and Premises must have its mast un-stepped and the Owners must ensure that the Vessel, its mast and any weather protection is properly secured.
- 12.3 The Vessel along with the ground occupied while in storage is to be kept clean and safe and the site may not be used for any other purposes.

- 12.4 Owners of Vessels in long term storage, either due to owner absence or as long term projects, must provide annual progress reports and schedules of work for Company approval. Except in exceptional circumstances it is unlikely that the Company will approve storage ashore for more than three consecutive years.

13. PARKING

- 13.1 Subject always to the availability of parking space, Owners and their crew may only park vehicles, displaying a valid Parking Permit, on the Premises in accordance with the directions of the Company and ensuring that they are clear of all main access routes for emergency services, other traffic, site servicing and the Company machinery and plant. Owners may leave their vehicle parked for extended periods only if their Vessel is away, and should lodge a set of keys with the Harbour Office. The Company reserves the right to move any vehicle at any time for the good management of the Harbour and Premises.

14. MARINA AND HARBOUR REGULATIONS

- 14.1 The Owner shall at all times observe the Company's regulations and in particular:
- 14.2 The Owner shall provide and maintain at least one fire extinguisher, which is approved and manufactured to EN3 standards for portable fire extinguishers and ensure it is fit for purpose for the vessel and ready for immediate use in case of fire.
- 14.3 The Owner shall refuel only at the designated fuelling berth and is to vacate the berth when the fuelling operation is completed. Where fuel is required to be transferred in portable containers, the Company reserves the right to refuse the use of any container deemed unfit for the purpose.
- 14.4 The Owner is not permitted to use their Vessel as a permanent residence, or to give the Harbour as a permanent address.
- 14.5 The pontoons and finger(s) forming the Berth are not to be altered or modified and any spillage, fouling or contamination attributable to Owner activities is to be cleaned off.
- 14.6 Contractors working on the Vessel are to report to the Harbour Office prior to commencement of any work to be briefed on Health and Safety and must provide details of their public liability insurance if requested to do so by the Company.

- 14.7 The Company reserves the right to introduce new regulations on the grounds of legal requirement or for the safety or security or good management of the Harbour or Premises and to amend such regulations from time to time as shall become necessary. Such regulations and any such amendments to them shall become effective on being displayed on the Company's public notice board or other prominent place at the Company's premises and the Company shall have the same rights against the Owner for a breach of the Regulations as for a breach of the terms of their Licence.
- 14.8 **Advisory Note:** Owners, their guests and crew are advised that their conduct and that of their vessels is likely to be regulated and governed at various times by statutory, local authority and Harbour regulations which may be more extensive than those of the Company and the breach of which may result in criminal penalties.

15. HEALTH, SAFETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

- 15.1 Attention is drawn to the Company's Health and Safety Policy and its Environmental Policy, as amended from time to time. These shall be available for inspection by the Owner at the Harbour Offices. Any amendments shall be displayed on the Company's public notice board or other prominent place at the Company's Premises. The Owner, his regular crew, members of his family and/or any person or company carrying out work on the Vessel, with the permission of the Company, must comply with the Company's Health and Safety Policy and its Environmental Policy.
- 15.2 The Owner, his crew, members of his family and any person carrying out work on the Vessel is responsible for reporting to the Company all accidents involving injury to the person or damage to any public or private property that occur in the Harbour or on the Premises as soon as possible after they occur.
- 15.3 No noisy, noxious or objectionable engines, radio or other apparatus or machinery shall be operated within the Harbour or Premises so as to cause any nuisance or annoyance to any other users of the Harbour or Premises or to any person residing in the vicinity and the Owner undertakes for himself, his guests and all using the Vessel that they shall not behave in such a way as to offend as aforesaid. Halyards and other rigging shall be secured so as not to cause such nuisance or annoyance.
- 15.4 No refuse shall be thrown overboard or left on the pontoons or car parks or on any other part of the Premises, or disposed of in any way other than in the correct marked receptacles provided by the Company or by removal from the Company's Harbour and Premises. The Company's further directions regarding waste management shall be posted on the Company's Public Notice Board or other prominent place.