

Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

Inter-club Reciprocal Privileges

Your guide to the current rules and practices for RVYC members planning to visit other yacht clubs and for members of other yacht clubs planning to visit RVYC.

Introduction

Reciprocal Privileges between Yacht Clubs are instigated between Yacht Clubs of similar standing through a desire to share facilities and fellowship; there is a wide range of reciprocal practices, over a spectrum between "extremely exclusive" to "all-inclusive".

Most Yacht Clubs are receptive to Royal Vancouver Yacht Club visiting Members; however the degrees of reception vary and depend on a number of factors, including:

- timing of the visit in the host Yacht Club's annual agenda
- proper identification of Royal Vancouver Yacht Club Membership
- demeanor and dress of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club visitors, particularly if the visited Club is near the exclusive end of the spectrum.

All Yacht Clubs have their own protocol and traditions; we are obliged to respect these, even when they vary from our fairly inclusive reception afforded to visitors at RVYC.

Royal Vancouver Yacht Club's general practice is to welcome Members of any recognized Yacht Club in the World into our Clubhouse. Information regarding how to check-in at the home port stations is contained inside this brochure.

Royal Vancouver Yacht Club members intending to visit other yacht Clubs are asked to follow the steps detailed inside this brochure in order to be granted privileges at foreign Yacht Clubs.

Members of Other Yacht Clubs Visiting Royal Vancouver Yacht Club

(Definition of "recognized yacht club")

Members of recognized Yacht Clubs outside our local waters (Vancouver Harbour, Howe Sound, Fraser River) shall be admissible as privileged guests during a period not exceeding one (1) month, or 12 separate days per year, and any such guest being an owner of a yacht shall be entitled to take part with their yacht in any race of the Club, excepting those for the Club cups, provided that the Club to which such guest belongs extends the same privilege to the yacht owning members of this Club.

Members of recognized Yacht Clubs are asked to provide proof of Home Club membership (current membership card and/or letter of introduction from Home Club) at the time of check-in at the home port office they are visiting (Jericho or Coal Harbour). Guests will be provided by the office a form to give to their server confirming their admittance to RVYC and are asked to sign the Club Registry. They will not be served before checking in. Guests are asked to pay by cash or credit card. The RYVC does not accept debit cards and does not have an ATM.

Reception at the Jericho Clubhouse may include visits to the Star and Dragon (open to all ages), bar and lounge facilities (19+ years), and, if convenient, introduction to any Flag Officer on the premises at that time. This privilege excludes any provision for accompanying guests, except that the visitor may include their immediate family and travelling companions.

Moorage for Visitors

Two complimentary nights per year Subsequent nights \$1 per foot per night Utilities \$5 per night subject to space availability

All visitor moorage is subject to RVYC moorage space availability and the capability of the visitor's club to reciprocate.

Members of Royal Vancouver Yacht Club Visiting Other Yacht Clubs

Members of RVYC are required to carry a valid RVYC Membership Card (with updated date sticker) and request that RVYC send a Letter of Introduction to the Club(s) they plan to visit in advance of their visit. This letter is sent via email to the foreign club with the Member cc'd on the email. Members wishing to confirm the degree of expected reception are advised to contact the foreign Yacht Club themselves and/or confirm details through the foreign Yacht Club's website.

A request for the Letter of Introduction can be done prior to the Member's trip but may also be requested via email to reception@royalvan.com while away and discovering new foreign yacht clubs to visit.