

PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES FOR PALMETTO ROWING CLUB BOATHOUSE

1. Upon entering the boathouse, members must sign in with their name, time, boat identity, oars being used, and planned turn around point. Members must also sign out when leaving for the day.
2. Members should always row with at least one other rower and return to the dock about the same time.
3. Rowers should never leave the boathouse for the day with a single rower still on the water. If a rower can't be located after a thorough search 911 should be called.
4. It is recommended rowers carry a whistle or horn to alert others in an emergency.
5. On the main channel, rowers should row outbound on RT 278 side of the channel and return on the Marshland Road side of the channel (i.e., always row with bank to your right side). Rowers returning to the boathouse should row nearest the white posts, while outgoing rowers should row furthest from the posts.
6. Rowers should not leave personal belongs on the dock when they row as they become a safety issue.
7. Rowing after civil sunset or before civil sunrise is not allowed.
8. While it is recommended that all rowers wear a Personal Floation Device year-round, they are required for all rowers for the months of December, January and February.
9. Rowing at water temps below 50 degrees F or air temp below 40 degrees F is prohibited.
10. Junior scullers (defined as 19 and under) must row with an adult member 21 years or older.
11. Members must record any boat damage in the Log-In Book. The assessment for each situation will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
12. All members, regardless of boat type used, must attend a "Back in the Boat" demonstration each year. All members are encouraged to learn this skill.
13. Guest Rowers, defined as members of other rowing clubs, must sign a waiver and be accompanied on the water by a member. Their first row is on our club. The number of weeks a guest rows with us determines the monetary donation we will request. Contact a board member for details.
14. Members should not use private oars or boats without permission.
15. All skeg equipped boats must be placed directly in the water, never rested on the dock.
16. Boats and Oars must be washed and wiped before being placed back in the boathouse.
17. The last rowers to leave the boathouse for the day must ensure boats, oars, oar masters, and slings are returned to appropriate storage areas, lights and water are turned off, and front doors are closed.