



ROYAL MELBOURNE YACHT SQUADRON

Sailing at St Kilda since 1876

Yard Rules

RMYS is directly adjacent to parks and foreshore areas used extensively by the public. It is therefore essential that we abide by the strict EPA regulations controlling air and water pollution. Members use the Yard facilities at their own risk. The Squadron shall not be held responsible for any loss, theft or damage to any vessel equipment or fittings.

1. All boats in the yard, other than dinghies, must have, as a minimum, Third Party and Public Liability insurance.
2. Members who utilise the slip and yard facilities must adhere to agreed schedules, particularly the dates and times for slipping and launching vessels. Failure to adhere to an agreed time will incur a waiting charge.
3. Use of Yard equipment or Squadron boats is only available for use by members after permission has been obtained from the Squadron Office or Yard management.
4. Boat owners must comply with all instructions by the Yard management.
5. Contractors may be used to carry out work providing that:
 - They report to the Operations Manager prior to commencing work and are inducted to RMYS standards.
 - They carry appropriate insurance and work in accordance with SHE and EPA legislation.
 - They are approved by the Operations Manager or the RMYS General Manager.
 - They complete a site induction prior to commencing work.
 - They agree to comply with all instructions from the Operations Manager and obey all Squadron Rules and Regulations.
6. Due to environmental concerns, pressure washing must be conducted by a member of the RMYS Yard staff, and may not be carried out by members.
7. Wet sanding and pressure washing of boats hulls is encouraged, but may only be carried out in the designated wet pit area.
8. Residues from dry sanding, hull blasting, spraying etc. shall be completely contained in accordance with EPA regulations.
9. Club members and Contractors must at all times use Personal Protective Equipment and Clothing (PPE&C) appropriate to the work they are undertaking. If you are unsure about appropriate PPE&C, consult the Operations Manager.
10. The Yard is to be kept clean and tidy; all rubbish to be cleaned up at the end of each day, hoses rolled up and equipment stored.
11. The Workshop is out of bounds to all members, contractors and visitors. Tools are not to be removed from the Workshop without approval from Yard management.
12. Waste and recycling bins are provided for your convenience. Members and contractors are to remove all waste including oil and solvent residues from the site. A member will be charged for cost to the Squadron for any waste or recycling materials left in the yard or marina after maintenance works.
13. Limited vehicle access is available at the discretion of the Yard management.
14. Children are not allowed in the yard or on boats in cradles.
15. Only authorised and trained persons may operate yard equipment including the slipway winch and yard tractor.
16. Members must be financial to have their vessel slipped.
17. Motor bikes are not permitted to be parked in the Yard.
18. It is prohibited to scale a yacht mast while the vessel is in the Yard.
19. Members' bikes are to be stored at the racks provided.