

### 1. Purpose

To ensure satisfactory vessel tender access, operation and storage practices are maintained by Dinah Beach Cruising Yacht Association (DBCYA) and its members for the benefit and protection of all parties concerned. For the purposes of this policy the term Dinghy pertains to all yacht-related dinghies and tenders, canoes and small sailing craft.

## 2. Scope

This policy applies to all DBCYA Full members relating to the temporary access and longer-term storage of dinghies on DBCYA premises, including the pontoon, the wharf, the retaining wall, the boat ramp, the dinghy storage racks, the car parks, the land space on Lot 7303, and surrounding land.

### 3. General Storage Conditions

- 3.1. Full members are permitted to store one yacht-related dinghy and/or one yacht-related dinghy trailer on the club premises free of charge if space is available, in accordance with the conditions outlined in this policy and other related DBCYA policies.
- 3.2. All dinghies or dinghy trailers stored at DBCYA must be clearly identified by way of:
  - 3.2.1. The owner's Full membership number permanently displayed in a visible and legible manner.
  - 3.2.2.An authorisation sticker pertaining to the current membership year displayed in a visible and legible manner (obtainable from the GM or bar upon ratification or renewal of Full membership).
- 3.3. No sites or locations can be reserved by any member access is that of a first-come, first–in-position basis, until the facility is at capacity. If the facility is at capacity members need to find their own storage outside of the DBCYA premises.
- 3.4. No members are to willingly interfere with another member's dinghy or trailer for the purpose of their own gain or benefit.
- 3.5. The pontoon and dinghy/trailer storage facilities are used solely at the user's risk. DBCYA takes no responsibility for theft or damage incurred to persons, vessels or equipment in the process of utilising the aforementioned facilities.
- 3.6. Dinghies and trailers must be kept in working order and registered where applicable. Long term storage of unworking or damaged dinghies and trailers is not permitted.
- 3.7. All dinghies must be stored in one of the designated areas as itemised below in accordance with the terms outlined.
- 3.8. Hard Stand occupants may store their dinghies within the confines of their hard stand site.

#### 4. Dinghy Temporary Access and Longer-Term Storage

4.1. Temporary Access - Pontoon (Refer Attachment A – Area Map)

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- 4.1.1. The pontoon facility is provided for Full members only for the purpose of temporary land or vessel access by dinghy for those with vessels moored in the harbour.
- 4.1.2. No dinghy is to be secured to the pontoon for a period extending past 48 hours.
- 4.1.3. Dinghies longer than 4.2m (14ft) are deemed to be oversized and are not permitted to be tied up to the pontoon. Oversize dinghies are required to tie up alongside the wharf wall (see 4.2 below). Management reserves the right to declare smaller-length dinghies oversize if they are deemed to be an extra wide, heavy, or otherwise substantially sized run-around vessel rather than a typical yacht tender.
- 4.1.4. All dinghies are to be secured to the pontoon in a manner that does not cause trip hazards over steps and ladders.
- 4.1.5. All dinghies are to be secured in a manner that does not block access to the duckboard (rear step section) and the water tap at the rear of the pontoon.
- 4.1.6. All dinghies are to be secured to the pontoon with a rope painter chain is not permitted to be used to secure dinghies to the pontoon. The rope painter should be of uniform length to the dinghies around it.
- 4.1.7. All dinghies must be tied up in a manner that minimises the likelihood of damage to other vessels or the pontoon.
- 4.1.8. DBCYA reserves the right to reposition any dinghy secured on the pontoon if that dinghy is in danger of incurring damage to itself or other vessels, including cutting rope or chain if required.
- 4.1.9. No commercial dinghies or vessels are to be secured to the pontoon.
- 4.1.10. Inflatable dinghies and small dinghies up to 2.4 metres in length are permitted to be secured to the walkway bridge on the provision that it is tied off with rope only (no chains) and the tie off rope is secured in a manner that does not cause a trip hazard.
- 4.1.11. Any observed pontoon damage or wear and tear should be brought to the attention of the General Manager.
- 4.1.12. Security cameras operate in the pontoon/wharf area and pontoon usage will be monitored by DBCYA staff.

## 4.2. Temporary Access – Seaward End of the Wharf Wall (Refer Attachment A – Area Map)

- 4.2.1. The wharf Wall facility is available for Full members with tenders over four metres for the purpose of temporary land access of duration no longer than 48 hours.
- 4.2.2. Access to the wharf wall is either via the 2<sup>nd</sup> set of wharf stairs located two thirds down the wharf, or via the pontoon, with the dinghy then walked into position.
- 4.2.3. At low spring tides this area is dry so the dinghy owner is required to time-manage their arrival and departure around these times, just as time management is required for access in and out of the channel.

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- 4.2.4. No dinghies are to be tied up further up the wharf than the allocated zone to avoid blocking yacht access to careening berth # 5.
- 4.2.5. No dinghies are to be stored overnight on the top of the wharf alongside the davit crane or other wharf area, with the exception of Hard Stand Wharf occupants who may store their dinghies within the confines of their hard stand site.

## 4.3. Short-term storage – retaining walls skirting the pontoon basin (Ref Attachment A – Area Map)

- 4.3.1. Full members may secure their dinghy in the designated areas only by the boat ramp and on the beach side of the boat ramp for a maximum period of two months.
- 4.3.2. Any dinghies tied up on the boat ramp slope must be on a short tether to avoid blocking the boat ramp after high tide.
- 4.3.3. Dinghies are required to make way for yachts coming up onto the beach area in front of the careening poles for repairs or maintenance.

# 4.4. Longer-term Storage – Dinghy Storage Racks (Ref Attachment A – Area Map)

- 4.4.1. DBCYA's existing dinghy storage rack facility has a capacity to house up to 36 dinghies.
- 4.4.2. There is no time limit for storage on the dinghy racks.
- 4.4.3. Dinghies should be secured upside down or with their bung out to avoid water collection and mosquito larvae.

### 5. Dinghy Trailer storage – Lot 7303 (land area past the long carpark)

- 5.1. This area is designated for dinghy trailers only, which may be empty or house a yacht-related dinghy
- 5.2. Dinghies without a trailer are to be stored in the other designated areas.
- 5.3. No other property is to be stored on Lot 7303.
- 5.4. There is no time limit for storage of dinghy trailers on Lot 7303.

## 6. Dinghy Relocation Facilities

- 6.1. A dinghy crane is located on the wharf (maximum capacity 500kg) for the purpose of lifting dinghies in and out of the water.
- 6.2. A small boat dolly is available to transport dinghies around the club.

### 7. Policy Infringements

7.1. DBCYA reserves the right to relocate, remove or dispose of dinghies and dinghy trailers stored in contravention to the terms of this policy, following a non-actioned 'Notice to Remove within Two Weeks' sign being placed on the item by DBCYA.

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- 7.2. Dinghies and Dinghy trailers stored in contravention to the terms of use as detailed in this policy may attract a weekly or monthly penalty fee following a non-actioned 'Notice to Remove within Two Weeks' sign being placed on the item by DBCYA.
- 7.3. DBCYA holds no liability for the action of clamping, removing or disposing of non-compliant property.
- 7.4. Repeat infringements of this policy may lead to suspension or revocation of Full membership and forfeit of the right to access the club's Full member facilities.

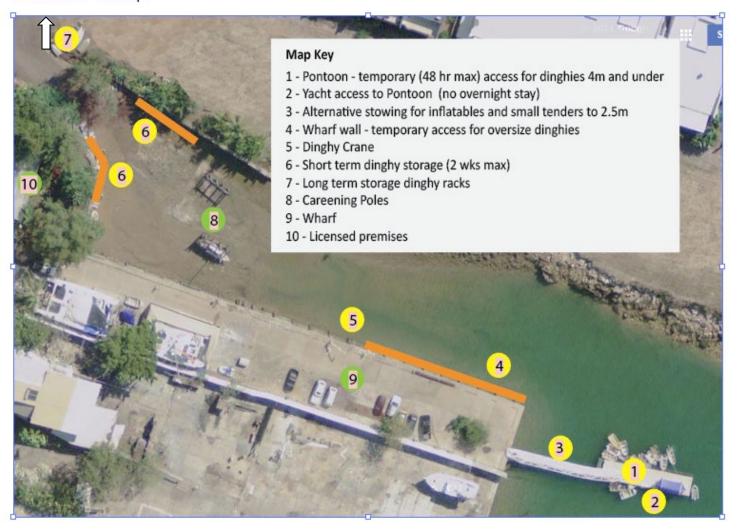
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# ATTACHMENT A - Area Map



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