

Thank you for asking about membership in Squantum Yacht Club.

These are some Frequently Asked Questions:

What is the cost of membership?

For a new member the fees are: Initiation: \$600.00 Yearly dues: \$515.00.

How do I apply to be a member?

You fill out an application and send it with a check for \$1,115.00 The application will be posted at the club for 2 weeks and then voted on by the E-board the first Thursday of each month.

What are the rules about guests?

Normally one member of the family becomes a member and the rest of the family can come as guests. The spouse and all children under 18 are included with the membership. The spouse of the member can get a key to the club. Only the member has the right to vote and attend meetings.

How do I get a mooring?

It is the responsibility of the boat owner to provide and maintain his own mooring. Advice can be requested from experienced members as to what type of mooring to get and where to place the mooring. The club owns a work barge that is used to place and pull moorings. There is an electric chain fall on the side of the club that is used to lower and raise moorings to/from the work barge. The City Of Quincy harbor master requires a mooring permit and specific sized mooring based on the size of the boat. More information can be found at: <http://ci.quincy.ma.us/HarbormasterInfoPage155.html>

How do I get to my boat?

We run launch service during the season. Early and late in the season it is weekends from 9AM-9PM. During the season it is 9AM-9PM every day.

What is the work hours requirement?

Members are required to perform 10 hours of work per year. Five hours must be done on either the house or floats before the floats go into the water. This does not include work done the day that the float are launched. The remaining five hours can be done before or after the floats are launched. Failure to perform work hours results in a fine. of \$20 for each hour not performed.

What is the security watch requirement?

Members are required to do security watch. This is one all night watch or two half night watches. The all night watches are 10PM-5AM on Friday or Saturday night. The half night watches are 10PM-2AM Sunday through Thursday. There are other nights that are all night usually around holidays and race events. This information will be in the watch signup calendar. If you don't sign up for security watch before the floats are launched, a watch will be assigned to you. Failure to perform security watches will result in a fine of \$40 for each watch missed.

What are the social events for the club?

This club is run by members. All members need to perform work hours and security watch to keep the club running. Members are encouraged to run events for the club. There is usually one event per month run by the entertainment committee. Every Friday, there is dinner on the front deck. Squantum Yacht Club is a BOAT US cooperating group. This allows members to join BOAT US at half the regular membership price. BOAT US members receive discounts on fuel and dockage at Cooperating Marinas. Discounts are available on repair at Cooperating repair facilities. More information on membership can be found at: www.boatus.com.

Are their sailing races at SYC?

Informal races are held every Tuesday evening. The race starts at 7:00 PM and finishes when all the boats return. After the race a barbeque is held on the front deck. Interclub races are held on various weekdays, Saturday and Sunday depending on the time of high tide. The races are held if enough boats are present. The schedule for the season is posted at the start of the boating season. PHRF races are held in Hingham Bay. There are twilight and weekend racing. More information can be obtained at: www.hbprf.org

What is available for the kids?

SYC runs a youth sailing program during the summer. The training is primarily in Optis and Lasers, but it is possible to train in N10s and 420s. Information can be found at:
<http://www.squantumyc.org/spec/progindex.htm>

There is a Juniors' program. The Juniors are aged 12-18. They elect their own officers, run their meetings, and hold their own events. More information is on the SYC Junior's web page:
<http://www.squantumyc.org/jrmemb/jrindex.htm>