

Woods Hole Yacht Club - Membership Application

Membership Admissions Policies

March, 2023

An application fee of \$50.00 must accompany all applications to cover the costs of administering applications, but there will be no annual fee to remain on the waiting list.

Applications received by the Club will be collected and held by the Chair of the Membership Committee. When openings occur, those applicants at the top of the list would be invited to come for an interview. After the interview, the Chair of the Membership Committee would bring the applications and the results of the interview to the Board of Governors for disposition.

Applicants (with their sponsor in attendance) would be interviewed by the Chair of the Membership Committee and one other Board member with the purpose of determining their reasons for joining the Club and the likelihood they would participate in Club activities in one or more of the following ways:

- Racing
 - Have you raced elsewhere?
 - Do you have specific plans to race with a current member of the Club?
 - Will you bring a new boat into the Cape Cod Knockabout fleet?
- Cruising
 - Do you own a boat?
 - Where do you keep it now?
 - Are you planning on buying a boat in the next year or two?
 - Do you have a mooring in Great Harbor? In Eel Pond? Elsewhere?
 - Do you intend to keep a skiff or a rowboat at the Club or nearby?
- Participation in Club social activities
 - How do you intend to take part in the social life of the Club?
 - Are you a member of other social organizations?
 - Are you on the board of those organizations?

Applicants would have to show a strong intent in participating in Club activities in one of the above ways in order to be accepted.

Sponsors of new members will be expected to introduce them to the membership at the Commodore's Party and/or other Club social events and to otherwise encourage them to participate in Club activities.

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Applicant Form

All applicants for membership in the Woods Hole Yacht Club must fill out this form and arrange for two members in good standing to fill out the enclosed sponsor forms after attending a WHYC activity, listed on the calendar, with the applicant. No membership application will be considered until it is accompanied by two sponsor forms.

Applicant's Name(s) _____

Permanent address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Summer address (if different) _____

Children (age 25 or younger) and years of birth _____

Boat(s) Indicate name, class, type (sail, power, other) _____

Membership type requested (see attached fee schedule) _____

Sponsor 1: _____

WHYC activity attended with this sponsor: _____

Sponsor 2: _____

WHYC activity attended with this sponsor: _____

Please answer the following questions. Use the back of this sheet or attach an additional page if necessary.

1. How do you expect to use the Club facilities?
2. What Club (if any) Club activities would you like to be involved in (e.g. racing, social events, sailing school, work days)?
3. What has made you particularly interested in Club membership?
4. Comments or questions.

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Signed _____ Date _____ Schedule of Dues and Fees, 2020

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP DUES

Individual	\$185.00	Single person, not legally married
Single Parent	\$270.00	Single person with children aged 9-25
Couple	\$370.00	Couple - both active
	\$240.00	Couple - one active, one inactive
Family	\$455.00	Couple with children aged 9-25
Junior	\$100.00	Individual age 12-18 whose parents are not members

INACTIVE MEMBERSHIP DUES

Individual	\$55.00	Single person using the Club ten or fewer times/year
Family	\$110.00	Couple or family using Club ten or fewer times/year

WHYC policy provides that the children in a Family Membership who attain the age of 25 may transfer to a separate Club membership without applying as a new member. Anyone included as “children” in your Family Membership, who is now 25, or who will become 25 before June 1 of this year, should remit dues for a separate membership before the due date on this bill.

FEES

Skiff lines	\$115.00	Active members only
Racing: CCK	\$50.00	Per summer series (Wednesday, Ladies, Sunday)
	\$30.00	Per fall series (Viking, Valkyrie)
Racing: non-member	\$120.00	Non-member racing in one or more club series (must also pay for each series raced)

The use of the Club premises, and the facilities and activities provided by the Club, may involve hazardous or injurious conditions over which the Club may have no control, including but not limited to moving to and from docks, ramps, floats, and watercraft, sailing of races run by the Club and moving over rocks or other natural or manmade hazards. The Club has limited assets (other than its insurance policy) to cover any claims for personal injury to Club members and third parties, since the Club’s real estate is neither transferable nor mortgageable to any one other than the Federal government.

Accordingly, by paying the Club dues and other fees, including skiff line and racing fees for the use of the Club premises and the facilities and activities provided by the Club, each Member of the Club agrees to assume, and does hereby assume, on behalf of such Club members and their families and guests, all risk of loss, damage or injury resulting from such use of the Club property, facilities and activities, by reason of its involvement therein, and releases the Club, its officers, directors and Members, and its or their heirs, successors, or assigns, from any and all claim, in excess of the amount of any insurance obtained by the Club which may cover any such claims, for any loss, damage, or injury sustained by any such Member and/or his or her family arising out of such use of the Club property, facilities, and activities, unless caused by the willful misconduct or gross negligence of any employee or Member of the

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Club. Such Member further agrees that it will indemnify and hold harmless the Club and its employees, agents, servants, and Members, and their successors and assigns, against all claims for such loss, damage, or injury sustained by anyone arising out of such use of the Club property, facilities, or activities at the invitation and/or with the permission or consent of the Member.

Sponsor Form

To be filled out by a WHYC Member in good standing. Please read attached directions before filling out this form.

Applicant's Name(s) _____

Sponsor's Name _____

Sponsor Address _____

Sponsor Email _____

What WHYC activity(s) have you attended with the applicant?

How do you know the applicant?

How does the applicant expect to use the Club facilities?

What (if any) Club programs will the applicant want to be involved in? (e.g. racing, social events, sailing school, work days, etc.)

What do you feel has made the applicant particularly interested in membership in the Club?

In what way do you think the applicant will most notably be an asset to the Club?

Where and when can you be reached if the Board of Governors has any further questions about the applicant?

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Comments:

Signed _____ Date _____

Please mail completed form to:

Membership Chairman - Woods Hole Yacht Club - PO Box 265 - Woods Hole, MA 02543

Applicant Sponsor Form Instructions

To WHYC Members sponsoring prospective members:

The attached form is intended to provide the Board of Governors with some knowledge about applicants for membership in the Club. It is your responsibility as a sponsor to make certain the applicant understands what the Club looks for in membership applicants, and what will be expected of him/her if s/he is accepted as a member. You also must have attended a WHYC activity listed on the calendar with the applicant.

The following is a list of priorities which the Board of Governors uses as a guideline for considering membership applications:

1. The Club's admission process does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national or ethnic origin, or sexual orientation.
2. Since the purpose of the Club is to promote yachting, the Club gives preference in admission to persons who are interested in yachting and sailing.
3. Because of the Club's limited facilities, we particularly seek members who are interested in ongoing Club events such as CCK racing, the Sailing School, and the Junior Racing program.
4. The Club has traditionally been volunteer-oriented. Members are encouraged to donate time and/or expertise to the benefit of the Club each year. When considering applicants, the Board of Governors specifically gives preference to people who are interested in devoting time and energy to the maintenance and management of the Club.

In order to ascertain whether applicants will meet these guidelines, we are asking you as a representative of the Club to answer a few questions about the applicant you are sponsoring. If this requires you to ask the applicant about his/her intended use of the Club, so much the better. We encourage you to get to know the applicant you are sponsoring.

To be an applicant sponsor you must be a Member in good standing, and you must complete the enclosed form and return it to the Membership Committee at the below address. Feel free to use the back of the form or another sheet if necessary.

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If you have comments, questions, or need additional information to complete this form, please contact the Membership Chairman. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
WHYC Membership Chairman

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WHYC Membership Chairman