

# House Rules



NEW YORK  
YACHT CLUB



*The New York Yacht Club has several house rules that all members, guests and visitors observe. These policies have been developed by the House Committee to ensure our clubhouses provide a congenial atmosphere and to respect the history and tradition of New York Yacht Club.*

*This easy to read to brochure simplifies the annual yearbook bylaws and house rules so that all members and their guests feel welcome and comfortable when visiting our clubhouses.*

*If you have any questions, please inquire at the Quartermasters' Desk.*

## **Guest, Visitor, and Family Policy**

- Members shall be responsible for all charges and behavior of family and guests.
- Guests and visitors must identify themselves upon arrival, and guests must be accompanied by a member unless a member's written introduction request has been approved in advance, in accordance with the Club's guest policies.
- Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult and are required to wear life jackets on the Harbour Court pier and launch at all times.

## **Dress Code**

Proper dress is required at all times, including:

- At Harbour Court, tasteful casual and sailing attire; at 44th Street, business and dress casual attire.
- No blue jeans (except when going on or off the property).
- No hats, caps or visors in the Houses.
- No bare feet in the Houses or Harbour Court grounds or other buildings.
- After 1800, gentlemen shall wear collared shirts in the Houses and Harbour Court Terraces and jackets/ties in the 44th Street Grill Room (except on casual Fridays).
- For Club events and private functions after 1800, gentlemen shall wear jackets/ties (unless the invitation states differently). Ladies shall dress accordingly.

## **Restrictions on display of the Club burgee and insignia**

- Members only: Uniform insignia and pins, ties or scarves with an unadorned Club burgee or regimental striping.
- Members & spouses only: Other clothing with the unadorned burgee, including bracelets.
- Non-members may wear burgee clothing adorned with the Club or event logo or with a Member's yacht name on which they are guests/crew.

## Electronic Devices

No cellphone or portable electronic device use allowed in public spaces except as allowed below. All devices are to be placed in silent or vibration mode when entering the Club.

Phone calling (in a low voice and not disturbing others) permitted:

- 44th Street: Strangers' Room and Library
- Harbour Court: Parking areas, under the porte cochère, the waterfront, Navy Room, and Sailing Center offices

Quiet computer and tablet/device use permitted:

- 44th Street: Library and during breakfast/lunch in the Grill Room & Bar.
- Harbour Court: Library and Navy Room, and during breakfast/lunch in Bolero Grill & Bar and on the Terraces.

## Photography

In consideration of member and guest privacy and the decorum of the Club, photography is restricted as follows. Unless otherwise permitted in an event notice, photography is:

- 44th Street: Prohibited in all public areas inside the Club House except (i) on the Grand Staircase and (ii) in front of the Model Room Fireplace.
- Harbour Court: Prohibited (i) in all public areas inside the Club House at all times, (ii) inside Station 10 and the Sailing Center's Arcadia Room during dinners or receptions, and (iii) outdoors on the Sailors and Formal Terraces and the lawns directly in front of the terraces.

Please also observe the following:

- Only photograph members of your own party, respecting others' privacy.
- Photography may not be used commercially; the façades of *Harbour Court* and *44th Street* Clubhouses are registered trademarks and may not be used commercially without written permission of the Club Secretary.

## **Smoking**

No smoking, including e-cigarettes, in any building or grounds, except:

- 44th Street: The Wardroom Terrace (outside only).
- Harbour Court: Parking areas and under the porte cochère.

## **Colors at Harbour Court**

- All those on the terraces, waterfront, or other grounds (including event tents) within sight of the flagpole, should stand silently at attention until the flag is raised/lowered completely.
- Men and boys should remove hats and caps.
- Those inside the House do not observe colors.

## **Parking at Harbour Court**

Parking is permitted in designated areas only. The upper lot is reserved for members' cars with valid stickers. Members wishing to leave a vehicle for a prolonged period shall speak to the House Manager.

## **Pets**

No pets allowed in the Houses or Harbour Court grounds and other buildings, except for leashed pets transferring on or off a yacht.

## **Other**

- No gratuities shall be given.
- No business documents shall be displayed in public areas except quietly used by an individual person in the Libraries or Navy Room.
- No books, newspapers, or magazines shall be removed from the Club.
- Club stationary shall not be used for business purposes; unused stationary shall not be removed from the Club.





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