

PORT OF EDMONDS NEWS

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Phase Out of Copper Bottom Paint

A bill passed by the Washington state legislature this year begins the phase-out of copper bottom paint on all recreational boats less than 65-feet in length. The legislation, which was signed into law by Governor Christine Gregoire on May 3, calls for a gradual elimination of the paint's application by 2020. The first step in the law calls for a study to be performed in 2017 examining the effectiveness of non-copper bottom paint to ensure enough alternatives to copper paint are available in the market.

In 2020, no copper paint will be available at point-of-sale for recreational boats up to 65-feet in length, and copper paint may not be applied to recreational boats up to 65-feet in length. Copper-based paints have long been effective in preventing marine growth on the bottom of vessels, but the metal can have a detrimental effect on salmon in the region, even in small doses. Washington boatyards have been dealing with ever increasing copper regulations since 1992 when the first boatyard permit was issued.

The bill was a proactive measure by the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NMTA), whose members include boatyards, marinas, boat and accessory dealers, manufacturers and more, to address growing pressure on its member boatyards by local environmental groups. In 2009, five boatyards received intent-to-sue letters from one group, alleging each boatyard was in violation of the federal Clean Water Act. Each boatyard settled with the group, costing the yards more than a combined \$77,000 in legal fees.

Following the settlements, NMTA began taking steps to help its members reduce the level of copper and other water-borne pollutants flowing from their properties. NMTA President George Harris said it was important to pass this bill and to limit the phase-out to boats under 65' for several reasons.

"The boatyard permit issued by the state's Department of Ecology applies to boatyards who work on boats 65-feet and smaller," said Harris. "Eliminating the pollution at the source, through this copper phase-out, was the best path to protecting boatyards, and boating in the region."

"Additionally, Washington state is a world leader in yacht building, with brands such as Westport, Delta, and Christensen headquartered here," said Harris, "We know the majority of those yachts are shipped all over the world. If the copper phase-out extended to boats larger than 65-feet, it would put our yacht manufacturers at a competitive disadvantage."

E-Paint, Sea Hawk Paint, Pettit Paints and Interlux all offer copper free alternatives. If you are preparing to re-paint the bottom of your boat, you may want to research these environmentally friendlier alternatives and determine with your boatyard vendor which alternative will work best on your boat.

N.M.T.A Seattle International Boat Show

Catch this year's show January 27th – February 5th at CenturyLink Field and South Lake Union Boats Afloat Show. Port staff will be at CenturyLink Field promoting Dry Storage, Moorage, Public Launch, Haul Out and Boatyard facilities, and our **Destination Port of Edmonds** program to encourage guest boating. We hope you will take the time to visit us at Booth #726 in the East Hall.

Boat Show Information

CenturyLink Field – 800 Occidental Ave South
www.seattleboatshow.com

Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Fridays: 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. | Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

1st Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. | 2nd Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Tickets Prices:

Adults \$12.00 | Youth (11-17) \$5.00

Children (10 and under) Free with paid Adult

5-Day Flex Pass \$24.00

Port of Edmonds
BOAT SHOW SPECIAL 40% OFF TRAVELIFT
With 5 Paid Lay Days
January 27 - February 29, 2012

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Education Classes

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary (Edmonds Flotilla) is offering two **Boating/Navigation Courses** beginning in February.

Washington State Boater's Card

If you are or will be 40 years old or older than 12 years old in 2012, and operating a power boat of 15HP or more, you will need a Boater's card in 2012. One day 8 hour classes will be available March 17th, April 21st, May 19th and June 16th. For more information contact boathclasses@hotmail.com or call Korky Heryla at 425-483-9684.

Cold Weather Reminder

Watch your step! Docks, ramps and walkways get slippery and icy when the weather gets cold. Keep this in mind when heading down to your boat. The Port does not allow rock salt or de-icer of any kind on the docks, ramps or walkways.

Moorage and Storage Available

Dry Storage – Rack space for boats 18' to 32' - 206-940-1348

Trailer Storage – Call for details - 206-940-1348

Moorage – 20' - 26' Open slips; 26' - 36' Covered slips 425-775-4588

Small Vessel Storage – Dinghies, Kayaks, Canoes 425-775-4588

2012 Changes

The Commission adopted the budget for 2012 at the November 14th Commission Meeting. 2012 Moorage and Dry Storage Rate increases will be effective January 1st to match the new base rates., **Tenant security deposits** were increased in December and added to your January billing **Sec Dep Charged** will appear as a line item on your statement.

2012 Parking Permits

2012 Parking permits are available for pickup in the Marina Operations office. Your 2011 parking permit will be valid through January 31st.

Parking permits are only issued if:

- ✓ You have provided us a copy of your current proof of vessel liability insurance with a minimum of \$300,000 watercraft liability.
- ✓ You have provided us with current proof of ownership - a copy of your 2011 vessel registration or Coast Guard documentation if applicable (required annually).
- ✓ Your account is current.
- ✓ You are the tenant of record (I.D. may be required)

You can submit these documents to the Marina Operations office by mail, in person, or by fax to 425-670-0583.

If you are submitting proof of ownership documents by mail, please do not include them with your moorage or dry storage payment to the billing remittance address. Our mailing address for everything other than payments is 336 Admiral Way, Edmonds, WA 98020.

Proper Tie Up

There are a few bow pulpits and dinghies protruding past the designated overhang allowances. In keeping with Port Regulations please properly tie up your vessel so you are not protruding into the walkway and not sticking out past the piling ring into the fairway. It is common that the tides can affect the movement and placement of your vessel however it is your responsibility to ensure that your vessel is not in violation of space. **If you are utilizing "overhang" and maximizing your slip, please keep in mind you must moor bow in to fit within your allowable space.** You may need to turn your vessel around to achieve this, if necessary please do so.

Vessel Covering

If you cover your vessel during the winter months, please be sure to leave your registration numbers and / or name completely visible. This will allow the Security staff to recognize the appropriate vessel in each slip.

Water on the Docks

Water to the docks may be turned off when the temperature does not get above freezing during the day. Tenants are reminded that water faucets running on the docks during a cold night should be left alone. Port staff leaves the water running to keep water lines from freezing.

The Commission and staff at the Port of Edmonds would like to wish you health, happiness and a prosperous New Year.

COMMISSION UPDATES

RECAP OF PAST MEETINGS

December 12, 2011

- Sea Scout Annual Charter Agreement
- Amendment #1 Department of General Administration Intergovernmental Agreement
- Resolution 11-19 Authorizing Check Signers on Port of Edmonds Checking Accounts
- Harbor Square Master Plan Phase 3
- Janitorial Services Contract
- Purchase of a Work Truck
- Recognition of Service – Commissioner Marianne Zagorski

December 27, 2011

- Approval of Accounts Payables

AGENDA FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

January 9, 2012

- Oath of Office
- Waiver of Meeting Notice
- Election of Officers
- Appointment of Legal Council
- Appointment of Port Auditor
- 2012 Committee Assignments
- Commission Meeting Schedule

January 30, 2012 - TBD

Port Website • www.portofedmonds.org

Updates on commission meetings, events, rates for services, fuel prices, commercial vendor list, on-site weather, and much more.

- Coast Guard Auxiliary Course Information boatclasses@hotmail.com
- Coast Guard Regulations www.uscgboating.org
- EYC Calendar of Events www.edmondsyachtclub.com
- WA State Dept. of Fish and Wildlife information www.wdfw.wa.gov
- Harbor Square Office Space Available www.portofedmonds.org

Event Calendar

January

- 1 New Year's Day
All Port Operations Closed
- 2 Administration Office Closed
- 9 **Commission Meeting 7 pm**
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Administration Office Closed
January 27 - February 5
Seattle Boat Show
- 30 **Commission Meeting 7 pm**

February

- 13 **Commission Meeting 7 pm**
- 20 President's Day
Administration Office Closed
- 27 **Commission Meeting 7 pm**

Contact Information

Admin Office: Mon-Fri 8 am-4:30 pm **425-774-0549** • Fax 425-774-7837

Dry Storage: Daily 8 am-4 pm (last move 3:45 pm) 206-940-1348

Fuel Dock: Daily 7 am - 4:30 pm 425-775-4588

Marina Operations \ Public Launch: Daily 7 am-5 pm 425-775-4588

Security: 425-508-7490

Travelift: Mon-Sat 9 am-4 pm Last appointment 3:30 pm **425-775-4588**

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Special notices for current events and programs can be found at www.portofedmonds.org/notices.htm