

***COVID-19 - CODE OF CONDUCT FOR
BOATING***

The success of a safe boating environment (for sailboats and powerboats) at PCYC relies on the ability of members to rigorously apply FVQ (Fédération de Voile du Québec) health guidelines in the practice of our favorite activity.

The main directive on board any boat with crew/guests NOT living under the same roof is to ensure that a physical distancing of 2m is maintained at all times.

Here are additional guidelines to make your boating experience safer and healthier when inviting guests or crew NOT living under the same roof:

- *Disinfect the boat if last used within 48 hours and wash your hands before boarding,*
- *Limit the number of crew or guests on board so that the 2m physical distancing is maintained at all time,*
- *If the weather conditions are not conducive to physical distancing, cancel the outing,*
- *Wear a mask before/after boarding and during the preparation of the boat and equipment,*
- *Make as many of the preparations as possible at the dock, with the least number of people possible and while wearing the mask. (Remember that a wet mask is ineffective or even dangerous),*
- *Each crew/guest should use their own equipment as much as possible (ex. hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, water bottle, towel, gloves, lifejacket, etc.),*
- *It is recommended that objects, equipment and gear are not shared. Should this occur, have protocols in place for disinfecting the equipment such as a bucket of warm soapy water, an effective disinfectant spray, hand sanitizer, etc.),*
- *Allow your crew or guests to board the boat at the last minute and only for the duration of the outing,*
- *Prohibit access to the cabin to anyone who does not live under the same roof as the owner or primary user,*
- *Modify maneuvers and movement on the boat to reduce the amount of time the 2m physical distance requirement is broken to a minimum:*
 - *Limit the cumulative time of maneuvers that break the physical distance requirement of 2 meters to less than 15 minutes for the entire day*
 - *Reduce the boating time to ensure that the cumulative period of time the physical distancing requirement of 2 meters is broken is less than 15 minutes*
- *If you don't think you can respect the 2m physical distancing requirement and limit the cumulative breaking of the requirement to less than 15 minutes, do not invite guests/crew on your boat or cancel the outing,*
- *As much as possible, avoid being downwind of another person,*
- *For each outing, the owner or primary user shall:*
 - *keep a log of outings,*
 - *their duration,*
 - *people on board,*
 - *their telephone numbers.*
- *As much as possible, keep the same crew or guests, especially if several outings/regattas are planned in the same week.*

Caution should be our main focus. The virus is still out there and it is everyone's responsibility to protect all against it.

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