

Town of Brunswick Local Mooring Regulations

Mooring Tackle Inspections:

Routine inspections are required every two (2) years and are suggested to be performed by an approved inspector.

Mooring Stickers:

All permit holders will be issued a Mooring sticker. The mooring sticker must be displayed on the top of the mooring.

Annual Registrations:

Moorings must be registered annually with the Harbor Masters Office located at 85 Pleasant Street by May 1st



Suggested Industry Tackle Standards

Suggested Anchor Types:

Mushroom, Dor-Mor, Block, or Helix

Suggested Anchor Chain:

Galvanized grade 30 proof coil chain or equivalent. Maximum length = 2.5 times the water depth at Mean High Water. Minimum length = 2.0 times MHW.

Suggested Swivels:

If used, they must be one size larger than the chain size. Eye to eye is recommended.

Suggested Shackle Sizes:

Shackles should be the same size as the chain.

Mooring Buoy/Balls:

Molded, formed, or fabricated from rubber, plastic, or fiberglass. Balls should be round in shape. It is suggested that buoys/balls to have sufficient buoyancy to float at least 50% of the ball's mass at MHW. Minimum suggested diameter is 12 inches wide. It is suggested that mooring buoys/balls should be white in color with a (1") horizontal blue stripe. All mooring balls must display the town assigned mooring number in (3") black letters/numbers on the top 1/3 of buoy/ball that is out of the water.

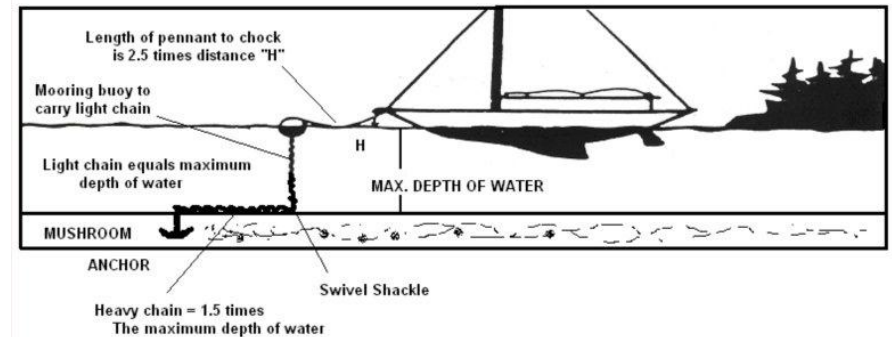
Winter Sticks/Spars

It is suggested that Sticks or spars be in a vertical position above the water line at least (12") at MHW. Winter stick markings and color are the same as the mooring balls. It is also suggested that winter sticks/spars not be placed in navigable waters until October 1st and to remove them by June 15th. Winter sticks/spars can cause hazards to navigation during months that demonstrate high boating activity. If a winter stick remains in the water after June 15th it may be considered a hazard to navigation.

Boat Length	Mushroom	Dor-Mor lbs	Bottom Chain	Top Chain*	Pennant
Up to 13 feet	100#	70#	3/8 inch	3/8 inch	1/2 inch
13+ to 19 feet	150#	135#	1/2 inch	3/8 inch	1/2 inch
19+ to 25 feet	200#	200#	1/2 inch	1/2 inch	5/8 inch
25+ to 29 feet	300# (75# shaft)	375#	5/8 inch	1/2 inch	5/8 inch
29+ to 39 feet	500# (75 shaft wt)	500#	3/4 inch	5/8 inch	two at 5/8 inch or 3/4 inch
39+ and over	700# to 1000# (135# shaft wt)	1000#	3/4 inch	5/8 inch	1 inch

* Top chain length = one times the depth at Mean High Water

* Shaft Collar shall consist of a Cast Iron Ballast Ball affixed to the anchor shaft or an equivalent weight of steamer chain (10 pound per link minimum required).



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2015 Mooring Permit Instructions/Suggestions

Please complete the registration form in its entirety. Registrations without required information will be returned to the applicant.

1. Applications should be submitted prior to July 1st 2015 and May 1st each year thereafter. Failure to register could result in a late fee or loss of mooring privileges
2. Location of mooring will be assigned by the Harbor Master. The location is subject to change at any time, at the discretion of the Harbor Master, as conditions dictate.
3. Holder of the permit is responsible for his/her mooring and making inspections arrangements every other year. It shall be the boat owner's responsibility to ensure mooring size and rigging is adequate for the size of boat moored. The Harbor Master may make recommendations on mooring specifications, but the sole responsibility rests with the boat owner. Mooring owners must confirm that their mooring has been inspected in the last two years by affirming the application.
4. Due to climatic conditions it is recommended that watercraft is not held on any moorings from December 1st through April 15th.
5. Mooring balls must have the assigned mooring number painted on the mooring buoy in at least 3 inch numbers of a contrasting color to buoy and assigned mooring registration stickers affixed to the top of the mooring ball. A white mooring ball with a blue strip is recommended.
6. If any boat on a licensed mooring is taking on water or in danger of sinking, the Harbor Master may authorize a private contractor to pump out or haul out said boat at the expense of the owner. The owner must pay the contractor or lose mooring privileges. Residents must list an emergency back-up person whom the Harbor Master can contact.
7. This permit is non-transferable and is for the use of the named boat(s) only, except on a temporary basis, at the discretion of the Harbor Master. It is illegal to rent a mooring without a federal permit.
8. Seasonal or Non-Residents must have the name and contact information of a local person or a commercial contractor who will check your boat and mooring and whom the Harbor Master can contact to take action if your boat is sinking, adrift or dragging the mooring.
9. Mooring owners shall submit notification of any change in address, contact information, or boat information as soon as practical with the Harbor Master. In the instance of a multi-use mooring (private, non-commercial, mooring hosts over one vessel over the course of a season) the owner or their designee must notify the Harbor Master when boats on the assigned mooring change.
10. Floating lines should not to be used on moorings or as a bow line.
11. It is recommended that mooring gear be removed from the water or the mooring float and short shanked to prevent it from causing damage to others during ice out. If you fail to do so and your mooring causes damage to other property, you shall be solely responsible for the damage.
12. Multi-use mooring registrations require a registration for each use. i.e. if there are two boats using the same mooring, a COMPLETE registration form must be filled out for each vessel.