

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

The City's parks are for the benefit and pleasure of the public and every person may enjoy the privileges of City parks subject to compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws, ordinances, policies and rules. Private Park Permits, including those for the use of City boat ramps, are issued in accordance with the "Standards for Issuance" as set forth in St. Petersburg City Code, Chapters 7 and 21.

- No person shall use the City boat ramps except for the purpose of launching or retrieving boats thereon. No person shall use the City boat ramps for the purpose of storage of any matter except for such reasonable time as may be necessary in connection with the launching or retrieving of boats. Commercial vessels may only use the City boat ramps at the following locations:
  - Crisp Park, at 36th Avenue Northeast and Poplar Street, only between February 1, and September 30 of each year between 30 minutes before sunrise and 6:00 p.m. each day.
  - Jungle Prada, at the west end of 22nd Avenue North.
  - Grand View, at Sixth Street and 39th Avenue South.
  - Demen's Landing at the east end of First Avenue South.
  - Maximo Park, generally south of Frenchmen's Creek and west of 34th Street South.
- No other City boat ramp may be utilized by any commercial vessel. Before using an approved City boat ramp listed above, the operators of commercial vessels must obtain a permit from the POD. This permit sticker shall be affixed to the commercial vessel in the manner and location required by the permit and shall be visible at all times. **CITY CODE 7-3**
- Commercial vessels, their operators and persons on them, shall comply with all applicable City rules and regulations and all City ordinances and State laws. Failure to comply with or a violation of any City ordinance or any of the terms or rules and regulations of the use permit shall be a violation of this section. **CITY CODE 7-3**
- The permit may be revoked immediately upon the issuance of a notice to appear in county court for an ordinance violation and/or upon notice being given that there has been a violation of an applicable City rule or regulation. Permit revocations may be appealed by the permittee to the City Administrator, whose decision may be appealed to the City Council by filing a written notice with the City Clerk within ten days of the revocation. **CITY CODE 7-3**
- A person shall not moor, attach, or fasten any vessel to any City property except as follows: (i) in an emergency; (ii) with written permission from the POD; or (iii) in an area that is posted as public docking. **CITY CODE 7-3**
- Any violation of this section may be enforced by issuance of a uniform parking citation posted upon the vessel or hand delivered to the owner/operator. **CITY CODE 7-3**
- No selling or offer for sale of any goods or services, except pursuant to the fees collected which are directly related to the activity for which use of the boat ramps is required and/or Parks & Recreation Director's approval, City Sponsored or Co-sponsorship. Posting any sign, banner or advertisement is prohibited. The use of loudspeakers, public address systems or amplifiers and portable gasoline operated generators is prohibited except pursuant to a separate Park Permit being issued. **CITY CODE 21-34.**
- No obstruction in any manner on any roadway, sidewalk, walkway or path. **CITY CODE 21-37.**
- Sale, service dispensing, possession, use and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages on park property is prohibited except pursuant to City Ordinance, City Sponsored or Co-Sponsored events. **CITY CODE 21-38.**
- Refuse created on park property shall be properly discarded in containers provided. **CITY CODE 21-42.**
- The operation by any person of any watercraft upon park waters is prohibited, except upon park waters and at such times which are designated with signs allowing such use by the POD. The use of boat ramps by any commercial vessel for any purpose, including, but not limited to, the loading and unloading of passengers or goods, shall be unlawful without a permit, license, or other prior written approval of the POD. **CITY CODE 21-49**
- No driving or parking of motor vehicles in parks except on approved roads and parking areas. **CITY CODE 21-51.**
- The public is governed by all applicable laws, ordinances, policies and rules including the City's Noise Ordinance. **CITY CODE 11.** In addition, **Section 11-61** – Noise disturbance prohibited and **Section 11-64** – Loud, raucous, and unnecessary noises prohibited.
- Engaging in any activity in a negligent manner is prohibited. **CITY CODE 21-53.**
- City Ordinance prohibits any watercraft(s) from being in designated swim areas. **CITY CODE 21-49.**

**PLEASE NOTE: VIOLATORS OF THE ABOVE RULES WILL BE REQUESTED TO LEAVE THE PARK AND/OR CITED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE PARK WILL TEMPORARILY CLOSE SHOULD VEHICLE OR EVENT CAPACITY REACH MAXIMUM. Noted above is only a partial list of laws and guidelines governing City Park Use, a complete list can be reviewed or obtained at the City of St. Petersburg website at [www.stpete.org](http://www.stpete.org). For those who want to reserve a park, shelter or athletic field, separate permits and fees are required.**



Application for Commercial Use of Boat Ramps

Name of Vessel \_\_\_\_\_ Vessel Registration \_\_\_\_\_  
(If no name, indicate the type of vessel) (registered state & number)

Vehicle used to transport vessel \_\_\_\_\_ Tag # \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
(make, model & year)

Vessel Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Permit Issued to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Your Name if different than owner)

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Office Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial vessel users may only use boat ramps permitted by the POD for the commercial use indicated on the permit for the purpose of launching or retrieving boats. No person will use the public boat ramps of the City for the purpose of storage of any matter except for such reasonable time as may be absolutely necessary in the launching or retrieving of boats. Loading or unloading of passengers not connected with the launch or retrieval of vessels is strictly prohibited. **The number of permits issued may be limited per location.**

Please check location(s) Desired Locations:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Crisp Park** – 36th Avenue North and Poplar Street

(Can only be used from February 1 - September 30, between 30 minutes before sunrise and 6:00 p.m. each day).

\_\_\_\_\_ **Demens Landing Park** - East end of 1st Avenue South

(All permits for this location are subject to approval by Marina/Port Manager.)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Grandview Park** – 6th Street and 39th Avenue South

\_\_\_\_\_ **Jungle Prada Park** - West end of 22nd Avenue North

\_\_\_\_\_ **Maximo Park** – 34th Street and Pinellas Point Drive South

Please check your intended commercial use:

\_\_\_\_\_ Commercial Fishing \_\_\_\_\_ Marine Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_ Marine Sales \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Before using the above-listed boat ramps, the operators of commercial vessels must obtain a permit. The annual permit fee is \$240.00 (pro-rated at \$20 per month) and the use permit sticker must be affixed to the commercial vessel on the port side adjacent to the Florida registration and must be visible at all times. Permits for additional vessels (maximum 6 vessels total) are available for \$20 (no pro-rating). Each vessel requires its own permit which is valid from January 1 to December 31.

The applicant, for himself/herself and for other persons, organizations, businesses, entities, or agents, if any, listed on this application or operating pursuant to the permit, does hereby agree to jointly and severally defend, indemnify and hold free and harmless the City of St. Petersburg, Florida from any and all claims for damages or loss of property or injury to or death of person(s) arising out of or resulting from the issuance of this permit and the use of the City property listed on the application.

Commercial vessels, their operators, and persons on them must comply with all rules and regulations with respect to the use of the permit sticker issued by the Parks & Recreation Department or Marina & Port Manager and all City ordinances and State laws. Failure to comply with or violation of any City ordinance or any of the terms or rules and regulations of the use permit shall be a violation of City Code and carry a penalty as provided in Section 1-7. The use permit sticker may be revoked immediately upon the issuance of a notice to appear in County Court for an ordinance violation and/or upon notice being given that there has been a violation of a rule or regulation governing the permit sticker. Permit sticker revocations may be appealed by the permittee to the City Administrator and from the City Administrator to City Council.

A livery may not lease, hire, or rent any personal watercraft or offer to lease, hire, or rent any personal watercraft unless the livery first obtains and carries in full force and effect a policy from a licensed insurance carrier in this state, insuring against any accident, loss, injury, property damage, or other casualty caused by or resulting from the operation of the personal watercraft. The insurance policy shall provide coverage of at least \$500,000 per person and \$1 million per event. The livery must have proof of such insurance available for inspection at the location where personal watercraft are being leased, hired, or rented, or offered for lease, hire, or rent, and shall provide to each renter the insurance carrier's name and address and the insurance policy number.

For additional information on the Use of Public Boat Ramps and City Property, please refer to Section 7-3 of the St. Petersburg City Code. I have received, read, understand, and agree to abide by all terms contained herein and the Rules and Regulations governing this permit.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED IN CITY PARKLAND

For office use only	
Approval _____	Date _____
Main Permit # _____	Issuance Date _____ Expiration Date _____
Permit 2 # _____	Permit 3 # _____ Permit 4 # _____ Permit 5 # _____
Permit 6 # _____	
Amount Received _____	
Cash _____	Check (#) _____ Initials of Recipient _____

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