

Waquoit Bay Yacht Club Membership Process

Purpose: Describe the process for consideration of prospective member(s) of the Waquoit Bay Yacht Club.

Assumptions:

- Membership is limited to 145, subject to change by the board.
- Prospective members are considered once a year. New applications must be received by April 1 and will be acted on before May 15th
- A membership committee will be established consisting of a chairperson and as many as four additional members.

Process:

○ **Application:**

The application form for membership will be available online from the home page of the web site (www.waquoitbayyachtclub.com) in fillable pdf format. The applicant(s) may complete the application form online, save the completed form and attach it to an e-mail to the web master at webmaster@waquoitbayyachtclub.com. No signature is required to expedite the process. In addition to the completed application, the applicant(s) must submit a letter to the WBYC Membership Committee stating their interest in joining the club, family background and their reasons for wanting to belong to the club.

If the applicant(s) prefers to complete a hard copy form, this form can be printed, signed, and mailed to Waquoit Bay Yacht Club, c/o WBYC Membership, P.O. Box 3434, Waquoit, Ma. 02536.

○ **Sponsorship:**

A prospective member is required to have two sponsors for membership in the Waquoit Bay Yacht Club. These members must be WBYC Senior Member (3+ years of membership, in good standing) who will agree to sponsor the individual or family. The sponsors (family, single, life member) may only sponsor one prospective candidate for membership per year. The sponsor may not be a member, or be related to a member of the membership committee. The sponsor may not be in the same immediate family as the candidate.

The sponsors are required to send a letter of recommendation to the membership committee chair person. This may be by e-mail to webmaster@waquoitbayyachtclub.com, or by mail to Waquoit Bay Yacht Club, c/o WBYC Membership, P.O. Box 3434, Waquoit, Ma. 02536.

Sponsoring new members obligates the current member to support their application to the membership committee, actively participate in

integrating new members into the club environment through member introductions, work parties, and social events.

The completed application, applicant introduction letter, and two sponsor letters should be sent by mail or e-mail to the chairperson, **post marked or e-mailed no later than April 1.**

- Each applicant will be requested to meet with the Membership Committee for a brief informal interview at the club. The purpose of the interview is to get to know the applicants and to tell them about the club and show them around the club house and facilities, and to answer any question they may have about the club.
- Following the interviews, the Membership Committee will schedule a meeting with the board where the recommended applicants will be presented to the Board. The Board will decide by majority vote whether to accept or reject each applicant.
- By May 15th, the chairperson will notify applicants who have been accepted and send them the invoice for the required initiation and membership fees, due June 1st to the WBYC treasurer. By May 15th, the chairperson will notify those applicants who have not been accepted.
- The WBYC Commodore will send a welcoming letter to the new member(s) along with an invitation to the next club event and/or work party.
- The two sponsors for the new member(s) will be asked to attend the next social or work event with the new member(s) to facilitate their introduction to the membership.

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Waquoit Bay Yacht Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 3434
Waquoit, Ma. 02536
508-548-5732



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Date of Application: _____

I hereby make application for membership in the Waquoit Bay Yacht Club, Inc. I will forward to your treasurer the initiation fee of \$700.00 and the annual membership dues after I have been interviewed and notified that my application for membership has been approved.

Annual membership dues:

Senior Active Member \$450.00

Family Membership:

Includes spouse & Children
to age 23 who are students
and living at home.

Please include **child's date of birth**

Name: _____
(First/Last)

Name: _____
(Spouse-First/Last)

Name: _____
(Child/DOB)

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Senior Active Member \$225.00

Over 18 yrs. of age,
Single, widowed, or divorced

Name: _____

Junior Activity Fee \$ TBA*

Includes sailing program
For children under 18 yrs.
Of age wanting to participate

A.M. Session Optimists (8 yrs. or older)

Name: _____ Age: _____

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Name: _____ Age: _____

*: Discount for more than one child

Occupation(s): _____

Why would you like to join the Waquoit Bay Yacht Club?

How do you feel your membership could benefit WBYC?

What skills would you bring to the club with your membership (for example, good with tools, computer skills, correspondence, leadership, etc.).

Rank activities or committees you would like to participate in (1-6, 1 being most interested)

___ Social ___ Youth Committee ___ Race ___ Cruise ___ House ___ Waterfront

What other clubs have you belonged to?

List Boat(s) currently owned: (Make, Model, Type (Power/Sail), Length, Name)

Mooring #(s) if in Waquoit Bay: _____

Require dinghy sticker for dock usage? Yes No

Winter mailing address and telephone:

(Street): _____

(Town/State/Zip): _____

(Telephone): _____

(E-Mail(s)) _____

Summer mailing address and telephone:

(Street): _____

(Town/State/Zip): _____

(Telephone): _____

The two sponsors who are proposing the applicant's membership **must each submit a letter of recommendation** before the application will be considered. Both sponsors must be Senior Members in good standing for at least three years. The sponsors must not be in the same household/immediate family or currently a member, or family member of the WBYC Membership committee. Sponsors may only be a signatory on one pending application at a time.

Sponsored by (Print): _____

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Applicant (Print)	Date	Applicant (Print)	Date