**BOAT RAMP GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Thank you for your membership dues. As members, we are all obligated to abide by the following rules. Keys are the property of RCPIA and are not to be duplicated, loaned out or rented to others. Contact a RCPIA officer or board member if you witness anyone abusing their privileges. Notify AACo Police (911) in the event of vandalism or unlawful conduct.

**SEASON**: RCPIA Boat Ramp will operate year round from Sunrise to Sunset.

**FEES**: All dues shall be paid in advance. Membership is valid April 1st though March 31st.

All Boat Ramp access key fees except under special circumstances and approved by the RCPIA Board Members, are non-refundable.

**RAMP USE**: The ramp is for use of private pleasure craft of 28 feet or less in length, and 8’ 6” feet in width only. NO COMMERCIAL USE (dealers, workboats, charter vessels, etc.).

* A current boat ramp decal must be attached to the port (left) side of the trailer tongue near the hitch, or the left side of vehicle bumper if not using a trailer
* Each vessel being launched must have an active decal
* Use of the boat ramp is limited to members of the immediate household living at the address listed on the key agreement

**PROPERTY USE**:

* No alcoholic beverages
* No open fires
* No littering
* No loitering
* No foul language

**DOCKING**: The docks are for unloading and loading only. A maximum of 15 minutes is allowed tied to the dock. You must walk your boat to the end of the docking area.

**MOTOR USE**: Never use your boat’s power for loading on or unloading from the trailer. The prop wash will erode the ramp’s foundation. Boats and Personal Watercraft users must observe the 6-knot ALL HOUR speed zone regulation for all of Wall Cove.

**MARINE RADIO**: RCPIA does not monitor any marine channels. You must follow all Coast Guard

Rules governing distress signals and communications. MD DNR Police (410) 260-8888 or VHF Channel 16.

**FUEL**: No fueling of boats is permitted. Hazardous or flammable chemicals are prohibited from use on dock or vessels.

**TRASH**: A small trash can is provided next to the parking lot. No littering. NO DISPOSAL OF OIL OR OTHER FLUIDS SUCH AS ANTIFREEZE OR PAINT IS PERMITTED.

**PARKING**: All vehicles hauling trailers must be parked in one of the allotted trailer parking spaces. Only vehicles hauling a watercraft will be allowed to park within the gated beach/boat ramp area. Unauthorized/unstickered boats, trailers or vehicles will be towed at the owner’s expense. NO PARKING ON WALL DRIVE ACROSS FROM THE GATE ENTRANCE.

**BOAT TRAILERS**: Overnight boat trailer parking is strictly prohibited. The parking area is patrolled by RCPIA officers and board members and is restricted to day‐use only. A current boat ramp decal must be attached to the port (left) side of the trailer tongue near the hitch.

**VESSEL CONDITION**: Vessels shall be in seaworthy condition and not constitute a fire hazard or obstruction to navigation. Boat owners agree to keep the boat fully insured and with complete marine insurance, including hull coverage and indemnity and/or liability insurance. RCPIA assumes no responsibility or liability for damages.

**GATE**: The gate must be locked after entering or leaving. Do not leave gate open for other vessels to enter without verifying that they have an active decal. Be sure to put the chain through the triangle.

**VIOLATIONS**: Any person who willfully destroys community beach or boat ramp property will be subject to arrest and prosecution. The violator will be held liable for all repairs to damaged items.

If the rules above are not followed, or if the conduct of the key holder is found to be contrary to the best interests of the community of the RCPIA, a determination will be made by the RCPIA regarding the key holder’s continued and/or future use of the facility. RCPIA reserves the right to revoke access privileges to anyone in violation.