

First Annual 4th of July Boat Parade

Presented By



OFFICIAL RULES

Failure to comply with any rules listed below can result in disqualification.

- All registrants must complete any necessary paperwork and return it to Bahia Mar Marina, 1901 Cypress Street in Pensacola, no later than 5:00pm on Thursday, July 3rd. Registration forms must be turned in in-person so that registrants may receive their parade number.
- Registrants will receive one parade number and zip ties to fasten the number to their boat.
- All participants must have their parade number visible throughout the parade route in order to be judged. Parade numbers are to be fastened to the port side, towards the stern (rear) of the vessel. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from judging.
- Music, light displays, costumes, or any other decorative paraphernalia is expected to be tasteful and appropriate, and to not pose any potential safety risk.
- Safety is the number one priority. Please abide by all marine safety rules at all times. Participants are required to comply with all boating laws and regulations.
- All entrants participate at their own risk.
- It is expected that all boats participating are in good operating condition and have been thoroughly inspected for any mechanical defects.
- Proper conduct and language will be used throughout the parade. Lewd conduct will not be tolerated. Misconduct will result in disqualification.
- Absolutely NO LITTERING, NO FIREWORKS, and NO OBJECTS OF ANY KIND thrown from the vessel. This includes candy, beads, balloons, etc.
- The boat parade will form in the waters of Bayou Chico at approximately 4:30pm. Parade will start promptly at 5:00pm. Vessels that have not arrived before the start of the parade will not be considered for judging.
- Parade route will form in the waters of Bayou Chico, will travel past the Oar House Restaurant, continue past DeLuna Park, and will end at Seville Harbour Marina. From there, entrants are free to disband.
- Monitor VHF Channel 9, the official parade frequency. Non-emergency parade instructions will be passed on this frequency.
- In the event of hazardous weather conditions, the Parade may be cancelled by Management. Cancellation announcements will be made on VHF Channel 9.
- Vessels will be judged by three (3) impartial judges who are not affiliated with the Sponsors. All judges' decisions will be final.
- Winners will be contacted via telephone according to the information provided on the registration form.
- Prizes are to be claimed within ten business days of contact from Bahia Mar Marine. Prizes can be collected at the office at Bahia Mar Marina, 1901 Cypress Street in Pensacola, five days a week (Monday through Friday) from 8:00 am to 5:00pm. Prizes that remain unclaimed after ten business days will become the sole property of Bahia Mar Marine. Please note that while the marina operates seven days a week, a business day will be considered only Monday through Friday.
- Employees of, direct family of employees of, and anyone deemed by Management to be too closely associated with Bahia Mar Marine, Marina Management Corporation, or the Oar House Restaurant will not be eligible for prizes.
- Prizes are to be awarded as follows: First Prize: \$1,000.00 cash; Second Prize: \$500.00 cash; Third Prize: \$250.00 cash; Fourth Prize: \$100.00 cash; Fifth Prize: \$50.00 in Oar House Gift Certificate(s).
- Bahia Mar Marine will lead the parade. Parade speed will be 5MPH from start to finish. Boaters are to provide approximately three boat lengths between each vessel- enough room to make an emergency stop. Travel the entire parade route; no cutting corners or changing positions.

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SAFETY CHECKLIST

Please note that this checklist embodies the minimum safety requirements.

- Vessel registration current and onboard, with current registration numbers firmly affixed to the vessel
- Personal flotation devices available for all passengers; children under the age of six are required to wear flotation device at all times
- Vessels 16' in length or larger must have at least one Type-IV Coast Guard approved throwable device
- Navigational lights: red and green lights forward denoting port and starboard, as well as a universal white light on stern
- Sound signaling device (i.e. horn, whistle, or bell)
- At least one Type B-1 Coast Guard approved fire extinguisher for marine use, mounted and readily accessible
- Proper ventilation system and backfire flame arrestor for closed engine compartments
- Visual distress signal (i.e. handheld flashlight or stern light)
- Proper boat capacity: maximum weight in persons, gear, and motor shall not exceed the manufacturer's recommendation

Please complete and comply with all items listed on this checklist before arriving at the start of the boat parade!

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OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

Failure to complete this form in full may result in disqualification.

Registration Deadline: 5:00pm Thursday, July 3rd

THIS REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE TURNED IN IN-PERSON TO A MEMBER OF THE BAHIA MAR MARINE OFFICE STAFF!

Owner's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Alternate Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Vessel Name: _____

Vessel Make, Model: _____

Vessel Length: _____

Do you have a marine radio? _____ YES _____ NO

Waiver of Liability

The undersigned hereby requests the right to enter the above-named Boat Parade sponsored by Bahia Mar Marine and The Oar House Restaurant. In consideration of being granted the right to enter such parade, the undersigned assumes all risks incident to such parade, and agrees that Bahia Mar Marine, The Oar House Restaurant, Marina Management Corp., and all facilities and parties related to them, including officers, directors, judges, employees, or agents of said companies are not liable for any damages, losses, injuries, or deaths arising from or incident to said boat parade, and the undersigned agrees to indemnify and hold all of such parties harmless from and against the same. The undersigned also attests that they have read and understand all laws, rules, and regulations set forth both for this parade, as well as those set forth for boaters, and that they will abide by these rules throughout the parade. Furthermore, the undersigned attests that their vessel is in good working condition that they have liability and casualty insurance in place with respect to their boat, and that to their best knowledge, their vessel has no mechanical or structural defects or damage of any kind.

Sign

Print

Date

For Official Use Only

Employee: _____ (sign and print)

Parade Entry Number: _____ Date Submitted: _____