



## Hat Island Ferry: Another Holiday Operations, Loading, Departure, and Baggage Rules



**PURPOSE:** The purpose of these rules is to ensure the safe operation of the vessel and the safety of crew and passengers. These rules are placed in effect to ensure the fair and equitable access to the ferry for all of our owners.

**GENERAL:** P/V *The Hat Island Ferry: Another Holiday* is a federally licensed and regulated vessel operating under the parameters of CFR 46 and further regulated by the Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission and the state Department of Revenue and the United States Coast Guard. It is the legal responsibility of the crew to ensure that the vessel is operated within these regulations. Property owners are responsible for their guests being properly informed of these requirements.

### **OPERATIONS:**

- \*Vessel Master is charged with the responsibility to enforce the rules approved by the HIC Board of Directors, and as such:
  - has final authority to determine what cargo can be carried on the vessel.
  - has the final authority to determine if the weather is safe for running *Another Holiday*.
  - has the authority to deny passage if in his/her determination a passenger presents a danger to other passengers or the crew, or refuses to follow crew instructions. If necessary the Captain may seek the assistance of local authorities.
- \*The Captain's decision on ship's safety, volume or excessive quantity or weight of items brought on board prevails.
- \**Another Holiday* falls under federal U.S. Coast Guard regulations prohibiting illicit substances per CFR 49. WA State law is superseded by Federal laws.
- \*Smoking is NOT allowed anywhere on *Another Holiday*.
- \*Please do not congregate at the Bridge nor distract the helmsman.
- \*Passengers must remain seated on the bow until docking operations are complete and the vessel is shut down.
- \*Children below the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. The crew cannot be responsible for unattended minors.
- \*Please remain seated until the Captain has announced arrival and issued disembarking instructions.
- \*Please do not congregate in front of the pay station/concession stand. The crew needs unobstructed access to these areas.
- \*Pets must be in an approved pet carrier or muzzled before boarding and remain so until off the vessel. A full face muzzle must be used. Strap muzzles are not acceptable.
- \*Pets must ride on the aft deck.
- \*To ensure there is an outside space where non-pet owners can sit without pets, there are no pets permitted on the forward deck (bow).

**LOADING AND DEPARTURE:** The ferry is the only means of transportation for a large percentage of our owners. They rely on the ferry to arrive and depart on the published schedule in order to arrange appointments and connecting travel.

- \*All passengers should arrive not later than 20 minutes prior to departure. This is especially important during the peak season.
- \* There is no assigned seating on the ferry. Seats are made available on a first-come, first served basis. Exceptions are for those travelling under the American Disabilities Act who are given priority for designated ADA seating, and for those with pets who must ride with their animals in designated sections of the boat. The captain has final authority on passenger loading.
- \*To ensure a timely departure, we ask all passengers and baggage to be onboard the vessel at least 10 minutes prior to scheduled departure.
- \*The ferry departs at its published departure time. Departure means the crew has begun the process of departing by closing the boarding ramp at the published departure time.
- \*Baggage will not be accepted after the boarding ramp has been closed.
- \*For the safety of the crew, vessel and passengers on board, once the process of departure has begun it will continue uninterrupted.

**BAGGAGE:** There is a limited amount of space and weight capacity on the vessel. If a few owners or guests bring excessive amounts of baggage it will cause the vessel to reach weight capacity before reaching passenger limits. This results in passengers being turned away.

- \*A maximum of 10 cubic feet per passenger is the maximum amount allowed per passenger.

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Example of 10 cu. ft. on a collapsible cart.



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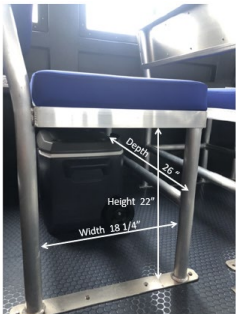


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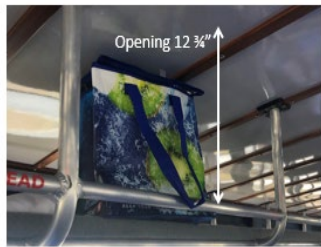


\*Items brought into the cabin must fit under your seat or in the overhead storage area. Only items less than 15 lbs can be placed in overhead storage. Nothing may be stored in the aisles.

Under seat storage:



Over Head Storage:



- \*Items must not require more than one crew member to lift or handle safely.
- \*Transportation of unaccompanied items is not permissible. All items brought on board must be under the personal control of a passenger. If you need to send something to the Island you must arrange for a passenger to be responsible for its loading and unloading.
- \*Larger items, containers and all rolling stock must fit completely under the seat and not protrude out into the walkway.
- \*Large four (4) wheeled wagons or dock carts are not allowed.
- \*Hand trucks/hand carts that do not collapse are not allowed
- \*Light weight folding hand carts are allowed but must be <38" and fit under the seat.
- \*Loose items must be contained in a closed container. Items such as toys, clothing, and bedding should be contained in a closed bag or container.
- \*Individual grocery store bags (i.e. white plastic bags) are discouraged as they are hard to transport and are subject to failure. Please consolidate your grocery items in larger reusable and durable shopping bags, plastic tubs, or coolers.

\*Items need to be packaged to be stackable to make optimal use of the space available. The crew/vessel is not responsible for damage to improperly packaged items. The crew will relocate items to maximize available space.

\*All containers such as coolers, suitcases, plastic tubs should be labeled with the owner's name or lot number.

\*No building materials, ladders, or contractor's equipment are allowed except for Community maintenance work.

\*Gasoline, diesel, or other flammable liquids are not allowed.

\* Special Cargo runs will take place where propane may be transported. Please check with the Hat Island Office on these dates.

\*Batteries must be placed in a container w/lid, when boarding vessel let crew know what you are transporting and wait for direction.

\*Furniture is not allowed.

\*Household garbage only, no construction debris, garbage must be in 13-gallon quality bags and doubled up. Garbage must be marked with lot number. Leaking or torn bags or loose garbage will not be accepted. Any spillage that occurs due to poor bagging will be the passengers responsibility to clean up.



**Generally Allowable Items:**

Pets (must adhere to the published Pet Policy)

Food & Beverage

Luggage, Suitcases containing clothing

\*The above information is not all inclusive. Items may be denied passage in the interest of safety and reliable performance at the discretion of the Captain. If in doubt, ask!