

## **Hat Island Vehicle Use and Parking Rules:**

Hat Island parking in the marina and other designated community property is not a right, but a privilege. The rules below will be enforced to prevent the misuse or expansion of the parking areas at the marina. Autos and trucks are limited to any combinations of two (2) per voting owner member on the island. This limitation does not apply to commercially operated vehicles. Only one (1) vehicle at a time may be parked in the marina, per lot. **Drivers of cars and trucks must be of legal driving age. See ATV/UTV rules and age requirements.**

### **Bringing a Vehicle to Hat Island:**

Owners wishing to bring over a vehicle, ATV/TV, or golf cart must do the following:

- Provide the original title is to be given to the Harbor Master/HICA office staff prior to the scheduling of the barge service to bring the vehicle to the island. Because the vehicles have a tendency to change hands over time, titles get lost. There is a complicated and time-consuming process to remove vehicles from the island without an original title. Titles are kept in a secured location in the office. If an original title is not provided at the time the vehicle is brought over to the island, a \$200-dollar fee will be retained until the owner provides the original title to the HICA office. Once the title is received, the fee will be refunded or credited to the owner's account on a pro-rated basis.
- Place the lot number visible on the rear bumper, rear window, or trunk before they will be loaded on the transport barge for delivery to Hat Island. Decals must be three-inch high and easy to read. The numbers cannot be made of electrical tape and other non-permanent materials.
- It is the owner's responsibility to notify the office when a car is sold.

### **Marina Parking Lot Use:**

- The Marina Parking lot areas are meant to be used for transient vehicles (coming to and from the owner's lot). Due to limited space, vehicles must be used on a regular basis, be operational and have the ability to be moved for parking lot maintenance, emergency purposes, etc-
- We encourage owners to provide a backup set of keys for emergency purposes. If you are locked out, the office can provide the back-up key to get you into your vehicle. If you are away from periods of time and it becomes necessary to remove your vehicle for lot maintenance

purposes or for emergency purposes, we can move the vehicle without towing it out of the way. Contact the office staff to make arrangements to keep your backup key in our office.

- Boat trailers are to be parked at the owner's lot. Trailers may only be used for launching and removal from the marina. Trailers may not stay parked in the marina when you are boating. Long-term parking is not available for trailers.
- ATV, UTV, and Golf Cart parking areas are designated. Please do not park in regular parking spaces so we can maximize our limited parking for all community members.
- Day-Only parking area restrictions of 24 hour parking will be enforced.
- Parking is not allowed in the following areas:
  - ◆ Commons Picnic Area other than for load and unload purposes
  - ◆ Vehicles may not block roadways (emergency vehicles must be able to get through)

### **Speed Limits:**

The maximum speed limit on Hat Island roads is the same for all vehicles, 15 MPH with the exception of the areas of the marina parking lot and all community hills (Marina Hill, H Division Hill, and N Division Hill) where the speed limit is 5 MPH. The maximum speed on community owned beaches is 5 MPH. At the discretion of the Island Manager or Board, speed limits may be reduced due to road conditions (too wet or dusty). Temporary Signs will be posted with the speed limit.

### **Long Term Parking:**

Due to the shortage of parking spaces in the Marina (North and South), the Board of Trustees initiated a Parking policy (June 2011, updated by Board of Trustees 12/19/2020 ).

- Long Term Parking is defined as more than 90 days. To leave a vehicle in the marina lot for more than 90 days may subject the owner to a fine. Currently these locations are located in the Marina and near the Tennis Court areas. Vehicles left in the marina lot more than 6 months-will be considered abandoned and removed as per RCW 46.55 (This regulation delineates the notification process). This rule is waived for properties located along the beach in divisions I, S, U, T and lots D1-D16 and C6 – C28 who may park one vehicle in the marina lot, near the Commons area. These owners must contact the island office and register their vehicle.
- The vehicles of owners who park on their lots must park vehicles on their property, not in the island's right of way. Vehicles must not be allowed to become overgrown. Unused and non-operational vehicles and equipment will not be stored on lots (or community property). The HICA considers unused and non-operational vehicles and equipment to be a nuisance as described in the Restrictive Covenants (CCR's). The HICA also considers unused and non-operational vehicles to be rubbish and trash as described in the restrictive covenants:

**From HICA Restrictive Covenants:**

- Section 8: *No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or may become a nuisance to the neighborhood.*
- Section 13: *No lot shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for rubbish; trash, garbage or other waste shall not be kept except in sanitary containers.*

**Parking on Community Property:**

Owners and their guests may park temporarily on Community Property in front of their lots on short term basis and no more than 72 hours or by management permission due to special circumstances. Vehicles may not block roadways at any time. Community space along roadways is not meant for long term parking or storage. Owners violating this policy will be given written notice to remove their vehicles/trailers/other equipment or be subject to impoundment fees for removal/disposal.

**Vehicle Removal/Impoundment:**

Any vehicle parked inappropriately may be impounded by either moving to storage on the island or hauled off the island at the owner's expense (\$50.00 minimum fee) and disposed of, in accordance with laws governing abandoned or illegally parked vehicles.