

2018 Chicago Harbors Commercial Permit Descriptions & Requirements

Dealer Charter

- For the purpose of a commercial boat dealer to display boats for sale.
- Entitled to one additional parking card at second card rate (except Monroe)
- \$1500.00 per season

Bare Boat

- For the purpose of renting out boat only.
- Renter operates the boat themselves, i.e. no captain. The renter may not charge or sub-lease boat.
- Maximum of twelve persons or rated capacity of the boat, whichever is less.
- Entitled to one additional parking card at second card rate (except Monroe)
- \$700.00 per season

6 Passenger

- For the purpose of transporting passengers for hire.
- A licensed captain is required to operate the boat.
- Maximum of six persons, excluding captain only, or rated capacity of the boat, whichever is less.
- Entitled to one additional parking card at second card rate (except Monroe)
- \$700 per season

6 Passenger Fishing

- For the purpose of transporting passengers for hire for fishing purposes only.
- A licensed captain is required to operate the boat.
- Maximum of six persons, excluding captain only, or rated capacity of the boat, whichever is less.
- Entitled to one additional parking card at second card rate (except Monroe)
- \$340.00 per season

20 Passenger

- For the purpose of transporting passengers for hire.
- A licensed captain is required to operate the boat.
- Maximum of twenty persons, excluding captain only, or rated capacity of the boat, whichever is less.
- Entitled to one additional parking card at second card rate (except Monroe).
- \$1400.00 per season

Party Charter

- For the purpose of transporting passengers for hire.
- A licensed captain is required to operate the boat.
- Maximum persons on board is the rated capacity of the boat.
- Entitled to one additional parking card at second card rate (except Monroe).
- \$3200.00 per season

Sailing Instruction (Under 27')

- For the purpose of sailing instruction only.
- Entitled to no additional parking cards.
- \$450.00 per season

Personal Water Craft (PWC) Rental

- For rental of personal water craft.
- Available only at approved harbors and mooring classes.
- Rate is per personal water craft, not per mooring.
- \$300.00 per season

Peer to Peer Leasing



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- For part-time leasing of boat. Renter operates the boat themselves, i.e. no captain.
- The renter may not charge or sub-lease boat.
- Maximum of 30 rental days per season.
- Available only at approved harbors and specific moorings and through approved listing service.
- \$500.00 per season

Other Requirements

- Unless otherwise specified, the above pertain to one boat and one mooring only.
- No loading/unloading of passengers, cargo or other materials except at assigned mooring or touch and go area designated for commercial use. Touch and go use is limited to 15 minutes and on a first come first serve basis.
- No commercial permittee shall operate a commercial service Boat within the Harbor System between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m., the following day ***without prior written authorization of Director of Lakefront Services or his/her designee.***
- Commercial Permit is for the Extended Harbor Season (May 1 to November 15), but permittee may have to relocate to a designated Late Leaver Harbor for period after regular Harbor Season (May 1 to October 31).
- Permittee is responsible for the activity and conduct of passengers, customers, and customer's guests at all times within the harbor and on harbor property.
- Permittee is responsible for the use or misuse of harbor parking passes or codes given to passengers, customers, and customer's guests. No fee may be charged by permittee for the use of harbor parking passes or codes to anyone, including to passengers, customers, or customer's guests.
- Permittee may not publish or otherwise disseminate gate or other harbor access codes in any way beyond directly to customers. Permittee is also required to inform all guests that the dissemination of gate or other harbor access codes is prohibited.

| Document* | Dealer | Bare Boat | 6 Pass./ Fishing | 20 Passenger | Party | Sailing Instruction | PWC | Peer to Peer |
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| Chicago Harbors Application for Commercial Permit | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| \$1,000,000 liability insurance indemnification** | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Illinois or U.S. Vessel Registration | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Passenger Boat License | | | X | X | X | X | | |
| Livery License/Rental Boat Stickers | | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| U. S. Coast Guard Captain's License | | | X | X | X | | | |
| U. S. Coast Guard Certificate of Inspection | | | | X | X | | | |
| Charter Boat Operators Permit | | | X | | | | | |
| City of Chicago Commercial Vessel Owners Permit | | | | | X | | | |

* All documentation must be current and valid for entire season or if documentation expires before the end of the season, updated documentation to cover remaining portion of season must be received prior to expiration of original documentation.

** Indemnification must include Chicago Park District and Westrec Marina Management