

TERM CHARTERS

THE HIRING OF A PRIVATE VESSEL FOR YACHTING, SAILING, OR MOTORING FOR A SPECIFIC PERIOD OF TIME WITH A CUSTOMIZED ITINERARY. CHARTERS ARE PRIVATE AND ARRANGED BY GUESTS FOR USE OF THE ENTIRE VESSEL (Family, Friends or Corporate/Office)

Term infers “Time” - a specific block of time consisting of 24 hour period(s)

Charter means- a private group agrees to take “temporary use” and/or control of where and what a vessel will be doing under their direction, with a Captain who meets or exceeds licensure.

Vessels must have a fully functional “galley”/kitchenette;

Vessel must have independent running water system with water storage tank;

Vessel must have independent shore power/electricity, and DC battery power;

Vessel must have working “heads” / toilets, holding tank and onboard shower/ bathing facilities;

Vessel must have permanent enclosed safe bunking to sleep the number of chartered passengers and provide towels and linens;

Lessee is responsible for guests and respond to all emergency calls at the dock;

Lessee will maintain adequate insurance coverage for Time Charter use;

Agreement letter/contract with charter guests will include rules and regulations as set forth by the Key West Bight Marina Management;

Vessel will comply with all USCG regulations for vessel operation and safety equipment on board, including a paid licensed captain, as written in the Federal Code of Regulations (CFR) No(s), 46 & 47;

Advertising- Operators cannot advertise offering rooming and/or accommodations without the chartering package. All advertising must be centered around the charter and the excursions offered;

Time Charters is not an alternative to renting a hotel room, guest house, bed & breakfast or the like;

Vessel operators are required to maintain a log or registry that tracks all rentals, stays, and trips which will be available to the Dock master upon request;

All time charters are required to leave the dock on excursions such as but not limited to: snorkeling and diving trips, reef excursions, private island visits, sight-seeing, sunset sails, overnight or multiple charter trips;

Trip guidelines- since a time charter is not an alternative to lodging the following guidelines for trips versus overnight stays should be followed;

- a) 3 day/2 night stay should consist of 1 chartered trip
- b) 4 day/3 night stay should consist of 2 chartered trips
- c) 5 day/4 night stay should consist of 3 chartered trips

Management understands there are always times that these requirements may not be met due to: weather, mechanical, and health issues etc. these exceptions must be recorded in log books available for inspection;

All Time Charters will require an additional approval by the Key West Bight Management District Board before granted operational slip usage. Proposed charter operators will present their business plan to staff to be placed on the agenda of a regularly scheduled Board meeting for the approval process;

There will be a \$250.00 designation fee required for submitted proposal;

These above requirements set forth the conditions to operate as a Time Charter. In the event marina staff has evidence a certain vessel is operating as lodging and not following the spirit of Time Charters their lease operations are subject to warnings and ultimately cancellation;

Tenants cited for such violations may be brought before the Key West Bight District Board for review and decision subject to Section 2-554 of the Key West Municipal Code of Ordinances.