

## 2009-10 SBOCC Members OC-1/OC-2 Usage Agreement

This OC-1/OC-2 Usage Agreement must be signed upon completion of certification to be eligible to use club OC-1 and OC-2 canoes. By signing this usage agreement, you agree to the following:

1. Canoes are to be used by SBOCC members in good standing only. Guest paddlers are not permitted.
2. Canoes are for training purposes. Canoes may not be transported.
3. No one may go out alone on club canoes, you must paddle with a buddy, unless you stay inside the harbor. 1st and 2nd year paddlers are limited to the harbor and half-mile green buoy unless they go out with a coach.
4. Do not go out under unsafe conditions. Use common sense regarding weather, water conditions, and your paddling ability to determine if it is safe for you.
5. Always tell someone on shore of your plans so they can call the Coast Guard if you do not return.
6. Sign up one week maximum in advance for the time you want to use a canoe. Sign-up board is in the paddle box. Include your phone number so others can contact you, if needed. Paddle time is limited to 2 hours.
7. Be on time for your scheduled slot and return on time to make the canoe available for the next person. The two-hour time slot includes rigging, unrigging and clean up. Be prepared to unrig in case the next person does not show up for their shift. If you have signed up for a time slot and know you will not be using it – please erase your name.
8. Inspect canoe for damage. Report damage or loss of parts immediately to the OC1 Chairperson (website has contact info.). Do not take the canoes out if damaged or you are unable to rig properly.
9. Check that the plugs are secure (ama and canoe) before going out. Drain water, if any, and **replace plug**.
10. Always wear a leash to attach you to the canoe. Always bring a life jacket and drinking water.
11. Take care of the canoes: Be mindful of the rudder in shallow water. Do not ride the canoes up on the sand.  
**Do not surf the canoes. Do not shoot the pier.**
12. Keep the canoes in your immediate possession at all times. Do not leave them unattended.
13. Use the sawhorses, not on the canoe rack, to rig and unrig the canoes. Keep the rudder off the sand.
14. Make note of how the canoes are secured to the rack and take care to properly secure and lock the canoes before you go home. Take care to rest the strongest part of the front manu on the rack. Always use two locks on the oc-1s. Take care to lock the canoe snugly but do not cinch it down—this is how the manu was damaged on our new blue & white oc-1. The combination is \_\_\_\_\_. Borrow a lock from an oc-2 if a lock fails on an oc-1 and notify the OC-1 Chairperson.
15. Saltwater is corrosive to metal parts. Rinse the canoes after each use – especially the iakos, rudder and peddle cables. Fresh water is available in the pump sprayer inside the paddle box. Refill the water bottle when low or empty. Yes, that means YOU.
16. Put your name, date, time, specific canoe used and direction of travel in the log book. **Lock the paddle box** before you go out and when you go home.

**By signing this agreement you acknowledge that you have read and understand the rules and agree to follow them. And, that if you violate any of the above rules, you will be suspended from using club equipment for a minimum of six months. Surfing the canoes or shooting the pier will cause permanent termination of your permission to use club OC-1 and OC-2 canoes.**

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BE SAFE AND HAVE FUN!!