

## COMMERCIAL BOAT STORAGE

### Commercial Boat Storage

#### Overview

The Head of the Fire Department determines the rules for commercial storage of boats on land. This is done on a site-by-site basis. There are many factors that determine this. Town by-laws, access, exposures, boat size and maneuverability are a few. However there are some general guidelines that are followed.

#### GENERAL GUIDELINES

Boats are store on solid ground, preferably paved or surface with stone or gravel. They are to be situated no closer than 3 feet from the lot lines and buildings.

#### ACCESS

Access to boats stored outside shall be such that the hose-lay distance from the fire apparatus to any portion of the boat shall not exceed 150 ft (45.8 m).

Access to buildings in which boats are stored shall be such that the hose-lay distance from the fire apparatus to all exterior portions of the building shall not exceed 150 ft (45.8 m). Pressurized standpipe systems and pipe systems can be used to meet this requirement.

#### DRIVEWAYS

Driveways are a minimum of 15 feet wide and have an all weather surface capable of supporting fire apparatus. The turning radius of all drives should meet the requirements of the largest fire apparatus that will be responding. Driveways should be spaced so that a maximum grid system of no more than 100 feet by 150 feet is produced.

#### BY-LAW

**COMMERCIAL STORAGE** = The Storage of boats on a lot or portion of a lot set up specifically for this use as a business enterprise in Business, Local Commercial and Commercial Recreation A, B and C Districts is a permitted use. Storage in other districts may be authorized by Special Permit issued by the Board of Selectmen. All storage shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) Certificate of insurance shall be filed with the Fire Department.
- (b) Any storage area fronting on a 50 foot wide street shall have a drive-way entrance not exceeding 30 feet.
- (c) Storage area shall be fenced to exclude public entry except for approved access.
- (d) No boat shall be stored closer than 3 feet from an interior lot line, nor closer than 3 feet from any building.
- (e) Spacing shall be in accordance with Fire Department requirements.
- (f) Inside storage shall be in accordance with Fire Department requirements.