

WBYC SAILING DIVISION

COVID-19 Protocol

On the Boat and at the WBYC Waterfront

It is the intent of the WBYC Sailing Division to ensure and to encourage the safety of our members during the current COVID-19 health crisis. The following are recommended precautions by health officials, the Department of Natural Resources and consistent with Governor Executive Orders to assist you as you enjoy the 2021 season on White Bear Lake.

While Sailing, On Shore and On the Docks at WBYC.

1. **Fleet Racing Boats.** If you are racing, it is always strongly recommended to wear a face covering, and do not gather in groups greater than 10 people before or after the competition. While not racing, wear masks and keep the social distancing at 6 feet. Consider briefing or debriefing by phone or later with Zoom, Google, etc., for face time.
2. **Spectator and Support Boats.** (motorboats and sailboats). On land, keep social distancing of 6 feet in mind except for immediate family members. Wear masks when encountering others. Do not gather in groups of more than 10 on land, before or after your time on the water.
3. **WBYC Docks.** While on the docks, keep your masks on and keep the social distancing of 6 feet to the extent possible. Be aware of your distancing since no dock is 6 feet wide. Be patient with each other as you board your boat if you must wait a moment or two to keep separated while another crew boards their boat. “Crew” refers to family members or non-family members.
4. **On shore at WBYC.** If you plan to have lunch, dinner, or play, follow the same guidelines *as if in your boat*. Keep gatherings to a minimum number of people especially when non-family members are included. Keep social distancing at the forefront, especially with non-family members. Wear masks. Wipe down—sanitize—any picnic table used, or area touched, or any other materials used.

- **Crew—non-family members.** If you have non-family members on your boat, to the extent possible, keep and enforce some type of distance between each other—as far from each other as possible. If the non-member has his or her own lifejacket have them bring it and keep their gear, water, and food separate and stored away from yours.
- Afterwards, because non-family members were on your boat, sanitize your boat, including lines.

At All Times

If you or anyone in your crew (or family) is ill, stay at home; do not attend any White Bear Yacht Club Sailing Division scheduled event.

In the end, it is common sense to do what is necessary for you to keep yourself, your family, and others safe during this COVID-19 crisis. The above are guidelines, not rules but, the idea is to be safe.

Reporting – *As a mandatory step in opening our sailing restrictions, we are required to have a plan for reporting all positive cases within our membership to the MDH. So, we must require all sailors to report any positive cases on their team to us, so we can follow up with the MDH. Please report to Ryan Drake at 651-261-8101 or ryanjdrake@outlook.com.*