# GRAND TIMES

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## **Reducing Fuel Usage**

We have all felt the sting of high fuel prices for our cars lately, but we boaters get a double whammy when we fuel our boats too. Here are some tips for reducing fuel usage:

- Slower speeds on the water will reduce use.
- The proper use of trim tabs reduces drag, especially while accelerating up to planning speeds.
- Minimize the amount of time that you idle at the dock.
- Minimize the use of on board generators.
- Use dock-side electrical power in lieu of generators.
- Have a float plan so you know exactly where you're going.
- Make sure the hull is clean.
- Don't under-power your boat. It's important you have enough motor to handle the load.
- Check your propeller. If your boat is slow "out of the hole" or lacks top-end speed, you might have the wrong propeller.
- A well-tuned engine uses less fuel.
- Use the grade of gasoline specified by the engine manufacturer.



### February 2022

If you are planning on canceling your berth agreement with Grand Marina, please remember you must give 30 days advance

Going Somewhere?

written notice.

We also would like to know why you are leaving, whether it is to go cruising (sweet!), you are getting out of boating (boo hoo), or you are moving to another marina (ouch).

If you are selling your boat, there is no guarantee that the new owner may keep the slip. Transfer of the berth is not automatic, and must be determined by the Harbormaster's office.

We also want to remind you that if you are selling a current boat to buy a bigger one, make sure you give us plenty of advanced notice. Larger slips are at a premium, and it may take a while to find you a spot.

Give us a call if you plan to leave the marina or sell your boat, and we will be happy to explain our policy or give you the best advice on how to proceed.



#### **Basic Emergency Preparation**

Whether it is an earthquake, terrorist attack or a tsunami, we should all be able to be self-sufficient for at least three days. The following items should be stored together for an emergency and ready for use at all times:

- o Water one gallon of drinking water per person and pet, per day; rotate every 6 months
- o Food ready to eat or requiring minimal water, such as: canned tuna, canned fruit and veggies, canned beans, raisins, peanut butter, granola bars, canned milk.
- Manual can opener
- First Aid Kit two pairs disposable gloves, sterile dressing, cleansing agent/soap, antibiotic ointment, burn ointment, adhesive bandages, eye wash, scissors, diarrhea medication, prescription medications and prescribed medical supplies
- Essential medications
- o Flashlights and extra batteries
- Radio (crank operated is best!)
- Cash in small denominations
- A copy of important documents and phone #'s
- Unscented liquid household bleach for water purification
- o Personal hygiene items including toilet paper, feminine supplies, and soap
- Heavy gloves
- Warm clothes, a hat and rain gear, Sturdy shoes
- A phone charger (a power bank is handy!)
- Extra prescription eye glasses, hearing aid or other vital personal items
- Blankets or sleeping bag
- o Extra keys to your house, vehicle and boat
- Diapers and other items for babies
- Special need items for family members with mobility issues such as an extra cane or manual wheelchair, in case there is no power for recharging an electric wheelchair
- For your pets, drinking water, bowls, food, cat litter, an extra leash and or pet carrier
- Recent pictures of your family members and pets
- Dust masks

#### **Dock Etiquette**

Let's dedicate a bit more energy towards considering our neighbors in the marina. Read below for a few good ideas...

- If you are already safely docked in the marina and there is no maintenance person or helper around to assist boaters as they dock and undock, it is courteous to assist others in your vicinity with their lines.
- Make sure to keep the area around your slip clear. Roll up and stow hoses and place power cords in such a manner so people passing by do not trip. Keep buckets, mops, tackle, docking lines and other items stowed in their proper places, not strewn around on the dock.
- When finished with carts or other equipment intended for common use at the marina, be sure to put it back where it belongs, so others have access.

#### **Grand Marina Burgee**

A new batch has arrived! Our burgees have always been such a big hit we can never keep them in stock! You should be able to see them being displayed proudly around the marina but if not here it is.



They are available in the marina office for the low price of \$25.00



Harbormaster: Cheri Berggren **Bookkeeper:** Mardy Valentine Office Assistant: Melanie Guillen Marina Assistant: Talisa Tejada

Office Hours:

9:00am.-5:00pm. Monday - Saturday

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7:30am.-4:30pm. Daily

**MAINTENACE EMERGENCY:** 

(510) 599-2429 Saturday + Sunday

7:30a.m.-4:30p.m.

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(510) 436-0666

FUEL SPILLS: (800) 424-8802

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL: 911 NON-EMERGENCY POLICE ASSISTANCE:** 

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