



# Three Belles Hurricane Club



Three Belles Marina has established the Hurricane Club for members interested in having the peace of mind that the enrolled vessel will be hauled and blocked in the marina yard in the event of an oncoming hurricane. Three Belles Marina is located inside of Smith Cove and well inside the Niantic River. Our location is well protected from the worst of the storm surge but we still recommend that, if possible, vessels should be hauled and blocked on land. Preparations for hurricane season should begin well before they are needed. While historically the frequency of hurricanes making landfall in New England or Connecticut has been quite low we have been hit by devastating hurricanes in the past and the frequency appears to be increasing. When major hurricanes do make landfall, the property damage is generally quite severe.

Here is how the program works:

1. Enroll in the program each year by filling out this form and returning it to us signed and with a check for the required deposit.
2. Enrolled members will be the marina's first priority in the event of an approaching hurricane. Club members will be hauled first and adequate space in the yard will be reserved as long as the Club Member adheres to the notification time frame and delivery requirements outlined below.
3. Membership is limited so please don't delay. Three Belles Marina customers will have first priority to sign up until the end of June. After June 30<sup>th</sup> we will open up any remaining availability to non-marina customers. No new members will be taken after July 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. Enrolled members have the sole responsibility to notify Three Belles Marina they wish to be hauled and they must have their vessel present at the marina **at least 72-hours before Gale Force Winds arrive in our area (NOAA Forecast)**.
5. Should a major storm approach our area and once the Club Member has instructed Three Belles Marina to haul the vessel, the vessel will be hauled at a reduced hurricane-hauling rate (\$2.00 off the normal per ft. rates) (See our rate sheet for detailed hauling rates). The full deposit will then be applied to the total and the Club Member will be responsible for any outstanding balance.
6. Should the vessel be hauled multiple times in any one season and the deposit exhausted the Club Member will still benefit from the reduced hauling rate as a Club Member.
7. Following a hurricane, all vessels will be returned to the water so the marina can resume normal operations and/or prepare the yard or winter storage.
8. Should the storm season pass without the need to haul a Club Member's vessel, half of the deposit (\$125) will be credited towards winter storage, credited to next year's deposit or returned to the club member.

To enroll your vessel, please fill in the information below and sign the form in the space provided. *Please make your check out for \$250 and payable to Three Belles Marina.*

**Three Belles Marina Customer** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Name</b> _____
Street _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

<b>Contact Information:</b>
Home Tel. _____
Mobile Tel. _____
Work Tel. _____
Email _____

<b>Vessel Information</b> <i>(fill out separate form for each vessel to be enrolled):</i>
Type/ Manufacture _____ Power _____ Sail _____
Length Overall (LOA) _____ Beam _____

**Club Member Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

*By signing this contract I understand and accept the terms of this contract as described and acknowledge that the vessel must be delivered to Three Belles Marina with request to be hauled 72 hours prior to Gale Force Winds arriving using NOAA projections or I relinquish my guarantee to be hauled in the case of a hurricane. I also agree to comply with all marina policies, environmental statues, and safety regulations while the vessel is on Three Belles Marina property. I further agree to have my vessel insured and Three Belles Marina will not be responsible for fire, acts of nature, theft etc. while the vessel is on marina property. Power is likely to be interrupted in the event of a storm. All food, bait etc should be removed from the vessel.*