Chinquapin Buoy Assignment/Relocation Policy

Homeowners who are in good standing and are in compliance with all of the terms of the Chinquapin buoy license agreement are eligible to rent a buoy for the boating season subject to availability. Rates and terms are set by the CHOA Board for each boating season during the first quarter of the calendar year.

Homeowners who are returning renters from the previous season will be assigned the same buoy they were assigned the previous season.

Homeowners who are first-time buoy renters or are returning after an absence of one season or more will be assigned an available buoy on a first-come, first-served basis. Buoy assignment for first-time renters will be made to buoys that keep the buoy field safe (see note below) and also try to satisfy the owners' desire regarding buoy field location.

If previously assigned buoys become available because the previous renter is no longer renting that buoy, then a combination of a priority rank and a lottery system will be used to determine priority for homeowners relocating from their assigned buoy to a currently vacant buoy. Homeowners will be assigned a priority rank based on their history of continual buoy use as found on file with CHOA.

Homeowners should let CHOA know if they would like to relocate from a previously assigned buoy to a vacant buoy. CHOA and its agent will maintain the master priority list of those homeowners who would like to relocate. When a buoy is vacated, the assignment of that buoy from the list of homeowners requesting to relocate will be made by a priority rank. If there is more than one homeowner with the same priority rank, a lottery system will be used to see who will be assigned that buoy. Owners requesting to relocate will choose from the currently vacant buoys.

This process will be the same if we need to relocate homeowners from assigned buoys which are no longer available due to low water or for any other reason.

PLEASE NOTE

Our buoy field has limitations in the length and weight of boats that we can safely accommodate due to the size of our buoy anchor weights and the TRPA approved layout of the buoy field being on 50 foot centers. Boats longer than 27' (inclusive of any extensions or swim platforms) will need to be evaluated by the CHOA Board to determine if they can be safely accommodated in the buoy field.

CHOA will try to accommodate all buoy requests; however, each request must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis due to the limitations of our approved buoy field. If CHOA is ever in the position that we have more requests for buoys than we can safely accommodate, then CHOA may need to modify this policy.