



BOATING GUIDELINES

- Stay 100 feet from shore.
- Stay 1000 feet from barges.
- Boats must anchor outside the Safety Zone.
- All vessels need to be anchored by 8:15 PM.
- East of barges are marked by buoys and Public Safety vessels.
- West of barges, all vessels must anchor west of the Massachusetts Ave Bridge, **NO BOATS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ANCHOR BETWEEN THE BARGES AND MASSACHUSETTS AVE BRIDGE**, due to the location of the barges.
- Craigie Downbridge at Museum of Science will be down from 9:30 PM on July 4th to 12:01 AM on July 5th
- Vessels over 12 feet in height must stay upriver of the Longfellow Bridge after fireworks. Vessels over 12 feet in height cannot clear Drawbridge.
- Boats will not be able to anchor within the “restricted areas,” around barges or along the shoreline between Massachusetts Ave and Longfellow Bridges.
- Boats will be allowed to transit the river in designated channels that will run along the Boston and Cambridge sides of the river until 7:15 PM on July 4th. Channel will not reopen until after the fireworks.
- Due to tidal conditions, longer wait times than normal may occur to pass through the New Charles River Dam.
- All Lagoons are closed to the Public.
- All public docks between Longfellow Bridge and Massachusetts Ave Bridge, will be closed.
- No access of any kind will be allowed at these docks.
- Massachusetts State Police will monitor Channel 16, and enforce all restrictions.
- The Charles River is a “No Discharge Area.”
Discharge of boat sewage or other waste is prohibited.
- Designated pump-out facilities are located at The Charles River Yacht Club (Cambridge, right by MIT) and the Watertown Yacht Club.

**PLEASE
HELP KEEP
THE CHARLES
RIVER CLEAN!**