

Private Boat Storage Policy
Adopted NORC Board January 26th 2025

Personal Equipment Storage at New Orleans Rowing Club Boathouse:

Personally owned rowing shell storage has been permitted on the property of the boat house in the past on a “first come, first serve” basis. This document is to establish a written policy of general guidelines and written understanding for our members. Guiding principles are the recognition that personal shells are prized by their owners, are held in ownership for many years, sometimes decades, and that space in any boathouse including ours is limited and of high value to the club itself. While these guidelines are adhered to normally, the board may vote to amend them at will based on the needs of the club.

Fees:

Storage fees will be on an annual basis starting January 1st each year. There is no prorating for fees. All boats must be stored by a member paying membership dues during the entirety of their storage and remain in good standing with the club. There is no fee for private oars that accompany a boat, however the club oars take priority on the main storage racks.

Single - \$400

Double - \$500

Quad - \$1000

Eight - \$2000

Usage:

As NORC has an active boathouse with limited space, we cannot provide long-term storage. Boats must be used frequently, at least once a month, to remain at the boathouse. This can be by either the owner, or the owner may lend the boat to rower(s) at the club for general usage. If a member expects to be out for extended periods of time due to illness, work assignments, deployments, etc, the club board may allow the boat to stay in the Boathouse. If a boat is not frequently used during the year, the club will ask it to be removed at the end of the year and the rack space be returned to the club.

Rack selection and priority:

Specific racks are given out based on the following factors:

- Adaptive injuries/capabilities
- Seniority in the club
- Date of personal boat in boathouse

When a member wishes to store a boat, they will contact the Head of Boathouse Operations or club president and let them know when they expect the boat to arrive. They can then purchase the rack for the year if the arrival date is known. Once agreed to, then sign and return to the club president the [following document](#).

End of storage:

Racks are not transferable, and once a boat is removed the rack goes back into the pool for club usage or re-assignment by the club leadership.

If a rower has dropped club membership and/or equipment is left on property without payment of storage fees or any other club fees, NORC will require the equipment to be removed. If the request is ignored, NORC will make arrangements to have the equipment removed upon electronic notice to the rower. Any cost of removal or funds from removal will remain with NORC. If a member removes the equipment from the property for a period of more than 90 days, without explanation or previous arrangements, the rack space may be reassigned (exception: shell off property being repaired).

Liability:

Members storing their boat at NORC must take full responsibility for the condition of their equipment. The New Orleans Rowing Club will assume no liability for damage to privately owned equipment. It is strongly advised that boat owners purchase property insurance for their equipment.