

Boat plot application form 2025/26



Name of owner

Address of owner

Phone (Home)

(Work)

(Mobile)

E-mail address

Shareholding

Name

Phone

Emergency contact

Name

Phone (1)

Phone (2)

Boat details

Name (if applicable)

Sail or motor

Class/type

LOA (length overall)

Beam (Width)

Boat material

Keel type

Hull colour

Plot/site

 LE WB1 WB2 TK1 TK2

Classification

Leisure

Commercial

Other (detail of request)

Boat charge for 2025 is £108.57 plus VAT

Office use only

Category

Date

Reference

Harbour and Foreshore Services

West Quay Building
Whitstable Harbour
WHITSTABLE CT5 1AB

Telephone: 01227 266 719
E-mail: foreshore.services@canterbury.gov.uk
www.canterbury.gov.uk/coast

Boat owners are reminded that byelaws are in operation governing behaviour on beaches and foreshores.

The granting of permission to keep a boat on a council beach does not guarantee that space will be available. Permits will be issued annually from 1 April strictly on a first come first served basis and remain valid subject to the annual boat charge being paid. The council at its discretion reserves the right to refuse the grant of a permit if in the opinion of the council there would be insufficient space remaining on the designated beach.

Terms and conditions

The following conditions are applicable to boats kept on all council beaches:

1. The licence is personal to the applicant only, who must be aged 18 or over.
2. Boat owners must obtain third party/public liability insurance in the minimum sum insured of £2 million.
3. Boat owners may not sub-let their boat parking space.
4. Boats must be maintained in good repair and condition. Unused or dilapidated boats may be removed.
5. The number allocated to the boat by the council must be clearly displayed on the outside of the stern of the boat and must remain visible at all times.
6. Boat owners are not permitted to make any attachments whatsoever to any sea wall or other council property.
7. No boats shall be placed on a council beach without the prior written consent of the council.
8. Fishing or other equipment **must not** be kept directly on the beach at any time. Equipment, which in the opinion of the council that is not considered to represent a danger to third parties or to the environment may be stored in a registered boat
9. Hazardous, flammable, corrosive or potentially polluting liquids must not be stored in boats or on beaches at any time. Owners must clear up any refuse or waste caused by storage or use of their boats.
10. Trailers and launching trolleys in serviceable condition may be kept on the beach only with a boat mounted, except when the boat is in use.
11. Boats may only be kept in the area(s) so designated for each beach (plans available upon request). The area around the boat must be kept clear of associated rubbish, nets, wood, etc, used in conjunction with the boat.
12. Please note: any boat may be moved at any time if emergency access to the beach is required.
13. The maximum size of craft permitted will be 18ft (L) x 6ft (W) (5.5m x 1.8m).
14. Canterbury City Council is not responsible for any damage to craft from sea/weather conditions, vandalism, theft, launching or recovery, or the actions of other boat owners.
15. In the event of any breach of this Licence, the Council reserves the right to terminate it with immediate effect which may result in the removal of the craft. Any costs involved will be recoverable from the Licensee.
16. Canterbury City Council reserves the right in its absolute discretion to refuse any application for a Licence without giving any reason for doing so.
17. The Council reserves the right to change these conditions at any time.
18. Either the Council or the Licence Holder may terminate the licence upon giving the other 4 weeks notice. No refunds will be provided in the event a Licence Holder terminates the licence.
19. The Licensee must inform the Council of any change in contact details.
20. The Licensee is to have in force for the duration of the Licence, public liability insurance cover in the minimum sum of £2,000,000 (two million pounds and the Licensee indemnifies the Council and its servants against all costs or claims arising as a consequence of the Licensee's use of the site.
21. The Licensee shall ensure that all those using the boat do not behave in such a way as to cause a nuisance, disturbance or otherwise offend others.
22. The Licensee is to comply with all statutory regulations and foreshore by-laws.
23. The Licensee shall not use the mooring to occupy the boat for permanent residential purposes.

In the event of a breach of any of these conditions the allocation of the site may be withdrawn. The owner will then have seven days to remove the boat from the site. If the owner fails to remove the boat within seven days, the council reserves the right to do so.

Upon regular inspections, any unidentified/unlicensed boats will receive a seven day notice. After this period Foreshore Services will remove the craft. The boat will be stored at a fee of £10 per day. If the craft is not claimed after 28 days the boat will be disposed of.

I have read and agree to comply with the terms and conditions

SIGNED on behalf of the Boat Owner.....DATE.....

SIGNED on behalf of the Council.....DATE.....