

CRMC OUTHAUL REGULATIONS

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Outhauls are defined as recreational boating facilities per Section 1.1.2 (A)(103) of the Redbook:

"Outhaul" means a recreational boating facility that consists of a nonsingle-point anchoring device, for the purpose of securing a boat in tidal waters and retrieving it from shore (Redbook page 14).

Outhauls are prohibited in Type 1 waters per Section 1.2.1 (B)(2)(b) of the Redbook:

The mooring of houseboats and floating businesses, the construction of recreational boating facilities, filling below mean high water, point discharge of substances other than properly treated runoff water (see § 1.3.1(F) of this Part), and the placement of industrial or commercial structures or operations (excluding fishing and aquaculture) are all prohibited in Type 1 waters (Redbook page 78).

Outhauls are regulated per Section 1.3.1(D)(i) of the Redbook:

Outhauls are subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of the Council. The Council may authorize a municipality to administer an annual permit for such provided said municipality has a Council approved and active harbor management plan and ordinance which contains the following municipal documentation that demonstrates that:

(1) except as provided below, an outhaul(s) is/are to be permitted to the contiguous waterfront property owner; and,

(2) up to two (2) outhauls may be allowed per waterfront property; and,

(3) outhauls are not permitted on properties which contain a recreational boating facility; and,

(4) procedures have been adopted to ensure that permits are only issued consistent with the RICRMP, including the provisions of § 1.3.1(R) of this Part; and,

(5) the procedures acknowledge that the CRMC retains the authority to revoke any permits issued by the municipality if it finds that such permit conflicts with the RICRMP; and,

(6) from November 15 to April 15, when a boat is not being secured by the device on an annual basis, the outhaul cabling system shall be removed; and,

(7) outhauls may be "grandfathered" in their current location upon annual harbormaster documentation that such outhauls have been in continuous use at such location since 2004, and, the contiguous property owner(s) agree in writing to such, however, such "grandfathering" is extinguished whenever a recreational boating facility is approved at the location (Redbook pages 122-123).