



# FITZROY MOTOR BOAT CLUB INCORPORATED

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## FORM 15

### MOORING USE INFORMATION SHEET

A limited number of moorings are available for **club members**. Volunteer club members install and maintain the moorings. While the Fitzroy Motor Boat Club Inc. (FMBC) owns the mooring apparatus, the authority to establish and occupy the mooring position comes from the Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) under the *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994*.

MSQ gives the authority to have a mooring and is conditional on compliance with the following:

1. Mooring is permanently secured in the approved position and mooring device is maintained in a safe and serviceable condition.
2. **Vessel on the mooring** is to:
  - a. Comply with *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994 and Regulation 2004*.
  - b. **Comply with regulations concerning disposal of on-board garbage and sewage.**
  - c. **Exhibit an all-round white light at night and during restricted visibility, visible for 2nm** as per *International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea 1972*.

#### CONDITIONS OF USE

##### 1. Compliance

If you utilise a FMBC mooring, **you are responsible for ensuring your vessel has relevant seaworthiness, has appropriate waste management and is properly lit at night.**

##### 2. General Conditions

By applying to utilise a FMBC mooring, you acknowledge you understand the MSQ requirements and will comply with relevant Acts and Regulations.

Please note that penalties for non-compliance may be issued by MSQ or their agents.

If your vessel is non-compliant, either with the FMBC or MSQ requirements, **permission to utilise the mooring ceases immediately.**

***If you, as owner/master of the vessel intending to utilise a FMBC mooring, are unsure about the requirements, please ask.***

**The mooring is issued for use by the person and vessel named in the contract.**

**Mooring usage is NOT TRANSFERABLE and SUBLEASING IS NOT PERMITTED.**

##### 3. Payment

Minimum fee is per week, and is as set from time to time by the Management Committee.

The Management Committee reserves the right to increase the fee without notice.

**A discount applies if you pay for 6 or 12 months in advance.** (Currently set at 25%, but may change from time to time.)

- Payment is to be kept in advance at all times.
- No reminder will be sent to you.
- YOU are required to keep track of your due date.
- You will not be issued a reminder or an invoice prior to due date.
- Failure to keep mooring use fee paid in advance WILL result in:
  - a. **Electric Gate access fob will be deactivated 7 days after due date** (unless prior arrangement has been made) **and**
  - b. **You are required to vacate the mooring immediately and**
  - c. **Failure to vacate mooring will result in notification to MSQ (or their agent) of the illegal use of a mooring.**

**Note:**

- It is illegal to use a mooring without the permission of the Mooring Authority Holder.
- Penalties apply.
- **If you are in arrears, permission to remain on the mooring ceases immediately.**
- Failure to keep paid in advance **MAY ALSO result in expulsion from the Club.**

**General Warning:** Flooding of the Fitzroy River occurs regularly during the 'wet season' (November to April), however recent events have shown that this can occur at any time of year.

It is not safe to leave a vessel on a mooring during a flood. Localised heavy rain may also necessitate vacating the mooring regardless of whether or not official Fitzroy River flood warnings have been issued.

You **will be required to move your vessel** if the debris in the water or the current is sufficient to cause the vessel and or mooring to drag or if the river height is expected to reach above Minor Flood Height.

Members are notified by SMS message when it is necessary to vacate the mooring so please keep your contact mobile phone number details up to date. **Every effort will be made to contact you however it is your responsibility to monitor the river conditions and vacate the mooring whenever necessary.**

**It is strongly suggested that you enable others to operate your vessel should you be unable to tend to your vessel and vacate a club mooring when required.**

Most owners move their vessels down river to the Devil's Elbow area.

Be warned that floods are dangerous for boats and people - **be prepared.**

***If you are unsure what to do in a flood, please ask us, preferably before the wet season or when flooding is imminent.***