

# CANOE USAGE GUIDELINES

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*These guidelines must be followed by all Captains and Members.*

## Canoe Usage

- **All canoes must have at least two members and no more than four provisionals (guests) per canoe.**
- MCC must use their single or double canoes before using Mana'olana's singles or doubles. Mana'olana is doing the same. If Mana'olana's canoes are used, they are to be rinsed with fresh water and dried with the cloths located in the container.
- Use canoes returning to the beach from earlier paddles first. Example: 8:30 paddle to use returning 7:30 canoes, unless there are not enough or types canoes being used by the earlier paddle.
- Canoes **must not be left unattended** at any beach and rollers **must** be used if landing at beaches other than MCC's.
- PFD cushions are available to use at the captain's discretion. PFD's are stored in the main container and have 3 cushions in each bag. PFD bags must be removed from canoes and returned to container when canoes are locked up.
- Rafting canoes will be allowed in calm conditions at the discretion of the captain.

## Launching/Landing

- All **double hull canoes** must be launched and landed using **4 CHOCKS**, 1 at each tire. If chocks are used for **single hull canoes** use **2 CHOCKS**, 1 at each tire.
- When possible, use rollers upon landing at our beach. This saves wear and tear on the bottom of the hulls.
- Big feet should be under seat **3** when moving canoes for balance. Big feet should be under seat **4** when canoes are parked, so there's always weight on the front to keep the canoes from moving around. Always put a tire under seat **1 or 2** of each hull and the ama.

## Surfing

- Only MCC single hull canoes can be surfed (not Mana'olana's).
- No Double hull canoes can be surfed.
- Members only. No provisionals may surf. The Captain must ask all members and all members must agree, before a canoe can be surfed.
- No surfing of waves over 3 ft.

### **Prohibited areas**

- MCC/MPP canoes are prohibited from entering the Ko'ie'ie fishpond and the Maalaea Harbor without permits and prior Board permission.

### **Swimming**

- Swimming is allowed at the Captain's discretion. There will be NO swimming when whales are in the vicinity. **Always get the Captain's approval before entering the water to swim.** Snorkeling is only allowed on AD HOC paddles.

### **Passenger**

- A 7<sup>th</sup> person is allowed to ride in the canoe at the Captain's discretion. No sitting on the back of the canoe. The 7<sup>th</sup> person must ride on the 'iako or sit on the hull floor and **wear** a PFD (PFD cushions are not to be used for this).

### **Ka Maluhia (OC-4 canoe)**

- During scheduled paddle sessions, the use of the canoe shall be as an auxiliary asset when the total crew quantities cannot be accommodated using the standard 6-seat hulls.
- The use of the canoe shall be at the discretion of the beach captain with the purpose of facilitating crewing.
- The canoe shall only be crewed by members and experienced paddlers, including a qualified stroker and board approved captain.
- The captain of the canoe must acknowledge reading and understanding the canoe sea trial results and handling information.
- The canoe must be **CARRIED** from its beach location to the water and back using the 'iakos and the rope handles installed on the right side of the hull. Never lift the canoe by the seats. The Bigfoot is for storing and locking the canoe only.
- The canoe may be used for ad-hoc and weekend paddles. The crewing requirements above are applicable. Existing ad-hoc and weekend forms are applicable.
- The canoe may not be used for surfing.

## **Appended Usage Guidelines While under Pandemic Restrictions**

1. Until further notice, paddling at MCC is restricted to members only. No guests or visitors are permitted to paddle. New members shall be required to satisfy the requirements of item 3 below.
2. One individual at each paddling session will be assigned to write names on the session sign-in form. The 'Notes' columns to the right of the names on the form shall be used to designate the applicable canoe number. For example, all of the crew in 'canoe-2' will have a '2' indicated next to their name on the list. The lists shall be retained for a month in a folder to be kept in the locker.
3. Participation is voluntary. Individuals who are sick, exhibiting any symptoms, or have been exposed to anyone who is ill, COVID-19 positive, or any traveler who has not completed their required 14-day quarantine shall not be allowed to participate for 14-days from the date of exposure. Consistent with county policy, those travelers who have arrived with a negative COVID test result obtained within 72-hours of their arrival are not required to quarantine.
4. Except for reasons of health or safety, crew members shall not change their assigned seats and shall only do so at the Captain's direction.
5. To the maximum extent possible, crews of each canoe shall maintain physical distance with other canoes concurrently launching or landing.
6. The 8:30 session may utilize canoes on the beach rather than waiting for the return of a 7:30 canoe in order to accommodate the disinfection process prior to launch.
7. Members shall provide their own personal equipment to paddle. Sharing of personal paddles, seat cushions, gloves, personal care products, water bottles / hydration systems and other similar items are prohibited.
8. Paddlers should follow proper hygiene protocols, including washing hands or using hand sanitizer before and after participating. Gloves and masks are encouraged, but not required. Paddlers shall supply their own soap and sanitizer.
9. The canoes shall be disinfected prior to each use with the materials provided by the club. All touch points shall be disinfected, including 'iakos, manus, seats, gunnels, bailers, and other similar items. A disinfectant solution shall be sprayed onto the subject surfaces and then allowed to sit for minimum of 5-minutes prior to the use of a canoe. The canoe may then be rinsed prior to launch. Spraying assignments shall be made by the Beach Captain.
10. The MCC facilities may be used for non-essential events or other social gatherings. Outdoor gatherings of groups of up to 10 persons are permitted with a maximum of 100 total persons. Physical distancing of at least 6-feet between separate groups must be maintained.

Gatherings of members of a single residential or family unit sharing the same address are not restricted.