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**BOATS:**

*FHL classes and resident researchers are no longer exempt from boat fees.* The rate system below was instituted in 2015 and works out to be cheaper for the same use than the previous system of charging "half-" or "full-day" + fuel. For 2016 courses, FHL Director Billie Swalla may include an extra $200 in the course budgets to help offset these new costs (approx. 8 hours of motorboat time).

These hourly rates include fuel: **$24/hour for UW budgets** and **$31/hour for other payment methods**.

Long-term moorage of private boats at FHL's docks is restricted to those used for research ONLY, as dock space allows. Boat owners are charged an annual moorage fee of $500 and sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with FHL.

**DIVE:**

Anyone diving on SCUBA based at FHL is charged an annual $100 dive facility fee, regardless of their status or duration of visit/residence. This includes unlimited air fills. **Cylinders of Nitrox are $10/fill.** All FHL divers deploying from boats must have a boat tender in addition to their dive buddy. Contact Pema for details and/or the possibility of hiring a tender at an additional hourly rate.

**BILLING:**

Motorboat use hours will be calculated according to the sign-out sheets. Nitrox users will be asked to fill out a form recording use, and submit it to Kristy or Pema. Forms may be deposited in the Kitaeff/Kull mailbox in Fernald, or submitted electronically to one of the email addresses below. For long-termers, boat/dive use will be tabulated at the end of each month. Bottom line: Kristy or Pema will enter all charges into FHL’s “Helix” database so that the main office can pull up the charges on your account.

Thanks,

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