

Hello and happy spring from Walstrom Marine! After an incredibly long and trying couple of months indoors we are so excited to feel warmer temperatures and see old friends about town again. As we begin to take the steps forward in opening our doors completely, we find ourselves in uncharted waters navigating what is likely our new normal, at least for the time being. We don't think anyone would have ever considered our current position in planning for another season, but we are so fortunate to have an amazing team focused on adapting and overcoming this challenge together.

While we retained our entire staff during the shutdown, coming back all hands on deck in full-blown launching season took some maneuvering. Thankfully our owner, Ward Walstrom, Jr., and President, Tom Ervin, kept the team informed of the new plans and precautions so that we could seamlessly get back into the swing of things as soon as the boating ban was lifted. PPE is readily available at our offices for any staff member who needs it and if you've driven down Bay Street lately you've likely seen some masked faces out and about. In addition, we are limiting the number of bodies on a vessel, shared usage of vehicles, keeping disinfectants in common areas, and have closed break rooms. For the time being our showroom will remain closed as we focus on getting boats in the water and refining our regulations. It has taken some practice but we have gotten really good at ZOOM!

To assist our clients and friends in getting back to the area and back on the water safely we have continued offering complimentary drop off of any vessel at our facilities. For those who are hoping to purchase a new boat this season, our marketing team is posting video walkthroughs on social media to decrease the necessity of in person showings at this time. As it starts to warm up even more, we look forward to providing on the water demos and unique alternatives to our usual events and gatherings.

We count ourselves lucky to be in a community full of fresh air, fresh water, and both year-round and seasonal residents who care deeply for it. Together is how we come out better on the other side and we at Walstrom Marine look forward to doing our part in providing a #safeharbor for everyone this spring and summer season.

Visit us online at www.walstrom.com and follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates and additional information. Starting on Thursday 5.21.20, the fuel dock hours will be 9a-5p. We will be open 7 days a week.