

## Protocol for GYC Fleet Review

If you are new to the GYC Fleet Review, here is a brief summary of the protocol:

1. Participating boats should dress ship with flags strung from masthead to bow and stern.
2. It is not mandatory, but always proper to wear a navy blazer with tie and white or gray trousers or skirt.
3. Your GYC burgee should be at full hoist during the procession.
4. Your U.S. flag should be in its normal position on the backstay or stern-mounted flag staff.
5. In 2018, the fleet will gather at 1:15 p.m. just east of the Summerville pier.
6. At 1:30 the rear commodore aboard OBSESSION will start leading the procession.
7. Each boat should allow a 3-4 boat-length opening to develop before proceeding in single file at approximately 2-3 knots.
8. OBSESSION will be in order by ELAINE CARTER, and the ROBERT READ, and then by other club vessels. There is no particular order, but if there is any question about who should go next, the senior ranking member would precede a member with less seniority.
9. As you move up the river, maintain 3-4 boat-lengths of space between you and the boat ahead. The cannon salute team needs time to reload after each salute.
10. One boat-length before you come abeam of the reviewing stand, have your crew lower your burgee to half-mast. As the burgee is lowered, the crew should stand at attention and face the reviewing stand, the skipper salutes the reviewing officers and holds the salute until the cannon is fired.
11. The cannon salute should be fired as your helm station comes directly abeam of the reviewing stand.
12. As you pass the reviewing stand, and the reviewing officers drop their salutes, the skipper may do likewise. Your crew can then haul the burgee to full hoist.
13. Continue moving to minimize congestion in the reviewing area.