



Terms of Museum Facilities Use

1. **Purpose:** These terms set forth the qualifications for groups and individuals authorized to use facilities at the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum. It establishes procedures for reserving facilities and defines terms of use based on NHHHCINST 1710.1. **Failure to comply with these Terms of Use may cause your Command, Ship, Shop, or Code to be restricted from future use of the facility.**
2. **HPCON B or Worse Special Requirements:** For events hosted at the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum during an HPCON worse than A, these special requirements and measures **may be** in place, depending on Command guidance. Your reservation confirmation will note current restrictions:
 - a. Event Point of Contact (POC) (the person requesting use of the space) must ensure all event guests/participants:
 - i. Complete the mandatory health screening (available to download at <https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrnw/om/COVID-19.html>) prior to entering the museum building; AND
 - ii. Wear a face mask for the duration of the event; AND
 - iii. Maintain physical distancing of at least six feet; AND
 - iv. Maintain strict good hygiene measures including refraining from handshaking or hugging, regularly and thoroughly washing hands, and regular cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces; AND
 - v. Adhere to room/space occupancy limits. Head counts over the HPCON room limits are not permitted.
 - b. At the completion of the event, POC must ensure group:
 - i. Wipes all touched surfaces, such as tabletops, chair arms, doorknobs, light switches, and podium surfaces, with museum-provided sanitizing wipes or cleaner.
 - ii. Disposes of wipes or cleaning rags in trash bag.
 - iii. Removes trash bags from the room and discards in museum dumpster.
 - c. The following changes to equipment availability are also applicable in HPCON B:
 - i. Space occupancy limits are lower than during HPCON A or 0. See table in item 7 below for specific details.
 - ii. Hours of access are restricted to accommodate additional museum staff duties during heightened HPCONs.
 - iii. Eating is not permitted within the building. Receptions are not accommodated. Meeting and training participants shall consume snacks and meals outdoors or in their cars.

3. **Restrictions on Use:** The purpose for which museum facilities are used must be related to the mission of the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum or to the U.S. Navy. Museum facilities may only be used by organizations and groups that comply with Equal Employment Opportunity and Civil Rights laws and regulations. **The museum is a federal facility and is subject to federal laws and regulations that prohibit its use for religious, political, or fundraising events.** Change of Command receptions are held in the museum lobby. All other receptions are held in the Mary Bonnin Room. No events are permitted on the Education Level above the exhibit hall.
4. **Scope:** The following organizations or personnel may apply to use the facilities of the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum:
 - a. Department of Defense and other federal agencies
 - b. Public agencies of state and local government
5. **Reservations:** An organization or individual may request the use of a space by submitting the Facilities Use Request Form. Requests are processed and confirmed in the order in which they are received.
6. **Cancellations:** You must notify the museum events coordinator in advance if you cancel your scheduled event. Day-of-event “no shows” may cause your Command, Ship, Shop, or Code to be restricted from future use of the facility.
7. **Room Capacity:** Use of the museum facilities is restricted by the safe occupancy limits established by fire codes, and reduced capacities during heightened HPCONs. If your organization anticipates attendance that exceeds the limits listed below, please make your meeting arrangements at a larger facility. A larger facility will provide safer and more comfortable accommodations for your participants.

Room	Recommended Occupancy	Occupancy During Heightened HPCONs (subject to Command guidance)
Auditorium	448 fixed seats	50-100 or current Command group limit, whichever is fewer
Mary Bonnin Room	Seats 106 lecture style, 42 classroom style (maximum occupancy 123 standing)	25 or current Command group limit, whichever is fewer
Classroom	Seats 24 classroom style (maximum occupancy 58 standing)	10 or current Command group limit, whichever is fewer
Lobby	154	Staff and incoming visitors only – no events

8. **Hours of Facilities Use:** Access to the facility (Auditorium, Mary Bonnin Room, Classroom, and lobby) is between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm. Due to security policy, there are no exceptions to this rule.
 - a. The latest start time for a Change of Command or retirement ceremony with a reception is 1:00pm.
9. **Access:** Access to the Mary Bonnin Room and the Classroom from 8:30pm-10:00am is via the museum staff door. When the main entry doors to the museum open at 10:00am, the staff door is

locked. Access to the Mary Bonnin Room and the Classroom from 10:00am-4:00pm is via the museum main entry doors and down the stairwell or elevator. Access routes may change due to HPCON.

- 10. Conduct:** All event participants shall adhere to the museum visitor conduct guidelines, as described at www.navalunderseamuseum.org/conduct-guidelines/, with the exception of personnel attending meetings or trainings, who are approved to carry bags into the museum building regardless of current physical threat level.
- 11. Use of Museum Audio-Visual Equipment:** The U.S. Naval Undersea Museum staff will turn on and provide instructions during rehearsal on audio-visual equipment; however, staff **does not** provide ongoing equipment support during events. If you plan to use the museum computer in the Auditorium, you must have a DoD-issued NMCI Common Access Card (CAC) in order to log in; otherwise, bring your own device.

Room Equipment	Auditorium	Mary Bonnin Room	Classroom	Museum Lobby (Change of Command receptions only)
Audio System (microphones, media)	✓	✓	✓	
Projector/Screen	✓	✓	✓	
NMCI Laptop (requires CAC)	✓ with CD drive			
NMCI WiFi (requires NMCI machine and CAC)	✓	✓	✓	✓
WiFi for non-DoD Personnel	Can be enabled with advanced request	Can be enabled with advanced request	Can be enabled with advanced request	Can be enabled with advanced request
Lectern	✓	✓	✓	
Assistive Listening Devices	✓	✓	✓	
DVD Player	✓			
Tables	Fold-down desks	✓	✓	
Chairs	Theater seating	✓	✓	
Sink and Fridge Access		✓	✓	

See www.navalunderseamuseum.org/usnum-facilities-room-equipment for additional information about equipment available in each room.

- 12. Ceremonial Equipment:** The museum has a U.S. flag, Navy flag, red/white/blue bunting on lecterns, and a bell on stand. The museum does not provide ceremonial equipment such as state flags, red carpet, or bullets. You must make your own arrangements for these. Submarine Readiness Squadron 31 at Bangor may have these items available. **(360) 396-7564**.
- 13. Food Service:** The Catering Service of the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) Division of Navy Region Northwest will provide ALL food and beverage services at the U.S. Naval Undersea

Museum. The purpose of this policy is to protect individuals and the Navy from the consequences of improper or uncertified food handling.

- a. **Food service may not be permitted during heightened HPCONs.**
- b. An exception to this policy allows event organizers to provide the following food/beverages to event participants without involving MWR: doughnuts/pastries/cookies, cake, coffee/soda/water.
- c. Events for which individuals bring or pay for their own food, e.g. brown bag lunch meeting, are exempt from this term.
 - i. **Eating may not be permitted within the building during heightened HPCONs. Meeting and training participants shall consume snacks and meals outdoors or in their cars.**
- d. Food and beverages **are** permitted in the Mary Bonnin Room and Classroom, and in the case of the museum lobby, for Change of Command ceremonies only.
 - i. **Eating may not be permitted within the building during heightened HPCONs. Meeting and training participants shall consume snacks and meals outdoors or in their cars.**
- e. Food and beverages **are not** permitted in the Auditorium, Auditorium entry, and museum exhibition galleries, except for lidded water bottles.
- f. The Catering Manager at MWR, **(360) 396-5466**, is the Point of Contact for food service for catered events. The Catering Manager will provide you with menu selections and answer questions you may have.
- g. Set-up and Clean-up: MWR is responsible for set-up and clean-up of all events it caters.

14. Alcoholic Beverages: Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the museum.

15. Flowers and Plants: Florist bouquets are not permitted in the museum exhibit galleries. Live potted plants are not permitted in any space at the museum. If you distribute cut florist flowers at your ceremony, remember to clean up all petals and droppings, and take the water bucket with you. Decorating for your event with cut flowers requires 1-month advance notice for review by museum staff; approval is not assured.

16. Meeting Materials: Reservation of the facility does **not** include supplies such as batteries, flip charts, pads of paper, markers, pens and pencils, coffee pots, coffee, cups, printing/copying services, and other consumables. Organizations needing these or similar materials must provide their own.

17. Signage: Groups wishing to direct attendees to their events via signage must provide their own signs. Groups must remove all signs at the end of the event. Museum Attendants are able to assist event attendees in the museum lobby who ask for assistance finding an event.

18. Public Access: The museum does not close to the general public during events held in the facility. Groups should consider how the presence of the public will affect their event.

19. Event Set-Up and Clean-Up: Set-up and clean-up are the sole responsibility of the group using the museum spaces. Rooms must be left in the same clean condition, or better, as before their use. Basic cleaning supplies are provided to wipe down surfaces. The U.S. Naval Undersea Museum will provide tables and chairs to be set up and cleaned by the group using the facility. **All trash must be taken to the dumpster behind the Auditorium at the end of your event, and each day if your event spans multiple days. Food shall not be left out overnight.**

- 20. Changes/Alterations to the Space:** Use of the facilities must be non-destructive. Organizations may make no temporary or permanent alterations, including nailing items to the walls or floor, or attaching items with tape that will leave marks when removed. Questions regarding permissible alterations should be addressed to the museum's Volunteer & Events Coordinator at (360) 396-5812 prior to requesting the facility and prior to making alterations.
- 21. Parking:** Parking is limited at the museum, with a total of 75 parking spaces, including accessible spaces. You may use museum traffic cones to reserve parking spots for special invited guests; remove reserved signs and return cones to storage area at the end of your event.