



MEMBERS USE OF BYC SAILBOATS RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

SAILBOAT USE: BYC Members (“Members”) are entitled to borrow club-owned sail training program (“STP”) sailboats (“sailboats”) providing they follow the Rules and Responsibilities as outlined below.

- Each sailboat shall be signed out by the borrowing Member on the Sailboat Usage Binder located with the club manager or assigned delegate.
- Sailboats may be borrowed only by current Adult and Junior Members.
- The Policy Agreement must be signed by an adult Member if the sailor is under the age of (21) twenty one.

Boat Availability

Sailboats will be available for Members to borrow beginning on the first day of STP through the last day of the STP. Sailboats may be available prior to or following the sail training program for STP sanctioned events, lessons, or regattas, and/or at the discretion of the STP Chair, so long as the sailboats are in functional working order and not chartered to the Barrington High School sailing team.

Sailboats must be signed out with the club manager or assigned delegate. The club manager or assigned delegate will assess if weather conditions are proper for sailboat use in accordance with these rules and regulations.

Sailboat availability will be made primarily according to the current/forecasted weather conditions. A decision may be made not to allow the use of certain sailboats to ensure their availability for use by STP.

Sailboats shall not be used during STP hours, scheduled sailing lessons, races or regattas, unless approved by the STP Chair.

Types of sailboats and Equipment

The club will have (3) three sailboats of each class available to be signed out for recreational sailing; these sailboats will be designated on the sign-out form.

The sails for each sailboat will be located in black tubes attached to the side of the optimist racks. Necessary equipment (blades/tillers) will be stowed in the available sailboats.

Age Restrictions

No Member under the age of (12) twelve shall be allowed to operate a sailboat without parental “on-the-water” supervision. Members 12-15 years old require direct visual parental supervision.

Sign Out / In

Each sailboat is to be signed out by the borrower on the Sailboat Usage Binder provided located with the club manager or assigned delegate. The Policy Agreement will need to be signed by an adult Member if the sailor is under the age of (21) twenty one. BYC staff must acknowledge the sign out and inspect the sailboat being used. The Member will sign the policy agreement attesting to the condition of the sailboat when taken out. It will be the

Member's responsibility to properly rig it prior to use, and to put the sailboat back in the appropriate location (rack for optimists, cradles for 420's and Visions) and secure the sailboat and all its equipment, including sails after use.

Each borrower is responsible for completing the Sailboat Usage Binder ensuring that all details are completed.

Rig and de-rigging

It will be the Member's responsibility to properly remove the sailboat from its storage location and rig it prior to use. Each Member checking out a sailboat is responsible to observe that all equipment is in proper working condition when rigging the sailboat.

Each Member is responsible to put the sailboat back in the appropriate location and secure the sailboat and all its equipment, including sails after use. All equipment should be returned in proper working condition.

The sailboat must be returned in a clean condition, equal to the condition when received. The Member must notify the BYC dock staff and have them inspect the sailboat.

Damage and/or loss of equipment

Each Member checking out a sailboat is responsible for any damages to the sailboat, other property (in the event of a collision), or any damaged, lost or stolen equipment that may occur while they are using the sailboat.

Communication

For emergency communication, a VHF radio or personal cell phone is suggested during use.

Lifejackets

All Members on the borrowed sailboat must adhere to all USCG regulations, and wear appropriate life jackets (PFDs) while on the dock and in the sailboat.

Time Limit

All sailboats shall be returned one hour prior to sunset, unless participating in a BYC scheduled boating event.

Sailing Area

Members age 16 and under shall not take sailboats (Optimist, 420's) further south than Adams Point, not beyond Can "13" at Jacob's Point.

Members age 17 and over shall not take sailboats (420's, Visions) further south than Rumstick Point, not beyond Nun "6".

High Winds

Sailboats will not be available to be borrowed when winds exceed eighteen (18) knots, when inclement weather is present or forecasted, or when Small Craft Warnings are in effect. Use of sailboats will also be suspended when thunderstorms threaten.

Lightning and Storm Rules:

At the first sound of thunder, the sailboat must return to the BYC docks. If the storm is upon you, take the sailboat to shore or pick up a mooring and wait for the storm to pass.

**BARRINGTON YACHT CLUB
POLICY AGREEMENT
MEMBER USE OF CLUB SAILBOATS**

USE OF SAILBOATS AND RESPONSIBILITY AGREEMENTS

It is the policy of the Barrington Yacht Club, promulgated by the Board of Directors, that **Club Members** will have, when not in use or conflict with other Club activities, the use of the sailing fleet, provided that they abide by the attached Rules and Regulations.

The borrower of the sailboat acknowledges responsibility to protect the sailboat from damage, and damage to other boats.

It is understood that the Barrington Yacht Club carries both liability and collision damage insurance to cover unforeseen losses. There is however a \$500 deductible in the coverage and it is understood that the adult Member signing out the sailboat agrees that he or she will be responsible for the first \$500 of any collision damage or loss of equipment caused to the sailboat.

In the event of any liability claims by third parties, it is understood that the claims will be filed under the borrower's homeowner's or other similar insurance. If that insurance is not available, then the Club master policy will prevail.

Any damage or loss to the sailboat, up to the deductible amount will be billed to the Club Member, or, if a minor, to the parent, and must be paid within thirty days.

The Club maintains sailboats that are intended for the exclusive use of its Members. The primary consideration in allowing use of the sailboat is safety.

- Lifejackets must be worn at all times.
- Bring a hand held vhf radio and/or cell phone for emergency communication.
- Notify dock staff when you plan to return.
- Check weather forecast and tide prior to departing.
- Report any damaged or loss of equipment.

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I, the undersigned, agree to the above policy statement:

Signature _____
(Adult Member)

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

The above BYC Member has been approved to use the following BYC STP sailboat:
(circle one sailboat)

#10 Club 420 #11 Club 420 #12 Club 420 #1 RS Vision #2 RS Vision #3 RS Vision

Club Owned Optimist # _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Club Management, STP Director, BYC Staff)