

LCYC *Sail On* Program Handbook - Rules and Procedures

Overview

Sail On is a club sailboat program (the “Program”) for LCYC Senior/Individual members and their immediate families. The Program is not available to Junior members, except through their family’s Senior membership. The boats available to Sail On participants are small board boats and the current fleet includes the Coronado 15, Sunfish, 420 International, Laser, Pico and Optimist. The boats are owned by LCYC and are also used in the Youth Sailing program. Sail On members pay an additional annual fee to participate in the Program. The fee covers the cost to maintain the boats, sails and rigging. **Sail On members are required to help to maintain the fleet boats in periodic maintenance sessions with other Sail On members.** Also, every effort will be made to recruit the Sail On Managers from within the Sail On membership.

Sail On participants must pass a “checkride” and a written quiz to demonstrate their sailing skills before they may use a boat. Sail On is not a sailing school, and prospective members who need additional sailing experience should consider sailing (as a guest) with another Sail On member in order to gain experience.

Sail On boats will be available for use by Sail On members from April 1 to December 31. The Program manager reserves the right to suspend use of Program boats during this time period due to adverse or cold weather conditions.

Contacts

Sail On Program Director	SailOn@lcyd.net
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Reservations	Google Calendar

Becoming a Program Member

Sail On membership is open to LCYC adult Senior and Individual members in good standing. The member’s children and Junior members may only sail with the adult member’s presence and supervision. Sail On membership is limited to 25 families. Membership is for one year, from March 1st to February 28. (Fees for memberships which start after July 15 are prorated) See Sail On Membership fees for more information.

The process for joining the Sail On Program is as follows:

- LCYC adult member completes the Sail On application.
- LCYC adult member and each participating family member signs the Sail On Waiver.
- The member is invoiced the annual fee (plus additional boat fee if applicable) on the next monthly statement.
- The member contacts the Sail On Manager to arrange for the orientation, sailing checkride and written test. All family member who will be sailing on Sail On boats must complete the checkride and written test.
- The member and any family members successfully complete the written test and sailing checkride with the Sail On Manager.

- The Manager reviews the Reservation Calendar and Boat/Sail storage and maintenance procedures with the new member.

Member Responsibilities

The Sail On member is considered the “Skipper” of the Sail On boat being used and has the following responsibilities:

- The Member is responsible for the actions of any crew, family members and guests.
- The Member ensures that all crew and guests wear an approved PFD.
- The Member is responsible for boat preparation, storage and cleanup.
- The Member is required to attend monthly boat maintenance sessions during the sailing season.
- The member is responsible for reporting any damage or incidents to the Sail On Boat Program Manager by email within two days.

Guests

The adult LCYC member is responsible for any sailing crew and/or guests.

- ***Guests must complete the Sail On Waiver form before they may sail with a member and in advance of the sailing session - no exceptions.*** This applies to adults and children.
- Guests **must be accompanied** by the Sail On member on any Sail On boat.
- Guests **may not sail a Sail On boat by themselves**; however they may helm a boat when accompanied by the Sail On member.
- ***LCYC members who are not Sail On Program members are considered Guests and must comply with all procedures for guests.***

Reserving a Boat

The Sail On Program uses a customized Google Calendar for members to reserve boats. The member will be given access to the calendar once membership is approved. Members must have a Google (Gmail) account to make reservations. (Members may create a free Google account for this purpose.)

- ***LCYC Youth Sailing activities (e.g. training classes and events) have priority over Sail On reservations.*** The Youth Sailing Director will reserve any boat needed for youth sailing program activities in advance of the Sail On reservation window.
- Members must read and follow guidelines posted in the reservation calendar. Improper reservations may be removed by the Program Manager.
- ***All Sail On boat usage must be reserved in advance on the Google calendar - no exceptions.***
- Reservations may be made up to 4 weeks in advance on the LCYC Sail On Google calendar. Reservations may be made on the Google Calendar on the day of sailing but cannot be made by email or phone.

- A reservation may be between 1-3 hours duration. The boat usage period includes time to rig and de-rig the boat.
- One reservation per day maximum unless the member has paid the annual fee for an extra boat in which case the maximum is two reservations per day.
- Reservation changes can be edited within the Sail On Google calendar.
- A reservation can be canceled by removing it from the Google calendar. Cancellations should be done in a timely manner so others may reserve the boat.
- The Sail On Program Manager receives confirmation of all reservation calendar activity when a reservation is made by the member.

Sailing Safety Rules

These safety procedures must be followed by **ALL** Sail On members, family, users and guests. Failure to adhere to these procedures will result in cancellation of your Sail On membership.

- An approved PFD must be worn by all sailors, crew and guests prior to sailing, during sailing and when exiting the boat after sailing.
- The Sail On adult member is responsible for the actions of all crew, family members and guests.
- The Sail On adult member must be present and supervise the sailing of their member children.
- The sailor must be familiar with and adhere to all Texas boating safety rules. (tpwd.texas.gov/fishboat/boat/laws/)
- Boats may be sailed during daylight hours only.
- **Weather conditions:** Sail On boats shall not be sailed if wind gusts exceed 20 mph or air temperature is less than 45°F
- During January, February and March reservations may be closed because of lake water temperature. Sail On boats may not be reserved or sailed during this period.
- **Sailing area:** Sail On boats must be sailed only within visible range of the LCYC marina.
- Maximum Skipper and crew numbers depend upon the boat. See the Sail On Fleet section.

Sailing Checklist

- 1) Before Sailing
 - a) Make a reservation on the Sail On Boat Reservation Google calendar
 - b) Cancel or adjust reservations immediately if your plans change
 - c) Be sure the member, family and any guests have completed the Sail On Boat Waiver - *no exceptions!*
 - d) Check the weather forecast for anticipated wind and air temperature conditions
 - e) While preparing the boat, check the condition of the hull, rigging, sails, drain plug and all other boat equipment
 - f) Lock the sail storage lockers
 - g) Put on your PFD before stepping on the boat and wear it until you step off the boat.
- 2) While Sailing
 - a) Everyone aboard must wear an approved PFD while on the boat
 - b) Sail only in the approved sailing area (see Safety)
 - c) Observe the weather conditions while sailing; if conditions exceed the allowed wind and temperature limits, return to the dock (see Safety)

3) After Sailing

- a) Return and secure the boat to the proper location
- b) Remove and properly stow sails, rudder/tiller, dagger board in their original correct location
- c) Lock the storage lockers
- d) Re-cover the boat (if cover available)
- e) Report any boat incidents or damage to the Sail On manager by email

Racing Sail On Boats

Members of the Sail On Program may race Sail On boats in LCYC sponsored races on Canyon Lake. All Sail On procedures must be followed when using a Sail On boat for racing, including reservations and boat safety.

Sail On Membership Fees

LCYC Sail On program membership is in addition to LCYC membership. The membership period is for one year and begins March 1st of each year. Billing will appear on your February LCYC invoice, or on the invoice immediately following acceptance of your Sail On membership form. Partial year membership is prorated for Sail On members joining after July 15th. Membership fees are as follows: Sail On Family Membership \$300/year; Pro-rated Family Membership \$200/year; Use of 2nd boat sailed concurrently with 1st boat additional \$100/year.

Boat Maintenance

Boat maintenance is the responsibility of the Sail On program members, not the LCYC staff. Members are expected to care for the boat as if it were their own. Sail On Program members are required to attend monthly maintenance sessions during the sailing season. The Program Manager will schedule these sessions and record participants. Members who cannot attend a maintenance session are expected to make up that missed time at a later date. Sails are expensive and can be damaged if not handled properly. Sails must be folded or rolled correctly, and dried before storage. Failure to maintain the boats or successive absences from maintenance sessions may result in cancellation of Sail On membership.

Sail On Fleet & Sails

Boats in the Club Sail On fleet are also used in the Youth Sailing Program. Follow the guidelines outlined in the Reservation, Maintenance and Sailing Checklist sections so that our Youth Sailors have access as needed to well-maintained boats. The available Sail On fleet includes the boats listed below. Sail On boats are clearly labeled; Do Not use a boat that is not labeled for Sail On.

- Coronado 15: C15A, B (1-3 persons)
- Sunfish: SunA, B, C (1-2 persons)
- 420: 420A, B (1-2 persons)
- Laser: TBD (1-2 persons)

- Pico: TBD (1-2 persons)
- Opti: TBD (1 person)

Some sails in the storage locker are marked “RACING” and are for use only by the Youth Sailing Program. ***These racing sails are NOT to be used by Sail On members under any circumstances, including series races, unless the sailor is part of the LCYC Youth Program and is authorized to use the racing sails by the Youth Program Director.***

Documents, Forms and Web Forms

- LCYC [Sail On Application](#) Form - PDF and G Doc
- LCYC Sail On Program Handbook - Rules and Procedures - PDF and G Doc
- Sail On [REGATTA WAIVER](#) AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY-6226616-v6 PDF and G Doc
- Sail On Waiver for guests - LCYC member and non-member
- Sail On [Reservation Calendar](#) - G Calendar
- LCYC [Sail On Safety Quiz](#) - PDF and G Doc
- Sail On Safety Quiz [Study Guide](#) - PDF and G Doc
- LCYC [Sail On Checkride](#) Form - PDF and G Doc
- LCYC Sail On Fleet - G Doc
- Sail On Program Member List - G Doc
- LCYC [Sail On Budget](#) - G Doc