

2011 CLUB BOAT POLICIES

Club boats may be chartered by Regular or Associate members of Rush Creek Yacht Club as defined in the By-Laws or used in special educational programs sponsored by Rush Creek Education Fund (RCEF). All charters and club boat fleet memberships are subject to sales tax and capital improvement fund (CIF) charges.

CURRENT LIABILITY RELEASES MUST BE ON FILE WITH THE CLUB OFFICE PRIOR TO ANY CHARTER

CLUB BOAT CHARTER

1. RCYC Regular or Associate members may charter by the day, for Wednesday night races, or regattas.
2. Members must be checked out and have signed liability release on file.
3. Boats are available day or night every day.
4. Charter only blocks you plan to use.
5. Can reserve a boat one week in advance
6. RACING HAS PRIORITY OVER DAYSAILING on scheduled race days.
7. If boats are not used for racing (i.e., sitting at the dock), may be used for day sailing.
8. Boats reserved during times of scheduled racing are assumed to be chartered for racing. Check RCYC Aux Racing calendar for race dates.
9. Reservations are first come, first served, but we encourage not leaving anyone on the dock!
10. The Certified "600 Club" Fleet member or chartering skipper must be on the boat.

CLUB BOAT FLEET MEMBERSHIP ("600 CLUB")

Membership in the club boat program requires a \$600/year commitment. The period of the agreement is from April 1 to March 31 of the following year. The charge will be added to your club bill and may be paid lump sum or paid out \$55/month (\$50 + a \$5 handling fee). Club Boat Fleet Membership allows unlimited use of boats (with the exception of special RCYC activities or educational programs sponsored by RCEF). A special regatta fee of \$50/day is charged with the purpose of escrowing funds for future sail purposes. Dallas Race Week fee will be \$150 for 600 club members. A member joining the "600 Club" for the first time may prorate his fee from the month of joining. Sales tax and CIF charges will apply.

Office will automatically renew your membership on April 1 of the following year unless you have indicated on your financial liability form that you do not wish to have it automatically renewed.

If automatically renewed by the office, you have 30 days to contact Office to cancel, make the payment in full or notify the club office of your election to utilize the monthly payment option.

NON 600 CLUB CHARTER FEE STRUCTURE

- Daily racing or cruising \$50/day
- Wednesday Night Race \$20/night
- Dallas Race Week Regatta \$250 for 6 nights
- Other regattas \$50/day (Frostbite, Founders, George Griffith, IC24 Invitationals)

RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHARTERER:

1) Is responsible for up to first \$500 damage in lost or damaged equipment.

Must provide own running lights, if sailing after sundown (red/green for bow and white to attach to rudder) and is responsible for Texas Parks & Wildlife ticket for operating without lights.

2) Junior sailors 12 and under are required by Texas Parks & Wildlife to wear a life jacket or PFD at all times while aboard a boat. Please bring one that will fit your child.

3) Report any damage or lost equipment via the ISAIL program and to the Club Boat Bosun. Charterer is responsible for up to the insurance deductible for lost equipment or damage. Help note running rigging that needs replacing before it breaks. If you see worn equipment, or running rigging needing replacement, let us know so that it can be replaced before it breaks during a race or regatta.

4) ***Charterer must attempt to avoid contact and/or collision with another boat.***

5) ***If there is damage, and responsibility is not claimed, a hearing will be held with Commodore, VC 6ace, RC Club Boats, designee from Finance Committee***

7) ***If it is determined that right - of - way charterer could have avoided collision, right - of - way charterer may share in payment of deductible.***

JUNIOR SAILORS (LESS THAN 21 USING IC24S)

1. RYC Junior Sailors are defined as junior sailors between the ages of 8 and 18 who are actively enrolled in the RYC junior sailing program.

2. Club boats may be made available for organized junior program activities to be coordinated with the VC Education or Junior Program Manager/Coach and the RC Club Boats.

3. Responsible club members (21 or older) or the Program Manager/Coach will be on-board the club boats or in close proximity (chase boat) while the boats are in use.

Outside of organized junior activities, the following guidelines apply:

1. The sailor must be at least 16 years of age in order to skipper the boat without an adult (club member 21 years or older)
2. An adult member responsible for the junior must be at RCYC (or on the water) while the junior skipper is on the water
3. The sailor must have passed the Club boat checkout procedure
4. The member responsible for the junior sailor must have signed the liability waiver
5. The sailor must have completed a Texas Parks and Wildlife approved boater safety course and have a copy of their certificate on file with the club office
6. When utilizing Club IC24's for Junior Program Activities, the Junior Program will maintain all responsibility for lost or damaged equipment.

The RCYC go/no-go chart applies at all times; there is no sailing in the 'RC Discretion' or above categories

GUEST SKIPPER PROGRAM

Guest Skipper passes are available to allow members the ability to utilize the club's IC24s to recruit new yacht club members and promote the club boat program. The number of passes will be determined annually by the Board of Governors. Passes will be administered by the RC Club Boats or the RC Membership.

RCEF/RCYC SPECIAL EVENTS

Use of club owned IC24s requires Board Approval, along with designated member bosun who will be responsible for handling damage deposits, taking care of repairs/damages to boats or sails during the event as well as returning boats and equipment to the same position on hoists or storage boxes where they were prior to the event. If there is no conflict with regular club events, RC Club Boats will block off dates on ISAIL, once approved by the Board.

2010 CLUB IC24 PROCEDURES:

Skipper must be certified by:

1. Completing sailing resume/application for checkout (on club boat website)
2. Executing the RCYC Club Boat Charter Agreement with liability release (on club website)
3. Pass checkout exam (on club website) to rig, sail, dock, and derig-stow by one of the RCYC IC24

Checkout Committee members listed below.

- Kathy Irwin
- Pete O'Connell
- Brian Morgan
- David Hoye
- o Robert Phillips
- Doyle Sherman
- o Tom Whipple
- Kelson Elam

4. Club boat representative will sign paperwork and turn into RCYC office.
5. Office will assign logon and password (that can be changed) for ISAIL (reservation program).

BOAT EQUIPMENT:

The equipment on each boat includes the following:

- 8 orange personal flotation devices
- 1 bucket & bilge pump
- 1 anchor, chain and line
- 1 spinnaker pole
- 1 jib sheet (on every jib) – don't remove from sail. If wet, hang wet sheet outside of sailbag
- 2 tweakers
- o 1 throwable cushion
- 1 air horn
- 1 winch handle (stored in winch pocket inside boat)
- 2 spinnaker sheets
- 1 tiller extension (should be on tiller) & tiller cover

Bring your own cooler and cart off your trash!

SAILS AND JIB SHEETS

1. Day sailing/cruising sails are kept in the boats and are not in sail bags.
2. Wed night races, may use the “plastic jibs” that are found in the dock boxes. Please return racing jibs to dock boxes.
3. Regatta sails. Mainsails and spinnakers are in black sail bags in the dock boxes. Please return racing sails to dock boxes and pleasure sails to boats after regatta
4. OD IC24 class jibs are kept off premises and will be brought for special events.
5. SPECIAL EVENTS. If boats are to be loaned for special events to outside groups, plastic racing jibs may be used as well as racing spinnakers; however, please use day sailing/cruising mainsails that are found on the boats. A bosun should be appointed by the VC Race to make sure that boats are correctly stored on the hoists with docklines attached and sails are returned to the appropriate storage location at the conclusion of the event.

Jib sheets should be found on all jibs. Please don't remove from sails. If sheets are wet, allow them to hang out of the bags.

STORAGE AND USE OF HOIST

1. Line up yellow arrow on boat with yellow arrow on dock to center boat on hoist
2. Before sailing out of the slip or raising sails in the slip, make sure that boat is all the way in the water before getting onboard to prevent keel damage.

SAILING/RACING RULES

1. TUNING: Outers/upper should be 26# on old style Loos gauge or 20# on (new) PT2 loose gauge; inners may be loosened/tightened by user.
2. NO HIKING. Feet must be kept inside the lifelines.
3. No Club Boat shall be sailed in winds greater than 25MPH.
4. Spinnakers will not be used if winds exceed 20MPH

BREAKDOWN & MAINTENANCE

1. Report all damage/issues to the club (Lisa) and on ISAIL website. If sail is torn, ask Jeff Progelhof if he can repair and send you the bill. Have him notify you when repairs are done and you can pick up the sail and return to the appropriate dockbox or boat.
2. If minor (lost winch handle, etc), please help by letting us know if you can pick up a replacement.

3. There are some extra cruising sails and spare parts, cleaning brushes in dock boxes in front of first boat on the dock.

4. IF THERE IS CONTACT AND/OR MAJOR DAMAGE, NOTIFY THE RC CLUB BOATS AND OFFICE/LISA BLANKET VIA EMAIL/PHONE. HEARING WILL BE HELD TO DETERMINE PAYMENT OF DEDUCTIBLE. RIGHT OF WAY SKIPPER MAY BE ASKED TO SHARE IN DEDUCTIBLE IF HE/SHE DID NOT ATTEMPT TO AVOID CONTACT/COLLISION.

ISAIL RESERVATIONS (ISAIL IS THE CLUB RESERVATION PROGRAM)

1. Use ISAIL to reserve boat online (<http://www.unitedresources.biz/sail/Reservations.aspx>) or go to Club Boat webpage and follow link.
2. Sign up online prior to sailing (whether done in advance or day of sail). May use clubhouse computer for on-demand registration.
3. To cancel online reservation, call the office/Lisa (972-77-6500).
3. If for some reason, (empty boat at race time) you don't have boat signed out, sign a ticket at the bar to indicate that you were out sailing. If 600 club member, you will not be charged.
3. SMART PHONE APP.

IPhone and Android (Google) phone operating systems: go to <http://www.isail.biz/isail> using their web browser. On the iPhone, press the '+' and add link to home screen. Once the isail icon is on the desktop, sign in and use the dropdown box to select a boat and if it is free, book the boat.