

## **Rental Term and Conditions**

### **NJSS&C Practice Boats**

The NJSS&C rental boats are provided to our students and rental customers for practice and sailing enjoyment. NJSS&C puts a lot of faith in our customers and assumes you are responsible boaters. It is your responsibility to check fuel levels and the soundness of the assigned vessel. We have 22-foot boats available for use located in the slips adjacent the office on the right and left.

In order to utilize the rental boats, you must agree to the following and understand that you are responsible for the safety of you and your guest and that you use the boats on a bareboat charter basis.

As a bareboat charter, you are responsible for the care, custody, and control of the boat. The boats must be left in a professional condition, clean, all gear stowed away, and the lines and tiller properly secured. The boats are fully insured, however; you are responsible for the \$750 deductible on the hull.

*Prior to using the NJSS&C boats, a copy of your Driver License, NJ Safe Boating Certification and a copy of your Credit Card Information must be on file. Complete and return this agreement and the Liability Waiver for our files.*

Given the nature of our operation, we do not guarantee that all the boats are in working order at all times. Prior to leaving the slip you should check out the boat and engine. If you leave the slip, you are responsible to get it back into the slip. If you do not want this responsibility, do not take the boats out. Please let us know if there is any issue with the boat so we can fix it.

The skipper should consider joining either Towboat US or Sea Tow in the event you go a ground or the engine fails and you can't sail back in. If you do run aground, you are responsible for the proper un-grounding of the boat. Only

professional organizations such as Boat US or Sea-Tow should be used. If you encounter engine problems, we expect you should be able to sail back into your slip. If the wind or conditions are such that that is not possible take one of the slips out on the end dock. If the Pirate operation is going, they will give assistance if needed. If you run aground, NJSS&C reserves the right to charge you \$250 for the lifting of the vessel to check for damage.

While the consumption of alcohol is permitted, it is not recommended. The consumption of alcohol increases the chance of accidents and could increase the risk personal injury. If the consumption of alcohol results in either personal injury or damage to the vessel, the operator will be held liable to the full extent of any loss.

**The boats must stay on the Metedeconk River.** The boats are prohibited from going in the Pt. Pleasant Canal or under the Mantoloking Bridge. Avoid sailing close to the shorelines and respect the navigational aids. The boats are not permitted east of the red “2” and green “1” at the end of the river.

### **Boat Operation**

1. Do not take the dock lines with you. Leave them at the dock so you have something to grab during the docking of the boat. The spring line to the bow cleat should be your first line attached coming in.
2. Occasionally, when there is low water in the marina, the boat may be sticking in the mud. When you leave the slip, you may have to push off of the pilings to get out of the slips.
3. When leaving or entering the marina, stay along the dock. It gets shallow as you get away from the dock. As you leave the marina, you will see a red buoy off to your port side. If you look to the port at the red buoy from the end of the dock, you need to stay to the south of that bearing. The water gets shallow to the north of the dock and red buoy bearing.

4. There are 6-7 adult life jackets on each boat. If you are bringing a child, you will have to supply the lifejackets. Everyone 12 and under are required to wear life jackets at all times. Each passenger should examine the life jackets for condition and proper fit.
5. Make sure that there is sufficient fuel for the trip. We typically have fuel tanks located at our dock box in front of the office if needed. If you have to buy fuel, use plus 87 or higher octane fuel. These engines do not require that you mix gas and oil.
6. Make sure that the fuel vent is open and leave it open. If the fuel vent is closed, air cannot get into the tank and gas will not be able to get into the engine. The only time you would close the vent is at the end of your day at the dock. The red kill switch clip needs to be attached to start the engine. To stop the engine, you can press the red button leaving the clip attached.
7. To start the engine, "GENTLY" pull out the choke about half an inch and give the throttle a little gas. Your first pull of the starter cord should be slow and easy to ensure the engine is in natural. If not, the cord will not pull. Once you checked the gear, give the cord a good straight pull. Once the engine starts, push the choke back in and work the engine with the throttle. Check to make sure the engine is pumping water through and spraying out the back. This is the engine cooling system and water must be flowing. If the engine is running, you must keep the weight in the stern otherwise the engine will go out of the water and there will be no water flow cooling the engine. In other words, do not start the engine and go to the bow if no one is at the stern. Keep some weight in the stern.
- 8. When returning, be sure to put the boat back in the assigned slip you left from.**
9. Make sure that the tiller is tied off after you use the boat.
10. The engine should be tilted out of the water **and** the engine should be raised. There is a boat bracket as well as the engine tilting.
11. Make sure the halyard is removed from the main sail and tied off; all sheets must be neatly stowed.

12. Rinse and wash off all excess dirt and mud – especially the anchor mud and chain mud.
13. Remove all personal items as well as your garbage. There is a cleaning fee of \$40 for all boats left in a disorderly and or dirty condition.
14. The Anchor is in the seat locker.
15. Please, no dogs or other animals are allowed on the boats.
16. Report and problems, damage, or lost items to the office immediately.

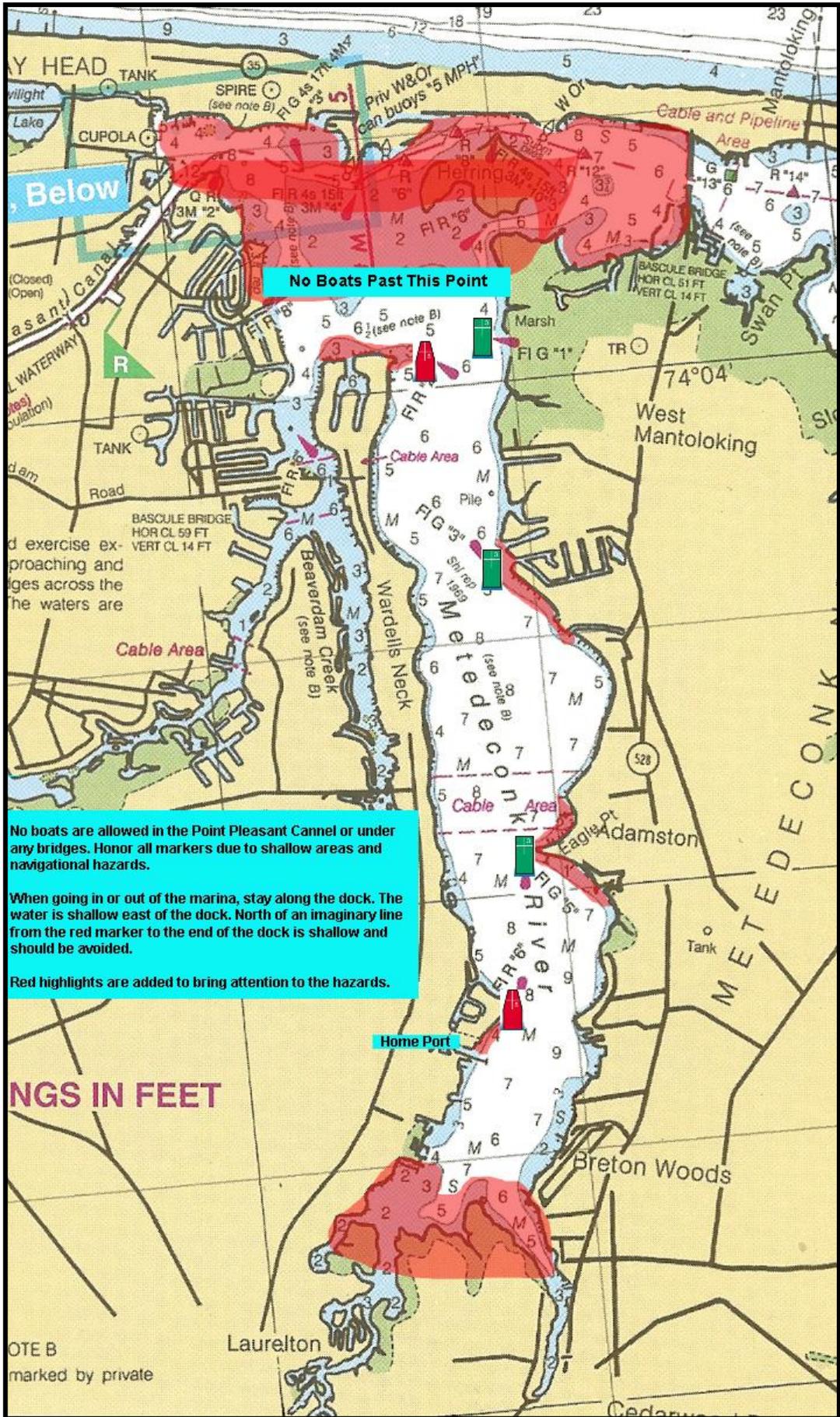
### **Weather Issues**

Please plan on boarding the boat at the dock at the prescribed time. You should not sail in unsafe conditions. Unsafe conditions include excessively high winds, rain or dense fog or lightning. The boats do not have lights and therefore are not permitted to sail at night or restricted visibility.

**If you sail in high winds and the sails rip, you are responsible for the repair or replacement.**

If the weather conditions are unequivocally dangerous, we will reschedule you rental. If you do not cancel your rental in a reasonable time prior to your scheduled use, no refund will be allotted.

**By using the boat, you acknowledge the terms and obligations as listed and agree to the attached Liability Waiver with an implied consent.**



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No Boats Past This Point

No boats are allowed in the Point Pleasant Cannel or under any bridges. Honor all markers due to shallow areas and navigational hazards.

When going in or out of the marina, stay along the dock. The water is shallow east of the dock. North of an imaginary line from the red marker to the end of the dock is shallow and should be avoided.

Red highlights are added to bring attention to the hazards.

NGS IN FEET

Home Port

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