



**Sailing Singles of South Florida**  
**Membership Application**  
**P. O. Box 4532 FT. Lauderdale, FL 33338**



*Please print all information clearly.*

Name:	Date:	<input type="checkbox"/> New member
Address:		<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal – General
City:	State/Zip:	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal – Associate
Phone: Home:	Date of Birth (Month/Day):	
Work:	Email address:	
Cell:	Year joined:	
How would you rate your sailing/boating skills? <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Some Experience <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Very Experienced		
On what committee would you be interested in participating and How did you hear about our Club? <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Membership <input type="checkbox"/> Social <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Where needed <input type="checkbox"/> Meetup_____ <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook <input type="checkbox"/> Internet_____ <input type="checkbox"/> How did you hear about us or Referred by _____		
In case of emergency, contact:		
What special skills, talents, or expertise can you offer the club?		

**Boat owners please complete the following:**

USCG Captain: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N	Boat type: _____ Length: ____ Beam: ____ Draft: ____		
Boat name: _____	Home port: _____	Minimum crew size needed: ____	
Day sails? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N    Overnight sails? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N    Do you allow smoking on board? <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N			
Insurance carrier/underwriter _____		Liability Limits:	
Policy number: _____		Policy effective dates:	
Boat equipment: <input type="checkbox"/> VHF <input type="checkbox"/> GPS <input type="checkbox"/> Dinghy <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas			
Engine: _____		Horsepower: _____	

General membership is open to all single persons and those persons who are separated and not living with their spouses, and have expressed an interest in sailing. An Associate Member is a member who becomes married or recommences cohabitation with his/her spouse. Annual dues for new members are \$120.00. Renewal dues are \$85.00 **if paid by January 31<sup>st</sup>** and \$120.00 after. After July 1, dues are \$75.00. Renewal dues are waived for captains who have sailed a minimum of six (6) day sails (or day sail equivalents) during the prior year.

**Disclaimer: I understand there is inherent risk in participating in sailing activities. I agree to hold harmless the SSSF members of the Board of Directors, Boat Owners, Boat Captains and all other members of SSSF for any injury sustained while participating in any SSSF-sponsored event. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)**

By signing below, I certify that:

- **I meet the membership requirements for the Sailing Singles of South Florida.**
- **I agree to read and abide by its by-laws and the Policies, Procedures, Rules, and Regulations.**
- **I will not use or possess any illegal substance of any kind at and/or near any club function at any time.**
- **As a member, SSSF has my consent to use my name and image in any publication, videotape, internet website or other media to promote the club and/or record its activities.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Badge Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Delivered \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Sailing Singles of South Florida Waiver & Release**

1. In consideration for receiving permission to participate in a Sailing Singles of South Florida event (hereinafter referred to as "event" or "events" } by signing below, I, the participant, hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue Sailing Singles of South Florida, any of its organizers, promoters, authorized captains (as listed by name on each Sailing Singles of South Florida event page on Facebook.com and/or Meetup.com and/or the Club Directory, also known as the Pink Book, prior to each event), agents, servants, or volunteer assistants (hereinafter referred to as "releasees") from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, or any of the property belonging to me, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees, or otherwise, while participating in such event, or while in the surrounding area or on any boats where the event is being conducted, or enroute to the event, from the moment prior to initial boarding onto any involved boat until the moment after final disembarkment.
2. I further hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the releasees from any loss, liability, damage or costs, including mediation costs and fees, arbitration costs and fees, and court costs and attorney fees, that I may incur due to my participation in said event, whether caused by negligence of releasees or otherwise.
3. I am fully aware of the risks involved and hazards connected with the event, including but not limited to damages resulting from injuries from propellers, engines and motors, electrical generators ,slip, trip and fall from ropes, lines, wet, moving and un-even surfaces, drowning, boat rafting, docking, launching and crashes, and I hereby elect to voluntarily participate in said event with full knowledge that said activity may be hazardous to me and my property. I agree to abide by all laws and will not engage in any unlawful activities or bring or possess any unlawful drugs of any kind. I release all rights to any photos taken at the event. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risk of loss, property damage or personal injury, including death, that I cause, or that may be sustained by me.
4. I understand that the Sailing Singles is an informal, non-profit club that meets solely for the purpose of sailing and social events and does not maintain any insurance policy other than Directors and Officers and Employment Practices covering any circumstance arising from my participation in this event or any activity associated with or facilitating that participation. As such, I am aware that I should review my personal insurance portfolio for any coverage I desire, including all-risk marine vessel insurance.
5. I agree that if a dispute arises out of or relates to this Waiver and Release, and if the dispute cannot be settled through negotiation within the club, the parties agree first to try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation within Broward County, Florida, administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Commercial Mediation Procedures before resorting to arbitration, litigation, or some other dispute resolution procedure. If they do not reach such solution within a period of 60 days, then, upon notice by either party to the other, all disputes, claims, questions, or differences shall be finally settled by arbitration within Broward County, Florida, administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with the provisions of its Commercial Arbitration Rules.
6. It is my express intent that this Waiver and Release shall bind the members of my family and spouse and if I own a boat, all guests and visitors on my boat, if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns and personal representative, if I am deceased, and shall be deemed as a release, waiver, discharge and covenant not to sue the above-named releasees. I hereby further agree that this Waiver and Release shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.
7. I acknowledge and represent that I have read this Waiver and Release, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; no oral representations, statements, or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made; I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent; and I execute this release for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same.

Participant

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Definition of Sailing Skill Levels



The following guidelines are provided to assist you in determining your sailing skill level.

Experience	Attributes
<b>Novice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Never sailed, or sailed very little (10 days or fewer) over the past five years.</li><li>• Little or no knowledge of sailboat and sailing terminology and clothing and equipment required for day and weekend sails.</li></ul>
<b>Some Experience</b>	<p><b>Novice</b> knowledge, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sailed occasionally (10-30 days) over the past five years, as either crew or passenger.</li><li>• Knows proper clothing, personal items, provisioning and cooking required for day and weekend sails.</li><li>• Has reasonable knowledge of sailing terminology and boat safety procedures, line handling during rafting and docking; tying bowline, figure eight and clove hitch, and throwing a line.</li><li>• Has limited knowledge of navigation, man-overboard procedures, raising and lowering sails, sail trimming and steering.</li></ul>
<b>Intermediate</b>	<p><b>Some experience</b> knowledge, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sailed between 30 and 100 days over the past five years as crew.</li><li>• Has good knowledge of sailboat and sailing terminology, boat safety procedures, radio use, line handling during rafting, docking and anchoring, tying of required knots and hitches with speed and ease.</li><li>• Can assist skipper and first mate in all aspects of running boat, can steer under power and sail, raise and lower sails, and trim sails with some confidence and little supervision.</li><li>• Can navigate and estimate location without assistance.</li><li>• Knows the rules of the road.</li><li>• Knows heavy weather sailing procedures, including reefing.</li></ul>
<b>Very Experienced</b>	<p><b>Intermediate</b> knowledge, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sailed more than 100 days over the past five years as crew, first mate (or skipper backup), or skipper.</li><li>• Able to handle all aspects of sailing with confidence and without supervision.</li><li>• Can handle boat under sail or power in tight areas, and dock or raft.</li><li>• Can ably manage or instruct in raising and lowering sails, trimming sails, docking, rafting and anchoring.</li></ul>

- Able to solve complex navigation problems.
- Understands effects of tides, current and weather.
- Able to use electronic navigation instruments such as GPS.
- Able to run inboard and outboard gasoline and diesel engines, diagnose problems, and make simple repairs.
- Able, with confidence, to manage crew in role of skipper, or sail single-handedly.

**For club use only:**

Date received:

Amount received:

Received by:

Cash  Check # \_\_\_\_\_  On-line \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered in computer: