

# 2012 NAVAL STATION NORFOLK SAILING CENTER & MARINA



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Summer Hours

May 1 to September 30  
Monday through Sunday  
8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Winter Hours

October 1 through April 30  
Monday through Friday  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

# **Norfolk Naval Sailing Center**

The Norfolk Naval Sailing Center (NNSC) and Marina is a great place to enjoy recreational boating and competitive sailing in the Hampton Roads area! We are proud to be a part of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) program for the U.S. Navy. Our services are available to active duty military, retired military, eligible military family members and Department of Defense civilian employees.

Located at the bend of Towway Drive and Massey Hughes Drive, along the banks of Willoughby Bay, the Sailing Center is the place where sailors can learn to sail, kayak, rent boats, and enjoy a relaxing time on the water. The Sailing Center offers a wide array of rental boats including single and double kayaks, power boats for fishing and water skiing, and a fleet of over 50 sailboats from dinghies to cruising keelboats. Proper qualifications and demonstration of skills are required to rent our boats.



# Boat Owners and Anglers

The Marina offers 200 deep-water slips on either floating or fixed piers, complimentary pump out service, marina store, free WiFi, dinghy storage, boat ramp, ice, bait and fishing supplies, bathhouse facilities and the capability to special order from Paxton and West Marine. Each slip offers fresh water and either 30 or 50-amp power.

## Wet Slips

Wet slips are available for monthly rental including electric and water. Proof of insurance, boat registration or Coast Guard Documentation, Coast Guard Vessel Safety Inspection and a current credit card are required to fill out a contract with the Norfolk Naval Marina. Pricing for wet slips is as follows:

- Fixed Piers: \$5.75/foot per month
- Floating Piers: \$6.50/foot per month

We can accommodate boats from 19 to 48 feet in our slips.

## Transients

We encourage transients to visit our facility at any time of year! You must be active duty, retired military or DOD civilian and must present a valid ID when entering the marina. Upon arrival we ask transients to come visit the office to fill out paperwork and allow the staff to meet our guests. Our transient fee is \$1.50/foot per night. Please make reservations to ensure that dock space is available. We monitor Channel 16.

## Boat Ramp

There is a boat ramp across from the Sailing Center and Marina office. It requires a \$5.00 fee every time a boat is launched or \$65 for a yearly pass (passes are good from January to December of that year.) After June there will be a prorated price for the remainder of the year. Passes that are purchased at the NNSC are also good for the ramps at Little Creek's Cove Marina. If paying by individual launch, the fee must be paid at the rental office or left in the box next to the door of the office. If you are found using the ramp without a pass, your vehicle is subject to towing. Towing fees range upward of \$170. The white line located on the wall next to the ramp indicates where the ramp ends. Please do NOT back your trailer past this point! Boat ramp users may dock their boats overnight at specially designated slips for \$10 or for up to three nights for \$25.

# Boat Rental Rates

 Kayaks	HOUR	½ DAY	DAY	WKD	WEEK	REQUIREMENTS
Kayaks	\$5	\$15	\$30	\$50	\$80	None
Double Kayak	\$8	\$20	\$35	\$55	\$85	None
Kayak Trailer	\$5	\$15	\$30	\$50	\$80	3 or more rentals

 Powerboats	HOUR	½ DAY	DAY	WKD	WEEK	REQUIREMENTS
19-ft. Skiff < 10 HP	\$10	\$25	\$40	N/A	N/A	None
19-ft. Skiff 25 HP	\$15	\$35	\$55	N/A	N/A	SPB*
Bass Boat	\$30	\$70	\$95	\$195	\$400	SPB*
Triumph 170 CC	\$35	\$80	\$125	\$225	\$500	SPB*
Bayliner 180	\$45	\$100	\$135	\$250	\$550	SPB*

 Sailboats	HOUR	½ DAY	DAY	WKD	WEEK	REQUIREMENTS
Laser	\$8	\$20	\$35	\$55	\$85	Basic 101
420 Club	\$10	\$25	\$40	N/A	N/A	Basic 101
420 Club Racer	\$15	\$35	\$60	N/A	N/A	Racing 120
Hobie Wave	\$12	\$25	\$40	N/A	N/A	Basic 101
Hunter 170	\$12	\$25	\$40	N/A	N/A	Basic 101
Knockabout	\$15	\$35	\$60	N/A	N/A	Basic 101
C&C 24	\$20	\$45	\$85	\$175	\$325	INT 201
Catalina 25	\$22	\$55	\$90	\$185	\$340	INT 201
Hunter 260	\$24	\$65	\$100	\$200	\$450	INT 260*
Catalina 310	\$45	\$100	\$175	\$400	\$950	ADV 301

 \*Safe Power Boating (SPB) is a combination of an MWR Motor Boat Orientation and the Virginia State Certification for Motor Boat Operation.

 \*To rent the Hunter 260 requires completion of the Intermediate Course and the Introduction to Cruising Course.

# Boat Rental Requirements

Boats are required to stay within restricted sailing areas as follows:

- Kayaks may be taken off base for use in rivers, lakes and other protected bodies of water. Atlantic waters are off limits. If rented at the Norfolk Naval Sailing Center, kayaks must remain in Willoughby Bay.
- Skiffs and sailboats under 24 ft. are restricted to Willoughby Bay.
- Triumph 170s and Bayliners are restricted to the bay, lakes, and rivers in the Chesapeake Bay area. No open ocean water or coastal Atlantic water permitted.
- C&C 24s, Catalina 25s and Hunter 260s are restricted to the lower west side of the Chesapeake Bay, no further north than Salt Ponds and no further east than the entrance channel to JEB Little Creek.
- Catalina 310s are restricted to the Chesapeake Bay only (no blue water).

Qualifications are required to rent all boats and must be shown at the time of rental. If you have sailed before or believe you have received proper qualification elsewhere, please refer to the section entitled 'Check Rides' on page 14.



## Qualification Ratings

**Safe Power Boating (Boating 101):** Completion of any National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) certification coupled with the MWR Power Boat orientation class. Renter MUST have both to be qualified.

**Basic Sailing (Sailing 101):** Completion of Adult Basic Sailing Course or a Course Challenge consisting of a written test and demonstrating a tack, jibe, and docking in front of an instructor, or proof of equal qualification from another location.

**Basic Racing (Sailing 120/140/160):** Completion of the Adult Racing Course or an Adult Racing Course Challenge, consisting of a written test and demonstration of successfully negotiating a modified race course in front of an instructor, or proof of equal qualification from another location.

**Intermediate Sailing (Sailing 201):** Completion of Intermediate I Sailing Course, Course Challenge by check ride, or proof of equal qualification from another location.



## Qualification Ratings cont.








**Introduction to Cruising (Sailing 260):** Completion of Intermediate Level II, course challenge by check ride, or proof of equal qualification from another location.

**Advanced Sailing (Sailing 301):** Completion of Advanced Sailing Course or check ride based on qualifications from another location. Renter must also obtain a NASBLA safe boating certification, as vessels of this size have auxiliary engines greater than 10 HP.



## Boat Rental Policies




-  All boats are subject to a check-out and check-in procedure. If something is damaged or missing on the boat after the rental, the renter will incur the replacement charges. Please allow at least 15 minutes at departure and arrival for marina staff to conduct this procedure.
-  Weekend rates are based on any 72-hour period (i.e. 8 a.m. Friday thru 8 a.m. Monday).
-  All reservations must be paid up front in order to reserve a boat. Reservations are only available for rentals of a half day duration or more (i.e. boats cannot be reserved by the hour).
-  Cancellation notice must be provided 48 hours in advance for a credit or refund to be issued. If severe weather forces a cancellation, a credit will be issued. Credits must be used by the end of September 2012.
-  Alcohol is NOT permitted on ANY NNSC boats.
-  Children under five years of age not permitted on NNSC boats.
-  NNSC staff reserves the right to revoke qualifications and deny a boat rental for any reason.




# Boating and Sailing Courses

The Sailing Center offers sailing and boating classes and private lessons, friendly and knowledgeable staff, and opportunities for competitive sailing with our weekend regattas. Courses are available year round at the Sailing Center, and we offer everything from basic sailing for beginners to coastal navigation for the more advanced sailor. Have kids? Junior sailing camps for 8 to 16 year olds are offered throughout the summer.

## **New for 2012! Kayak Courses**

 **Quick Start Your Kayak**      3 hr      Pool/calm water  
A guided start/review to paddling a kayak provides basic information on dressing for safe paddling, potential hazards and simple rescues. A minimal paddle skill set is presented and practiced, allowing safe and comfortable maneuvering on still water.

 **Introduction to Sit-On-Top Kayaking**      6 hr      Flat water  
An open water introduction emphasizing safety, enjoyment and skill refinement paddling SOT or sit-on-top kayaks. Planning safe navigation by preparing yourself and kayak for transport, currents, vessel traffic and rescues will be practiced

 **Essentials of Kayak Touring**      8 hr      Near shore  
Paddlers will plan for practice of maneuvers and techniques to paddle in near shore, open water conditions considering the wind, waves, weather and water. Trip navigation will be planned with nautical charts and GPS. A compass will determine course and danger bearings; weather, tides, and currents will be monitored; rescue sequences will be practiced and practice with a VHF radio will enable safer paddling in areas with/without vessel traffic.

**Course Dates: Weekends from April through October.**





## Safe Power Boating: Boating 101

### NASBLA Boating Safety Course and Marina Power Boat Orientation

In 2007, the Virginia General Assembly enacted a law to establish a boating safety education compliance requirement. The requirement for boating safety education has been phased-in over several years and applies to all personal water craft (PWC) operators and operators of motorboats of 10HP and greater. In



Virginia waters, motorboat operators under 30 years of age must meet this requirement by July 1, 2012, and ALL motor boat operators must meet this requirement by July 1, 2016.

The Norfolk Naval Sailing Center and Marina requires all power boat renters, regardless of age, to complete this requirement as well as a two-hour powerboat orientation course on Marina vessels. As a convenience, we provide the Virginia Boating Safety Course in an eight-hour course broken into four-hour sessions running from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday of each week from mid-March through mid-October.

Pre-registration is required one week prior to the class convening date.

**Boating Safety Course and MWR Power Boat Orientation Cost: \$35\***

*\*For students who only wish to obtain a NASBLA certification and do not desire the Power Boat Orientation, they may sit in on the class for free if space is available. However, a NASBLA certification alone does not permit the student to rent power boats with engines over 10 horse power.*

*\*For those who already have a NASBLA safe boating certification, but need the Power Boat Orientation in order to rent our power boats, a class will be offered occasionally based upon demand. A minimum of four students and maximum of six students is required. The fee is non-refundable in the event the student cancels or is otherwise unable to attend.*

**Course Dates: Weekly from March 21 through October 17.**



## **Adult Basic Sailing Course: Sailing 101**

This weekend course is designed to teach beginners the basics of sailing. In this class, students will learn basic sailing fundamentals including sailing theory, parts of the boat, and rules of the road on smaller boats called dinghies.

**Requirements:** An hour and a half scheduled private lesson prior to the first day of the weekend course. The instructor will go over basic terminology, rigging and actually spend time on the water sailing. This allows the student to become comfortable on the boat and gives a brief introduction of the upcoming course. This lesson is extremely important because it allows for every student to be on the same page when attending the class and have some experience on a small boat.

Upon successful completion of this course students will be certified to sail dinghies by themselves. Beginners will now will be able to rent Lasers, 420s, Hunter 170s, Hobie Waves and Knockabouts from the Norfolk Naval Sailing Center.

**Adult Basic Sailing Course Cost: \$225**

**Course Dates:** April 28-29; May 12-13, 19-20, 26-27; June 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, June 30-July 1; July 14-15, 21-22, 28-29; August 11-12, 18-19, 25-26; September 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 & 29-30



## **Adult Intermediate Sailing Course: Sailing 201**

This course is designed to teach dinghy sailors the basics of sailing a keelboat and reinforce basic sailing instruction. Topics such as anchoring, tying mooring lines, operation of an outboard motor, and more will be addressed in this class.

**Requirements:** Completion of the Basic Sailing Course along with four hours of logged sailing time on the water in dinghies or boats under 23 feet.

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be certified to sail basic keelboats up to 25 feet. They will also be qualified to rent the Norfolk Naval Sailing Center's C&C 24s and Catalina 25s.

**Adult Intermediate Sailing Course Cost: \$225**

**Course Dates:** March 24-25; April 28-29; May 12-13 & 26-27; June 9-10 & 23-24; July 14-15 & 28-29; August 4-5 & 25-26; September 8-9 & 22-23





## **Adult Introduction to Cruising Course: Sailing 260**

This course is designed to introduce intermediate sailors to the cruising style of sailing and reinforce intermediate sailing instruction. Topics such as cruise planning and safety, teamwork and communications, cruising etiquette, wheel steering, on board systems and more will be addressed in this class.

**Requirements:** Completion of the Intermediate Sailing Course along with 16 hours of logged sailing time on the water in keel boats under 26 feet.

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be certified to sail 26 to 30 foot boats with wheel steering. They will be qualified to rent the Norfolk Naval Sailing Center's Hunter 260s.

**Adult Intermediate Sailing Course Cost: \$100**

**Course Dates:** April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 11 and September 1



## **Adult Advanced Course: Sailing 301**

This course is designed to expand a sailor's knowledge of keelboats in areas of inboard motor operation, local navigation, and the various systems associated with vessels 30 feet or more. This course will reinforce skills and apply them to a larger vessel.

**Requirements:** Completion of the Introduction to Cruising Course along with a minimum of 16 hours of logged time on the water in a keelboat between 26 to 30 feet.

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to sail keelboats up to 35 feet. Students will be able to rent the Sailing Center's Catalina 310.

**Adult Advanced Sailing Course Cost: \$225**

**Course Dates:** March 17-18; April 21-22; May 19-20; June 16-17; July 21-22; August 18-19; September 15-16



# Combo Packages

## Racing Combo

Sailing 101 and 120

\$260 Save 10%

## Racing Pro

Sailing 101, 120, 140, and 160

\$300 Save over 25%!

## Sailing Master

Sailing 101 through 301 including Clinic 120

\$675 Save 20%



### Racing Combo: \$260

Includes Basic Sailing and Basic Racing. A savings of \$30.

- All courses must be scheduled at time of registration and payment.
- It is the student's responsibility to meet minimum on the water time requirements to advance through courses. Failure to do so is not grounds for a refund.
- If student does not meet the on the water time requirements they may change future course dates to allow for completion of time for an administrative fee of \$25 per rescheduled course.
- Refunds will only be made if cancellation is made a minimum of one week before scheduled class date
- Refunds will be based on non-discounted prices of courses completed and a one-time administrative fee of \$30.



### Racing Pro: \$300

Includes Basic Sailing, Basic Racing, Intermediate Racing and Advanced Racing. A savings of \$120.

- All courses must be scheduled at time of registration and payment.
- It is the student's responsibility to meet minimum on the water time requirements to advance through courses. Failure to do so is not grounds for a refund.
- If student does not meet the on the water time requirements they may change future course dates to allow for completion of time for an administrative fee of \$25 per rescheduled course.
- Refunds will only be made if cancellation is made a minimum of one week before scheduled class date.
- Refunds will be based on non-discounted prices of courses completed and a one-time administrative fee of \$30.
- Refunds will not be issued after student has completed the Basic Racing Course.



## Sailing Master: \$675

Includes Basic Sailing, Intermediate Sailing, Introduction to Cruising, and Advanced Sailing with option to take Basic Racing at no additional charge. Over \$800 worth of courses for only \$675.

- All courses must be scheduled at time of registration and payment.
- All courses must be completed within one year of date of registration.
- It is the student's responsibility to meet minimum on the water time requirements to advance through courses. Failure to do so is not grounds for a refund.
- If student does not meet the on the water time requirements they may change future course dates to allow for completion of time for an administrative fee of \$25 per rescheduled course.
- Refunds will only be made if cancellation is made a minimum of one week before scheduled class date.
- Refunds will be based on non-discounted prices of courses completed and a one-time administrative fee of \$100.
- Example: If a student has completed Basic Sailing (\$225 value) and Intermediate Sailing (\$225 value), and canceled Introduction to Cruising and Advanced Sailing the refunded amount would be \$125 ( $\$675 - \$225 - \$225 - \$100$ ).



# Other Information

## Sailing Refresher

If you have sailed before, however it's been a while and you don't feel quite comfortable going out on your own, The Sailing Center can help! You may schedule private lessons with an instructor on a reservation basis. Just contact the Sailing Center and we will arrange to set you up with an instructor based on availability and your schedule. The cost is \$25 an hour for the instructor plus the cost of the boat rental. This should not be used in lieu of taking a sailing course, or in place of a check ride. This is primarily for refreshing the memory of sailing skills and building confidence on the water.

## Junior Sail Camps

We also offer kids the chance to learn how to sail. The Sailing Center offers a choice of one-week day camps or two-week half day camps for children ages eight to 16 throughout the summer. Please see our *Junior Sail Camp Brochure* for more information.



## Dinghy Racing





Over the years, one of the most popular programs at NNSC is our dinghy racing series. We run a summer race series that is held every Saturday afternoon from May through September. The intent of our regatta series is to provide sailors of all skill levels an enjoyable and competitive racing environment. It is also intended to build the sport of dinghy racing by developing one's skills. Boats that are normally raced are Lasers and 420s.

The first race begins at 3 p.m. with a varying number of short races depending on the weather. After the races, NNSC provides a cookout of hotdogs and hamburgers to any racers who would like to stay and eat. The cost for racing is \$10 per boat entered in the race and the cookout is \$7 per person. Or purchase our Regatta Sailing Season Pass and sail in as many Saturday races as desired for only \$65, May through September. All fees must be paid when registering the boat to race.

# Check Rides

What if you've sailed before and want to rent one of the boats? It's easy! Contact NNSC by phone at (757) 444-2918 to discuss your options. Your former experience will determine what course will be required. When contacting the Sailing Center, please be prepared to offer proof of your experience (a sailing resume is extremely helpful) and a list of possible dates and times you would be available for a checkride. For dinghy rentals, a written test and successful sail of the boat through several tacks and jibes and docking the boat is required. For keelboat rentals, you will have to pass a written test and then go on a check ride with one of the instructors.

## Check Ride Requirements

-  A copy of your prior sailing qualifications or your sailing resume (examples include US Sailing, ASA, Navy Sailing Qualifications).
-  If you are scheduling a check ride for a keelboat, please bring at least one capable person to crew; two is preferred. Remember this is a check ride to ensure you are qualified to rent boats. Please don't bring the whole family or a group of friends, as it interferes with the check ride process.
-  Take time prior to the check ride to become familiar with the boat. This time on the boat is free of charge and may be done ahead of time, as long as the boat is available. You need to know the boat's systems. The check ride is not designed as a sailing lesson. You will be expected to give a safety brief and point out the location of all safety gear on the boat.
-  The check ride costs \$25 per hour for the instructor, plus the cost of the boat for at least half a day's rental. A check ride may take anywhere from two to six hours depending on conditions and your familiarity with the boat and its system. Please set aside adequate time for your check ride.





# Frequently Asked Questions

## ***What if inclement weather is forecasted at the time my class is scheduled?***

In case of bad weather please arrive for your scheduled class and the instructor will dictate any procedures that need to be followed. In most cases the instructor will rearrange the syllabus to do classroom work until the weather has passed. However, if it is just light rain or cloudy be prepared to be out on the water. If severe weather is an issue, the instructor will call students to let them know the course of action.

## ***What do I need to do before my course?***

The first thing you need to do is to pick up your course materials from the Sailing Center and complete the assigned reading and emergency contact sheet. If you are taking the Adult Basic Sailing Course, you need to schedule your private lesson within two weeks preceding your scheduled course.

## ***What do I need to bring to class?***

You will need your book, your completed emergency contact sheet, bathing suit, sunscreen, closed-toed light soled shoes, towel, change of clothes, water bottle, sunglasses, lunch (unless planning on eating out), windbreaker (or warmer clothes if the weather calls for it), and qualification book if you have completed other classes.

## ***What if I register for a class and realize I cannot attend?***

Inform the Sailing Center immediately. Due to high demand and limited class sizes there is usually a waiting list for our classes. We will happily reschedule your class for you as long as we are notified one week prior to your originally scheduled class time. If you fail to inform the staff that you will not be attending the course you scheduled, then a refund or credit will not be issued. A \$10 cancellation /rescheduling fee applies for individual courses, while a \$25 fee applies for Combo Packages for each course cancelled or rescheduled.

## ***What do I need to wear?***

Wear something comfortable that you don't mind getting wet. Most of the classes are taught directly on the boats so getting wet is a distinct possibility. Also, make sure to dress appropriately for the forecasted weather. There is no specific outfit required for sailing. However, we do suggest comfortable clothing that can get wet; closed-toed water shoes to prevent injuries on the dock or boat; change of clothing or towel to dry off after being out on the water; hat or pair of sunglasses to prevent the reflection of the sun on the water. If you are still confused as to what attire may be appropriate, please do not hesitate to ask a Sailing Center staff member.



# Frequently Asked Questions

## ***What does my qualification card do exactly?***

After every successfully completed course, you will be issued a qualification card stating which courses you have completed and what boats you are qualified to operate. This card can be used at any MWR marina and a multitude of outside rental establishments. Many outside places will ask if it is ASA, US Sailing or Navy Qualification. The answer is that it is a combination of all three curriculums.

## ***I want to rent a boat for the weekend. Do I have to be present to check in and check out?***

Yes, you have to check the boat out in person, and also be present when you return the boat. However, you are free to come and go as you please over the weekend, and keep the boat secured at its designated slip when not in use.





# Directions to NNSC



## From Gate 2

From Hampton Boulevard, enter through Gate 2 onto Maryland Avenue. Continue down Maryland Avenue until it dead ends at a stop light. Make the right onto Massey Hughes Drive and continue approximately a half a mile. The marina will be the second building on the left.



## From Gate 3A

From I-564, take the Gate 3A exit. Once through the gate, continue to the second traffic light. At the second light, make the left onto Aircraft Tow Way. Follow the road until you see the marina on your right. The next building on the right will be the Sailing Center and Marina.



## From Gate 4

Enter through Gate 4 and continue to follow Aircraft Tow Way. The road will fork and you will need to stay in your right lane. Continue to follow this road until you see the marina. The next building on the right will be the Sailing Center and Marina.

