



# Asheville Youth Sailing Learn to Sail 2018 EXPECTATIONS



The Asheville Sailing Club and the Asheville Youth Sailing Learn to Sail Program are committed to providing the best possible environment for all young people involved in the sport. Participants deserve to be given enjoyable, safe sporting opportunities, free from abuse of any kind. Participants, have rights, which must be respected, and responsibilities, which they must accept.

The Asheville Sailing Club and Asheville Youth Sailing Program also has a duty to care for volunteers working with its participants on behalf of the organization.

## **PARTICIPANTS ARE ENTITLED TO:**

- ◆ Be treated with dignity and respect.
- ◆ Be safe and to feel safe.
- ◆ Get help against bullies.
- ◆ Be listened to.
- ◆ Be believed.
- ◆ Be happy, have fun, and enjoy the sport of sailing.
- ◆ Participate on an equal basis.
- ◆ Confidentiality.

## **PARTICIPANTS SHOULD ALWAYS:**

- ◆ Attend and actively participate in the Learn to Sail Lessons. (Acknowledge attendance policy below.)
- ◆ Follow instruction and directions. Everyone participates to learn. (Even adults.)
- ◆ Avoid behavior, conduct or language that is unseemly or offensive, or conduct injurious to the character and aspirations of the Asheville Sailing Club, Asheville Youth Sailing, or the interests of other participants or members.
- ◆ Respect all instructors, volunteers, organizers, and other participants with respect.
- ◆ Respect other participants even when things go wrong — and they will!
- ◆ Treat all boats and equipment with care and respect.
- ◆ Take responsibility for their own safety and the safety of others.
- ◆ Wear appropriate clothing (no denim), and footwear (closed-toe shoes, water shoes, water-sport booties, old tennis shoes.)
- ◆ Bring appropriate gear to all Lessons - full water bottle, sunscreen, a towel, change of clothes, sunglasses, a hat if desired.
- ◆ Wear life jackets on the docks or in any boat or watercraft.
- ◆ Leave electronics at home or in the designated secure location on-shore. No phones in boats!

## **PARTICIPANTS SHOULD NEVER:**

- ◆ Use impolite or rude tactics to gain power over another individual.
- ◆ Use bullying tactics to isolate another participant.
- ◆ Use violence or physical contact that is not an expected part of the sport.
- ◆ Shout or argue with other participants, adults, volunteers, instructors, or park officials.
- ◆ Harm fellow participants, volunteers, or their property.
- ◆ Make false allegations against anyone else.
- ◆ Use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco at Asheville Sailing Club/Asheville Youth Sailing activities.
- ◆ Keep secrets, especially if they cause harm to anyone else.

## **PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE EXPECTED TO:**

- ◆ Provide on-time transportation to and from the Asheville Sailing Club or other local venues for all Lessons.
- ◆ Support the participant's involvement by ensuring the participant attends lessons in accordance to the attendance policy, arrives on-time and is picked up on-time.
- ◆ Read any and all correspondence from the program organizers.
- ◆ Communicate with the organizers if the participant is unable to attend.
- ◆ Ensure the participant has the necessary clothing, footwear, and personal items (see above) to participate comfortably and safely.
- ◆ Be a role model for all participants.

**Participants in the Asheville Youth Sailing Learn to Sail Program may only miss three Saturdays - and no more than one in a row - to be eligible to participate.**

**I have read and agree to abide by the above. Signatures REQUIRED and must be original. Digital signing is permitted.**

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*Signature of youth applicant*

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*Signature of applicant's parent or legal guardian*