



**SINGLES UNDER SAIL, INC.**  
**2012 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
 January 1, 2012 – March 31, 2013



Please send this completed application, along with your check for \$85.00 (**\$90.00 if postmarked after 4/30/12**) to:  
 Singles Under Sail, Inc., c/o Margaret Lee, 26 Overlook Drive, Monroe, CT 06468

**MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT**

*While SUS, Inc. stresses safety at sea at every phase of an activity, sailing and water-related activities are not without risk. In signing below, I affirm that my general health is good and I fully assume all risks involved, whether on board, swimming, or on shore. I will not hold SUS, Inc., its officers, or members liable for any injury, illness, or damage I incur. I understand that I am not required to participate in any activity and that my choice to do so is voluntary. I understand that SUS, Inc. does not verify information provided by members, including Skippers, and that I am responsible for seeking and verifying any information I may require. I further agree to read and abide by SUS Bylaws and the club's policies, procedures, rules and regulations which are available on the SUS website and in the MOC Booklet. I will not use or possess any illegal substance of any kind at and/or near any club function at any time.*

Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  New  
 Name (please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_  Renew  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Office (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency contact name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about Singles Under Sail? Please be specific \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you wish to receive our monthly MASTHEAD newsletter via EMAIL ONLY (NOT in reg. Mail)?**  YES  NO

Please **enclose copies of the following educational certificates if you haven't yet** (birth dates may be obliterated):

Do you hold a Connecticut Safe Boating Certificate? Y\_\_ N\_\_ Have you ever held a USCG license? Y\_\_ N\_\_

Circle/list boating courses you have passed for which **you haven't previously submitted copies of certificates**:

USPS: BB S AP JN N Electives: \_\_\_\_\_ USCG Aux: BS&S S&S BCN ACN

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**I rate myself as (circle one):** NOVICE CREW FIRST MATE OPERATOR

**Skills Checklist Self Rating from page 4:** \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ (Ex. F-65) I am interested in: Cruising\_\_\_\_ Racing\_\_\_\_ Both\_\_\_\_

I am available for day-sailing during the work week and would like to sail on: \_\_\_\_\_ (Days)

Singles Under Sail, Inc. is run totally by volunteers. Member volunteers are critical to our continued success in planning and communicating club activities. Please circle any areas in which you are willing to help:

Membership Sailing Events Special Events Finance Programs Newsletter Public Relations  
Education Computer/Web/Technology Lead Skipper Other \_\_\_\_\_

**SKIPPER'S ONLY**

**Boat Description:** Name \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Rig type \_\_\_\_\_

Length (LOA feet) \_\_\_\_\_ Sail No. \_\_\_\_\_ Hull color \_\_\_\_\_ Home port \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one vessel type: Sail Power Total capacity: Day sailing \_\_\_\_\_ Overnight \_\_\_\_\_

If you want your cell phone no. known only to other skippers, enter it here, but not above (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

- I understand that it is the responsibility of the Owner/Skipper to provide a safe, insured vessel which is equipped and operated as required by the U.S. Coast Guard or state agencies.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Skipper's Signature \_\_\_\_\_



# SINGLES UNDER SAIL 2012 Sailing Events

## SAILING EVENTS AGREEMENT FORM

Welcome to the 2012 SUS Sailing Season.

**Everyone, including Skippers,  
must complete the Sailing Events Agreement Form for 2012  
as part of the Membership Application and Agreement Process.**

The **completion of this form** will allow you to participate in 2012 sailing events, including Day Sails, Educational Day Sails, Twilight Sails, SailAway Weekends and the Annual Cruise.

Information on scheduled Sailing Events can be found on the 2012 SUS Activity Calendar and is also listed in The Masthead newsletter. In addition, a list will be provided at meetings by the Sailing Events Director.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

SUS Skills Checklist Self-Rating: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ (from page 4 of your Membership Application)

Do you have a CT Safe Boating Certificate? \_\_\_\_\_

Sailing Experience (include courses taken):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I agree to read and abide by the SUS Sailing Events Policies and Procedures as given in the Member Orientation Class Booklet which is available on the SUS website. I understand that proper attire and behavior are required for the expected sailing conditions, and that a Skipper may refuse to allow anyone to participate at his or her discretion.

I also understand that Singles Under Sail does not verify any information provided by the Skippers or Crew, and that I am responsible for seeking any information I may require to assure my own safety, comfort or protection.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Skills Checklist Self-Rating Guide

We ask that you rate your sailing skills. These questions are not meant to be intimidating. We want to know what you know so that sailing experiences can be planned that will increase your enjoyment, knowledge, and safety. Please allow ample time to read and check off the skills you can perform **routinely** and **correctly**. *Count the checks, then enter that number at the end of this checklist **AND** in the space provided on the front of this Membership Application.* Change ratings anytime by giving a new checklist to either Membership Co-Director.

1. Dress appropriately for your time on the water with the expected conditions
2. Know what other personal gear you should bring for the outing
3. Get on and off a boat safely; from a dock, a launch, or a dinghy
4. Put on a life jacket / PFD (personal flotation device)
5. Put on a safety harness and tether, and attach it to a jackline or padeye
6. Know port from starboard, and bow from stern
7. Move from bow to stern safely
8. Tie a clove hitch and use it to attach a fender
9. Tie a bowline and a stopper knot
10. Secure a line to a cleat, piling, etc.
11. Securely tie two lines together
12. Place fenders properly for coming into a dock
13. Place fenders properly for coming alongside a raft-up
14. Fend off safely
15. Handle mooring & docking lines
16. Set and adjust bow, stern, and spring lines
17. Pick up and secure a mooring pennant, cast off a mooring
18. Determine proper scope, set, and retrieve an anchor
19. Know what the different sails are called
20. Know the parts of a sail: head, tack, clew, luff, leech, foot, etc.
21. Know windward from leeward
22. Know what beat, run, and reach describe
23. Know what port and starboard tacks describe
24. Know running rigging: halyard, sheet, topping lift, outhaul, vang, preventer, etc
25. Know standing rigging: stays, shrouds, spreaders, turnbuckles, etc
26. Raise and lower main sail and jib
27. Furl, flake, tie, cover and/or bag a sail
28. Pick up, carry, insert, and remove a winch handle
29. Wrap, tail, and grind a winch
30. Read sail "tell-tales" and use them to trim the sail
31. Set, trim and douse a spinnaker
32. Understand True and Apparent wind directions
33. Read a depth sounder
34. Read a compass and maintain its heading while at the helm
35. Know what heading up and falling off describe
36. Head and hold the boat into the wind (for sail changes or mooring pickup)
37. Take the helm for short periods upwind
38. Take the helm for short periods downwind
39. Take the helm for short periods in heavy weather

## Skills Checklist Self-Rating Guide

- 40. Tack and jibe the boat
- 41. Change or reef a headsail and mainsail in heavy weather
- 42. Correct for weather and lee helm
- 43. Steer the boat in congested waters
- 44. Maintain course in adverse currents
- 45. Understand the basic buoyage system “red right returning”
- 46. Understand the basic rules of navigation (“rules of the road”)
- 47. Understand the basic sound signals; fog, turning, danger
- 48. Understand vessel lights and day-shapes (commercial vessels)
- 49. Make passage in fog or reduced visibility
- 50. Operate a marine VHF radio for routine and emergency communication
- 51. Operate and read RADAR
- 52. Operate and read a GPS/chartplotter
- 53. Know how to get marine weather information, read and interpret a barometer
- 54. Find and report your position by visual plotting
- 55. Fix your position on a chart by bearings, lines of position, Lat. and Lon.
- 56. Find your estimated position (EP) on a chart using Dead Reckoning (DR)
- 57. Find the tidal range, current set and drift for any given time and date
- 58. Know how to position and secure a towed dinghy
- 59. Start and operate an outboard motor
- 60. Operate a marine head (toilet)
- 61. Sleep overnight on a boat
- 62. Light and operate a marine stove
- 63. Crew underway during an overnight passage
- 64. Know where the safety equipment is located aboard the boat you are on
- 65. Use a fire extinguisher
- 66. Use visual distress signals; flares, smoke, mirrors or other devices
- 67. Operate holding tank pumpout equipment and know the procedures involved
- 68. Practiced (or used!) crew-overboard boat handling procedures
- 69. Practiced (or used!) a “Life Sling” for crew overboard recovery
- 70. Hold a boat operator certificate (DEP, State SBC, USCG licenses)
- 71. Have taken CPR and First Aid courses within last 5 years
- 72. Fuel up a boat, check the oil, other important mechanical or systems checks
- 73. Operate an inboard engine, diesel and gas
- 74. Steer the boat up to or away from a dock or a mooring
- 75. Can take over boat operations from skipper/owner/operator if conditions require

**Now count your checked skills, use this format, and enter below.**

**Novice 1-15    Crew 16-55    First mate 56-69    Operator 70-75**

Example: 65 checks will show as F-65 on the line below.

**Self Rating =**  --  *Please remember to put this on the front of the Application in the space provided.    Thanks.*

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