



GPYC Junior Sailing Expected Behavior Contract

Expectations

Sailing is an exciting lifelong skill and sport enjoyed throughout the world. Learning to sail builds character, fun, discipline, responsibility and an appreciation of the outdoors. Safety issues and accidents arise when sailors do not respect themselves and others. That is why it is critical that each sailor understands and supports the behaviors in this contract.

It is necessary to maintain a mature level of personal and social behavior in order to learn, have fun, and be safe. Sailors that follow the below behaviors will get the most out of their sailing experience by developing a sense of self-worth, confidence, and independence. For those exceptional sailors - an opportunity to achieve **GPYC Spotlight Sailor of the Week, DRYA Sportsmanship and/or Ship Shape Sailing Awards** and the respect of instructors and peers. Please have your sailor read carefully and acknowledge the behavioral requirements of the GPYC Junior Sailing Program and sign below:

To the best of my ability, I will:

- Have good attendance and be on time
- Practice personal and team safety, both ashore and on the water
- Give my best effort daily - be ready to be actively involved in the day's activities with a positive attitude
- Treat instructors, GPYC staff, and fellow teammates with the upmost respect
- Bring all necessary weather appropriate gear, a lifejacket, swim suit, water bottle and hat
- Stay with my coach/fleet, either on shore or on the water, unless given permission to leave by a member of the sailing staff
- Respect and maintain my boat and equipment
- Help maintain the appearance and organization of the sailing center and the sailing classroom
- Accept and follow the directions and assistance of the sailing instructors

Possible Consequences

Sailors that do not follow the above expectations are putting themselves and their teammates at risk. Disciplinary action will be based on the extent of their misbehavior. Depending on the infraction - sailors may be disciplined by a sailing instructor, the Junior Sailing Director &/or Chairman and finally a sailor may be suspended or removed from the program. There will not be any refunds given if a sailor is removed from the program.

Commitment

I understand the expectations and consequences of the GPYC Junior Sailing Program. I promise to do my best to fulfill these expectations.

Sailor's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

To submit, download the pdf, fillout the form and email as attachment to: mnance@gpyc.org

Junior Sailing Mission Statement: Making an effort to be a great sailor and person