



## *2024 Code of Conduct and General Release Form*

### **Sailor Code of Conduct**

I promise to uphold the Racing Rules of Sailing and honor the spirit of Corinthian sailing, shall pledge honesty and integrity in general, encourage good sportsmanship, and shall not deviate from the truth, or break rules which govern our sport of sailing, nor tolerate such behavior in others.

I will behave and dress at all times in a manner consistent with the high standards expected of my fellow sailors and of myself.

PFDs (lifejackets) and shoes or sandals with a closed toe and that securely attach to your feet are mandatory on the water. Flip-flops are okay on land but not in the boat. Bare feet are not acceptable.

I promise to maintain a positive attitude and to be responsible for my conduct as a representative of TAYC, at all times following the rules and regulations given by TAYC Staff, the TAYC Parent of Day (POD), and/or the personnel from a host club.

I understand that any violation of these rules will allow TAYC to restrict my participation in other TAYC events or events which TAYC attends.

I will not use, or tolerate the use by other sailors, of alcohol, tobacco, or non-prescribed drugs, understanding that a drug-free environment is necessary in order to achieve individual and group success.

I will respect the property of others, and neither steal, damage, use inappropriately, destroy nor borrow another's property without permission, nor tolerate such behavior by other sailors. If I am skipping a boat (regardless of ownership), and an incident occurs where I am at fault, my parents and I will be responsible for the damage. Regardless of fault, I will notify my coach immediately when any accident occurs in which I am involved. The coach will then report the incident to the program director as soon as possible, who will then contact the parents.

I understand that the grounds, buildings, trailers, coach boats and any rented or borrowed boats are the property of TAYC, or are private property of other sailors. I will treat this property with respect and will not damage, harm or abuse this property, or use it against its intended purpose. I will not pirate the boats of others, or use gear or equipment of others without permission. I will be responsible for damages to other people's property or club owned property incurred by my abuse or negligence.

I will treat other sailors, coaches, competitors, regatta officials, hosts and all others with respect, regardless of race, religion, gender, national origin or abilities.

I will follow all safety procedures given by my coaches and other responsible adults, understanding the paramount importance of safety. I will notify a coach or other responsible adult if I feel that another sailor is in danger.

I will not abuse my fellow sailors, whether verbally, physically, or emotionally, nor tolerate such conduct in others, understanding that every sailor has a right to enjoy their participation at TAYC events and other events in which TAYC participates. This applies to in person and cyber bullying!

I understand that swearing, in any context, is unacceptable behavior for a representative of TAYC.

I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow sailors, coaches, and parents, and I will behave in a sportsmanlike manner.

I will attend every class or practice possible, and will strive to listen and learn from my coaches at all times, especially during briefings, debriefings, and group meetings.

I will not leave the site of a TAYC event without first obtaining my parent's, coach's, the TAYC Director and/or TAYC Parent of Day's personal permission. I understand that it is not permissible to have another person convey a message that I am leaving, and that I am solely and personally responsible for obtaining prior consent.

I will not leave club property during the daily program without written permission from a parent or legal guardian, and verbal permission from the program director.

If the infraction is serious, the student will be immediately dismissed from the program and not asked to return. Otherwise, the student's parents will be called to come and get the child immediately. The parents and program director will meet to determine when and if the child can return to class. **THERE WILL BE NO REFUND IN TUITION.**

## **Parent Code of Conduct**

I promise to uphold the Racing Rules of Sailing and honor the spirit of Corinthian sailing, shall pledge honesty and integrity in general, encourage good sportsmanship, and shall not deviate from the truth, or break rules which govern our sport of sailing, nor tolerate such behavior in others.

I promise to maintain a positive mental attitude and be responsible for my conduct as a representative of TAYC, at all times following the various rules and regulations given by TAYC Staff, the TAYC Junior Sailing Committee, the TAYC Parent of Day, and personnel from the host club.

I understand that any violation of these rules will allow TAYC to restrict my, and/or my sailor's participation in other TAYC events. During regattas, parents must support all sailors, not just one or a set group.

No parent may hire an instructor who is employed by TAYC during the junior program weeks to conduct a practice, clinic, or any other work related to sailing without first, (i) allowing all TAYC sailors the opportunity to participate in the practice, clinic or other work or (ii) obtaining the permission of an officer of TAYC, provided that the officer is not the parent organizing the practice, clinic or other work.

Parents will follow and support all safety procedures given by coaches and other responsible adults, understanding the paramount importance of safety. Parents will notify a coach or other responsible adult if another sailor is in danger.

Parents will respect the property of others, and neither steal, damage, destroy nor borrow another's property without permission, nor tolerate such behavior by other parents or sailors.

Parents will not use non-prescribed drugs, understanding that a drug-free environment is required to set proper standards for our young sailors.

All parents will treat TAYC members, sailors, coaches, competitors, regatta officials, hosts and all others with respect, regardless of race, religion, gender, national origin or abilities. Any issue parents have with other TAYC parents or sailors must be taken to TAYC coaches or the TAYC Director (whomever is most appropriate), and NOT directly to the sailor or the sailor's parent.

Parents must not abuse other competitors, members and personnel of the host club, race committee or jury, or other parents or sailors, whether verbally, physically, or emotionally, nor tolerate such conduct in others. I understand that swearing, in any context, is unacceptable behavior for a representative of TAYC.

Parents will behave and dress at all times in a manner consistent with the high standards expected of TAYC.

Each sailor's parent or the authorized adult must pick up that sailor at the end of class or practice. No arrangements for after-care are available at TAYC.

By signing this code of conduct, all parents agree that participation in the TAYC Junior Sailing Program is a privilege, and participation may be suspended or revoked unilaterally by the TAYC Board for violations of this code with or without a hearing.

### **Permissions**

I hereby grant the TAYC Junior Sailing Program permission to use my child's name and photograph in regards to public articles, emails, social media or sites that are connected to the TAYC Junior Sailing Program.

I hereby grant permission for my child to go on field trips. I will be notified of the exact place and date prior to the trip if my child will be leaving the Oxford area.

### **Release of Liability**

I am the undersigned, parent or legal guardian of this applicant and I consent to his/her participating in the Tred Avon Yacht Club Junior Sailing Program, and in consideration of the permission granted to the above named person to take advantage of the facilities offered in connection with the TAYC Junior Sailing Program, do hereby jointly and severally, for ourselves, our heirs, spouses, family members, personal representatives and assigns, agree to indemnify and hold harmless Tred Avon Yacht Club, its officers, personnel, agents and employees, acting officially or unofficially, against any suits, actions, claims, costs or demands, whether arising from sole or concurrent negligence or otherwise including those resulting from death, personal injury and property damage, to which the Tred Avon Yacht Club, its officers, personnel, agents and employees may be subject by reason of the said above named persons joining the Tred Avon Yacht Club Junior Sailing Program and taking part in its activities or his/her presence on board any boats, piers, clubhouses, or any other places in connection with said junior sailing activities. Parents are responsible for their children both before and after actual class times.

We have read and understand the responsibilities, expectations and procedures as outlined above and we (parent/guardian and student) agree to abide by them and cooperate fully.



**Your rental is only secured once registration is confirmed.**

Sailor and Parent hereby rent a Boat owned or managed by Tred Avon Yacht Club (“TAYC”) for use in the 2024 summer Junior Sailing Program. Sailor and Parent agree that use of the boat will be in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

- Except as specifically set forth in this Agreement, the Boat will be used by Sailor solely in connection with Sailor’s participation in the TAYC Junior Sailing Program on the days and during the hours in which Sailor is enrolled;
- Sailor will use, operate, and care for the Boat in a safe, seamanlike and responsible manner. Sailor will not use the Boat in weather or sea conditions that he or she is not competent to handle.
- After each use, sails will be properly rolled and stored, the Boat will be fresh-water rinsed and properly tied down, and all equipment is properly stored;
- ABSOLUTELY NO alterations, drilling of holes, equipment changes, replacements, or repairs will be made to the boat without the prior permission of TAYC in each instance;
- Parent acknowledges responsibility for the full cost of any damage or loss to the Boat, which in all cases shall include sails, mast, boom, rigging, blades, rigging and all equipment, (other than normal wear and tear which shall be determined solely by the judgment of TAYC). Parent agrees to reimburse TAYC for the full extent of any damage caused by Sailor to the Boat or to any other private property. Any damage or loss must be reported immediately to TAYC; and
- TAYC reserves the right to suspend Sailor’s use of the Boat, with no refund due if, in the opinion of the Junior Sailing Director, Sailor uses the Boat in an unsafe or careless fashion; and
- Sailor will wear a USCG approved PFD at all times when in Boat, and will comply with all government regulations and all rules of TAYC and the Junior Sailing Program.