

MANASQUAN RIVER YACHT CLUB
Policy on Use of Club Optimist/Laser Trailers

Manasquan River Yacht Club (MRYC) owns several multi-boat Optimist/Laser trailers and power boat trailers for the purpose of transporting member boats and coach boats to regattas at locations other than MRYC. The use of these trailers is restricted to, and administered by, the Junior Sailing Program. These trailers MAY NOT be used without the permission of the Junior Sailing Chair.

A successful trailering operation is dependent upon member participation. To this end, parents/guardians of sailors in the Opti A, Laser, or 420 fleets are required to support travel either by participating in trailering operations or by making a financial contribution. Parents/guardians of sailors in the Opti B, Beginner or Mixed Fleets may choose to participate in trailering operations and trailer space will be allocated to these sailors on a first-come/first-served basis to the extent that spots are available with preference to sailors with parents/guardians participating in trailering operations. **IN THE EVENT THAT MEMBER PARTICIPATION AND/OR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION IS INSUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT TRAILERING OPERATIONS, THE JUNIOR SAILING PROGRAM RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MODIFY THIS POLICY.**

Each sailor is responsible for all loading and unloading of their own boat. Instructors are available to supervise and to assist with the loading and unloading process as needed, but the instructors are not responsible for loading and unloading the boats. Sailors who repeatedly cause delays in loading and unloading boats may be denied trailer privileges.

Sailors will be assigned space on the trailer on a first-come/first-served basis for each event, though transportation is dependent upon whether there is sufficient trailering capacity. Sign-up sheets will be posted several days ahead of the event so that alternative or additional arrangements can be made, if necessary. The parents/guardians of sailors with assigned space are responsible for transporting sailors to and from the regatta.

If a sailor signs up for a berth but does not plan to use it, s/he must cross her/his name off the list & notify the assigned parent/guardian, who will be listed at the top of the sheet. Sailors who fail to do this may be denied trailer privileges. In addition, sailors whose boats are repeatedly not properly secured may be denied trailer privileges.

Upon return of the trailer to MRYC, each sailor is responsible for removing their boat from the trailer in a reasonable amount of time as the trailer may be headed to another regatta as soon as the next day. Sailors who repeatedly fail to unload their boats may be denied trailer privileges.

In the event of an accident involving a club trailer, **LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES TO THE TOW VEHICLE OR THE TRAILER, AND FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE CAUSED RESTS WITH THE DRIVER TOWING THE TRAILER, NOT MRYC. BOAT OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO THE BOATS.** This means that insurance coverage for any personal injury or damage to or caused by the trailer or tow vehicle resulting from an accident is under the automobile policy of the driver. In addition, any damage to an individual's boat is the sole responsibility of the boat owner.

Parents/guardians with a sailor in the Opti A, Laser, 420, Opti B, Beginner, or Mixed Fleets are required to complete a Waiver of Liability (*Attached*).

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Waiver of Liability Related to Use of Club Trailer

1. I understand that I may request the use of a Club-owned trailer to transport boats from Manasquan River Yacht Club (MRYC) to regattas. Use of a Club-owned trailer includes putting my boat(s) on a trailer and/or towing a trailer.
2. I further understand that in the event of an accident involving a club trailer, **LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES TO THE TOW VEHICLE OR THE TRAILER, AND FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE RESTS WITH THE DRIVER TOWING THE TRAILER, NOT MRYC. INDIVIDUAL BOAT OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO THEIR BOATS.** This means that insurance coverage for any personal injury or damage to or caused by the trailer or tow vehicle resulting from an accident is under the automobile policy of the driver. Furthermore, any damage to my individually owned boat is my responsibility.
3. In consideration of the privilege of using Club-owned trailers, I do hereby waive, release, and hold harmless MRYC, its trustees, members, flag officers, employees, parent leaders, program directors, coaches, and any affiliated organizations, and the representatives of any of them, from any and all claims for damages caused by property damage, injury or death to my child or any other person, arising from my, or my child's, use of a Club-owned trailer.
4. I agree to abide by the MRYC Trailering Policy, and (circle one):
 - a. I have a sailor in Opti A, Laser or 420 and I choose to participate in trailering operations.
 - b. I have a sailor in Opti A, Laser or 420 and I choose to pay \$500 instead of participating in trailering operations.
 - c. I have a sailor in Opti B, Beginner, or Mixed Fleet.

Sailor Name(s)

Fleet(s)

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

6/2014