

Sailing Center Chesapeake Youth Programs for Fall 2020

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Like this summer, Sailing Center Chesapeake has modified operations for the fall 2020 season. Our top priority is the safety of all staff and participants as we follow local and national guidelines for continuing operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. Parents are asked to review the details below regarding program safety and expectations for themselves and their child(ren) participating in our sailing program this fall. Practices will begin operating on Monday, August 1st and will run through Sunday, November 1st.

Attendance requirements

- Participants must be Maryland residents
- Each sailor must arrive to SCC with the following:
 - Face covering
 - Refillable water bottle (covered mouthpiece preferred)
 - Appropriate sailing equipment (sunscreen pre-applied, clothes to get wet, closed-toed shoes, Type 3 PFD; gloves optional, helmets optional)
- Parents must provide reliable contact information and have the ability to arrive to the marina within 45 minutes of receiving notification if their child needs to be picked up early due to inclement weather or illness

Arrival and pick-up at camp

Sailors will be required to remain in their vehicle until Coach Josh or the daily Shore Parent checks them in. At this time you will be asked to complete a verbal health questionnaire, and sailors will have their temperature checked with a non-contact thermometer. A sailor with a temperature above 100.4° F or exhibiting certain common symptoms of COVID-19 will not be allowed to participate in activities. After being checked-in, sailors will be directed to join their group in the designated area.

Staffing

Our full-time Head Coach and Program Director, Josh Morrison, runs every practice at SCC. The daily Shore Parent and Safety Driver positions are filled mostly by volunteer parents like you, who we charge to look after every sailor as if they were their own! The Program Director will also answer all questions or concerns from parents.

Social distancing and face coverings

Sailors will be assigned to groups for the entire duration of the program and will additionally be assigned a sailing partner for the season. This keeps possible exposure to a minimum.

On the water, all involved in the program must understand that boat partners are in close proximity together. Otherwise, sailing is a naturally socially-distant sport. While on land, sailors are expected to maintain a 6-foot distance from others where possible.

Staff/volunteers and sailors will be required to bring face coverings to SCC and should wear them at all times while on land. When staff and sailors are in their own boats on the water, they may remove their face coverings.

Weather

Outdoor camps are susceptible to interruptions for inclement weather. Classes will be cancelled for Code Red weather alerts and severe thunderstorm activity. Decisions will be made no later than 2:00pm if weather threatens the afternoon schedule. Unannounced severe weather requiring SCC programs to end early may result in parents needing to pick up their child within 45 minutes of being contacted. During this threat, sailors will be moved to a safe location that allows for proper social distancing until parents arrive. Refunds will not be provided if a course day is cancelled due to weather.

When possible, practices continue as scheduled. Sailboat racing is a complex sport that involves as much 'book learning' as on-water practice. Because of this, we try to utilize every available moment.

Illness or suspected COVID-19 infection

Families are encouraged to minimize other social contact during the program to keep all involved as safe as possible. If a sailor does develop certain COVID-19 symptoms, they will not be allowed onsite without a negative COVID-19 test result from a doctor or other official source.

If a child arrives to SCC with a fever, cough, temperature of 100.4° F or higher, or other COVID-19 symptoms, they will not be allowed to participate in our activities without a negative COVID-19 test result from a doctor or other official source. Families and staff are required to notify Sailing Center Chesapeake immediately of any COVID-19 positive case in their household during the fall season.

Please contact us in the event you believe your child should not participate in their scheduled session. We will gladly work with you to reschedule your course or refund your payment. Please remain accountable, for the safety of all involved.