

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

MRYC owns several multi-boat Optimist/Laser trailers and power boat trailers (see *Schedule A*) for the purpose of transporting members' 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. In order for a sailor to be eligible to use the trailers, they must complete a waiver of liability (*Attached*).

A successful trailering operation is dependent upon member participation. To this end, for each sailor active in the Opti B, Opti A, Laser, and 420 fleets who wishes to use club-owned trailers, the parents/guardians must agree to participate in trailering operations and/or to make a financial contribution to cover the actual cost of hiring a commercial trailering service. Levels of required participation and/or contribution will be determined annually for each fleet, and parents/guardians who do not wish to participate and/or contribute may choose to assume responsibility for transporting their own boat. Sailors active in the Beginner and Opti C fleets may make use of club-owned trailers on a first-come/first-served basis to the extent that berths are available with parent/guardian participation 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.

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Schedule A – Inventory of Club-owned Trailers

VIN	License Plate	Lights Working	Ball Size	Description
				12-boat Opti Trailer
				6-boat Opti Trailer
				6-boat Opti Trailer
				4-boat Laser Trailer
				4-boat Laser Trailer
				Ribcraft
				Zodiac 30hp
				Zodiac 15hp
				Whaler 30hp

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Schedule B – Regatta Schedule

Below is a list of scheduled regattas for this season. Remember that nearly all clubs allow access to their facilities the day before and/or the day after, so you need not be present the day of the regatta if you can get the trailering done the night before or the night of the regatta.

July 9	Iron Man (boys only) @ SAYC
July 10	Powder Puff Regatta (girls only) @ MCYC
July 13	BBYRA Interclub @ NBYC
July 20-21	Junior Olympics @ IHYC
July 24	BBYRA Interclub @ LYC
July 27	Junior Regatta (Opti only) @ LYC
July 28	Team Race (Laser & 420 only) @ LYC
Aug 7	Summer Classic @ OGYC
Aug 11-12	Race Week (Laser & 420 only) @ BHYC
Aug 13	No Tears (Beginner & Opti B only) @ TRYC
Aug 17	Junior Regatta @ MYC
Aug 18	Team Race (Opti only) @ BHYC

Other Events:

Opti States @ BBYC, June 23-24
BBYRA Midgets, July 22
Junior Sweeps (Laser & 420 only) @ MBC, August 12-13
Friendship Cup @ FOBH, August 23
Duck Boat Worlds @ MYC, August 28

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 2009 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 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 the MANASQUAN RIVER Yacht Club (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 participate in and/or to make a financial contribution towards trailering operations based on the table below. I understand that if I do not complete the required number of hook-ups* I may be assessed a fee for the cost of commercial trailering services required to cover the incomplete assignment(s). The assessment will be determined by distributing the total actual cost of commercial trailering services pro rata to all parents/guardians based on the total number of incomplete assignments. The assessment will be subject to a maximum cap.

Fleet	Required Hook-ups*	Cap
420	1	\$100
Laser	4	\$400
Opti A	4	\$400
Opti B	2	\$200
Opti C	0	\$0
Beginner	0	\$0

 Sailor Name

 Fleet

 Parent or Guardian Signature

 Date

** One "hook-up" is defined as pulling a trailer from point A to point B (e.g. from MRYC to another club). Trailering a boat both to and from a regatta would count as 2 hook-ups.*