



YELLOW TAG CHECKOUT

Sailor's Name (Print)

Age

Parent's Name (Print)

Blue Tag / Red Tag (circle)
Parent's KSC Certification Level

(Sailor must satisfactorily complete all of the following)

Ashore Knowledge

- _____ Aware of restrictions on Yellow Tag
- May only sail Laser or Byte
 - May crew on Albacore or Hobie
 - Must have parental supervision
 - Restricted to winds less than 10knots (18.5 km/h) for 12 to 15 year-olds
 - Restricted to winds less than 15knots (28.0 km/h) for 16 to 17 year-olds
 - May not take anyone other than KSC member with Blue/Red Tag out for a sail
 - KSC Instructor or a KSC director may refuse permission due to prevailing conditions
- _____ Aware of suitable sailing clothing/equipment for various conditions
- _____ Aware of danger, signs and treatments of hypothermia and heat stroke
- _____ Aware of information sources for local weather
- _____ Aware of navigational hazards in the KSC sailing area
- _____ Aware of how to sign out a boat
- _____ Aware of how to report repair requirements for a boat
- _____ Able to tie a figure eight knot, reef knot and bowline

Afloat Skills

- _____ Properly rig a Laser given existing conditions on the day
(Parent may assist)

- Secure boat cover and foil bag
- Position boat head to wind
- Unroll sail and insert battens
- Raise mast and insert in mast step
- Insert boom into gooseneck
- Clip hook block of outhaul into clew; tie clew downhaul around boom
- Run blue outhaul line thru port block at base of mast then thru cleat
- Run yellow Cunningham line thru starboard block at base of mast then thru cleat
- Straighten vang line and attach to boom
- Adjust outhaul, Cunningham and vang
- Run mainsheet from block on boom down to traveler puller, towards stern, back to boom, forward and down to main block; stopper knot
- Attach rudder in up position
- Attach tiller (over top of front of traveler and under rear part of traveller secure with pin)
- Check both plugs in
- Load daggerboard into boat and launch
- Install daggerboard when safe to do so

— Describe how rigging would be different if conditions were different (ie difference between rigging with onshore or offshore or beam wind)

— Safely sail away from the beach area

— Sail basic triangle course demonstrating

- Proper sail trim as course/wind changes
- Proper boat trim

(to be performed without coaching in winds of at least 7knots)

— Demonstrate proper technique to tack without coaching

- Helm to leeward smoothly
- Step into bottom of boat, rear leg first
- Pass mainsheet behind back as crossing the boat
- Grasp main and tiller in one hand
- Pivot on rear foot, facing forward
- Regrasp main sheet and tiller
- Tiller straightened (no "S" tack)
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— Demonstrate proper technique to gybe without coaching

- Steps similar to tacking plus
- C/b raised to reduce broach ahead of gybe

- Boom pulled all the way in ahead of gybe
- Tiller straightened as boom comes across the boat
- Mainsheet given snap as boom comes across to avoid catching stern
- Mainsheet allowed to run free as boom comes across to minimize roll

- ___ Get out of irons
- ___ Pick up a “man overboard” (float may be used as substitute)
- ___ Right a capsized Laser without outside assistance
 - Jump clear of boat or get quickly onto c/b (no hanging on high side)
 - Check free of lines
 - Swims to c/b to prevent turtling (if not already on c/b)
 - Rights boat (no bouncing on c/b)
 - Re-enter boat from windward side using hiking strap to assist
 - Open cockpit drain
- ___ Safely return to shore
- ___ Describe how to return to shore safely in an onshore wind (if not demonstrated on the day)
- ___ De-rig and properly secure Laser; including folding sails (Parent may assist)
- ___ Aware where to put wet sails to dry
- ___ Properly rig a Laser

Check out completed by:

_____ Name

_____ Date

Permission to issue Yellow Tag given by:

_____ Parent

_____ Date