



Community Boating

SEAS Community Boating Hours & Fees

Tuesday- Friday
11:00am – Sunset

Saturday & Sunday
10:00am – 6:00pm

Closed on Mondays

No boats will be available for check-out within **one hour** of the rental period ending.

Boat Check-Out Guidelines

- You must be a SEAS Member to check out a boat.
- SEAS Staff may require a skill check sail with new and returning members.
- Boat check-outs outside listed hours may be available upon request, pending staff and boat availability.
- SEAS reserves the right to refuse a check-out or boat usage to any person for any reason.

Available boats:

***Due to COVID-19 we strongly encourage all renters to be members of the same household**

Maximum (Max.) and Minimum (Min.) number of occupants for each boat are as follows:

- Sonar and J/24: Max. 6, Min. 2
- Edgewater 17: Max. 5, Min. 2 (805 lbs. max total crew and equipment)

The SEAS Member accepts full responsibility of the occupants of the vessel and is responsible for their actions. Any unruly or dangerous behavior can result in suspension of SEAS Membership and/or boat use privileges.

Scheduling a Rental: Call (920)889-5083

Due to the COVID-19 situation we may have limited staff on the water. We strongly encourage scheduling rentals over the phone to insure staff will be there. We will attempt staggering check out times to reduce possible exposure. There may not be a permanent staff member on the waterfront during all boating hours until further notice so please schedule your appointments a few hours prior to arrival.

The phone will be monitored Tuesday-Sunday. If weather conditions shut down sailing the phone's voice message will reflect that.



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BOATING GUIDELINES

Community Boating Location: Sail Sheboygan/SEAS trailer just south of the Sheboygan Youth Sailing Center

Safety

- No boats will be released in inclement weather conditions as determined by the SEAS Dock Staff on the Lakefront.
- Lifejackets (PFDs) must be worn and secured properly at all times while on the dock and while on the boat. SEAS is able to provide Type III PFDs for SEAS Member(s) and guests, but the SEAS Member(s) and guest(s) are allowed to bring their own USCG Approved PFD (Type I, II, III, V) with the exception of the belt-style Type V. **Due to COVID-19 we strongly advise all members and guests to bring their own lifejackets.** westmarine.com and other online retailers have a great selection and price range.
- All Member(s) and guest(s) must be wearing close-toed shoes
- All Member(s) and guest(s) must have a signed waiver on file
- Everyone on board must be comfortable in/around water
- Due to the risks and activities associated with sailing animals are prohibited on SEAS boats
- Alcohol, tobacco, and other prohibited substances are **not allowed** on SEAS boats for any reason

Boundaries

- The North Boundary is the Red Nun Navigation Buoy located on the Sheboygan Reef.
- The South Boundary is the northernmost water intake off the Alliant Energy Power Plant ('The Bottles').
- The East Boundary is two miles east of the Lighthouse.
- Boats must remain at least ¼ mile from shore at all times to avoid accidentally running up on the shore.
- SEAS sailboats are not allowed on the Sheboygan River.
- SEAS boats may not be docked anywhere except the SEAS dock except in an emergency or instructed otherwise.
- The Member must hail the Dock Staff on their way back in when passing between the North and South Pier Lights.

Damage Deposit

- A Damage Deposit will be collected in the form of a valid credit card from the Member(s). Upon returning to the dock, the Dock Staff will inspect the boat for any damage. Normal wear and tear will not be deemed as damage.

- You must report any possible damage upon returning to shore. Not doing so will result in SEAS collecting a damage deposit.
- Charges will be made based on the SEAS Damage Expense List, which can be made available to a Member at any time.

Note: SEAS does not have restroom facilities on the waterfront. The Sheboygan Yacht Club and Sheboygan Youth Sailing Center Restrooms are closed to the public and SEAS members at this time due to exposure concerns. The City Restrooms at the fish cleaning station are open to the public.



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SKILLS CHECK-OUT SAILS

Skill Check-Out Sails are temporarily suspended. All 2019 Check-Outs are accepted in 2020 as well as sailing resume requests by new members.

The following skills are expected of the Member:

- Able to rig with minimal assistance
- Has sufficient 'sailing knowledge'
 - o Identify wind direction
 - o Leaves dock safely, under control
 - o Successfully navigates the 'cut'
 - o Explains basic 'right of way' rules for fishing boats, sailboats, etc.
 - o Understands Points of Sail and shows proper trim
 - o Tacks in control
 - o Gybes in control
 - o Heave-to and/or safety position explained
 - o Understands the getting out of irons
 - o Returns to dock safely and under control
- Demonstrates how to tie cleat hitch, bowline and figure-8 knots
- Understands location of boundaries
- Has knowledge of weather
- Is appropriately dressed
- Knows how to use VHF Radio
- Can de-rig and properly stow equipment
- Understands USCG and Sheboygan Lakefront Emergency Procedures
- Demonstrates appropriate 'decision-making abilities'