

Learn-to-Skipper Student Outcome

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The following skills are to be tested on the boat and water for mastery. Modules are designed to be taken in sequence but it is not necessary. To attain mastery level, the student should be able to perform the skills safely and generally mistake-free - judged on a basis that is appropriate for an experienced crew. Student performance may be influenced by wind speed and direction, water conditions and air temperature.

MODULE 1 – Knowledge		MODULE 2 – Boat Equipment and Boat Handling Under Power	
☐ ☐ Chart Reading and Orienting: Identification of landmarks, working knowledge of symbols and local channels, Club sailing area.		☐ ☐ Legal and Safety Equipment Requirements: USCG requirements and other safety equipment	
☐ ☐ Aids to Navigation: Identify channel markers, regulatory markers and other navigational aids, hazards, shallow areas, shipping channels specific to New York Harbor.		□ □ Preparing to Sail: a) recognizing and forecasting basic weather conditions, b) boarding boat, c) rigging sails, halyards, sheets, winches (optional rig for spinnaker), d) pre-sail check: safety and legal equipment, crew indoctrination.	
☐ ☐ Anchoring: Where to anchor, preparation, anchoring plan, sequence of maneuvers, setting anchor, raising anchor.		\square \square Basic Knots: Stopper knots, clove hitch, bowline, sheet bend, cleat hitch, round turn and 2- half hitches, sheet bend, square knot.	
	l): Use of the rules to avoid collisions under sail,	□ □ □ Outboard Motor: Fueling and safe	ty, controls, operation and troubleshooting,
and under power (where applicable), sound signals.		☐ ☐ Leaving Dock: Determining wind direction and strength, determining current	
☐ ☐ Local Traffic: Familiar with types loc Harbor	al fraffic and their standard routes in INY	direction and strength, departure plan, VHF operation, crew communication	
	e and local current pattern in NY Harbor	Docking: Steering with tiller, leaving	· ·
 □ □ Tide and Current Effects: Tidal range and local current pattern in NY Harbor. □ □ Weather: Local and seasonal patterns, weather update sources. 		☐ ☐ Maneuvering in Confined Area: Simulated area. 360 turns, starting, stopping, moving astern. Helmsman/crew coordination and communication, boat handling, avoiding obstacles, right-of-way.	
☐ ☐ VHF Operation: Working channel selection, communication, emergencies, show others how to use radio.			
		□ □ Returning to Dock: Approach plan, boat handling, use of glide zone, securing	
□ □ Personal Equipment: PFD fit and servicing, footwear and clothing.		to dock (use of spring lines), rocking the boat, docking in reverse.	
□ □ □ Towing: Accepting and offering ass towed.	istance, setting tow line, steering while being	□ □ □ Securing Boat: De-rig sails, fold/fo boat.	url sails, stow equipment, clean and secure
\square \square Storm Preparation: Boat preparatio	n, club protocols.		
\square \square Trip Planning: Sailing conditions, sp	eed with current, range and crew abilities.		
	, liability, club reservation system, sailing times, incident reporting, penalties for not returning	□ = More practice, □□ = OK, □ □ □ =	Great
□ □ Club Protocols: Guest, Fleet Captain	n program, towing, anchoring, etc.		
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MODULE 3 – Sailing Skills	MODULE 4 - COB Recovery and Spinnaker Work	
□ □ Preparing to Sail: a) recognizing and forecasting basic weather conditions boarding boat, c) rigging sails, halyards, sheets, winches, (optional rig for spinnaker) d) Pre-sail check: safety and legal equipment, crew indoctrination	☐ ☐ Preparing to Sail: a) recognizing and forecasting basic weather conditions, b) boarding boat, c) rigging sails, halyards, sheets, winches, rig for spinnaker d) Pre-sail check: safety equipment, crew indoctrination.	
☐ ☐ Leaving Dock: Determining wind direction and strength, determining curredirection and strength, departure plan, VHF operation, crew communication		
\square \square Raising Sails: Crew communication, setting initial sail controls, housekeepi	19. 🗆 🗆 Raising Sails: Crew communication, setting initial sail controls, housekeeping	
□ □ Starting, Stopping, and Speed Control: Luffing sails, No-Go zone, getting		
irons, backing jib, steering backwards onto a specified tack, heaving-to, s trim, helmsman/crew coordination and communication.	☐ ☐ Overboard Recovery: Communication, recovery plan (include Quick-Stop and Figure-8), sequence of maneuvers, boat handling, course sailed, pickup	
□ □ Sail Trimming: Demonstrate proper adjustments for main sheet, jib sheet, o		
Cunningham, halyard tension, boomvang, backstay, traveler, jib leads an tune.	□ □ Shortening Sail (if applicable): Reef mainsail, tie reef knot, drop a sail, demonstrate ability to handle boat with decreased sail area, shake out reef and	
□ □ Upwind and Tacking : Steering, course heading, sail trim, use of winches,		
movement, helmsman/crew coordination and communication.	 □ □ Spinnaker Use: Assess sailing conditions and crew ability, preparation, hoisting, trimming, gybing and dousing. COB recovery with spinnaker. □ □ Returning to Dock: Approach plan, boat handling, use of glide zone, securing to dock (use of spring lines), rocking the boat. □ □ Securing Boat: De-rig sails, fold/furl sails, stow equipment, clean and secure 	
□ □ Downwind and Gybing: Steering, course heading, sail trim, use of winche body movement, helmsman/crew coordination and communication.		
□ □ Steering with Weight and Sails: Responding to puffs, correct for weather of		
helm.		
☐ ☐ Maneuvering in Confined Area: Simulated area. Helmsman/crew coordin		
and communication, boat handling, avoiding obstacles, right-of-way.	□ □ Skipper Agreement: Responsibilities, liability, club reservation system, sailing times, sailing conditions, checking in/out, incident reporting, penalties for not returning before a storm or darkness.	
☐ ☐ Returning to Dock: Approach plan, boat handling, use of glide zone, secudock (use of spring lines).		
☐ ☐ Securing Boat: De-rig sails, fold/furl sails, stow equipment, clean and sec	re Club Protocols: Guest, Fleet Captain program, towing, anchoring, etc.	
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