

**SEAS MONMOUTH
KEELBOAT SEASON PASS POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

1. The SEAS Monmouth Keelboat Season Passes pertain to the use of SEAS Monmouth's keelboats. At any given time there may be one or more SEAS Monmouth boats that fall into this category. For example, up until July, 2008, there was one, the *Invictus*, but from July, 2008 to the present there are two: a Rhodes 22 ("Rhodes Less Traveled"), hereafter referred to as the "Rhodes", and a 28 ft. O'Day ("SEAS the Day II"), hereafter referred to as the "O'Day." At some point in the future there may again only be one. Consequently, it should be understood that the term "keelboats" pertains to all boats that are currently in that category, and therefore a season pass holder is entitled to the use of all such boats in accordance with the rules and limitations specified below.
2. Season passes can only be purchased by SEAS members whose current membership dues are paid. The standard pricing for the season passes, as well as any early season special pricing will be published on the SEAS Monmouth website. Ordering forms for season passes are also on the website. There are currently four types of keelboat season passes, which enable the reservation of a keelboat: 1) The "O'Day" boat season pass entitles the holder to make reservations for the O'Day or the Rhodes; this comes in two varieties: a 5-day (weekdays only) and 7-day (weekdays and weekends). 2) The "Rhodes" boat season pass entitles the holder to make reservations for the Rhodes only; this pass also comes in 5-day and 7-day varieties. Both the O'Day and Rhodes season passes also entitle the holder to free use of the small boats – day-sailers and board boats (see paragraph 8 for details and restrictions).

Note that SEAS Monmouth also offers Rhodes and O'Day keelboat "crew passes", which entitle the holder to a specified number of "rides" on the respective keelboats purchased at a discount. These passes are not the focus of this policy document and will not be discussed further.

3. The use of the keelboats by season pass holders must be scheduled with the keelboat dockmaster. "Scheduled" means that the start and stop times were not just requested, but that they were approved by the dockmaster. Requests and confirmation can be via email or telephone to the dockmaster. Holidays have no special significance for the use of season passes; they are treated as any other weekday or weekend day, depending on their dates.
4. The season pass holders are entitled to use the keelboats for as many daylight hours as they wish, providing the boat is not otherwise reserved, with the following exceptions: 1) If it is a weekend day, the pass holder must have a pass which includes weekends; 2) for reservations covering a single day or fraction thereof the boat must be returned to the slip before darkness; 3) regardless of whether the reservation is for a single or multiple days, the boats must be returned to their slips by 5:00 PM in order to be available for the regularly scheduled club sails. Currently, these scheduled evening sails are Tuesdays and Thursdays for the O'Day, and Fridays and some Saturdays for the 22 ft Rhodes.
5. A given pass holder can only have two outstanding keelboat reservations on record at any given time, no matter how close or far into the future. A single reservation can cover a fraction of a single day, one whole day, or two whole days. Note that in the case of one reservation covering two days the total time that the boat can be reserved cannot exceed three consecutive days. Thus, a season pass holder's two reservations cannot be used to reserve the boat for two periods of two days each. In addition, this restriction of three consecutive days applies to any number of pass holders on the same excursion, so that two pass holders, for example, cannot each reserve the boat for two days for a four-consecutive-day excursion in

which they will both participate. For reservations of a fraction of a day there are three “half-day” periods: sunrise to 1:00 PM, 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM, and 5:00 PM to sunset. Although a season pass holder may certainly reserve a boat for the entire day, it is requested that they limit the reserved time to what they actually plan to use, and if possible, specify that time as one of the three above-mentioned half-day periods. This will enable other members to conveniently plan their use of the boats. Note the restrictions stated in paragraph 4 above.

6. Season pass holders do not have to be qualified keelboat skippers, and may schedule the boat regardless of their skipper status; however, if they are not skippers, they must assume the responsibility for finding a qualified skipper before actually using the boat. A list of qualified skippers will be maintained by the dockmaster on the SEAS Monmouth website for the season pass holders' convenience. Every effort will be made by the club to certify qualified skipper candidates on a timely basis. For a list of qualifications see the SEAS Monmouth skipper qualification criteria as posted on the website.
7. There are no special provisions for rain-out, or cancellation by the club due to unsafe weather or condition of the boat; that is, the season pass holder affected does not get any special consideration or priority in rescheduling. It is the responsibility of the dockmaster to notify the pass holder (or anybody with a keelboat reservation for that matter) if the reservation is being cancelled by the club due to unsafe weather or boat condition.
8. Season pass holders are entitled to use the club's smaller boats (day-sailers, Lasers, etc.) for free, i.e., they are not required to pay any charter fees or donations for their use. Free usage will be consistent with the type of season pass they have purchased, i.e., weekday pass holders may use the small boats for free on weekdays, while pass holders with seven-day privileges may use the small boats for free on any day. The one exception when neither pass holder is allowed free usage of the small boats is during group scheduled sails on the small boats, e.g., Tuesday and Thursday night sails; in those cases everyone will be required to pay the appropriate small boat fee, including keelboat season pass holders. Consistent with this restriction, if a season pass holder uses a small boat on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, it must be returned to the dock by 5:00 PM.
9. A season pass (either weekday or weekday/weekend) does not entitle the holder to the use of keelboats during scheduled group sailing activities (e.g., Tuesday and Thursday night sails, raft-ups, etc.). The scheduling of participants for these activities is under the control of the activity organizer. However, if a club event does not fill the keelboat (at least 4 passengers plus the skipper), the season pass holder is entitled to attend for free, providing he or she has submitted the request to the activity organizer.
10. In general, the use of the boat for club activities (raft-ups, Tuesday and Thursday night sails, etc.) has priority over the use by season pass holders with the following restrictions: 1) All planned activities will be published in a club schedule (available at club meetings, or on the club webpage) by May 1; 2) Any changes to the club schedule must be publicized 10 days in advance of the activity, unless an activity is rescheduled due to a cancellation for any reason; in any case a new activity (or a new date for an existing one) can only be scheduled if the particular boat has not already been reserved by a season pass holder; 3) Club activities cannot preempt sails scheduled by pass holders; 4) the club cannot schedule two activities in the same weekend, and no more than two per month.
11. Season passes can be offered to other SEAS chapter members at the same prices, and subject to the same policies and rules as Monmouth SEAS members.
12. Skippers, not necessarily season pass holders, bear responsibility for damage to the boat. Boat damage is covered by applicable keelboat chartering policies as posted on the

SEAS Monmouth website. Note that skippers skippering for a scheduled SEAS sailing event (e.g., Tuesday and Thursday evening sails, raft-ups, fireworks cruises, etc.) are not responsible for damage to the boat during the event, or while traveling to or from the event.

13. Any complaints about the boat, other users, scheduling, policies, etc. should be taken up with the keelboat dockmaster. He or she will try to resolve the issue, and if unsuccessful, will consult the Keelboat Committee in the most expeditious way, either via email, telephone, or in person. The Keelboat Committee consists of various members of SEAS Monmouth, and is charged with the responsibility to formulate policy and oversee the operations, including maintenance and season passes, of the SEAS Monmouth keelboats. Note that keelboat skipper qualification is managed by the Skipper Qualification Board.
14. Failure to follow the above rules and policies may result in the revocation of the season pass at the discretion of the Keelboat Committee, with possible consultation with the SEAS Monmouth Executive Board.
15. The season passes are non-transferable, i.e., someone other than the season pass holder may not use it to reserve and/or sail the boat. This means that the pass holder must make the reservation, and actually be present whenever the boat is used. The pass holder is a designated individual, not a married couple, a family, a club, or any other group.