



## Fleet Captain's Notice on Focus On Sailing Policies

Welcome to Indian Harbor Yacht Club's Focus On Sailing program! This has been an incredibly successful program that continues to build momentum and excitement each year. A critical component to this programs success is to ensure each FOS member respects and protects our Club owned assets, and that we provide access to the fleet in a fair and balanced manner. With this in mind, we ask you to understand and adhere to the following important policies:

1. If you do not have sufficient prior sailing experience, you cannot skipper an Ideal 18 in a race until you have completed the Intermediate Sailing Instruction program and have attended a RRS clinic.
2. Older generation spinnakers are to be used for all practices and Twilight Racing. These spinnakers will be clearly marked in the Sail locker. If you have any questions on this, just ask the Sailing Director.
3. If you have not checked out your boat key 30 minutes before the scheduled start of a race, the Sailing Director and/or the Front Desk reserve the right to delete your reservation and give it to the next person on the waitlist. The boats are at a premium on race nights and we never want to leave one idle. If you are running late, a simple message via email to the Front Desk AND the Sailing Director ([sailing@indianharboryc.com](mailto:sailing@indianharboryc.com)) would be appreciated.
4. If you are more than 15 minutes late for a scheduled private lesson with the Sailing Director, the lesson will be cancelled and you will be billed.
5. Ideal 18's shall be back on their moorings by colors (sunset). This means NO sailing after sunset. It is your responsibility to get back to the mooring on time regardless of conditions.
6. "Checked out" sailors are REQUIRED to carry either a VHF radio or a cell phone. VHF radios are highly recommended. The Marine Department monitors channel 68.
7. If any piece of equipment breaks while you are sailing an Ideal, you must report it to the Sailing Director via email, or to the Front Desk.
8. If you think it is possible that an Ideal sustained damage during your sail that could result in major damage to the hull or rigging, sail immediately to the North dock and call the Marine Department on channel 68. Examples include running aground and losing a shroud or forestay.
9. You must sign up with the front desk for any FOS Clinic.

10. Ideal 18's cannot leave the moorings if the wind strength is sustained over 20 knots, or gusting over 23 knots. (Exceptions can be made for certain events and will be determined by the Fleet Captain and the Sailing Director)
11. Ideal 18's shall not be sailed single-handed if the wind is sustained over 15 knots or gusting over 18 knots.
12. Spinnakers shall not be used if the wind is sustained over 18 knots or gusting over 22 knots. (Exceptions can be made for certain events and will be determined by the Fleet Captain and the Sailing Director)
13. You are responsible for removing all trash from the Ideals after use.
14. Most racing events are reserved on a first come basis, there will be each year a limited number of "by invitation" events where the competing sailors will be selected by the Fleet Captain, FOS Co-chairs and the Sailing Director. Details on these "by invitation" events will be announced each year.
15. If you are an Ideal 18 "Twilight Racer," you can reserve a boat for "Premier League" racing, but only in the 48 hours leading up to said "Premier League" race night (ie. after 1900 hours on Wednesday night). The same is true for a "Premier League" racer who wants to race in the Twilight Series (can reserve a boat for Twilight after 1900 hours on Monday night).