



Adult Sailing Instruction at North Shore Yacht Club

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The Club is offering instruction in sailing and basic seamanship to all members. Whether your goal is to qualify as a Skipper in the Boat Sharing Program (BSP) so that you can take out the Boat Share boat, to improve your sailing ability, or to learn the basics, instruction is available.

Instruction is offered by the Club on Under Toad or Elusive (the BSP boats) primarily through our Sailing Instructor, Felipe, at \$80 for a private two-hour lesson and \$100 for up to two people for a two-hour lesson. At the instructor's discretion, up to 3 students may take a joint class at \$110 for a two-hour lesson. All reservations and payments for lessons are to be made through the Boat Sharing section of the Club's website (nsrc.net>[Sailing](#)>[Boat Sharing Program](#)>[Boat Sharing Reservations](#)).

Note: Only NSYC members, who have registered at nsrc.net, established a username and password, and logged in, can participate in online features of the Boat Sharing Program. Accounts for first time NSYC member registrants will be approved by an NSYC web team member promptly and you will be notified via email upon approval.

Our instructor will be available for lessons by appointment near the end of June. The lessons will be contingent on the instructor's availability as he is not on our payroll. You must arrange lessons directly with the instructor.

Cancellation Policy for Lessons:

Lessons may be cancelled or rescheduled without charge for any reason if 24-hours' notice is given. In the event of inclement weather or extreme emergencies lessons may be cancelled without charge provided no less than 2 hours' notice is given. Notice is to be given to the instructor as quickly as possible by text or voice mail or by email. Lessons not cancelled as described herein will be billed to the member.

If you cannot arrange a mutually agreeable lesson time with Felipe or if you request lessons prior to his availability, in order to offer more alternatives and to round out the sailing experience, the members listed below have volunteered to offer lessons on Under Toad, Elusive, or on their own boats at no cost. While we want our hired instructor to be the primary source, we want to offer alternatives. But we do not want to unduly burden the volunteers, so the members listed are absolutely secondary to the instructor. When scheduling a lesson with a volunteer member, agree on which boat you will be sailing and

if it is Under Toad or Elusive, the volunteer instructor will reserve the boat on the reservation system. Although there is no charge for lessons by member instructors, please follow the same procedures described above if you have to cancel a lesson with a member instructor, but of course, communicate directly with the member instructor.

When you are ready to go through the Skipper Qualification procedure for the BSP, please schedule the qualification session with one of the qualifying volunteers. If you have taken lessons before, discuss with your instructor(s) if you are ready for the Skipper qualification session before scheduling it.

Member Volunteer Sailing Instructors/Skipper Qualifiers:

Marc Epstein – marcepsteinod@hotmail.com H- 516 482 5849

Bill Palafox – sailfly7744@gmail.com H -516 767 1760, C – 516 728 4389

Richard Raskin – richard390raskin@gmail.com, H – 516 801 6467, C – 631 379 7240

Not ready to join the Boat Share Program but want to learn to sail?: Social Associates who want to learn to sail, but are not ready to join the Boat Share Program, may take up to five lessons in any season with the club sailing instructor at the club's billable lesson rate or with one of our designated club members.

The five lessons may only be taken during pre-defined time slots determined by the Boat Share Committee. The charge for Social Associates/non-Boat Share Program members using **Under Toad or Elusive** is \$70/session and is in addition to the lesson fee. Anyone who decides to join the Boat Share Program will have the cost of the rentals credited to that year's Boat Share cost.

Any **NSYC Club** member who is a Boat Share qualified Skipper may sign up and use **Under Toad or Elusive** for \$70 per session, up to two times per season. In order to use **Under Toad or Elusive** after that you need to join the Boat Share program and you will be credited for the two sessions.

For more information or to sign up for the program please contact:

Mary Lu Dempsey-Palafox, Membership Chair, Membership@NSYC.net, 516-767-1760