

SAILING INTO THE MOORING

Sail the boat in the mooring field only when you are leaving or returning to the mooring. Don't buzz through the mooring field for fun. It's close quarters in there.

Approach the mooring on a close reach so that you can power up if needed. A 45-degree angle approach to the mooring is best if possible.

As soon as the line is secured to the bow cleats, release any tension on the boom vang and main sheet. This will prevent you from sailing around the mooring line and will minimize the flapping of the sail in the wind.

Get the main sail down as soon as possible.