

VIRIDIAN SAILING CENTER POLICIES

The VSC is for pass holders' use and enjoyment for sailing related purposes. We ask that any pass holders using the facilities conduct themselves in a responsible and safe manner at all times and respect the rights of other pass holders. Repass holder that the VSC is located in a residential area.

1. Lifejacket (PFD) Policy

- a. All individuals must WEAR **Coast Guard Approved Personal Floatation Devices PFD** (lifejackets) appropriate for age and weight at all times while on board VSC boats. There must be a PFD for each person on board as required by the Coast Guard.
- b. All children under 12 years of age must wear a **US Coast Guard approved PFD** appropriate for age and weight at the Viridian Sailing Center.
- c. Parents with children under 50lbs must provide their own **US Coast Guard approved PFD** appropriate for age and weight.

2. General Safety Rules

- a. These dock rules apply to all Annual Pass Holders, staff, and all guests.
- b. Wear proper footwear at all times.
- c. Each person using VSC boats and/or Paddle Boards acknowledge that they are comfortable in the water and able to swim.
- d. Each person at VSC acknowledges that they must always wear a life jacket when on the water or boat.
- e. Never leave your boat after leaving the dock and on the lake. If you capsize, stay with the boat until you are rescued or you right the boat yourself.
- f. Lower your main sail if you need assistance when away from the dock.
- g. All boats must return to the dock immediately upon any of the following:
 - i. 30 min before sunset
 - ii. Thunder is heard or lightning is seen.
 - iii. Wind increases above 15 mph.
- h. Smoking is not permitted at the Viridian Sailing Center without permission.
- i. No running or pushing or playing on the docks.
- j. No swimming and wading around Sailing Center.
- k. Fireworks are not permitted on the dock at any time.
- l. Please do not feed ducks, geese or other water fowl from the docks.
- m. Glass is not permitted on Viridian Sailing Center dock or boats.
- n. No life guard on duty, participate at your own risk.
- o. No person shall remove any items from VSC, or deface, destroy or damage any center property. Violators will bear full financial responsibility of any losses occurred.
- p. The Viridian Sailing Center Foundation is not responsible for any personal property stored on the dock.
- q. A \$50 fine for violation of any part of these rules may apply. Pass holders account will be suspended until all fines are resolved. Pass holders violating the general safety policy and rules have the right to a hearing before the Board. Regarding any dispute of violation, suspension of annual pass stands until board meeting.

3. Noise Policy

- a. The entire VSC facility is to be a "quiet area" from 11:00P.M. to 7:00 A.M.
- b. A \$100 fine for violation of any part of this rule may apply. Pass holders account will be suspended until all fines are resolved. Pass holders violating this policy have the right to a hearing before the Board. Regarding any dispute of violation, suspension of annual pass stands until board meeting.

4. Use of Dock

- a. Only Annual Pass Holders and their guests with Guest Passes are welcome to use the VSC during operational hours.

- b. Guest must be in the company of sponsoring pass holder at all times.
- c. Annual Pass Holders are responsible for their guests and their actions while on property.
- 5. **Children under 12:** Children under 12 are not permitted at the club without parental, guardian or instructor supervision and must be wearing approved PFD at all times.
- 6. **Dogs:** Dogs are to remain on a leash at all times.
- 7. **Unlawful Acts**
 - a. The Viridian Sailing Center does not condone or tolerate unlawful activities on its premises. Premises include the buildings, grounds, boats, docks and buoys. Boats moored at the docks are considered to be on the premises. Examples of unlawful acts are (but are not limited to) possession, use or sale of illegal controlled substances, loud or disorderly conduct, etc.
 - b. A pass holder who commits unlawful acts shall be subject to pass holders termination. Should the unlawful act be committed by a pass holder's guest, the pass holder shall be responsible and subject to termination as above. Pass holders violating this policy have the right to a hearing before the Board.
- 8. **Weather:**
 - a. Individuals will heed all warnings by center staff including weather emergencies such as high winds, lightning, flooding, etc.
 - b. Center staff has the right to cancel or modify reservations based on forecasted weather conditions.
 - c. In severe weather all individuals shall clear the lake and dock until notified by center staff it is safe to return.
 - d. Boat reservations are suspended in sustained winds of 15 mph or above, when gusts are 18 mph or above, or at the discretion of Viridian Sailing Center staff for expert level sailors.
 - e. You are solely responsible for the safety of the vessel and your crew when out on the water.
 - f. Check the weather before leaving the dock to make sure that there are no thunderstorms or fronts expected in the area. Likewise, wind conditions can change quickly on Lake Viridian. If winds are forecast to diminish, adjust your sailing plans to remain in close proximity to the Sailing Center.
 - g. Group events allowed with approval of VSC Facility Manager.
- 9. **Responsibilities of Annual Pass Holder**
 - a. **Reservations**
 - i. Reservations will only be made to Viridian Sailing Center Annual Pass Holders.
 - ii. Annual Pass Holders are permitted 3 guests per day with Guest Passes.
 - iii. All reservations must be made online or by contacting the Viridian Sailing Center staff.
 - iv. Vessels will only be reserved and released to individuals who have been verified by Viridian Sailing Center staff to operate that particular vessel.
 - v. Return of boat or paddle boards late 3 times will result in a \$50 fine. Pass holders account will be suspended until all fines are resolved. Pass holders violating this policy have the right to a hearing before the Board. Regarding any dispute of violation, suspension of annual pass stands until board meeting.
 - vi. Watercraft reservations may be cancelled at any time.
 - vii. Paid Classes or Camp reservation may be canceled 1 week in advance for full refund.
 - b. **The Boats:**
 - i. Lower your sails immediately after tying your boat to the dock upon return.
 - ii. Do not land your boat when there is insufficient dock space and always dock with the front of the boat pointing into the wind. Do not return to the dock with the wind behind you.

- iii. Do not raise the sail or install, or lower, the rudder until the boat is in the water.
 - iv. Lower the sail, raise the rudder, and raise the centerboard (with bungee attached) before hauling a boat onto the dock.
 - v. Responsibility for a boat remains with the pass holder who checked it out.
 - vi. Upon returning to the dock, expect the VSC staff to inspect each boat.
 - vii. Report any damage or needed repairs to the dock staff. If the damage was your fault you may be asked to pay for any damages and/or volunteer your help in some other area.
 - viii. Aeros are for racing high performance and the hull easily damaged. Extreme care must be used in set up and takedown. Particular care should be taken when racking/unracking boats. 2 person minimum.
- c. The Sails
- i. Do not allow sails to drag on the dock.
 - ii. Rinse the sail if needed, if dirty, muddy or for any other reason.
 - iii. Roll sails from the top to the bottom and return to the black sail bag.
- d. When Sailing
- i. Do not collide boats. Always avoid collisions regardless of the "stand on vessel" or "give way vessel"
 - ii. All sailboats must stay clear from canoes, kayaks, paddle boards and other rowed vessels.
 - iii. Give right of way to larger boats which cannot easily steer away from you.
 - iv. Dock only at the VSC. The beach area is primarily a beach for use by residents.
- e. Accidents & Boat Damage:
- i. Treat VSC boats like your own.
 - ii. If you are in an accident you must obtain the important information including the other vessel's operator's name, address, phone; owner's name, address and phone. Also, write a description of the accident, fill out a VSC Incident Report and inform the VSC staff. If there are serious injuries or any type of emergency contact the call 911 immediately.
 - iii. Boat damage, breakage or any lost equipment must be reported promptly to the VSC staff on duty.
 - iv. Individuals are responsible for damage, breakage or lost parts resulting from their use of the boats and will be held financially responsible and will be required to pay the cost or replacement.
 - 1. The Viridian Sailing Center Foundation will cover regular wear and tear.
 - 2. Pass holders may be suspended until financial has been fulfilled.