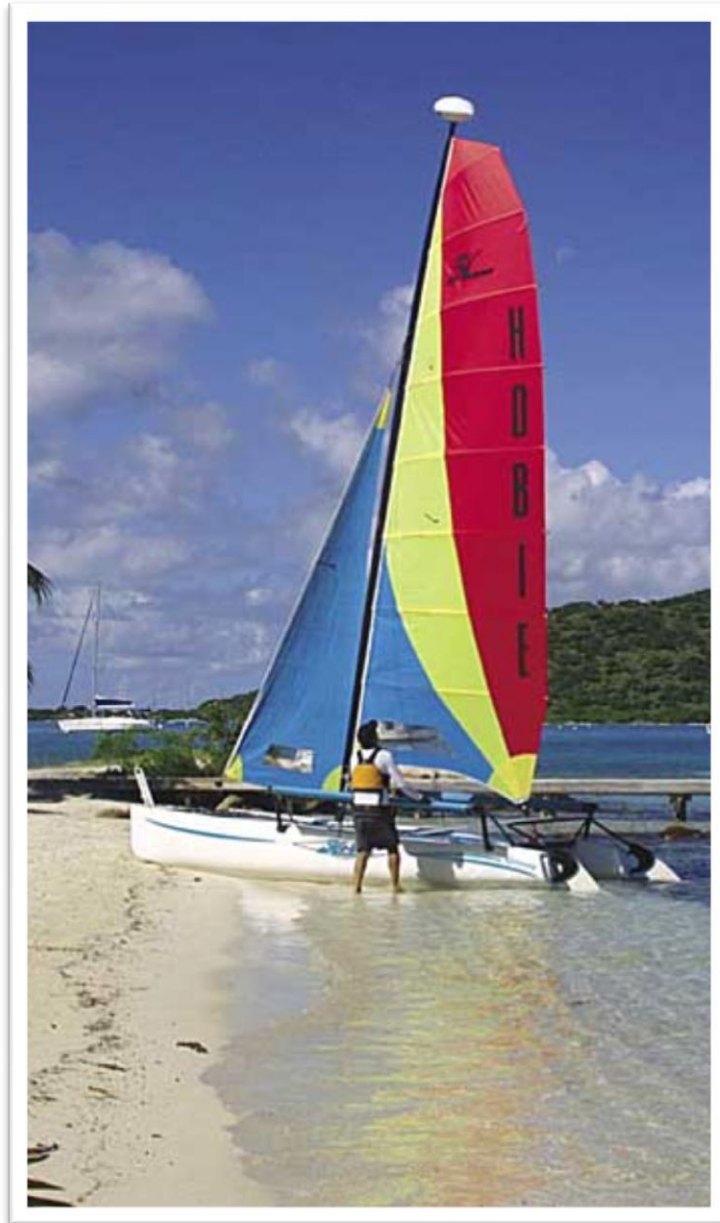
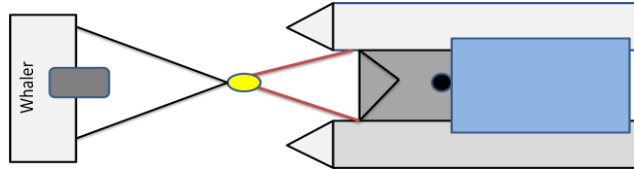


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- Launching
 - After Checking out the boat from the Sail Attendant on duty, check the boat for any damage and let the sail attendant know of any damage found.
 - Remove the blue tarp covering the trampoline and place it folded in the shed
 - Make sure that you have all the necessary gear before heading to the boat ramp
 - Towing Bridle
 - First Aid Kit
 - VHF
 - Sail Bag
 - Battens
 - Trapeze Harness
 - Put battens in the main sail and remove furling cover from the jib
 - Return the furling cover and sail bag to the shed.
 - Make sure that all boat plugs are in place and tie down are removed before launching
 - The Hobie cat must be launched by the Sail Attendant with an authorized motor vehicle
 - Make sure that the trailer is returned to dry storage
 - Move the boat to the transient dock before completing rigging
- Sailing
 - The Hobie Cat is a multi-hull catamaran and has two rudders
 - She features a main and a small jib
 - Basic sailing features
 - To steer
 - To change directions push the tiller opposite of the direction you want to go
 - To get out of "irons"
 - The boat can change directions with both the tiller and with the sails
 - If you get stuck in irons (or stop pointed into the wind) you will need to reverse the rudder and push the sail forward to back-wind it. The jib should be back winded by the crew to assist. This will back the boat up. Reverse the rudders and let the sail out until the boat is positioned more across the wind (close reach). Then you can correctly trim the sail and start moving forward."
 - To recover a capsized boat
 - The Hobie getaway features a mast float so the boat should not fully turtle
 - To recover the boat once it has capsized, release both the main and the jib sheets then pull on the two righting lines that run across the bottom of the boat, be aware the boat may pull away from you once the wind has caught the sails
 - To prepare the boat for towing

- Attach the red towrope to the eyes straps at the base of the Y for the roller furling.
- Drop and secure sails
- Clip towing line to the Whalers towing bridle (see picture below)
- Steer directly behind the tow boat



- - Reducing heel
 - Let main sail out to help depower the boat by dumping some wind off the sails
 - Point closer to the wind, to decrease the curvature of the sail and depowering the boat
 - Move more crew weight to the windward side of the boat or put a crew member on the trapeze
 - Trapeze
 - ALWAYS use a trapeze harness when using the trapeze system
 - Make sure the trapeze harness is properly secured before leaning into it
 - Do not use the trapeze harness on very choppy days because serious injury can occur to those on the trapeze if the boat pitch poles
 - Never swing from the trapeze or use any other means of attachment other than the trapeze harness
- Pulling the boat
 - Preparation
 - When preparing to dock slow the boat down by briefly pointing the boat into the wind to slow it down
 - Always have dock lines ready before reaching the dock
 - Drop both sails and secure them
 - Tie the boat up to the transient dock then let the Sail Attendant know that the boat is ready to be pulled
 - The Hobie cat must be pulled by the Sail Attendant with an authorized motor vehicle
 - Remove both plugs and rinse the boat off with fresh water
 - If the sails got salt water on them during the day rinse them with fresh water then hang them up in the shed to dry
 - After the boat is back in dry storage cover the trampoline with the blue tarp
 - Have the sail attendant check the boat for damage and that the boat is properly stowed

UWF Sailing Test Policies

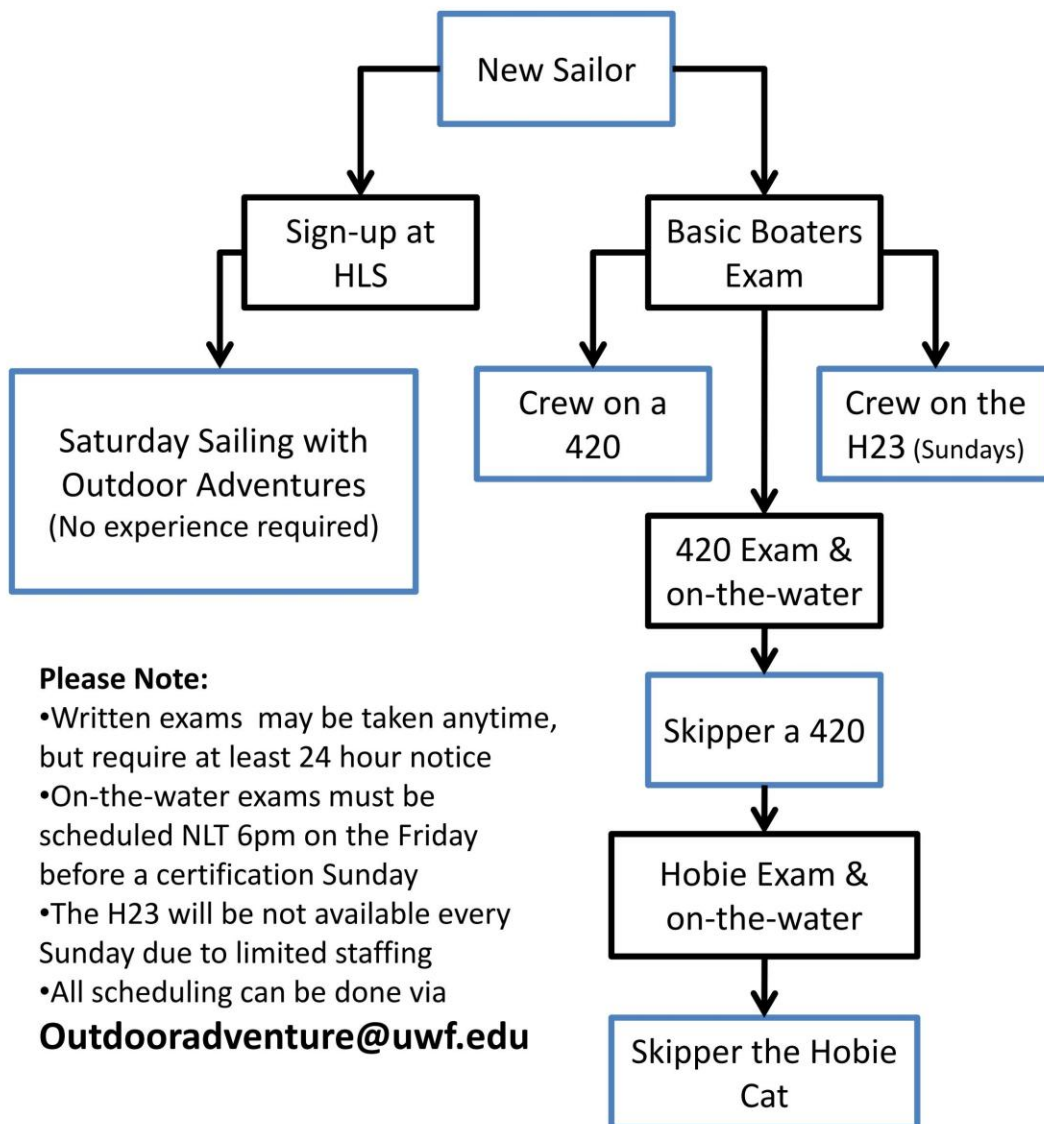
We're excited that you are willing to further your sailing abilities by taking the UWF Basic Boating, 420, or Hobie Cat tests. By passing these tests, you are well on your way to Sailing with UWF. We ask that you kindly abide by these policies in order to ensure a smooth testing process.

- After reviewing this study guide, contact the Sailing Attendants via email at outdooradventure@uwf.edu to arrange a time for taking the written test
- We ask that you provide 24 hours notice before you wish to take test
- Tests can be easily administered before or after a Sailing Club meeting
- Tests can also be arranged at other times, but it is preferred to be administered before or after a Sailing Club meeting
- Unfortunately, written tests cannot be administered before Saturday Sailing or Sunday Certifications due to time constraints
- Each test can only be administered one (1) time per day
- You are allowed to take the test as many times as necessary to pass

We look forward to getting you certified and out on the water!

--UWF Sailing Attendants

The Steps in the UWF Sailing Certification Process



Please Note:

- Written exams may be taken anytime, but require at least 24 hour notice
- On-the-water exams must be scheduled NLT 6pm on the Friday before a certification Sunday
- The H23 will be not available every Sunday due to limited staffing
- All scheduling can be done via

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