**Social Sail Skipper Certification**

Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Check Skipper: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SKILL**  **Initials**

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| Be a member of PSC in good standing who has completed ASA 101/103 or challenged for and be designated as a Basic River Keelboat Skipper in lieu of ASA 101 or 103 or be a PSC Racing Skipper. Certificates will be verified.  |  |
| Possess a Boating Safety Certificate (available at www.boatus.org). |  |
| Demonstrate proficiency at sail trim and helm under all points of sail.  |  |
| Demonstrate reefing the sails in case of high winds / adverse conditions.  |  |
| Demonstrate proficiency in leaving & returning to the marina and close quarter maneuvering.  |  |
| Demonstrate proficiency in returning to the marina and docking at dusk / night. |  |
| Complete a “check ride” and receive an endorsement by the approved Club Skippers.  |  |
| Demonstrate familiarity with PSC’s River Boat Policy and PSC’s Wind and Weather and Personal Flotation Device policies posted in the Clubhouse and on the PSC website. Discuss various weather apps or websites one can look at to get an update on upcoming weather, etc.  |  |

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| Demonstrate the proper starting sequence, operation, and shutdown of the engine.  |  |
| Demonstrate the proper manner of re-fueling the boats. |  |
| Demonstrate you can safely sail the boat into the basin to an open dock near the basin entrance. This will simulate an engine failure. Do NOT sail the boat to the PSC slips!  |  |
| Discuss how to communicate maintenance issues to the maintenance team. Include communications with PSC leadership if the boat ran aground or collided with another boat, buoy, etc.  |  |
| Review the Potomac River nautical chart and ensure an understanding of the no-go areas in the river (East side river opposite Alexandria, from shore to pier of Naval Research Lab, pilings near Hains’ Point, Dangerfield Island, Dave’s Cradle, etc.  |  |
| Demonstrate proficiency in returning to the marina and docking at dusk / night. |  |
| Demonstrate how to properly put away the boats including fenders, lines, and methods to prevent the boat from hitting the dock.  |  |
| Locate the thru-hull fittings and explain what to do when one fails.  |  |