

# FLORIDA SAILING & CRUISING SCHOOL®



*Experience the Boating Life!*™

## Instruction Aboard Your Yacht

We are now able to offer the FS&CS power boat training courses aboard your own private yacht!

Our "Aboard Your Yacht" training programs offer the opportunity for you to learn to cruise aboard your own private power yacht.

### Our Program

The Florida Sailing & Cruising School has been teaching sail and power boat courses for 30 years. We have a reputation for comprehensive instruction on a variety of vessels. Our instructors are marine professionals, licensed Captains and experienced teachers. We can teach one of our already-established P101, P102 or P103 courses or customize an instructional program for you and your crew. Just let us know what kind of instruction you need and we will design a program to meet your cruising goals.

Just bought a boat? We can face the challenges of new boat ownership with you and put you at ease. Planning an extended cruise? Our instructors are experienced cruisers and will assist you with your cruise planning and boat preparation.

### **Basic Powerboat Handling (P-101)**

**Goal:** To learn to act as Skipper and Crew of a single or twin-engine vessel of 32-42 feet in length, cruising in inland waters during daylight hours.

**Ashore and Afloat Skills:** This course includes instruction in the structural, mechanical, and electrical parts and systems of the vessel, USCG required safety equipment, four basic knots, basic chart reading and Rules of the Road. Students will learn docking and handling techniques, maneuvering the boat in close quarters, basic piloting and understanding tides and currents, proper use of the marine radio, basic anchoring techniques, proper fueling procedures, proper action to take when vessel is aground, and making the vessel "shipshape".

**Prerequisite:** None

### **Inland Powerboat Cruising (P-102)**

**Goal:** To learn to act as Skipper and Crew of a single or twin-engine vessel of 32-50 feet in length operating during daylight hours in inland or coastal

Experience a liveaboard cruise of at least 48 hours.

**Ashore and Afloat Skills:** This course builds on the basic boat handling skills of P-101 and includes a live-aboard cruise of three-days and two-nights. Students will prepare and provision for the cruise, act as helmsmen, spend at least one night at anchor (second night optional at anchor or at a marina), learn proper dinghy handling, nautical etiquette, and proper piloting and seamanship skills.

**Prerequisite:** P101 or equivalent boating experience



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### **Offshore Powerboat Cruising (P-103)**

**Goal:** To learn to act as Skipper and Crew of a twin-engine vessel of 36-50 feet in length operating day or night in inland, coastal, and offshore waters.

Experience a liveaboard offshore cruise of seven days.

**Ashore and Afloat Skills:** This 8-day course is designed to give coastal cruisers some offshore cruising experience. Students will spend day one planning and provisioning for a seven-day cruise to the Florida Keys or other destination and return. The curriculum includes maintaining the ship's systems underway, offshore navigation, electronic navigation, night passagemaking, a night landfall, overnight anchoring, advanced marlinspike, and more.

**Prerequisite:** P102 or equivalent experience.

### **Course Rates and Captain Fees**

The daily rate for any of our training programs is \$300 per day plus tax for up to two students. For three or four students the rate is \$400 per day. You will pay the Captain directly at the rate of \$200 per day plus expenses such as travel, food and accommodations if not staying aboard the vessel.

To sign up for any of these courses on your own vessel, please give us a call at 800-262-7939. We can take a Visa or MasterCard for the Course fees. Then we will send the course materials out to you.

### **Insurance**

Proof of hull and liability insurance is required for us to teach aboard your vessel. Your insurance company can issue a certificate of insurance for us to have on file. You may want to consider adding "crew coverage" if you do not have it already. Crew coverage is not required, but you may want to discuss that with your insurance agent.

### **Location**

You may choose to bring your yacht to our marina (Tarpon Point Marina in Cape Coral, Florida) or have our instructor come to you. Our Instructors will travel between Tampa and Naples on the Florida West coast to conduct classes on private vessels.

If you plan to bring your boat to us, you will need to secure dockage for your vessel for the training period by calling Tarpon Point Marina at 239-549-4900. We can assist you with making those arrangements. For instruction at your home port, applicable travel expenses will apply.

### **Questions**

If you have any questions about our programs, please give us a call at 239.257.2788 or 800.262.7939. Our office is open seven days a week.

We look forward to helping you learn to cruise comfortably and confidently aboard your yacht. Just give us a call and we can design a training program for you!