

AVENTURA SAILING CLASS STRUCTURE

Aventura Members certifying to charter will usually take the Basic course upon joining unless they have previous sailing experience. If they have previous sailing experience on vessels in the 30 ft range, with inboard engines and wheel steering, they may choose to take the Intermediate/Advanced course. Any course may be taken as a refresher course at a reduced rate.

BASIC

BOATS: 30'

Lectures:

1. Terminology
2. Safety-PFD's, Fire
Man Over Board
Sailing checklists
Knot tying
3. Rules of the road
Aids to navigation
Systems
4. Heavy weather
Anchoring
Examination

Labs:

- I. Dockside orientation
- II. Sailing maneuvers
Man Over Board
- III. Docking & sailing review
- IV. Anchoring
Review docking and sailing

Cost:

\$175 Member
\$225 Non Member

COASTAL NAVIGATION

(Certification required for
multiple day charters)

Lectures:

1. Dead reckoning
Plotting a course
2. Fixing a position
3. Electronic navigation
Planning a cruise

Cost:

\$100 Member
\$125 Non Member

Other CLINICS

Docking
Anchoring
Mooring
Spinnaker etc.

Cost:

\$50 Member
\$60 Non Member

INT./ADV. SEAMANSHIP

BOATS: 32' TO 36'

Lectures:

1. Sail shape & trim, tuning,
Balance of sail plan
2. Weather,
Maneuvers under power
3. Night sailing,
Diesel engines
4. Anchoring,
Heavy weather sailing

Labs:

- I. Advanced sailing
- II. Docking maneuvers under
power
Mooring
- III. Night sailing,
Electronic navigation
- IV. Anchoring
Heavy weather techniques

Cost:

\$200 Member
\$250 Non Member

Marine Weather Mini Course

Global circulation in the Earth's atmosphere determines our local weather systems and understanding how this works will allow you to predict how it will affect you and your crew on a sail to the islands. There are simple principles of how heat and pressure affect humidity and wind, and by tying all of these together we can use them to make predictions.

Electronic Navigation Mini Course

The global positioning satellites which make up our ability to use GPS for navigation are the basis for most all modern navigation. But a number of other electronic gadgets such as depth, radio direction finding, LORAN, and radar may play an important role as well. Our primary goal will be to learn how to set up and use a GPS unit. Figuring out how to apply them specifically to what we want to know as sailors requires making a lot of choices during setup.

Mini Course Cost:

\$100 Member
\$125 Non Member

Watch for Aventura's 1 * 2 * 3 Catalina Cruising Program:

1. Navigation Course
2. Catalina Cruising Clinic
3. Three Day Fleet Sail to Catalina