

## Cruising course joining instructions

- Sail Nelson's 5 day Royal Yachting Association (RYA) live-aboard courses start in Nelson Marina at 10am on day one and end around 3pm on the last day.
- The yacht is berthed at Nelson Marina on Vickerman St. Berth L6, just behind NZ Boat Sales and close to the Anchor Bar. It's easy to spot, with Sea School in large white letters on the boom cover.
- Our sailing grounds are around Tasman Bay, usually including the beautiful Abel Tasman National Park. Most nights are spent at anchor or on moorings in the most scenic spots .
- Things to bring: T shirts & shorts, towel and swimming gear, sleeping bag, sunscreen, hat, suitable warm clothing (a thermal layer or two is always handy), and non-marking, closed toe shoes. We can supply a waterproof sailing jacket and trousers but you might prefer to bring your own. As for all sailing trips please try to pack to a minimum in a soft bag.
- For Day Skipper courses and above it's essential that you bring a passport photo (hard copy) of yourself, to go in your laminated certificate at the end of the week. Without your photo we can't issue your certificate.**
- If you are travelling we can store extra luggage whilst you are sailing.
- Please let us know in advance if you have any special dietary requirements** and consider perhaps bringing along some of your favourite foods.
- If you'd like a beer or wine in the evening with dinner please bring this with you.
- We take a maximum of 5 and a minimum of 2 students on each course. Courses are generally made up of couples and/or individuals and we can teach at different sailing levels during the same week.
- The cost for a five day course is \$1,995 NZD per person. This includes RYA certificate, loan of wet weather gear, excellent food, tea coffee, soft drinks, fuel, etc.
- To secure your place on a course we require a \$600 deposit per person: Sail Nelson NZ Ltd, Kiwibank. The Account Number is: **38 9016 0463772 00** and please use your name as the reference.
- We can accept payments by credit card but have to charge a fee of 2.5% to cover extra bank charges. We will waive this fee if you choose to pay the full amount for your course at the time of booking. Please supply the card number, name on the card, expiry date and 3 digit security number from the back. You might like to send this information across 2 emails for added security, otherwise give us a ring.
- For international bank transfers please contact Sail Nelson for more information, Swift code etc.
- The balance of course fees is payable by cash or direct credit 14 days before the sailing course commences.
- Please provide a contact phone number and, if you haven't already done so, please supply some brief info on your previous sailing experience.**
- The RYA publish excellent boating books and you will need copies of the relevant books for your course. It is helpful if you can study these before you join us. The RYA Cruising & Yachtmaster Syllabus G15 is required as a log-book, price \$27.50. The RYA Course Notes books have the notes for your course, price is \$35.00. We can supply these two publications, for pick up in Nelson on arrival, for \$62.50, or by courier to a NZ address for \$70. For delivery please let us know your postal address. Or you can purchase online at [www.boatbooks.co.nz](http://www.boatbooks.co.nz)