

TAMPA SAILING SQUADRON	<input type="checkbox"/> Original	Initiation Fee Amount	_____
PO Box 3277	<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary	Check #/Date	_____
Apollo Beach, FL 33572-1002	<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer	First Reading	_____
		Second Reading	_____
		Board Approval	_____
		Annual Dues Paid	_____

**TAMPA SAILING SQUADRON MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

*Please Print Legibly*

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Tag to Read: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address (No PO Box): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicant First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Tag to Read: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names/Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

***Boat ownership is NOT Required***

Boat Description (year/make/model/name): \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to subscribe to the Clubs bi-monthly email "Connections?"  YES  NO

Please write a statement about yourself and why you would like to become a member of TSS. Please be as specific as possible and use additional pages if necessary.

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You are encouraged and expected to become active and involved in TSS. Join in our races, cruises, youth programs, socials and work parties and lend a hand with the events and functions we enjoy. We are a Member owned Member run which means our facilities, operations and programs are built and maintained *by* TSS members *for* TSS members. This is a proud tradition TSS calls “*sweat equity*” in the Club. Your skills and interests are appreciated and of value to our member owned club, so we ask you to list them here, so we can count on your help and participation. TSS is a working club and membership participation is required.

Please check the activities or committees you will become involved with, in addition to the monthly work parties or other service to the Club.

Assist Dockmaster _____	Club House Maintenance _____	Grounds Keeping _____
Race Committee _____	Club Regattas _____	Cruising Committee _____
Small Boat Sailing _____	Women’s Sailing _____	Youth Sailing committee _____
Membership Committee _____	Covered Dish Dinners _____	Newsletter Committee _____
Safety Committee _____	Sea Scouts _____	Historian/History Committee _____
HAT (Hurricane Action Team) ____	Other _____	

Please tell us about your skills. Some examples are construction, electrician, boatwright, rigger, sailmaker, sports official, secretary, software, webmaster, lawyer, architect, accounting, bookkeeping, communications, engineer....

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Give your completed application, signed by your sponsors (two TSS members in good standing), with a check for your initiation fee, to the Membership Chairperson (MC). The MC will notify the Board of your pending application at the next Board meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month). The sponsors and applicant will then be notified that the application has been accepted by the Board. **Once your application has been accepted by the Board, your initiation fee is non-refundable.**

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When you have completed the membership process, the MC will present your Membership Process Checklist to the TSS Board of Directors for consideration. Once the Board approves your membership you will be invoiced for your annual dues, or pro rata share. **The Board’s conferral of your TSS membership is effective upon your dues payment.**

Sponsor (print name): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor (print name): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership in the Tampa Sailing Squadron. I have read and agree to abide by the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations of the Tampa Sailing Squadron.

Applicant (print name): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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MC Initials/Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- 2) Applicants are required to participate in a casual interview with the Membership Committee. You can either 1) attend one of the 'pre-meetings' before the monthly General Membership meeting or 2) schedule an interview with the MC. At the interview we will answer your questions about the membership process, advise and assist you as necessary, tell you about TSS history and convey the expectations and goals TSS holds for its membership.

MC Initials / Interview: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- 3) As an applicant you must be present at two regular General Membership meetings, with one or both of your sponsors, who will introduce you to the membership. TSS tradition calls these introductions your 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Readings.

MC Initials / 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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No experience or boat ownership is required. Your skills and interests are appreciated and of value to our "self-help" Club, so we ask you to list them on the application form. Applicants are required to assist in a minimum of two different official TSS activities. The MC or an Officer, Director, Membership Committee member or activity leader will complete the section below indicating your participation.

### Activity 1 Description:

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MC or Authorized Signature / Activity 1 Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Activity 2 Description:

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MC or Authorized Signature / Activity 2 Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_