

The <u>2020 Abilene Sailing Association</u> Sailing course is now open for enrollment. We are a fast-paced West Texas style sailing school with an emphasis on **practical boat handling and seamanship**. We have 3 <u>US</u> <u>Sailing Certified Instructors</u> and longtime Sailors teaching our class. US Sailing certifications will be issued to you once you complete the course. Our instructors can train you on everything from basic terminology to sailing theory, from tacking and jibing to docking like a professional.

Our initial sailing course, **The West Texas Twostep**, will train you to skipper our Small Sail Boats to our common 20-25' sloop rigged sailboat.

Our 1^{st} session will take place starting June 5^{th} 6:00 PM at the Scout Service Center located @ 3811 North 1^{st} Street Abilene Texas. This will be the only class session not held at the Abilene Sailing Association and on the water.

Our first session on the water will be held the next day Saturday June 6th starting @ 2:00 PM. All other class sessions will take place on future Wednesdays and Saturdays through Saturday June 27th which is the last class to complete the course. We recommend that you attend at least 5 of the 9 class sessions in order to achieve the basic certification.

Upon completion you will be certified to prep for a day sail, set up a sailboat, pull away from the dock and head out. We give our students all the tools they need to sail without supervision in light to moderate conditions in familiar waters.

The cost for the course is only \$25.00. T-shirts, cozies and other items will be for sale at the Ship Store.

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