

Staged Badges - Sailing

The Sailing badge has 4 stages, which are listed in the tables below. For your child to be awarded the badge you need to print off the page required and ask their instructor to sign the boxes on the sheet to show what they can do, and then bring it in and give it to a leader.

Stage 1

Identify different types of sailing crafts.	
Name 3 places you could safely go sailing.	
Take part in a warm-up activity to prepare you for a sailing activity such as skiing or snowboarding. You could try tacking and gybing, hiking out or synchro-jump to cross the boat together in a tack or gybe.	
Dress properly for a sailing activity, showing you know the importance of buoyancy aids and how to put one on correctly.	
 Take part in a taster session that covers: being able to name equipment used and parts of the boat, getting into and out of a boat safely, balancing a boat, manoeuvring your boat in different directions, including moving forward. 	
You automatically gain this badge if you have achieved RYA Youth Sailing Scheme 1	

Stage 2

Have completed all of Stage 1.	
Launch and recover your dinghy	
Control the direction and speed of your dinghy to steer around a course.	
Stop your dinghy safely.	
Capsize and get to the shore safely and recover the dinghy.	
Show you can moor your dinghy.	
You automatically gain this badge if you have achieved RYA Youth Sailing Scheme 2	

Stage 3

Have completed all of Stages 1 and 2, and ideally complete the following tasks in a different boat to Stage 2. You don't have to complete the first 3 (*starred) steps of this stage if you are using a keelboat.	
*Prepare, launch and recover your boat in an onshore wind.	
*Show the correct way to store your boat ashore.	
*Show you can right a capsized dinghy as helm or crew.	
Show you know how to recover a man overboard.	
Demonstrate an ability in: sail setting balance trim course made good centreboard tacking upwind gybing from a training run coming alongside a moored boat picking up a morring	
Learn how a sail works and its basic aerodynamics	
When sailing, show you can understand and use basic terminology such as windward, leeward and bear away.	
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Stage 4

Have completed all of Stages 1, 2 and 3.	
Launch and recover your boat in any wind direction.	
Set up your boat according to weather conditions, using sail and rig controls.	
Show that you're able to recover a man overboard.	
Show that you know about: International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea (IRPCS) Beaufort Scale synoptic charts tidal ebb and flow spring and neap tides	
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