## **Key Rating**

Adopted October 23, 2014

A Key-rated member is entitled to possess keys to the club and to open the club in winds up to 15 knots (whitecaps). He or she is expected to take responsibility for club operations in moderate conditions and for general maintenance of the fleet. A Key-rated member has all the privileges that a Basic-rated member has. A Key rating requires an intermediate level of sailing skill.

A member who passes the following requirements becomes Key-rated upon approval by the Executive Board.

All requirements may be signed by Skippers. The Vice Commodore may sign the instruction requirement; the Fleet Captain may sign the repair requirement. No one person may sign more than four requirements or more than one sponsorship.

- 1. Have passed all the current requirements for the Basic rating.
- 2. Know how to open the club, supervise sailing, and close the club in all seasons.
- 3. Show how to recognize threatening weather conditions and how to alter club operations as conditions change.
- 4. Demonstrate the ability to teach basic sailing and know the standards for administering all Basic-level tests.
- 5. Show how to operate the safety boat.
- 6. Right a turtled boat and show how to use the safety boat at a capsize.
- 7. Perform routine maintenance and/or repairs on the fleet.
- 8. Obtain three sponsors who will attest that it is appropriate to give the member a Key rating. Sponsors should consider the following areas, as well as any others they think meaningful:
  - Sailing ability
  - Level of participation and volunteer work on the club's behalf
  - Demonstration of good judgment and maturity;
  - Respect for others, ability to communicate, and teamwork
- 9. Demonstrate the ability to maneuver a boat in moderate winds (requiring vigorous hiking, perhaps 10 knots or more). Perform all maneuvers required for the Basic rating, easily and without difficulty. Demonstrate heave to. Know how to get off a shoal.

## **Key Rating Sheet**

Name:		
	Last	First
Requirement	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Date</u>
1. Basic rating		
2. Open/Close Club		
3. Weather		
4. Instruction		
5. Safety Boat		
6. Capsize		
7. Repair		
8. Sponsor		
Sponsor		
Sponsor		
9. Sailing		
Vice Commodore		Date
E	xecutive Board Approval	 Date