

Ahoy captain-to-be!

Below, you'll find key information to help you become a great renter on Boatbound.

PRE-BOOKING

Improve Your Profile

Congrats, you've been verified by Boatbound! Now is the time to go back and fill out more information about yourself and your boating background. The more information you can provide, the more likely owners will respond to your messages and booking requests. Also, don't forget to include a profile picture! To edit your profile go to boatbound.co/account

 Peter Member since May 17, 2013	About Peter Hello Fellow Boaters! I'm Peter and I have been on boats and the water all of my life. I got my first command at age 5 when I had an 8' rowboat with a 2hp electric engine. Since then I have owned ski boats, fishing boats, Whalers, kayaks, sailboats and worked professionally on everything in between. I am a licenced professional mariner with a Merchant Marine Document/Credential. I have over 25k miles of seetime logged working professionally on traditionally rigged tall ships--sailing mostly around the North Atlantic, Northern Europe, Caribbean Sea, throughout all the Great Lakes, and recently have spent some time sailing in the Bay Area. You could say I'm a "boat guy," and I do feel comfortable operating most all vessels under 50' in size. I have also worked on a few schooners around the bay in Sausalito and SF, so I know the waters around here pretty well. Thanks for reading, and I'd love to take you boat out, or captain it for others!
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Messages

You are free to message any boat owner you like, but it's important to respond to all messages as quickly as possible so that owners can plan their schedules accordingly. To respond to your messages go to boatbound.co/inbox

Ask Questions

Make sure that you communicate with the boat owner *before* your rental to ensure that you know when and where to meet. Owners are also great sources of information and can tell you all about the best things to do out on the water. So be sure to utilize their local knowledge!

Rental Coverage

We have you covered! Our comprehensive insurance policy was created to cover you in the event of an accident or loss. It's important to read through our insurance policies and understand what you, as a renter, are liable for in the event an incident occurs. You can find this information by visiting boatbound.co/insurance

Peter, that time frame should be fine on my end. Regarding launching the boat, since Clipper Yacht Harbor in Sausalito temporarily ceased public boat launching for non-tenants, we'll launch the boat at the public boat launch next to Wellington's Wine Bar (300 Turney Street off Bridgeway). Since the parking lots around there connected to many restaurants (Salito's, Bar Bocce, etc) you should give time to finding parking for your vehicle during the day. Adding to the challenge is the fact that the Sausalito Art Festival is happening this weekend at the park down the street. My mobile is [REDACTED] and we can chat on Sunday morning. Please let me know your telephone # as well. Have fun on the boat with Chris - I've enjoyed getting to know him since I joined Boatbound. Best, Wendell	 Wendell 8/29/13
Hey Wendell, I just wanted to confirm pick-up time and location for the boat this weekend. Ideally we'd love to use it from 10:30 or 11 until 6. Chris mentioned that pick up spot is near Bar Bocci in Saucalito? Let me know specifically where. Thanks again- really looking forward to spending the day on your beautiful boat. I'll take care of it as if it were my own. Best, Peter	 Peter 8/29/13

RENTAL

Meeting The Owner

Boatbound is a friendly community and we want everyone to feel a part of it. So when you meet an owner for the first time, don't be afraid to wave and say "Ahoy!" (it's a great way to break the ice).

Documenting Existing Damage

Do a thorough inspection for damage with the owner, and document everything through pictures. In the event of an accident or loss, this documentation can be critical.



Check-In Procedures

When you arrive at the boat, ask the owner to show you the unique features prior to the start of the rental. All boats are different, and all owners operate them differently, so get comfortable with the boat before you take it out on the water. We also recommend you going over the following:

- Lifejackets** The location and quantity of the life jackets (PFD's) on board, ensuring that there are enough for all passengers. Also, make sure to remind renters that all children under the age of 12 are required to wear a lifejacket at all times.
- Safety** Highlight the location of all fire extinguishers, flares, anchors, lines, & any other important safety equipment.
- GPS** If there is a GPS unit on board, please be sure to identify the location of the unit and how to operate it.
- VHF Radio** Demonstrate to the renter how to call for help if needed.

Fuel

Make sure you discuss your fuel options with the owner *before* the rental begins. The boat's gas tank should be full when you pick it up, but be sure to discuss expectations and options. The owner and you can agree on one of the three refueling options:

1. The renter refuels the boat prior to the end of the rental. A penalty is applied if the boat is not refueled. For more information, please go to (boatbound.co/fees).
2. The owner includes fuel with the rental.
3. The owner will refuel the boat and inform the renter who will either pay directly or the amount will be taken out of your security deposit (+5% processing fee).

Emergency Contacts

Before heading out, make sure you have all important emergency contacts handy:

Emergency/Life Threatening

- Call 911/Local Marine Patrol
- Coast Guard VHF Channel 16

Non-Emergency/Water Support

- BoatUS Support: (800) 391-4869 (Membership # 49000251)
- VHF Channel 16: Hail "TowBoatUS" or "Vessel Assist" (West Coast Only)
- Boatbound Support: (855) 462-6282

Your Responsibilities In The Event Of An Incident

In the event of an accident or loss, make sure to do the following:

- Ensure the safety of the crew
- Minimize loss of the vessel while protecting from further loss
- Contact the owner and Boatbound to report the incident
- Advise the police, Coast Guard or any appropriate authority of the loss and its circumstances

POST-RENTAL

Be Social

While you're out having the time of your life, don't forget to share it! We want more people to have great on-the-water experiences and by posting pictures or tweeting about your day you can help our community grow! Simply go to our Facebook page (facebook.com/boatbound) or Twitter (twitter.com/boatbound) and use the #boatbound hashtag!

Cleaning

When you return to the dock, make sure you thoroughly clean the boat to make it look as good (or better) than it looked before your rental. Don't leave any trash behind, give the seats a wipe-down, etc. Remember, the owner will have the opportunity to review you as well!

Checkout Procedures

Just as you did at check-in, do another walk through of the boat with the owner to look for any potential damage. And again, be sure to document everything with photographs. Lastly, make sure all equipment and electronics are accounted for and that you and the owner are in agreement that everything looks good.

Reviews

After the rental period is over, we'll send you an email reminding you to review the owner. This is an extremely important part of the Boatbound rental process, because our user generated reviews are what ensure good faith in our system and that we maintain a level of high quality customer service on our site. The reviews you leave also help other potential renters see if an owner has good ratings and make an informed decision on whether or not they would like to rent from them.



Wendell
9/2/13

Peter is clearly a seasoned boater - knew all the right questions to ask when we met at the launch ramp and review the workings of my Chris Craft. I appreciated the fact that he was on time for both the launch and the pick up and the boat was returned in without any signs of wear and tear. Overall a very positive experience from the perspective of a boat owner. Peter is welcome to rent by boat any time going forward. Bravo!

Questions?

Check out our FAQ's at support.boatbound.co

If you don't find an answer to your question, drop us a line at support@boatbound.co and we'll be happy to help.