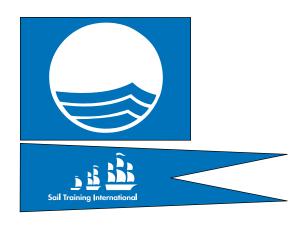
Sail Training International

BLUE FLAG SCHEME





Protecting the marine environment is important to all of us. We hope you share our view that it is particularly important for sail training vessels to set a good example, for the trainees who sail with you and those who see your vessel in port.

We have therefore joined forces with the Foundation for Environmental Education to introduce and promote their 'Blue Flag' scheme for sail training vessel owners/operators that belong to one of Sail Training International's member national sail training organisations, or who compete in our races. It is known as the 'Sail Training International Blue Flag Scheme'.

The Foundation for Environmental Education's Blue Flag scheme was introduced many years ago, initially to promote clean beaches and marinas. More recently the FEE extended the scheme to include boat owners. Environmental agencies and organisations around the world promote the Blue Flag scheme.

This new initiative is a collaboration between the Foundation for Environmental Education, based in Denmark, and Sail Training International. It is administered by Sail Training International working with our member national organisations.

Joining the Sail Training International Blue Flag Scheme is simple. Complete the attached application form, sign the attached Code of Conduct and send them both (by mail, fax or email) to:

Francoise Pinget
Sail Training International
5 Mumby Road
Gosport
Hampshire PO12 1AA
England

Fax: +44 (0)23 9258 4661

Email: blueflag@sailtraininginternational.org

In return you will be sent:

- a certificate of acceptance (which you should carry on board your vessel).
- the Sail Training International Blue Flag Scheme flag and pennant in a suitable size for your vessel (which we ask you to display when you are in a port).
- a small poster for you to display on board for the benefit of your trainee crew members.

Blue Flag is a programme of the Foundation Environmental Education (www.fee-international.org). Sail Training International is the international voice of the sail training industry and promotes youth development through sail training (www.sailtraininginternational.org).





