

STI Ships Council
Tall Ships Forum and Small Ships Forum
Membership

The Tall Ships Forum (TSF) and Small Ships Forum (SSF) are advisory groups within Sail Training International that report to the Trustees, the International Council and Members on matters arising from regulatory, operational, financial and programmatic issues. The scope of work for these two bodies shall be established jointly by the Forums (STISC) and the Trustees, reflecting the mandate above and, generally, matters that relate to, and support, sail training.

Membership

Membership is open to all sailing vessels, whether owned and operated by charities, foundations, associations, governments, commercial organisations or private persons.

Members should be actively involved in sail training.

Membership criteria

Operators of monohull sail training vessels, with a waterline length of over 9.14m (30ft), that undertake sail training, and comply with all legal and relevant regulations and manning requirements laid down by their flag state/national authority.

Membership is divided into two operating groups:

1. The TSF, Tall Ships Forum, includes vessels that comply either by regulation or voluntarily with international regulatory provisions like Solas and STCW or similar (for example naval vessels).
2. The SSF, Small Ships Forum, predominantly for smaller vessels (< 24 m), typically governed by pleasure craft regulations or similar.

Members that cease to meet the membership criteria may have their membership revoked by the membership committee (STI SC).

Change of flag or ownership will lead to termination of membership; a new application may be submitted.

Any membership may be subject to review by the SC.

Membership application

Candidates may apply to join the TSF or the SSF by completing this application form. Applications must be submitted to the STISC Executive Committee for review and approval or rejection.

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Application**

Please complete the following 3 sections and remit a copy to STI Ships Council, Membership Evaluation Committee

Direct your application to:

tallshipsforum@sailtraininginternational.org OR smallshipsforum@sailtraininginternational.org

OR via regular post to:

Sail Training International - Ships Council
att. Paul Bishop
Charles House, Gosport Marina , Mumby Road
Gosport , Hampshire PO12 1AH
UK

SECTION ONE: IDENTIFICATION

Considering the brief description of the two operating groups (TSF and SSF) outlined in “Criteria for Membership” above, to which of the two groups do you consider your vessel to belong?

TSF SSF

Name of Vessel: _____

Name of Operating Organisation: _____

Name of Vessel Owners if different from Operators: _____

Name of National Sail Training Organisation to which the applicant belongs:

Contact details: (address, telephone, e-mail address, website)

SECTION TWO: VESSEL PARTICULARS

Flag State (Country of Registration) _____

Rig Type: _____

Length Overall: _____ Beam _____ Draught: _____

Tonnage: GT _____ Displacement: _____ Sail area: _____

Please declare what Flag State/National Authority regulations this vessel is certificated under (e.g. SOLAS):

Please declare what Flag State/National Authority manning requirements this vessel operates under (e.g. STCW):

Number of trainees: _____ Number of crew: _____

Where does your vessel generally trade (operate)? _____

Year and place of build: _____

Please declare what your rig maintenance and rig survey schedules are:

SECTION THREE: SAIL TRAINING PROGRAMME

Sail Training International is committed to the following objectives and seeks, therefore, to ensure that member vessels are, embrace and practice said objects, to wit:

“the development and education of people, regardless of nationality, religion or social background, through sail training so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and that their conditions of life may be improved

By signing this application form, the applicant indicates his endorsement of the STI mission.

I declare that this vessel meets the membership criteria:

Signature of applicant: _____

Date of Application: _____

Position of person completing this application:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please provide a brief description (100 words or less for each of the following)

1. of your vessel's sail training activities together with an extract of your training scheme (if available)
2. of participation during recent years or planned participation in near future events organized by your NSTO and/or STI
3. of your vessel's other activities apart from sail training activities

(These descriptions may form part of STI's information database on the activities of the vessels related to STI. The information given will be treated confidentially and will have no bearing on this application.)