



LAKE MONROE SAILING ASSOCIATION, INC.

Buoy Field Mooring Method

While LMSA furnishes the mooring, you are responsible for furnishing and installing two tether lines that fasten your boat to the mooring. You are responsible for attaching the tethers in the spring and removing them in the fall. (See **User Rules, 5.f and 11.b.**) For your protection and the protection of other boats moored in the buoy field, please comply with the following standards:

- Nylon tether lines must be a minimum of 1/2" in diameter and between 6 and 8 feet long. These lines should be secured to the top ring of the buoy.
- Depending on the height of your bow above the water, keep the mooring lines short enough and attach a float so they do not wrap under the buoy.
- Connect each of your lines separately to the top of the swivel, so that if one line fails, the other will serve as a backup.
- Use properly installed thimbles (galvanized) and shackles on each line to avoid excessive wear at the point of connection.
- Use stainless steel wire or plastic wire ties to secure the shackle pins so the shackles will not loosen.

Finally, remember that the other end of the lines where they connect to your boat are just as important. Protect the lines from chafing and make sure the fittings on your boat are properly secured and adequate to hold your boat in a storm.

There are several locations in Indianapolis that stock properly assembled mooring lines. No boat should be improperly secured in the buoy field for lack of a proper rig. If you need assistance, please request help from the facility manager.

1/2" nylon tether lines, 2 each, maximum of 8 feet, with thimble eyes, each shackled separately to buoy ring. Attach floats to one or both lines.

