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THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE INTO PRACTICE IN A SIMULATED RACE ENVIRONMENT. YOU ALREADY KNOW HOW TO SAIL AND HOW TO RACE; NOW YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO USE THOSE SKILLS AS PART OF A RACE STRATEGY. THERE IS NO FORMAL STRUCTURE TO THIS MODULE AS IT IS CREATED BY THE SKIPPER ON REVIEW OF THE WEATHER AND TIDES ON THE DAY OF DEPARTURE.



**AT THE END OF THE MODULE YOU WILL HAVE A MUCH CLEARER IDEA OF HOW TO ORGANISE, RUN AND RACE A LARGE YACHT.**

James Allen, Head of Clipper Training, explains: "Sail Strategy is a very exciting and exhilarating course. Everything up to now is designed to equip students with the tools to be able to sail and race safely. Now sailing tactics are explored as trainees explore the various ways to make the boat go faster."

For this module, you will join a group of fellow trainees to form a working crew. The basic jobs are shared out, so you will have the opportunity to helm, work on deck and perform domestic tasks. The difference is that people's strong points are identified; for example, who is best at light wind helming, who is happy up the mast in a blow or who loves getting wet on the foredeck.

You will also explore sailing tactics. For example, choosing the best tack for wind and tide direction, working out whether to go around the leeward or

windward side of an island or deciding if it's best to use the heavyweight spinnaker or a poled-out headsail in strong winds.

**DURATION: 5 DAYS**

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS TO INSTRUCTOR 17:1**

**PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:  
BIG BOAT SAILING COURSE**

**LOCATION: GOSPORT**



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