

## Troubleshooting:

**Problem:** The sail is twisted every time it comes out of the sock.

**Solution:** Open the top of the sock and make sure that the swivel at the end of the head pennant is working properly.

**Problem:** When jibing, the sail gets caught in-between the headstay and the mast and is difficult to move around.

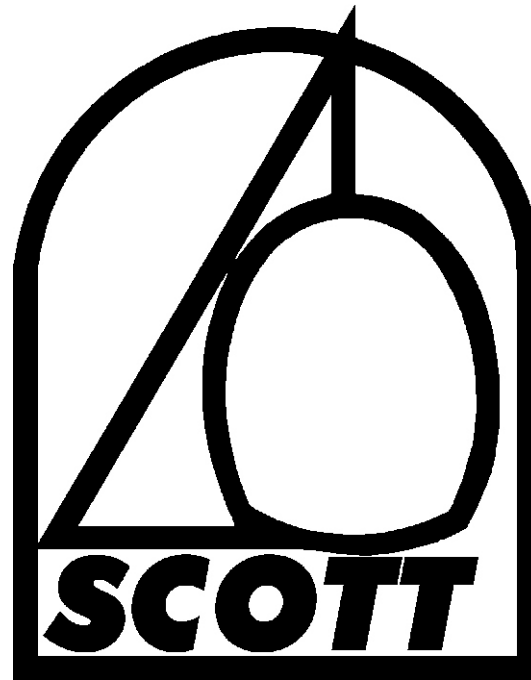
**Solution:** When starting into your jibe ease the sheet a lot when the boat is pointing dead down wind the clew should be parallel to the headstay. Continue turning the boat and pull the new sheet fast.

**Problem:** When going almost dead downwind the sail luffs on the leech side.

**Solution:** Ease the sheet even further the sail is over trimmed.

**Problem:** When reaching the top of the sail curls to leeward and is not stable.

**Solution:** Tighten the tack line, this will tighten the luff up and make the sail more stable and curl properly.



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## Set Up

The sail should be flown from a spinnaker halyard. It should be tacked just in front of the headstay and have two sheet blocks within six feet of the transom. If a tack point is not available in front of the headstay consider tacking it on a short pennant. This allows the block to float in front of the headstay and reduce chafe on the tack line. The size sheets is determined by the length of the boat and light enough to let the clew float in light winds.

## Flying

The Cruising Spinnaker trim is similiar to a symmetrical spinnaker. The tack line is adjusted before setting. A length of about two feet if you will be close reaching or a length of six feet if you will be running. Proper trim of the sail is easy and can be done by letting the sheet out until the luff of the sail takes about a twelve inch curl. On our racing trim we leave the curl in but we also have a trimmer constantly playing the sheet. An appropriate trim for

cruising would be to establish the curl and then trim the sail in eighteen inches and cleat it off.

## Jibing

Jibing the Cruising Spinnaker can be simple with a little practice. Recommended jibing is passing the clew in front of the headstay. By jibing outside the headstay, the tack line, halyard and sock stay clear of the headstay. Remember; when setting up your sheets make sure they pass between the headstay and the luff of the sail. When you go into your jibe ease the sheet until the clew is abeam of the headstay while the boat is heading downwind. As the boat goes through the jibe start pulling in on the new sheet and continue to pull until you have pulled the sail through and it fills on the other side.

## Dowsing

The only trick here is too ease the sheet enough to spill the wind out of the sail before pulling down on the sock.