**How to Rig/De-Rig a Cape Cod Mercury**

1. Rigging:
   1. Point boat into the wind as much as possible.
   2. **CVS:**
      1. **Get into boat, drop center board by undoing cleat.**
      2. **Loosen the “vang” in its jam cleat**
      3. **Grab/uncleat the main sheet**
   3. Grab a rudder and place it on its track
   4. Undo the halyard (don’t let go of it!) and place the main sail on it via the “shackle” at the head of the sail
   5. Place the “clew” (back corner of sail) into the boom
   6. Place grommet at the “tack” (front corner) of the sail to secure it
   7. Take outhaul through grommet at the clew of sail. Place it again through the ring at the back of the boom. Secure w/ two half-hitches on a bight.
   8. Place luff (front end of sail) through the guide track of the main sail. Pull the halyard to raise the sail and secure w/ a hitch!
   9. Take the slack out of the vang.
   10. **You’re ready to sail!**
2. Furling the sail:
   1. Undo cleat hitch at Halyard and loosen up vang.
   2. Descend the sail until it’s 1 foot raised. Cleat it off again.
   3. Loosen the main sheet and throw it on the bench.
   4. Grab the luff of the sail and roll it towards the boom.
   5. Secure w/ blue shock cords x2.
   6. Raise centerboard.
3. Full de-rigging:
   1. Tie up as if furling (see steps a-c above)
   2. Undo outhaul at the clew
   3. Take halyard out of main sail
   4. Re-secure halyard and re-cleat it
   5. Remove rudder
   6. Raise centerboard