# SHIPPING SHTP BOATS BACK TO OAKLAND

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### **Shipping Overview:**

Boats must have a trailer. Matson is the shipping company - booking: 888-362-8766.

Boats can be loaded on a barge in Port of Nawiliwili, Kauai for transport to Oahu. From there they will be loaded on a ship to Oakland. You can also sail directly to Oahu for shipping to Oakland with a cost reduction of about \$450. In the latter case you will have to arrange your own services to de-mast your boat, load it on your trailer and deliver the loaded trailer to Matson. I am told the sailing between Kauai and Oahu is "a bitch" (wind, waves and cross current), but doable. Hell, you just sailed 2,100 nm across the Pacific. Sailing time from Hanalei Bay to Nawiliwi is about 7 hours.

#### **Shipping Cost:**

TBD We will have a special rate. In 2010 and 2012 it cost about \$6,000 to ship my Express-27 from Nawiliwili to Oakland. Cost is determined by the overall length, width and height of the trailer-boat combo without including the mast in that measurement. Matson ships the trailers to HI for free and charges for the return trip. You can pay for your shipping in Nawiliwili at Matson.

### **Shipping Dates:**

Trailer are shipped to HI from the Matson Docks in Oakland (near Jack London Square). The convenient shipping dates (nearest the start of the SHTP) are June 17 and July 1. You can drop off you trailer up to 10 days before those dates. You will need to have booked your reservation by the time you drop off your trailer. You will also need the trailer's S/N and trailer license plate #. Any/all boxes on the trailer must be unlocked for agriculture inspection in HI. Failure to unlock them will most likely result in your trailer being quarantined and not available to you until it has been inspected. Note, the Ag inspectors have other work around the Island and may not be available when you need them so...unlock your damn boxes.

Shipping time from Oakland to HI is about 10 days.

Barge shipping dates from Nawilwili to Oahu are every other Thursday...July 28th and August 11th. You can drop off your loaded trailer and pay your shipping fees up to a week before those dates. Sailing dates from Oahu to Oakland are August 4th and August 16th respectively. Arrival dates in Oakland are August 12th and August 24th respectively.

## **De-masting/Loading Trailers:**

We (SSS) have been working with Larry Conklin of Island Crane in Kauai for a few years (since the 2008 SHTP, I think). He has a large truck-mounted crane. In Nawliwili, Larry will remove your mast, load the boat on your trailer, load your mast on your boat and tow your boat/trailer to Matson. You will be responsible derigging mast for removal, securing mast on your boat and boat on your trailer. **Attached find a 4-page document from Larry which gives more information and asks and questions.** On a personal note, he is great to work with and he is very skilled. You do not have to use Island Crane if you don't want to.

#### Other Stuff:

Before accepting your boat/trailer combo, Matson will inspect them for damage (much like a car rental agency when you return a car). They do not insure anything in the boat and you will sign a paper saying there is nothing valuable in it. I have shipped TAZ!! twice and have had no damage nor missing stuff.

For shipping back to Oakland, you can lock your boat and trailer boxes. As part of his fee, Larry will tow your trailer to the loading site and tow your loaded trailer back to Matson (3/8 mi.).