

SAIL CANADA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

YACHT AND SAILING CLUBS

Yacht Clubs, Sailing Clubs, and Windsurfing Clubs are the foundation of the Sail Canada membership program. Sail Canada is the national voice for Canadian sailors from recreational boating, to competitive and international racing. There are over 300 clubs currently members of Sail Canada.

Clubs become members of Sail Canada by applying to their respective Provincial Sailing Association. The annual club membership fee is based on the number of members in each club and is calculated on “adult”, “family” or equivalent membership categories. The membership fee is paid to Sail Manitoba, a portion of that is forwarded to Sail Canada. For further information, or to become a member club please contact Sail Manitoba.

All persons recognized as members in good standing of Sail Canada/Sail Manitoba member club are considered to be members of Sail Canada. A club listing of all members should be provided to Sail Canada/Sail Manitoba so that services may be provided to all members.

SERVICES AND BENEFITS TO CLUBS

All clubs that are current members of Sail Manitoba and Sail Canada benefit from the following services:

- Sail Canada Membership cards for individual members of clubs, and certificate of membership for organizations are provided
- Voting rights at Sail Canada’s Annual General Meeting
- Sail Canada represents the interests of clubs to: ISAF, political forums, Coast Guard, government agencies, marine organizations, etc.
- Assistance with racing development clinics, regatta management (consultation)
- Access to Sail Canada’s national instructor training programs, instructor placement service and job advertising
- Members of the club gain “right to race” in events, using the Racing Rules of Sailing
- Access to appeals and protest process
- May receive and contribute to Sail Canada’s email newsletter, the Canadian Sailing Review
- Sail Manitoba newsletter, directory, and mailings
- Reciprocal privileges with other clubs (encourage and facilitate)
- Special Insurance rates on Directors Liability, sailing school, and regatta liability insurance

- Outboard Motor & Inflatable Discount Program – Mercury Marine – contact Sail Canada for details
- R.C. Stevenson Boat Loan Fund. This fund was established to assist Sail Canada member clubs in the purchase of sailboats to be used for junior training
- Access to Sail Canada Financial Assistance program , such as donation receipt programs, or funding assistance for high performance athletes, and programs
- Sail Canada’s annual directory
- Opportunity to host provincial, national and world championships
- Access to resources such as Sail Canada’s “How to” publications, Sail Directors Handbook, Race Management, Protest Committee Handbooks, Media Guide, etc.
- Link to and listing of your club on Sail Canada’s website
- Able to participate in Sail Canada’s national awards program
- Invited to use BMO Affinity MasterCard. With each use you help support the Canadian Sailing Team.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS OF CLUBS

Members of Sail Canada affiliated clubs are entitled to these services and benefits:

- Sail Canada membership card obtained through the club office
- Reciprocal privileges with other clubs
- “Right to race” in events (provided other eligibility criteria are met)
- Able to participate in Sail Canada and Sail Manitoba championships
- Maintenance of racing rule structure
- Right to appeal decisions of protests to Sail Canada or Sail Manitoba
- Handicapping information
- Ability to participate in race officer training program
- Ability to participate in judge and umpire training programs
- Offshore sail numbers registry
- Participation in Sail Canada’s Awards program
- Access to Provincial and Canadian Sailing Team programs as per established criteria
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- Access to the Sail Canada’s Financial Assistance program, such as donation receipt programs, or funding assistance for high performance athletes, and programs