



ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MANDATE

5/12/09

- PURPOSE: To improve Ontario Sailing's **capacity to develop athletes** for greater racing pursuits.
- GOAL: For Ontario's sailors to achieve **athletic excellence** as part of their progression towards National Sailing Team status.
- MAKEUP: Committee is lead by one Chair and one Vice-Chair plus representatives for: athletes, coaches, parents and Ontario Sailing. Membership is by invitation of the Committee Chair (who is appointed by the Executive Committee) in consultation with the Executive Director or their designate.
- Role: The Chairperson of the Athlete Development Committee reports to the Board of Directors through a designated board member. The Chair works hand-in-hand with the Executive Director or their designate.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1 Develop, with the help of Ontario Sailing staff, an annual Athlete Development training program, and **recommend the plan**, complete with budget, to the Board for approval.
- 2 Establish the criteria for the Ontario Sailing Team (OST) and monitor the promotion of the team and the selection process. This includes input into the fee, the costs and the benefits of membership. Working with the staff and through the Chairperson, **monitor** the activity and performance of the plan, including recommendations to modify the plan.
- 3 **Actively volunteer** and recruit volunteers to help in a hands-on manner to implement training activities within the plan.
- 4 To visibly **extend Ontario Sailing's presence** by wearing appropriate Ontario Sailing apparel and bringing greetings from Ontario Sailing at various events.
- 5 To review and revise the Athlete Development portion of our annual **submission to the Ministry** of Health Promotion.

- 6 Support the volunteer requirements of **Quest for Gold**, such as an Athlete (criteria) Selection Committee.
- 7 Help establish goals for Ontario Sailing's Regional, Development and Paralympic Centres and assist in the evaluation of the centres.

SUB-COMMITTEES AND ASSIGNED TASKS:

The Committee may work efficiently with specific assignments of volunteers, sub-committees or task forces. The lead volunteer of each task must work hand-in-hand with the Chairperson and staff. A Sub-Committee may make recommendations to the Chairperson of the Committee (and in turn to the Executive Committee). The Chairperson and the Executive Director will be ex-officio members of all sub-committees or working groups.

The Chair of this committee will serve on the Awards and Volunteer Recognition Committee.

SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT: To ensure all activities meet all safety and environmental standards and any laws, rules and/or regulations that may pertain to the program and the location of the program.

TIME COMMITMENTS: The Committee will meet as necessary, normally 4 - 8 times a year.