

Sail Canada: Judges Program

Overview



Sail Canada Judges program has 3 aims:

- To serve the sport by:
- Encourage sailors to become involved in protest hearings at all levels of competition
- Producing well qualified and experienced personnel who can undertake protest hearings at all levels of competition
- Actively improve the knowledge and skills of judges by providing seminars and training material



Responsibility for program

- Sail Canada Judges Sub-Committee (JSC) is responsible for:
 - Certifying three levels of judge: Club, Regional and National, and ensuring their nation-wide representation
 - Developing training material for all judges
 - Setting standards of achievement required to attain each level



What makes a good judge?

- Displays a confident knowledge and understanding of the Racing Rules of Sailing
- Is unbiased in his/her judgements
- Is a sympathetic arbitrator
- Can draw on personal experience to reach sound decisions



Levels of Judges

Sail Canada administers three levels, Club, Regional and National Judges (Fourth level, International Judge, is administered by ISAF)

Criteria for Sail Canada levels are:

- Theory (attending seminars and including passing a written test within the past 4 years)
- Practice – Protest committee work and preferably also Race Committee experience
- Reporting / record keeping
- References
- It is also recommended that their active participation in racing continues
- Certification is for a period of 4 years, ending on Dec 31st





For more information about the Sail Canada
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