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## CYA Accredited Coach Evaluators

In order to become a Canadian Yachting Association certified coach in the dinghy sailing scheme coaches are required to successfully complete a practical in-field evaluation. As of July 1st 2010 a practical evaluation became an additional requirement in many instances where coaches are seeking recertification. These evaluations are to be conducted by a currently certified CYA Evaluator who evaluates real life on-water and on-shore coaching and instruction of CYA Learn to Sail or Learn to Race junior programming in a sailing school setting.

Ontario Sailing has expressed a need for additional evaluators to meet the high demand for in-field coach evaluations. It is understood that other provinces could also benefit from having a growth in their pool of CYA Coach Evaluators.

CYA has created a 'fast-track' evaluator accreditation process that will allow provinces to nominate former CYA Black Instructor Evaluators to become 'Accredited CYA Evaluators'. The process has been created to meet the current demand for evaluators within the current CYA coach development program. It is intended for qualified individuals who are interested in conducting Evaluations only – it is not intended for former CYA Black IE's wishing to recertify their coach levels (*if they do they simply must enter CYA's Coach re-certification process*).

Accredited CYA Evaluators will be required to register with the CYA and once registered will hold liability insurance covering them while performing evaluations. A \$15.00 processing fee will be added to the standard coach registration fee (\$160) at the time of Evaluator Registration, for a total registration fee of \$175 for 2011.

Applications to enter the process for accreditation are due at [CYA office](#) no later than February 28<sup>th</sup> 2011.

- Applicants to the evaluator accreditation process are to be submitted to CYA by the nominating Provincial Sailing Association;
- Candidates' requests for consideration to enter the Evaluator accreditation process should be in the form of a brief Sailing and Leadership CV that outlines:
  - Past CYA Sailing and Coaching experience;
  - Knowledge of the CYA Learn to Sail (LTS), Learn to Race (LTR) programming and standards
  - Additional experience in sailing &/or sport programming leadership (program director / manager, coach)

The map outlining the route an eligible person is to take to be fast-tracked to CYA Evaluator Accreditation is here:

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Effective July 1 2010, the Canadian Yachting Association Coach recertification process requires coaches seeking re-certification to be evaluated. This is a process to accredit expired CYA Black Instructor Evaluators (IEs) as current CYA LTS/R Coach Evaluators in order to assist Provincial Sailing Associations (PSAs) that have identified an increased demand for in-field coach evaluations.

### Eligibility Criteria

- 1) Must be a former CYA Black Instructor Evaluator
- 2) Must be nominated by a PSA that has identified a need for additional Evaluators in their province.
- 3) Applicants to the evaluator accreditation process are to be submitted to CYA by the nominating Provincial Sailing Association. Candidates' requests for consideration to enter the Evaluator accreditation process should be in the form of a brief Sailing and Leadership CV that outlines:
  - Past CYA Sailing and Coaching experience;
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### Training of Candidate

Under the guidance of a mentor Evaluator (as approved by the CYA) the Evaluator Candidate must:

- Review and understand the material from the CYA Fundamental Course, the LTS levels he/she will be certified to evaluate & the CYA Evaluator Reference Guide
- Shadow a Senior LF/Evaluator during a context-appropriate in-field coach candidate evaluation

### Evaluation of Candidate

In order to become a certified Evaluator the candidate must:

- Demonstrate thorough understanding the material in the CYA Fundamental Course, the LTS/R structure & content, and the material in the CYA Evaluator guide.
- Be successfully evaluated by a senior Evaluator & /or CYA appointed personnel while conducting a coach evaluation of the applicable stream (LTS or LTR).

### Restrictions with this Evaluator Accreditation

- Certification as an Evaluator is context specific – LTS Evaluators will not be eligible to conduct LTR evaluations & vice versa
- Evaluators certified through this process will not be qualified to conduct Coach Development Clinics, or grant CYA certification at any other level
- Candidates are permitted up to three attempts to complete a coach evaluation successfully.
- Certification obtained through this process will be valid for 18 months from the date of certification.
- Applications are to be submitted to CYA by the candidate's PSA by February 28 2011

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