

## **ASSISTANT RACE OFFICER (ARO)**

Effective April 23, 2020

### **Description**

- ***Be a part of a team of volunteers who are passionate about sailboat racing.***
- Assistant Race Officer (ARO) is the entry level to four levels of Sail Canada certification for Race Officers.
- An Assistant Race Officer (ARO) is capable of assisting in the running of a race as a member of the Race Committee crew of a regatta.
- Roles include Sounds Signaler, Flags Signaler, Official Timer, Line Judge and Recorder. These are all critical functions for any sailing event. Any Race Officer appreciates the experience and enthusiasm of an ARO.

### **Certification**

- Certification of an ARO is managed by the Sail Canada Race Management Course Conductor (RMCC) who will register the candidate with their Provincial Sailing Association or Sail Canada.
- Certification is valid for four years\*<sup>1</sup>.
- Certification requires the candidate to register, including accepting the Sail Canada Code of Conduct (Appendix E), through the Sail Canada database.

### **Prerequisite**

- Successful completion of the 4 hour Sail Canada ARO Race Management Course presented by a Sail Canada Race Management Course Conductor (RMCC).

### **Training Book requirements**

- Join the Race Committee Team!

### **Recertification**

- By the Provincial Sailing Associations (PSAs) after evidence of an applicant having served on race committees at four or more events in the previous certification period.
- Application to PSA for re-certification on Sail Canada Race Officer Application Form.

### **What is the next level?**

- If you are enjoying being part of the team you might consider working towards the Club Race Officer level. A Club Race Officer (CRO) manages the 'on the water' activities at a club level.

