

Sailing Director Posting West Vancouver Yacht Club

Position: Sailing Director Location: West Vancouver Yacht Club, West Vancouver, BC Canada

Are you passionate about sailing and fostering a love for the sport in others? West Vancouver Yacht Club (WVYC) is seeking a dynamic and experienced Sailing Director to lead our sailing programs and initiatives. Located in the picturesque setting of West Vancouver, WVYC is a vibrant community of sailing enthusiasts dedicated to promoting the sport and fostering the development of sailors whatever their age, encouraging lifelong participation. Many of our sailors go on to race all around the world at the highest level. Our Club is located at the confluence of Howe Sound, Georgia Strait and English Bay at the base on the North Shore mountains just a 20min drive from downtown Vancouver and 70mins from Whistler.

Responsibilities:

1. **Program Development:** Design and implement comprehensive sailing programs for all ages and skill levels, including youth, adult, and competitive sailing programs.
2. **Instruction and Personnel Development:** Mentor and support sailing instructors to ensure the highest quality of instruction of sailing techniques, safety procedures, racing tactics, gear maintenance and best practices. Provide temporary expert instruction coverage as needed.
3. **Event Coordination:** Organize and oversee club regattas, races, and other sailing events. Collaborate with club members and volunteers to ensure successful event execution.
4. **Fleet and Facilities Management:** Manage the club's fleet of sailboats, including maintenance, repairs, and upgrades and ensure that Club's sail training facilities are always kept tidy. Develop a long-term fleet plan to ensure the club's equipment remains modern and safe.
5. **Member Engagement:** Work closely with the Junior Sailing and Fleet Committees to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment for all members. Encourage participation in sailing activities and promote a sense of community within the club.
6. **Safety Compliance:** Develop and enforce safety protocols and regulations to ensure the well-being of all participants. Stay informed about current sailing safety practices and implement necessary changes as needed.
7. **Administration:** Handle administrative tasks related to sailing programs, including budgeting, scheduling, and record-keeping. Communicate effectively with club management, staff, and members.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of 5 years of experience in sailing instruction and program management.
- Recognized sailing certification (e.g., Sail Canada Instructor Certification).
- Strong leadership and communication skills, with the ability to inspire and motivate others.
- In-depth knowledge of sailing techniques, equipment, and safety procedures.
- Experience organizing sailing events and regattas.
- Ability to work evenings and weekends as needed.
- Bachelor's degree in a related field (preferred).

Join WVYC and be part of a dedicated community passionate about promoting sailing. If you're ready to take the helm and lead our sailing programs to new horizons, we want to hear from you!

To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter to manager@wvyc.ca by 1st April 2024