



Race Team Coach

The Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated Race Team Coach to lead and develop our youth racing program for the 2026 season. RNYC is located on beautiful Conception Bay, just outside St. John's, NL and has a dedicated sailing centre with 4 coachboats, a dinghy fleet of Optimists, ILCA's, 420s and 29ers and an active keelboat racing and cruising community.

Position Overview

The Race Team Coach is responsible for training and developing RNYC's racing teams (Group A 420, 29er, ILCA & Group B Opti sailors), coordinating seasonal programming, supporting regatta participation, and maintaining communication with families of 8-10 athletes in each division.

Seasonal Position | May/June – September 2026 (spring and fall extension based on availability.)

Program Structure

Spring (May/June)

- Prepare and deliver practices prior to full summer programming
 - Group A: up to 3 practices per week
 - Group B: 2 practices per week (together with Assistant Coach)

Summer Season (July–August)

- Group A: Full-day training Monday to Friday
- Group B: Three practices per week (together with Assistant Coach)

Fall Season (September–October)

- Return to spring-style training schedule until program conclusion at the end of October

Regattas & Travel

The coach will lead the team at 4-5 regattas throughout the season, including:

- Minimum two travel regattas (examples: Sail East, ARK)
- Minimum two home regattas

Key Responsibilities

- Plan and deliver safe, engaging on-water and dry-land training
- Foster athlete development, teamwork, and sportsmanship
- Maintain regular communication with parents (WhatsApp group)
- A commitment to maintenance of equipment and program resources
- Prepare athletes for competition and travel to regattas.
- Collaborate with the Sailing School Head Coach, Instructors and Sailing School Executive
- Prepare end-of-season report to RNYC Sailing School Executive

Qualifications

- Experience as Race Team coach, preferably including team travel
- Racing experience at Regional level
- Registered as an instructor (at least CanSail 3/4 level) with Sail Canada
- Strong leadership and communication skills
- Ability to work positively with youth athletes
- Safe Sport, MED, First Aid, PCOC, ROC(M) certification
- Vulnerable sector screening

Compensation

Competitive seasonal compensation based on experience and certifications. Incentives for relocation to NL and accommodation available.

How to Apply

Please submit applications **by 15 April 2026** to include:

- Resume
- Brief summary of sailing or coaching experience
- Two references

to: Kathy Evans, General Manager, Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club. Manager@rnyc.nf.ca