

## **Sail Canada 2015 Pan American Games Internal Nomination Procedures**

2015 Pan American Games

Location: Toronto, CAN

Dates: July 10-26, 2015

This document establishes the process and criteria to be used to select the 2015 Pan-Am Games team.

### **Qualification is a three-part process:**

*As the host nation the qualification for Canadians is simplified in that we are guaranteed entry in each event.*

- 1) Qualify the country (Country Qualifiers below, *Host Nation receives berth*)
- 2) Satisfy the Canadian Olympic Committee Selection Criteria or other criteria adopted by COC and/or the organizing Authority for the Pan Am Games
- 3) Selection of individual athlete/teams to represent Canada, entry is limited to one entry per event per country.

### **Fleet Sizes:**

RSX Men	7
RSX Women	6
Laser Men	12
Radial Women	12
Sunfish – Open	12
Snipe – Open	10
Lightning – Mixed	7
Hobie 16 – Open	7
J24 – Open (4 person)	6
49er FX – Women	6

### **Eligibility**

- A competitor may compete to qualify for the 2015 Pan Am Games only for the nation for which he/she is IOC eligible.
- Nationality rules and requirements apply to all members of crew. Selection to the Pan-American Games team is open to members in good standing of Sail Canada, who are Canadian Citizens holding a valid Canadian Passport.
- Mixed Lightning requires a minimum of one male and one female on each team.
- All competitors must be at least 15 years old during the year of the Games.

## Qualification Schedule – Country Qualifiers

Note: As host nation Canada qualifies automatically.

Class	Regatta/Event	# of countries that qualify
RSX Men	2014 MOCR	1
	2014 South American Championship	2
	2014 North American Championship	2
	2015 MOCR	1
	Host Country	1 = 7 Nations
RSX Women	2014 MOCR	1
	2014 South American Championship	2
	2014 North American Championship	1
	2015 MOCR	1
	Host Country	1 = 6 Nations
Laser – Men	2014 MOCR	1
	2014 South American Championship	4
	2014 North Americans Championship	4
	2015 MOCR	2
	Host Country	1 = 12 Nations
Radial- Women	2014 MOCR	1
	2014 South American Championship	4
	2014 North American Championship	4
	2015 MOCR	2
	Host Country	1= 12 Nations
Sunfish- Open	2014 Midwinters	2
	2014 South American Championship	4
	2014 North American Championship	4
	2015 Midwinters	1
	Host Country	1 = 12 Nations
Snipe - Open	2013 South American Championship	2
	2014 South American Championship	2
	2014 Western Hemispheres	5
	Host Country	1 = 10 Nations
Lightning (Mixed)	2014 South American Championships	3
	2014 North American Championships	3
	Host Country	1 = 7 Nations
Hobie 16 - Open	2014 South American Championship	3
	2014 North American Championship	3
	Host Country	1 = 7 Nations

J 24 - Open	2014 North Americans	2
	2014 South Americans	3
	Host Country	1 = 6 Nations

#### 49er FX – Women

	2014 South American Championship	1
	2015 Miami OCR	4
	Host Country	1 = 6 Nations

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**Note:** Selection events must be completed prior to June 10<sup>th</sup> 2015 (TBC) to facilitate entry to the Pan Am Games.

**Laser:** 2015 MOCR – Miami – January 2015 Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian athlete, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled.

**Radial:** 2015 MOCR – Miami – January 2015 Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian athlete, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled.

**RSX M:** 2015 MOCR – Miami – January, 2015 Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian athlete, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled.

**RSX W:** 2015 MOCR– Miami – January 2015 Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian athlete, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled.

**49er FX:** 2015 MOCR – Miami – January 2015 Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian athlete, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled.

**Lightning:** 2015 Canadian Lightning Pan American Games Selection Event, Toronto, ON (Target dates in window of May 22-31, 2015) Sail Canada will publish and communicate this information to its membership as soon as date and location has been confirmed. Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian team, if for some reason the top placing team declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian team until the berth is filled. All members of the qualifying team must be eligible to represent Canada at the Pan American Games. Any change to the composition of the team from qualifying to entry in the Pan American Games must be approved by Sail Canada’s Athlete Development Committee.

**Snipe:** 2015 Canadian Snipe Pan American Games Selection Event, Toronto, ON (Target dates in window of May 22-31, 2015). Sail Canada will publish and communicate this information to its membership as soon as date and location has been confirmed. Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian team, if for some reason the top placing team declines or is deemed ineligible

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Hobie 16: 2015 Canadian Hobie 16 Pan American Games Selection Event, Toronto, ON. (Target dates in window of May 22-31, 2015) Sail Canada will publish and communicate this information to its membership as soon as date and location has been confirmed. Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian team, if for some reason the top placing team declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian team until the berth is filled. All members of the qualifying team must be eligible to represent Canada at the Pan American Games. Any change to the composition of the team from qualifying to entry in the Pan American Games must be approved by Sail Canada's Athlete Development Committee.

Sunfish: 2015 Sunfish Midwinter Championship – (Date and location TBC). Sail Canada will publish and communicate this information to its membership as soon as date and location has been confirmed. Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian team, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled.

J 24: 2015 Canadian J24 Pan American Games Selection Event, Toronto, ON. (Target dates in window of May 22-31, 2015) Sail Canada will publish and communicate this information to its membership as soon as date and location has been confirmed. Awarded to the top placing eligible Canadian team, if for some reason the top placing athlete declines or is deemed ineligible by the ADC, the position will be offered to the next closest placing Canadian until the berth is filled. All members of the qualifying team must be eligible to represent Canada at the Pan American Games. Any change to the composition of the team from qualifying to entry in the Pan American Games must be approved by Sail Canada's Athlete Development Committee.

**The following sections apply to all events/classes/athletes**

1. Eligibility

To be eligible for selection to the 2015 Pan American Games Team under these selection criteria an athlete must comply with the provisions of the Sail Canada [policy on Citizenship for selection to Major Games](#) as amended from time to time, and meet the requirements of COC, ISAF and the organizing authority of the Pan American Games.

2. Injury

The ADC in consultation with the HPD and HPCM retain the right to determine at its sole discretion the course of action to be taken in the event that an athlete selected for nomination to the 2015 Pan American Games Team is injured prior to any COC, ISAF or IOC deadlines requiring specific naming of 2015 Pan American Games Team members. Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to Canadian legal principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.

3. Other Considerations

The Athlete Development Committee in consultation with the HPD and HP Coaching Staff retain the right to determine at its sole discretion the course of action to be taken in the event that an athlete selected for nomination to the 2015 Pan American Games Team is in breach of Sail Canada policy, has demonstrated poor

character or is otherwise deemed by the ADC to be unfit to represent Canada prior to any COC, ISAF or IOC deadlines requiring specific naming of the 2015 Pan American Games Team members. Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to Canadian legal principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.

4. Athlete Agreement

All nominations under these criteria shall be subject to the athlete signing an Athlete Agreement with Sail Canada, which will include an approved training and competition program, which must be followed.

5. Unforeseen Circumstances

In the event of unforeseen or unusual circumstances, as determined by the ADC in consultation with the HPD and HPCM, the ADC shall have the full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit taking into account factors and circumstances that it deems relevant. Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to Canadian legal principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.

6. Changes to this Document

The ADC in consultation with the HPD and HP Coaching Staff reserves the right to make changes to this document, which in its discretion are necessary to ensure selection of the best teams possible for the 2015 Pan American Games or to improve the clarity of a selection criteria or selection process. Any changes to this document shall be communicated to all Canadian Sailing Team Members and published to the Sail Canada website forthwith.

7. Nominations

The ADC in consultation with the HPD and HP Coaching Staff will nominate team(s) to the 2015 Pan American Games Team based on the application of these criteria.

8. Appeals

Appeals of selection/nomination decisions made by Sail Canada must be brought forward according to the Sail Canada Appeals Policy. The Sail Canada appeals policy can be found on line, as contained within the athlete agreement at [http://www.sailing.ca/images/uploads/Athlete\\_Agreement\\_2013.pdf](http://www.sailing.ca/images/uploads/Athlete_Agreement_2013.pdf) . Agreeing to be subject to the appeal procedure is a condition precedent to of being eligible for selection to the Pan American Games team, regardless of whether or not an athlete has signed the Agreement.

9. Interpretation

Requests for interpretation of the above conditions will be determined by the ADC.

10. Language

Where there is a difference in interpretation between the French and English versions of this document, then the English version shall prevail.

11. A finding of invalidity of any section of this selection criteria shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections.