

### **Membership Policy**

### Scope

This policy applies to all sailing organizations associated with sailing who wish to join Ontario Sailing.

### **Policy**

Ontario Sailing is a membership based organization that brings together groups of individuals from across the province of Ontario in pursuit of sailing and sailing related activities. These activities serve all ages and skill level. Within the Ontario Sailing membership there is a diverse group of individuals and organizations who are all part of Ontario's sailing community.

As the provincial sport organization responsible for sailing, in partnership with Sail Canada, we are linked to World Sailing Rules of Racing which allows the internationally recognized rules to apply to sailing within the province only when the designated person in charge is a member of an organization affiliated with the Sail Canada. (Rule 46).

As such, in addition to the services Ontario Sailing provides members, being a member in good standing with Ontario Sailing allows the Racing Rules of Sailing to be applied to sailing activities that take place under the umbrella of each member organization.

To maintain membership within Ontario Sailing, each organization needs to ensure their financial obligations are kept up to date, they provide the requested organization information in a timely manner and ensure the club's actions and activities are in keeping with Ontario Sailing's mission and values. Should any organization or individual fail to meet these requirements, including termination of membership for cause, they will automatically be classified as not in good standing.

Any organization wishing to join Ontario Sailing, in addition to the above, will need to be approved by the Board of Directors before their membership can become active. Additionally, any organization wishing to utilize the CANSail learn to sail and/or learn to cruise programs will be required to sign a contract before their account for the current year is activated agreeing to the fees payable per registered student.

Board approved last: Sept 16th 2019

## **Operational Procedures**

Ontario Sailing has created several categories for organizations and individuals to be able to purchase a membership to engage with Ontario Sailing. We have created definitions and fees to each category to be fair and equitable to all as much as possible.

We will work with any organization or individual wishing to join Ontario Sailing to ensure the fees are appropriate based on each organization's size.



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Member Clubs – this includes yacht clubs, sailing clubs, community clubs and windsurfing clubs. This is our largest category and includes any organization that has a group of their own members involved in activities.

Member Camp - refers to camps who offer sailing instruction.

Charters/Time Shares - refers to organizations that offer sailboat chartering. A flat membership fee is paid.

Member Affiliate - refers to associations outside of the club definition. Some examples include disabled sailing organizations and local handicapping associations.

Member Schools (Sailing Schools both Dinghies & Cruising Schools with Keelboats) - refers to schools or clubs who offer a learn-to-sail program. (Note clubs with schools will be considered, and charged, as a member club only).

### Membership Fees effective 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

(Note unless otherwise noted, 50% of the fees collected are allocated to Sail Canada)

#### **Organization Categories**

Member Clubs: Fees are based on club size, minimum payment is \$620 annually.

Member Affiliate: \$255.00 annually Member Camp: \$255.00 annually

Members Schools: \$306 annually. This fees is required by all standalone Dingy Schools and all

Cruising Schools (Schools with multiple locations are eligible for discounts.)

New Member Clubs - fees set by taking the total Sailing Senior (or family) membership and multiplying it by \$22.00 per member (one per family unit only) plus \$300 A minimum has been established by the Membership Committee of \$620.

### **Individual Categories**

Maple Leaf Individual \$28.00 (\$12.00 to Sail Canada)

CANSail Online Registration System Cost per Student Learn to Sail \$18.00/Keelboat \$22.00 Athletes \$5.00 (\$2.50 to Sail Canada)

Coaches \$5.00 (paid to Ontario Sailing from Sail Canada)

Tier One Ontario Sailing Team \$10,000 (\$11.00 to Sail Canada)

Ontario Sailing Development Team \$1200 to \$1350 (class specific) (\$11.00 to Sail Canada)

Should any member organization or individual commit misconduct or fail to meet a requirement of membership, including failing to follow through on written agreements, the Board of Directors will review their membership status. Upon a minimum of 15 days written notice to the member, the Board may pass a resolution authorizing disciplinary action including but not limited to the termination of membership for violating any provision of membership. The notice to the member will include the reasons disciplinary action is being considered. The member will have the opportunity for a written response, and if received within 15 days from original notice, the Board will consider the response in determining disciplinary action. (A copy of this policy will accompany the notice to the member.)

Last reviewed: Sept 16 2019



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Operational procedures are not approved by the Board of Directors. Operational procedures are approved by the Executive Director.