# Provincial Team Selection Policy

## Scope

This policy applies to all Ontario Sailing Team Selection processes, applying to all athletes who express an interest or an ability to potentially represent Ontario Sailing at any event.

## Policy

Ontario Sailing strives to ensure that all athletes who are registered and affiliated with sailing clubs who are members in good standing of Ontario Sailing, have equal opportunity to be considered for selection for any team representing Ontario Sailing at any level.

Ontario Sailing will set fair procedures in place to allow athletes opportunities to demonstrate that they meet a minimum level of technical skill, fitness and competition performance. Athletes will be evaluated and ranked based on performance at targeted events. Additionally Combine participation and performance at designated camps will be factors in final team selection.

The intent is to select athletes who demonstrate the highest potential to perform at a designated event. The aspiration is to have a team composition that reflects equal representation of gender and cultural backgrounds.

Base requirements to be a member on any Ontario Sailing team include:

- Be a current, registered member in good standing of Ontario Sailing.
- Ontario residency (if away at school, maintaining an Ontario residency as their home address)
- Must not be under suspension or other sanctions for any behaviour including doping.
- Must commit to sign an Athlete Agreement adhering to Ontario Sailing policies, Code of Conduct, as well as any Athlete Agreements required for any designated event or funding.
- Must be based at a training location identified by Ontario Sailing or at a suitable location agreed to by Ontario Sailing making it possible for the athlete's training plan to be carried out under regular coaching supervision.

Additionally, please note, participants for specific individual teams may be required to meet certain guidelines as laid out by the competition they are preparing for, such as age or citizenship requirements. They will also be required to be available for the entire date range as laid out by Ontario Sailing if appropriate based on the opportunity presented to athletes.

### Special Circumstances

If because of injury, illness, prohibitive causes or extenuating circumstances, an athlete is unable to meet any of the requirements in the selection procedure, the athlete may still be considered for an Ontario Sailing team. They must advise the Ontario Sailing Team Coaching Staff in writing of the injury, illness, cause, or circumstance as soon as possible. In case of illness or injury, a medical report from a doctor must also be submitted.

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## Operational Procedures

### Awareness of Opportunity

Once team opportunities have been identified, Ontario Sailing will make every effort possible to share the information both specifically with potential participants and broadly through the Ontario Sailing clubs and membership. The opportunity will be shared on Ontario Sailing's website, social media accounts and in their newsletter. Additionally, the Ontario Sailing Coaching Staff will be available to answer any questions or inquiries about the opportunity.

In all communication regarding the opportunity the associated deadlines will be clearly communicated.

### Selection Criteria to be Considered

- Ranking following performance at targeted events based on results and progression
- Performance and participation at all designated training camps
- Technical, Tactical skill and Physical Capacity and Potential as per IAPP
- Coachability Assessment

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