

Do You Need Qualified People to Run Your Races?

We know that race organizers often have a hard time finding officials to run local and regional events... and we want to help you solve that problem. One of our most important functions is training volunteers to support your racing, from casual Wednesday nights to national championships. We're here to support you. With our help, you can offer a race official seminar in your area.

What do Race Officials do?

- Race Officers select the courses, run quality races and do the scoring at your regattas
- Judges and Umpires interpret and enforce the rules to ensure fair racing

Who are Race Officials?

- Race officials serve racing sailors. Most are experienced sailors, just like your members... in fact, they can *be* your members.
- Men, women and youth sailors all make excellent officials. We are dedicated to encouraging more women and young sailors to join the corps.

Can your members participate in training courses even if they don't plan to be certified?

- Of course! Your club benefits when your members learn more about running races. The best part... it's not hard! And it's *free* to your organization.
- Did we mention ...the fun? ...the camaraderie? ...a day out on the water?

How can US Sailing help? We will assist you with...

- setting up, promoting and hosting a seminar
- selecting a Certified Instructor
- providing advance study and classroom materials created by US Sailing
- online testing and scoring after the seminar
- guidance by experienced US Sailing officials in your area

Yes, we're interested – how do we start?

- Contact our Education Department at education@ussailing.org or call 1-800-877-2451 to learn how we can help you build your race management capabilities.
- Check out the [Race Officials](#) section of our website for more information

PS – If you're interested, check out this story from World Sailing about a young person who has climbed high in the race official world: <http://sailingworldcupmelbourne.com/news/judge-danielle-youngest-female-sailing-umpire-worldwide>