

# Championships Committee

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

### 1 PURPOSE

*The Championship Committee shall coordinate, adjudicate, administer and oversee all US Sailing Adult and Youth/Junior Championships as well as provide the necessary leadership so that US Sailing Championships serve the sailing community, both now and in the future.*

### 2 COMPOSITION

- 2.1 The Championship Committee shall consist of a Chairman, a Vice Chairman ( if and when appointed by the Chairman ) and the Chairman of each of the US Sailing Adult and Youth Championship Committees. The Chairman may appoint working parties from time to time which shall be ex officio. |
- 2.2 The term of the Chairman shall be one (1) year. The Chairman and its members shall be appointed by the President and may have the recommendation of the outgoing Chair(s). Members may not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms unless an exception to this limit is approved by Board of Directors.
- 2.3 The term of each Championship committee member shall be one(1) year. A member may not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms.
- 2.4 The term of office of each committee member other than the chair of an individual championship may be up to three years beginning and ending at the close of the US Sailing National Conference or November 30<sup>th</sup>, whichever comes first at the end of the calendar year. No member of the individual committees other than the chair shall serve more than two consecutive terms.
- 2.5 The Chairman shall promptly submit the names of the |Championship Committee to Board of Directors for approval by its December meeting.

### 3 FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

The Championship Committee shall:

- 3.1 Develop and implement an annual action plan which shall give rise to the highest quality of championship racing possible.
- 3.2 Seek quality and up to date information on national sailing trends and sailor's interest in order to better support 3.1.
- 3.3 Ensure that all Championship Committees act in accordance with US Sailing Bylaws, Regulations and Guidelines with respect to any function or decision leading to each Final Championship regatta.
- 3.4 Ensure that all Championship Committees act in accordance with the direction that the US Sailing Board of Directors and Management Team have implemented.

- 3.5 Work to develop strong communication channels with Race Management, the Area Representatives and Regional Sailing Associations to insure that there is full awareness of all Championship activities and regattas across the United States.
- 3.6 Work to develop where possible and practicable common procedures and policies among all Championships and in all Championship Conditions in order to better serve our sailors.
- 3.7 Support where practicable, although not at the expense of any Championship or its regattas, the development of fleet, match and team racing in the United States.
- 3.8 Develop and publish annually the Championship Committee's Conditions and ensure Championship Committee's Terms of Reference are current with US Sailing's Regulations and Bylaws. |

#### **4 REFERENCE**

- 4.1 US Sailing Bylaws 501(1), 501(2), 511,701-4
  - 4.2 US Sailing Regulations 2.02A, 2.02E, 2.03, 4.02, 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 7.02B, 8.03B,8.08, 10 in its entirety, 12.03 if applicable, 13 14, 15 in their entirety
  - 4.3 The Committee reports to the Championship Office (US Sailing Regulation 4.02.3 C) and is a member of the Competition Division (US Sailing Regulation 4.01)
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