

# MANITOBA SAILING ASSOCIATION (MSA)

## SANCTION POLICY

### 1. Statement

This MSA policy has been established to document the criteria required for the MSA to sanction a sailing regatta or series of races. The MSA may sanction the entire event, part there of or any “on the water” event.

### 2. Definitions

Event – a series of races that constitutes a regatta including all other scheduled activities including seminars and social events.

Regatta Series – a season series culminating in final standings.

### 3. Event Prerequisites

- A. The event/race committee demonstrates the required level of quality, with controls in place to ensure the event/regatta series remains at a high level. This prerequisites shall include but not necessarily be limited to the following:
  - 1 The event must have a Regatta/Race Chair appointed
  - 2 A Race Officer must be appointed who meets the CYA Race Management level capable in running a series of races.
  - 3 A Protest Committee must be established to address protest in a fair and equitable manner.
  - 4 On the water safety must be capable of addressing emergencies of competitors
  - 5 Notice of Race meets the criteria set forth in the Racing Rules of Sailing
  - 6 Sailing Instructions must meet the criteria set forth in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
  - 7 All racing participants must be a full member of the MSA or any other Provincial Sailing Association or the CYA or US Sailing.
- B. The request for sanctioning must be received in writing at the MSA office, with proof of meeting the prerequisites, at least 30 days before the first part of the sanction event or races begin.
- C. The event cannot be sanctioned in the Notice of Race unless sanctioning has been officially received from the MSA.

### 4. Funding

An event sanctioned by the MSA might be eligible for funding. In order to get funding Clubs have to send an application to the MSA office.

### 5. Insurance

The MSA will not allocate Sport Manitoba insurance to an event or race series unless it has been approved by the MSA as a sanctioned event. Event organizers should consult/review the current Sport Manitoba Insurance Program, which is available at the MSA office.

### 6. Approval

The MSA will authorize a sailing event by giving official approval in writing. The notice of approval will come from the Executive Director and will describe if the event or parts of the event are being sanctioned.

## **7. Sanction Committee**

- A. The sanction committee will consist of the MSA President, MSA Executive Director and VP of Racing. In case of dispute the club's request will be reviewed by the MSA sanction committee. Their decision to sanction or not to sanction cannot be appealed.
- B. The sanction committee will meet as required to answer requests for sanctioning and may do through conference calls or e-mails.

## **8. Responsibility**

The administration and review of this policy is the responsibility of the VP Racing.

## **9. Policy Review and Approval**

This policy was first approved by the Board of Directors of the Manitoba Sailing Association on March 12, 2007. It was reviewed and re-approved by the Board of Directors on June 2, 2008. The date for the next re-approval is May 2009.