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Mobile Optimist Sailing School

2017 Host Club Application Form

Criteria for successful applicants include, but are not limited to:

- Good standing member of BC Sailing
- No existing Optimist training programs for youth
- Safe location for conducting sailing classes (both on the water and on shore)
- Offer amenities such as drinking water (please provide water if this does not exist)
- Offer facilities for classroom instruction and washrooms.
- Offer billeting to coaches
- Community support and/or support from club directors and members
- Dedicated volunteer(s) willing to market and administrate program
- Able to provide 1 mature volunteer (15 yrs or older), or hire 1 additional trained coach to assist BC Sailing's coaches
- If a volunteer without prior coaching experience, it is *highly recommended* he/she attend an Optimist coach development clinic in Vancouver. Each community may send one volunteer to receive this training *FREE*. Schedule to be announced on BC Sailing website in January.
- Have plans and a means to offer youth sailing programs without the help of the mobile sailing school in subsequent years, or in the near future (2 – 3 years)

Application process:

1. Please visit the MOSS website moss.bcsailing.bc.ca. In particular read the “Host Club” section for important information regarding program goals and responsibilities
2. Complete the application form and questionnaire below and submit to BC Sailing Association by **December 31st, 2016**. Applications received after this date will be considered on a first-come, first-serve basis.
E-mail: crew@bcsailing.bc.ca
3. BC Sailing will respond to all applications as soon as possible. Successful applicants will receive a start-up package with resources to help with setting up the program at your club
4. Begin registering students
5. A “healthy” number of students must be registered at least four weeks prior to course start date (ideally, at least 16 students). If registration is not looking promising, BC Sailing may cancel the class and refund any students who have already registered. Note this is a last alternative and we'll do everything we can to avoid it, however, we will not risk running the course at a loss.

Questions? Please visit moss.bcsailing.bc.ca, e-mail crew@bcsailing.bc.ca

Organization or Community: _____

Contact person (for administrative purposes): _____

Phone (h): _____ Phone (c): _____

E-mail(s) (majority of correspondence will be via e-mail): _____

Number of season's you have previously hosted MOSS (if any): _____

Number of weeks requested (1 or 2): _____

Note: Communities who have sold out or come close to selling out 1 week in a previous season are expected to host 2 weeks.

Rank from 1 to 5 your top choices of weeks to host the Mobile Optimist Sailing School:

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| _____ Week 1, July 3 – 7 (class will still be in session on holiday Monday) | _____ Week 5, July 31 – Aug 4 |
| _____ Week 2, July 10 – 14 | _____ Week 6, Aug 7 – 11 (class will still be in session on holiday Monday) |
| _____ Week 3, July 17 – 21 | _____ Week 7, Aug 14 – 18 |
| _____ Week 4, July 24 – 28 | _____ Week 8, Aug 21 – 25 |
| | _____ Week 9, Aug 28 – Sept 1 |

BC Sailing will strive to give communities their first choices. However, the schedule will be made in such a way to keep travel distances between communities each week at a minimum.

Host contact information for parents and advertising purposes:

(This will be listed on the website moss.bcsailing.bc.ca)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mailing address: _____

Sailing site address/location: _____

Billeting for two coaches (if known. You may inform us later):

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Adresss: _____

E-mail: _____

Please answer the following if hosting this program for the FIRST TIME ONLY:

1. Describe why your club and/or community is a good place to offer sailing lessons.

2. Describe the facilities you propose to host from.

3. What are the long-term plans for establishing an independent sailing program? (This should be achieved after 2 – 3 years of hosting MOSS)

4. Describe the volunteer(s) who will be the driving force behind hosting the Mobile Sailing School.