

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



Sail Able South Shore Nova Scotia, a fully inclusive program for persons with physical and/or cognitive adaptive requirements, is seeking applications for a full time Sailing Coach for the 2021 program, which is located at Lunenburg Yacht Club on the pristine waters of Princes Inlet. The program runs from the beginning of July until the third week in August, Monday to Friday, with the position running from July 1 to August 31 to allow time for orientation, scheduling and boat preparation and put away. Hours may vary based on the needs of our participants and volunteers. Specific responsibilities for this position include but are not limited to:

- Seasonal and daily boat preparation - ensure the boats and sails are in good working order and that all required safety equipment is on board
- schedule sailing sessions, create a weekly schedule that can be emailed to participants and volunteers
- volunteer coordination for each sailing session to assist with getting participants into and out of the boats as required, getting the boat safely on and off the dock, accompanying sailors in the second Martin 16 or in a safety boat
- determine if the weather and wind conditions are within the safe sailing of the boat and possibly cancel the session if not – in some cases getting to the program requires much coordination on the part of the participants' caregivers, so this must be done with ample time to change plans to avoid having them show up and be disappointed
- meeting and greeting participants as they arrive
- ensuring an appropriate personal flotation device is worn
- assist participants into and out of the boat, in some cases with the assistance of the swim lift crane
- assist, coach and accompany participants of all ages and with a wide range of sailing ability, to safely sail in a Martin 16 sailboat
- keep a log of participants' names, dates and times to be submitted to accounting at the end of each week for billing purposes
- participate in and assist with any Sail Able special events at LYC, such as an open house to encourage future participation

Required Qualifications:

- experienced dinghy sailor, proficient in all aspects of rigging, sailing, sail trimming, equipment and parts, light boat maintenance including cleaning, equipment storage of sails and all removable gear and boat prep at the start and end of the season

- Minimum trained status CANSail instructor or coach (CANSail 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 or Competition Development) with proof of valid instructor insurance through Sail Canada for the year
- previous instructing experience and/or completion of the Sail Canada Coaching Athletes with a Disability Module would be an asset
- marine radio (VHF) certification
- basic understanding of working with participants who have special needs
- kindness and compassion

Competitive salaries will be paid commensurate with experience and certification.

For further information or to apply with a resume and cover letter outlining your relevant experience, please contact Scott Covey, sacovey1@gmail.com