



Squamish Yacht Club: Head Sailing Instructor

Job posting for: Head Sailing Instructor June to August 2025.

Pay range: \$25 - \$30 / hour depending on experience and ability

The Squamish Yacht club is seeking a certified Head Sailing instructor to run the SYC Learn to Sail program this summer. Our program is a small one that consist of but not limited to:

- Our primary program is a summer sailing camp that runs Monday to Friday in July and August. For 2025 we are running a simplified sailing camp consisting of one group at a time of 12 participants and one or two Jr Instructors. Leading this camp will be the head instructor's primary task. Over 8 weeks there will be 4 weeks of an introduction to sailing for ages 7 to 11 and 4 weeks of a learn to sail program for ages 10 to 16. It is very windy in Squamish so it's sailing in the morning and games and or kayaking in the afternoon.
- There will also be a drop in sailing one evening each week for youth who are keen and club members. This can be delegated to a Jr Instructor. We have a few Jr Instructors that have come up through our program and are 15 to 18 years old.
- We will also offer adult lessons one maybe two nights each week. It is not clear if this will be a task for the head instructor TBD.

We are looking for candidates who have strong leadership, sailing and organizational skills. They must demonstrate energy, enthusiasm and the ability to relate to children, youth and adults. They will be expected to lead a small team of instructors and work as role models to create a safe, positive and inclusive experience.

We offer:

- Pay range: \$25 - \$30 / hour depending on experience and ability.
- Moorage for the summer if you have a boat that you want to live on.
- A room in a club members home, paid for by the Squamish Yacht Club.
- The opportunity to take on a role that looks great on a resume.
- Use of dinghies after hours for personal use.
- Financial assistance to complete CANSail and other required courses may be available.

What we are looking for:

- Certified CANSail instructor qualifications.
- Membership in good standing with Sail Canada.
- Ability to work through the summer. Monday to Friday July and August.
- Previous coaching experience, preferably in a lead role.

- Strong leadership, organizational, sail programming and planning skills.
- Strong communication and team relationship skills.
- Previous experience working with children and youth.
- Current First aid, CPR certification and boat safety certification.
- A current police check for vulnerable sector screening.
- A pleasure craft operators' card with experience driving coach boats.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- On water and land-based instructions and evaluation of skills as outlined in the CANSail curriculum.
- Leadership and support of the instructional team to provide a safe, positive and inclusive learning environment.
- Ongoing effective communication with parents and participants.
- Working with and receiving support from the SYC learn to sail committee.
- Responsible operation and care of sailboats, coach boats, and the sail training area.
- Administrative duties and pay will be available for those with the ability to do so.

If you are interested in the opportunity to join our team, please submit your letter of application and resume to trainingofficer@squamishyachtclub.com