



Position Title – Course Boat Crew – Mark Layer

Position Description

The Course Boat Mark Layer is responsible for the deployment and retrieval of marks and display of signals as directed by the Race Officer and Course Boat Driver.

Qualifications

No formal qualifications are required.

Preferred capabilities and experience include:

- Ability to lift heavy objects
- Proficient in basic sailing knots
- Ability to take weather observations and relay to Race Officer via radio
- Familiarity with local waterways
- Ability to use GPS
- Understanding of the Sailing Instructions relevant to the event

Equipment Required

Equipment provided by MHYC:

- GPS (fixed or handheld)
- Buoys, anchor lines, counterweights & ground tackle
- Flags, flagstuffs and change course / shorten course / course bearing boards
- Wind observing instruments (compass & anemometer)

Duties

Tasks for this Position include (but are not limited to):

- Attend the Race Management briefing two hours before race start
- Inflate the required buoys based on the sailing instructions
- Load boat with required buoys, counterweights, anchor lines and anchors.
- Provide wind strength and direction information to the RO from various locations as directed
- Setup course by deploying buoys at the direction of the Race Officer in a timely manner
- Monitor wind strength and direction and provide relevant information to the Race Officer
- Adjust the race course by retrieving and deploying marks at the direction of the RO
- Display race signals at the direction of the RO
- At the conclusion of racing, deflate buoys and return all equipment to the rack room
- Report any equipment failures to the Sailing Department