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# **Champions Support Policy**

## **Obligations**

Through the adoption of this policy, Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron (BYS) aims to assist members to participate in international sailing regattas and to ensure members in receipt of support feel encouraged and strengthened by the gesture of help afforded by the club.

#### Scope

The Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron Champions Policy is applicable to BYS Members who have a significant association with BYS.

## **Support Criteria**

- Significant international sailing regattas: support shall only be granted for participation in a significant international sailing regatta.
- The Executive Committee shall have discretion in determining what constitutes a significant international regatta.
- A significant international sailing regatta need not be conducted overseas.

# **Application for Support**

An application for support must be in writing addressed to the Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron, signed by the applicant, and provide the following minimum information:

- Details of the international sailing regatta (eg: location, date, sailing class)
- What the applicant believes their performance at the regatta will be
- The applicant's membership status at BYS
- Details of the applicant's involvement with BYS; and
- An outline of the contribution the applicant will agree to make to BYS upon being granted support
- Attend an interview with the Sailing Committee to present their case for an application of support.

The Sailing Committee shall consider all applications and make a recommendation to the Executive Committee.

#### **Selection Criteria**

In considering whether to make a recommendation to the Executive Committee to support the application, the Sailing Committee must consider whether the applicant:

- Is regularly involved in sailing at BYS
- Has an established record of success at an elite level
- Has previously received support from BYS

## **Granting Support**

The Executive Committee shall consider the recommendation of the Sailing Committee and if support is approved, determine the form of support.

The form and level of support may include:

- Money
- Goods
- Services
- Or any combination of these.

The value of support shall not exceed \$1,500 per regatta up to \$6,000 per calendar year, with these figures subject to annual CPI inflation adjusted annually on 1 May.

The Executive Committee may exceed the annual amount in exceptional circumstances.

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## **Raising Support**

The Executive Committee may authorize fund raising activities to generate support for the applicant to participate in the significant international sailing regatta. Fund raising activities will be undertaken with the active participation of the applicant if possible. All profits from funds raised shall be forwarded to the applicant.

#### **Applicants Commitment to BYS**

Any club member in receipt of support under this policy shall agree to:

- Assist the BYS sail training program by imparting their skill and knowledge gained from participating in a significant international sailing regatta
- Undertake the contributions outline in the Application for Support
- Proudly display a BYS emblem on their person when competing at the regatta. Emblems to be supplied by BYS.

## Regular review

This policy will be implemented by BYS and reviewed biennially by the Sailing Committee to ensure it continues to meet the club's objectives. Members will be notified of successful applications for support upon approval.

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