



2021 | 2022 TEAM RQYS VOLUNTEERS NEW VOLUNTEER INFORMATION



THE ROYAL QUEENSLAND YACHT SQUADRON

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"The intelligent way to be selfish is to work for the welfare of others"

Dali Lama



WELCOME

Congratulations on becoming a member of **TEAM RQYS Volunteers**. You have joined a very exclusive team responsible for providing International Standard Race Management to Local, State, National and international Regattas. As a member of the TEAM you will receive Training and Mentoring to allow you to reach your goals in a caring and FUN environment. With the 2032 Olympics Sailing Venue tentatively located at RQYS you have joined at an ideal time to gain National and International qualifications which may lead to roles at the Olympic events.

TEAM RQYS VOLUNTEER STATISTICS

- **TEAM RQYS Volunteers** encourages new volunteers to develop their personal skills through the Training and Mentoring Program
- **TEAM RQYS Volunteers** are a highly organised team, with a strong support base.
- **TEAM RQYS Volunteers** are provided with a uniform they are encouraged to wear with pride
- The RQYS Sailing Program extends the full 12 months of the year
- **TEAM RQYS volunteers** requires over 30 volunteers each weekend for club racing
- During Important Regattas **TEAM RQYS Volunteers** can require over 40 volunteers per day for up to 10 days



VOLUNTEER ROLES

On-water Roles include -

- Start Boats Crew
 - Race Officers - manage racing on water, usually stationed on the start boat
 - Timers and Recorders - keeping time for starts and finishers and recording start and finish information
 - Comms - learn to use the flags and sounds to communicate with competitors on the water. Monitor the start boat VHF Radio
- Course Boats Crews
 - Skippers - responsible for laying and changing courses,, rescue and towing
 - Crews - placing and retrieving mark buoys, assisting skipper as required
- Judges and Umpires - responsible for keeping racing fair and within the rules both on and off the water

On-shore Roles include -

- Ramp Marshall - assist competitors to launch their boats and manage trolleys
- Regatta Administration - assisting Scorers, Race Committee and Jury with posting of notices, manning information desks and much more
- Radio Operator - monitoring radio and maintaining comms during an emergency

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"Volunteers don't get paid - not because they are worthless but because they are priceless"

Sherry Andersen

TAKE THAT FIRST STEP

Once you have registered your interest with the Volunteer Co-Ordinator, you will be invited to join us on a club sailing day and given the opportunity to go out on the water on our Start Boat or one of our course boats to experience first hand what our volunteers do each weekend.

Haven't registered yet - no worries - Call the Volunteer Co-Ordinator (Nev Willis) on 0430 978 772 or Log onto www.rqys.volunteerroster.com and click the request to join button

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- Queensland Blue Card
 - As Volunteers will be working with people under the age of 18, it is mandatory that you have a **Positive Notice Blue Card** issued by the Queensland Government.
 - The application form is available on the Queensland Government website (<https://my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/login>)
- Pre-existing Medical Conditions
 - Notify the RQYS Volunteer Co-Ordinator via the Registration Form if you have any medical conditions, we should be aware of



VOLUNTEER INDUCTION

As a new member of **TEAM RQYS Volunteers** you are encouraged to attend a new Volunteer Induction session.

Volunteer Induction sessions run for approximately 1 hour the first Saturday of every month

Just log onto www.rqys.volunteerroster.com and book your spot



TRAINING & MENTORING

TEAM RQYS Volunteers offers formal Training for all volunteer roles.

Training is conducted most Saturday mornings before racing commencing at 1000 and running for approximately 1 hour

Once completed new volunteers will be mentored and assessed by **TEAM RQYS Volunteer's** group of experienced operators



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