



US Sailing Four Day Classification Seminar

October 27 – 30, 2014
US Disabled Sailing National Championship
Community Sailing Center Galveston
7509 Broadway St.
Galveston, TX 77554



The objective of the Classifier Training program is to improve the quality, consistency and fairness of classification of disabled sailors on a national level. This US Disabled Sailing Classification Training Seminar is the initial requirement in the process toward certification as a US Sailing Classifier. Participants should be qualified Medical Providers, Physical Therapists or Occupational Therapists. The Classifier Committee shall consider other medically trained personnel who have experience with persons with disabilities for seminar attendance. Sailing and / or racing experience is required. Completion of the Seminar Application Form and approval to participate in training by the Chief National Classifier is required. Once participation is approved, advanced Registration is encouraged.

Check-in will begin at 0800 and the seminar will begin at 0830 on the first day. The attendees shall achieve core competencies in application of the Functional Classification System. The seminar will focus on three areas of the classification process: Physical Disability Assessment, Dock Testing, Sail Race Observation. A test and debrief will be conducted at the end of the final day.

Instructors:

Jim Thweatt, PT
US Sailing Chief Classifier

Roger Strube, MD
US Sailing Classifier

Robert Leviton, MD, MPH
US Sailing Classifier

When: October 27-30, 2014

Where: Community Sailing Center Galveston / 7509 Broadway St. / Galveston, TX 77554

Classification Seminar Schedule:

Monday 27 October 2014

0800 Registration
0830 FCS Theory
1200 Lunch (on your own)
1300 Classroom exercises
1730 End first day

Tuesday 28 October 2014

0800 Hands on classification
with Event classifiers
1200 Lunch (on your own)
1300 Resume hands on
classification of athletes
1730 End second day

Wednesday 29 October 2014

0800 Dock tests using Three-
Person Keel Boat
1200 Racing clinic / Lunch
1330 First Appearance practice
racing observation - on the water
1730 End third day

Thursday 30 October 2014

0800 Dock tests using Three-
Person Keel Boat
1130 Racing observation - Bag
Lunch on the water
1400 Q & A period
1600 Written Classification Test
1730 Seminar end

Seminar Application Form: The US Sailing Chief National Classifier approves the applicants participation in Classifier Training based on the information submitted on the Seminar Application Form. The Form may be downloaded here:

http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Classifiers/Classifier_Training_and_Certification.htm

Registration & Cost: Following approval to attend, the applicant may submit the Regatta Network Registration Form. Advanced registration is requested. The deadline for registration is Friday 24 October 2014. The form is on the Regatta Network web site. The cost of the Seminar and exam is \$150:

Regatta Network Link TBD - Matt Hill

Preparation/Study: The core of the Seminar is the current US Sailing Functional Classification System & Procedures Manual (FCS). The Functional Classification System manual is available for on-line review and/or download on the US Sailing web site. :

http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Classifiers/Functional_Classification_System.htm

Future seminars and links to disabled sailing events will be listed on the calendar here:

http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Classifiers/Events_Hosting_Classification.htm

For further information, contact Robert Leviton, MD at rleviton@verizon.net or at (914) 715-8102.

Questions regarding online registration please email Matt Hill at MatthewHill@ussailing.org

This Classifier Training Program is held in conjunction with the US Disabled Sailing Championships and is Hosted by the Community Sailing Center Galveston. Additional information about the Regatta may be reviewed on the following web sites:

Regatta Web Site Under Development - David Gaston