

20 April 2022

Dear MNA Representatives,

**2022 World Sailing Paralympic Development Program (Kiteboarding) – Italy, June 2022**

World Sailing is pleased to invite your MNA to formally apply in writing to World Sailing regarding participation in the 2022 Para Sailing Development Program (PDP). This PDP will be the first ever Para Kiting PDP organised.

The dates of this PDP clinic are **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022** (4 days) participants will be asked to arrive on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June and depart on the evening of Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

The PDP will be held at the fully accessible venue – Univela Campione, Lake Garda, Italy.

**MNA eligibility assessment:**

World Sailing will use the information provided in the application form we ask all applicants to complete. Some of the eligibility criteria at which World Sailing will consider are listed below:

- Sailors have previous experience in kiting – this PDP will unfortunately not be able to introduce complete beginners to kiting
- Existing use of / access to Para Sailing classes of equipment
- Classified national sailors already active in disabled / Para sailing activity
- Or
- Sailors that are active but are yet to be formally classified
- Developed national Olympic sail training program infrastructure in place with possibility to add and sustain a new disabled / Para Sailing program alongside

**Who can participate?**

MNAs wishing to be part of the 2022 PDP are asked to complete a registration form for a maximum total of 3 persons that they wish to nominate to attend the clinic. The registration form is available online. Registration for the initial performance clinic is limited to the following:

- A maximum of 2 Sailors, with preference given to MNAs registering **Female** and/or **Youth (under 25 years old)** sailors. Sailors must have some experience of kiting.
- 1 MNA Coach, who must be over 18 years of age. This coach should actively work with the sailors

**World Sailing subsidies:**

- 50% of return economy travel costs for **1 coach and 2 sailors**, which will be refunded by World Sailing upon completion of the performance clinic (up to a maximum value of £300 GBP per person).
- All costs for airport transfers to/from the training venue in the host nation.
- Accommodation for sailors / coaches will be arranged at the Univela Campione for the duration of the program.
- All costs for Food for all participants (coaches and sailors)

**MNA Responsibilities:**

- MNAs successfully applying to be part of the 2022 PDP are expected to book return travel for all team members attending the clinic. The World Sailing travel subsidy listed above will be refunded to the MNA upon attendance at the clinic.
- MNAs should ensure that all sailors and coaches come to the clinic equipped with a suitable personal flotation device (buoyancy aide / life jacket) and adequate personal technical equipment and clothing (watch with countdown timer suitable for race start timings, wet weather gear etc.) for sailing at that the time of year and in the climate likely at the host venue. Coaches will be expected to wear personal flotation devices at all times whilst afloat.
- MNAs are expected to cover full and immediate payments of any additional costs incurred in relation to their attendance that are not listed as subsidised by World Sailing. These payments may include additional accommodation / food costs for teams that wish to arrive in Italy prior to 22<sup>nd</sup> June or after check out n 26<sup>th</sup> June.

**Other Important information:**

Sailors will need to bring their own kite equipment for use at the clinic.

Please include all details and positions you are applying for in the application form. It is imperative that all applicant information is included on this form.



If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Massimo Dighe, Para World Sailing Manager ([Massimo.dighe@sailing.org](mailto:Massimo.dighe@sailing.org))

Yours sincerely

Catherine Duncan

World Sailing Training and Development Executive