

American Canoe Association, Inc.

Atlantic Division Open Canoe Slalom Committee By-Laws

Chapter I - COMMITTEE NAME

This committee shall be known as the AVA Atlantic Division Open Canoe Slalom Committee of the American Canoe Association, Inc. (OC Slalom).

Chapter II - COMMITTEE BY-LAWS

These By-laws provide information and procedures for the organization and function of the Atlantic Division Open Canoe Slalom Committee.

A. Atlantic Division Open Canoe Slalom Committee Mission and Purpose

The Constitution of the American Canoe Association, Inc. states: The purpose of this Association is to unite all persons interested in canoeing and thereby through our organization to provide educational, informational and training services to increase safety, enjoyment and skills of those canoeing on rivers, lakes, estuaries and other bodies of water. The purpose of the WWOCA is, to encourage and sanction amateur competition in ... Open Canoe Slalom ... at local, regional, national, and international levels. This shall be our mission.

The Atlantic Division Open Canoe Slalom Committee's purpose is to fulfill the American Canoe Association, Inc. mandate to, promulgate and enforce the Racing Rules and Regulations of the Association governing our branch of the sport. And further, the members of the Atlantic Division Open Canoe Slalom Committee shall cause an annual, Divisional Slalom Championship Regattas, to be held at such time and place as it may select.

B. Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee By-Laws Revisions

1. Amendments to the OC Slalom Committee By-laws shall be by a majority vote of its members.
2. Any proposed amendment must be presented initially to the OC Slalom Committee Chairman.
3. A 30-day notice of proposed amendments shall be provided to OC Slalom Committee members; the notice shall state the exact wording of the proposed amendment and the rationale for the change.

Chapter III - ATLANTIC DIVISION OPEN CANOE SLALOM COMMITTEE

A. Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Membership

Voting members of the OC Slalom Committee shall consist of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Chairman, and OC Slalom Committee Members-at-large. At least 50% of the OC Slalom Committee shall be made up of individuals who are actively engaged in open canoe slalom competition.

B. Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Chairman

1. The term of office of the WWOCA Chairman shall be one year beginning the first day of the calendar year following the election. The Chairmanship must be filled by a member a Governing Member of the Atlantic Division of the ACA and be an active participant in Open Canoe Slalom events.
2. Each year at the last fall open canoe slalom event, the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee shall meet on Saturday evening to elect the OC Slalom Committee Chairman for the following year.
3. The duties of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Chairman shall be to call and to preside over Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee meetings, to maintain the records of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee, and to act on behalf of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee between meetings.

C. Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Members-at Large

1. Any ACA Governing Member who participates regularly in open canoe slalom events is eligible to join the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee.
2. The numbers of Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Members-at-Large shall not exceed twenty-five individuals and must represent a cross section of paddling clubs and organizations within the Atlantic Division as well as others with a direct interest in Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee sanctioned events.
3. The term of office of Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Members-at-Large shall be indefinite.
4. Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Members-at-Large are voting members of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee with full benefits and privileges.
5. The duties of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee Members-at-Large shall be to support and to promote the activities of the Atlantic Division OC Slalom Committee. They may be selected to represent special interests such as manufacturers or publishers, or slalom paddlers.

Chapter III - ENACTING AND SAVING CLAUSE

- A. These By-laws shall become effective, January 1, 2000.**