

World Sailing Committees

Olympic Classes Sub-committee - Terms of Reference – New Regulation 6.7.4.3

A submission from the Chairman of the World Sailing Classes Committee, International 470 Class Association and the International 49er, 49erFX & Nacra 17 Class Associations

Purpose or Objective

To amend the terms of reference of the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee.

Proposal

Insert new Regulation 6.7.4.3, as below:

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee shall be entitled to make recommendations directly to Council on matters which relate primarily to Olympic classes, and not to other classes.

Current Position

This wording was inadvertently removed from the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee terms of reference in November 2015.

Reasons

1. The Executive Committee put forward Submission 006-14 to the November Conference proposing the above Regulation 6.7.4.3 be included in the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee terms of reference. Submission 006-14 was approved by Council (37 in favour, 3 against, 0 abstain).
 2. In November 2015, as part of the structural changes being made to Committees, the Executive Committee put forward submission 020-15 which then removed the right for the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee to make recommendations directly to Council on matters which relate primarily to Olympic classes, and not to other classes. The wording in 020-15 reverted to restricting the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee to only make recommendations to Council with the endorsement of the parent Committee, which is the World Sailing Classes Committee.
 3. The views of the World Sailing Classes Committee and Olympic Classes Sub-Committee are sometimes not aligned due to the very specific different nature of "Olympic" issues and more general class issues. The Executive Committee very clearly understood this and stated as such in the reasons for proposing 006-14, as per the extracted reasons below:
 - *"Where submissions and other proposals directly relate to these matters, it is appropriate that Council should be able to receive the recommendations of the Olympic Classes Sub-committee directly, rather than only receiving the recommendation of the ISAF Classes Committee which might be different.*
 - *This will also allow to ISAF Classes Committee, if it so chooses, to focus more time debating and deciding its recommendations on matters that affect many classes, and less time on those that just affect the Olympic classes."*
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