ISAF Appointments

Submission: 012-10

ISAF Appointment of Judges and Umpires

A submission from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee

Proposal

- 18.12.9 (a) When ISAF appoints the International Jury it may, in consultation with the relevant class association and Organizing Authority, appoint national judges to the extent permitted by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
 - (b) When ISAF appoints the Umpire Team, it may, in consultation with the relevant Organizing Authority, appoint national umpires to the extent consistent with guidelines adopted by the International Umpires Subcommittee.
- 18.12.810 ISAF shall exercise the right to appoint the International Jury or the International Umpires Umpire Team for the following events:

America's Cup Series, America's Cup Challenger Series, America's Cup Defender Series, America's Cup Match:

Grade One Match Racing Events

ISAF Events as follows:

ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship

ISAF Sailing World Championships

ISAF Offshore Team World Championship

ISAF Match Racing World Championship

ISAF Women's Match Racing World Championship

ISAF Team Racing World Championship

...In addition, any other ISAF Events that are introduced.

World Championships of the Olympic Classes;

Olympic Qualifying Events;

The Olympic Sailing Competition (See Regulations 16.3 and 16.3.1);

Regional Games Category I

The Volvo Ocean Race.

18.12.911 ISAF shall approve the International Jury or the International Umpires Umpire Team when deemed necessary for the following events otherwise not covered by the Regulations above:

Regional Games Category II:

Paralympic Qualification Events;

Paralympic Games:

Special Olympics.

18.12.1012 ISAF shall have the right to approve and/or appoint the International Jury or the International Umpires Umpire Team when deemed necessary for the following events otherwise not covered by the Regulations above:

Global Ocean Races;

Grand Prix Match Racing Events:

ISAF World Sailing Rankings graded Events;

Professional Windsurfers Association Events (PWA)
Trans-Oceanic Races;
World Championships of non-Olympic ISAF Classes, when agreed with the ISAF as detailed in Regulation 26.9

Current Position

This is current ISAF practice but is not stated in the Regulations.

Reason

It has long been ISAF's practice to appoint national judges and national umpires to International Juries and Umpire panels whenever possible. This achieves several important objectives:

- 1. Development of national judges and national umpires by providing opportunities for them to work at high-level events along-side IJs and IUs; and
- 2. Helping organizers of events to which ISAF appoints judges and umpires to control costs by permitting the appointment of national officials.

The IUSC has long maintained guidelines for target mixes of Group 1, Group 2 and Ungrouped IUs, and national umpires, at Grade 1 and WC match racing events taking into account the level of the event and the needs of the event organizer. This approach has assured development and maintenance of high-level umpiring skills and consistent standards for the umpire panels from event to event.

This submission, if approved, would have no impact on events for which the relevant class association or the Organizing Authority appoints the judges or umpires.