

Offshore Racing

Regulation 18.7

A submission from the Executive Committee

Proposal:

18.7 The ~~IMS Offshore Racing Congress~~ may hold ~~an annual~~ World Championships ~~in the following classes:~~ **as follows, subject to approval under Regulation 18.1:**

(a) annually, under the ORCi rule, the ORC International Offshore World Championship. The minimum number of countries shall be four and the minimum number of entries plus countries shall be fourteen.

(b) biennially, on behalf of ISAF, the ISAF Offshore Team World Championship. The minimum number of teams shall be four, representing 4 different countries.

(c) annually, under the ORCi rule, the ORCi 670 class.

~~(a) IMS 670, IMS 600, IMS 50, Maxi Class and IMS Offshore provided that:~~

~~- Except for the Maxi Class, the minimum number of countries shall be four and the minimum number of entries plus countries shall be fourteen.~~

~~- For the Maxi Class, the minimum number of entries shall be six and shall include at least one yacht from each of three different countries or two continents.~~

~~(b) The ORC may on behalf of ISAF, hold a biennial ISAF Offshore Team World Championship provided that:~~

~~- Each event is subject to approval by ISAF. There shall be at least four teams representing four different nations or countries in 2006. The minimum requirement participating numbers shall be reviewed thereafter by ISAF.~~

Current Position:

As above.

Reason:

1. To further the integration of Offshore sailing into the ISAF structure, regulations and conventions
2. To apply the principle that World Championships authorized in Reg. 18.7 to the ORC for its classes apply to those classes and their direct descendants only, and not to new classes.
3. To make clear that World Championships for new classes are gained through ISAF class recognition under Regulation 18.2
4. To recognize that the IMS rule has been succeeded by its direct descendant, the ORCi rule

5. To recognize that the IMS 600 and IMS 50 classes no longer exist as classes.
6. To recognize that the ORCi 670 class is the direct descendant of the IMS 670 class.
7. To recognize that the "Maxi Class" no longer utilizes the IMS or ORCi rule, but now uses the IRC rule and thus is no longer an ORC Class. It is noted that the Maxi Class is applying for ISAF recognized class status.
8. To recognize that the second word in the present regulation has been incorrect, and should read "The Offshore Racing Congress may..."