## **ISAF Regulations**

**Submission: 045-10** 

Regulation 31.1.2

A submission from the Chairmen of the Constitution Committee and the Racing Rules Committee

## Proposal

31.1.2 In exception to Regulation 31.1.1, any change of clear necessity or pressing importance may be made effective for any designated date by <u>a 75% vote cast in favour of the change by three quarters of the full voting membership of both the Racing Rules Committee and <u>by</u> the Council. The ISAF Secretariat shall promptly report any action taken under this regulation to all Member National Authorities.</u>

## **Current Position**

As above.

## Reason

The proposed wording places the decision of the proposed wording places the decision of both the Racing Rules Committee and the Council in the hands of those members who vote either for or against a proposed change. The current wording gives a committee or Council member who abstains from voting or does not participate in the voting the same effect on the decision as a member who votes against the proposed change. This does not seem fair, especially when the chairmen of the committee and of the Council routinely do not participate in the voting unless their vote is necessary to break a tie.

The phrase "by both the Racing Rules Committee and the Council" has been changed to "by the Racing Rules Committee and by the Council" to make it absolutely clear that each of those two bodies must vote and each must meet the 75%-in-favour criterion.

See the two companion submissions proposing changes in the voting requirements in Article 46(b) of the Constitution and in Regulation 32.1.2.