

Course Format

Middle Gates

A submission from the Hungarian Yachting Association and the Russian Yachting Federation

Proposal

To introduce at least one “middle gate” on the upwind and downwind legs of race courses to be used at the following regattas:

- Olympic Sailing Competition
- Olympic Qualifying Events
- ISAF Sailing World Championships
- ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship
- Sailing World Cup Events

Current Position

None.

Reason

To create more trackable races and to increase the understanding at all levels of our sport.

2009 NOVEMBER CONFERENCE

COUNCIL DECISION – NOVEMBER 2009

Council received submission 081-09 from the Hungarian Yachting Association and the Russian Yachting Federation.

Decision:

Council deferred submission 081-09 to November 2010 (35 in favour, 2 against. 0 abstain).

Recommendation from the Reporting Committee

Events Committee

Recommendation to Council: Defer

The Events Committee encourages experimentation.

Opinions from the Other Committees

Executive Committee

Opinion: Reject

The Executive recommends experimenting with the concept incorporating other possible ideas.

Race Officials Committee

Opinion: Reject

The ROC recognizes the need to achieve media and spectator friendly formats and course layouts. However, it was felt that this was not appropriate.

ISAF Classes Committee

Opinion: Reject

Support the reason and the principles behind the submission but recommend rejecting on the grounds that there are better ways of achieving increased media coverage without restricting tactic
