Classes and Equipment for the Olympic Sailing Competition

Submission: 103-10

Regulation 16.1.1(c)

A submission from the International Kiteboarding Association

Proposal

Delete Regulations 16.1.1(c), (d) and (e) and replace with the following text:

- 16.1.1 Council shall make the following decisions on Olympic Events and Equipment (classes):
 - (a) at the November meeting of Council seven years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, decide the Olympic Events and Equipment selection criteria (regulation 16.1.5).
 - (b) at the November meeting of Council five years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, decide the Events.
 - (c) at the November meeting of Council following the IOCs decision on the next Olympic venue, decide the Equipment based on considerations regarding the suitability of the Equipment for the given venue.
 - (c) at the November meeting of Council four years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, decide the Equipment.
 - (d) Council may decide the equipment for a maximum of 40% of the Olympic Events at its November meeting seven years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, subject to the following:
 - (i) the Equipment is to be used at the next Olympics;
 - (ii) a vote in favour of at least 75% of votes cast:
 - (iii) if more than four choices of Equipment achieve the required 75% vote, those with the highest % votes in favour shall be selected;
 - (iv) where Equipment is used by more than one gender category, each shall be counted as a separate choice.
 - (c) (i) At the Mid-Year meeting of Council immediately before the meeting referred to in Regulation 16.1.1(b) Council will make a list of the Events it considers may possibly be appropriate for selection in November. The list shall be advisory only and shall not be conclusive or exclusive. In making such list, it will take into account any recommendations of the Executive Committee and Events Committee.
 - (ii) Further Events may be included in the list by Council at that Mid-Year meeting by resolution passed by a simple majority whether or not such Events have been put forward by submission or by recommendation of a committee notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 1.9.
 - (iii) Further events may be proposed at the following November meeting by submission in accordance with Regulation 1.6(a).
 - (‡<u>d</u>) (i) At the Mid-year meeting of Council immediately before the meeting referred to in Regulation 16.1.1(c) Council will make a list of the Equipment for selection

- in November. The list shall include all Equipment which has been the subject of a valid submission made in accordance with Regulation 16.1.2, unless the relevant Class/Owners Association has indicated to the Secretary General before the Mid-year meeting that it does not wish to be included in the list.
- (iv) Before the meeting referred to in Regulation 16.1.1(c) the Class Associations or other appropriate organizations representing the equipment included in the list shall enter into an agreement in the form of the ISAF Olympic Classes Contract, with such amendments as shall be agreed, in his absolute discretion, by the Secretary General. Where that agreement has not been entered into by the 1 November of the year in question the equipment concerned shall be deleted from the list.
- (v) Notwithstanding the requirements in paragraph 16.1.1(f)(i) and (ii), Council may select equipment which has been recommended from an ISAF Equipment Evaluation. In such a case the selection of that equipment shall only be valid if the Class/Owners Association has entered into an ISAF Olympic Classes Contract twelve months prior to the Olympic Sailing Competition and achieves ISAF Class Status prior to the Olympic Sailing Competition.

Current Position

As above

Reason

Equipment should be chosen that is suitable to perform well in the prevailing conditions of the Olympic Venue.

This is the only way to ensure that Sailing is not looking "bad" in the media due to wrong equipment choice.