

Rating Systems World Championships

Regulations 18 and 28.3

A submission from the Executive Committee

Proposal

18. ISAF AND OTHER EVENTS

ISAF approval of World Championships and other Events

18.1 ISAF approval is required for any event that is described as a World Championship, uses the word “World” in the title of the event, or any of the promoters, organizers or any other organization officially connected with the event, represents or holds out in any way that the event is a World Championship or does the foregoing in such a way that the event is reasonably perceived to be a World Championship.

ISAF Classes (International and Recognized) and ISAF International Rating Systems

18.2 Each ISAF Class **and ISAF International Rating System** is automatically granted the right, subject to the notification requirements of Regulation 18.10, to hold one annual World Championship.

18.2.1 To maintain the right to hold a World Championship, a class **or rating system** that holds a world championship shall:

- (a) Send a report on that championship to the ISAF Secretariat prior to February in the following year, including information required by ISAF. This report may be included in the annual report from the class required under regulation 26.5(e). Failure of a class to submit this report will result in ISAF reviewing the class’s right to hold world championship, notwithstanding other regulations below. The information required by ISAF shall include:
 - (i) the number of entries, countries, and continents represented
 - (ii) a full set of results;
 - (iii) all world champions designated where more than one world champion is declared at an event (such as age or gender) and the number of entries, countries and continents eligible to compete for each title;
 - (iv) a report on the event organization, the overall quality of the event and the standards of the racing;
 - (v) a report on the nature and quality of support supplied by ISAF and ISAF officials
 - (vi) the suitability of the venue (ashore and afloat) for future world championship;
 - (vii) any recommendations for the class, **rating system** or ~~for~~ ISAF when organizing future world championship.

- (b) Maintain average minimum participation as follows:

CLASSES, RATING SYSTEMS	ALL EVENTS	OPEN		MEN OR WOMEN / AGE / DISCIPLINE	
		Boats	Countries	Continents	Countries
Centreboard Boat	30	8	3	5	2
Keelboat	25	6	2	4	2
Multihull	25	6	2	4	2
Windsurfing	30	8	3	5	2
<u>Offshore International Rating System</u>	20	4	2	N/A	N/A

ISAF will take the average across three consecutive events. Before ISAF rescinds any right to host a world championship, the Class shall be given notice in writing and shall be offered the right to appeal any decision to Council.

Offshore Racing

~~18.7 The ORC may hold an annual World Championship in the following classes:~~

- (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~~

18.10 ISAF classes **and ISAF International Rating Systems** shall present no later than 1 August the dates for the World and Continental Championships for the following Year.

18.18 ISAF International Rating Systems shall pay ISAF an approval fee as established by the Executive Committee from time to time for each World Championship held. This fee does not apply to an ISAF Offshore Team World Championship which utilizes ISAF Class boats.

World Championships

~~28.3 A designation as an international rating system shall not automatically entitle the rating system to hold a world championship.~~

~~Rating systems not covered in Regulation 18 shall apply to ISAF for approval to hold a world championship.~~

~~Qualification to hold a world championship shall include rating systems which are based on measurement and scientific formulation available to all certificate holders.~~

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. For Offshore Racing Regulation 18.7 see submission regarding revised Regulation 29.
5. To rectify the fact that rating systems only currently contribute to ISAF with a subscription fee whereas an ISAF Class pays the same subscription fee and also plaque fees on new boats built. The proposed fee in Regulation 18.18 attempts to address this situation with a rights fee for the World Championships of rating systems. The initial fee is proposed to be £2000.