

### **ISAF Classes World Championships**

A submission from the International 49er Class, International 470 Class Association, International Finn Association, International Laser Radial Class Association, International Laser Class Association, RS:X Class Association, International Star Class Yacht Racing Association

#### **Proposal**

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#### **Current Position**

In accordance with ISAF Regulation 18.2 ISAF Classes are “automatically granted” the right to hold one world championships every year.

#### **Reason**

1. Due to the introduction of the ISAF Sailing World Cup, the Olympic Commission has suggested that Olympic Classes which are ISAF Classes will not be able to conduct their annual World Championships and instead will hold an Annual International Event (AIE).
2. Olympic Classes World Championships have many sailors not on the Olympic Circuit competing in the event. These numbers are far bigger than sailors full time in Olympic Campaigns. These sailors are the backbone of Olympic Classes' viability.
3. Olympic Classes do not have permanency in ISAF and the removal of World Championships removes the heart of the event structure for these classes.
4. Discontinuation of Annual World Championships will be alarmingly detrimental to the Olympic Classes should they lose their Olympic Status in the future and reduces the ability for these classes to have viable futures after they are no longer Olympic Classes, as there will be no event structure to support the class.
5. Many sports hold annual World Championships and Annual World Cup events and the sports federations and media manage these well.
6. The Olympic Commission concept to remove the right to hold World Championships from Olympic Classes and instead hold an Annual International Event (AIE).

## **COUNCIL DECISION – NOVEMBER 2010**

Council received Submission 113-10 from the International 49er Class, International 470 Class Association, International Finn Association, International Laser Radial Class Association, International Laser Class Association, RS:X Class Association, International Star Class Yacht Racing Association

### **Decision:**

**On a proposal from Chris Atkins, seconded by Peter Hall, Council deferred submissions 112-10, 113-10 and 116-10 to Mid-Year 2011 (1 reject, 0 abstain, 35 approve – 36 participated).**

Recommendation From The Reporting Committee

### **Events Committee**

#### **Recommendation to Council: Defer**

The Events Committee recommends there should be further progress on the Sailing World Cup and a decision should be finalised at the 2011 Mid-Year meeting.

Opinion From The Other Committees

### **Equipment Committee**

#### **Opinion: No Recommendation**

### **ISAF Classes Committee**

#### **Opinion: Approve**

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