

World Sailing Para Sailing Events

Mixed Two Person Event

A submission from the Japan Sailing Federation

Purpose or Objective

To diversify the participating opportunities for various disabled sailors and to promote the participation of female sailors.

Proposal

Introduce Hansa 303 from 2019 for mixed two-person boat of WS Para Sailing events.

Current Position

The current para sailing competitions and programs of World Sailing provide limited opportunities especially for the female sailors.

The number of female participants in para sailing competitions and programs are considerably smaller than male participants as in the recent Hansa 303 World Sailing Competition.

Hansa 303 class boats can functionally provide sailors with more diversified opportunities when sailed two-person and by the combination of two sailors with the different impairment and abilities.

Reasons

1. The proposed mix two-person sailing enhances the accessibility to sailing, regardless the gender, size and weight.
 2. The proposed mixed gender sailing promotes participation of female sailors.
 3. Hansa 303 for mix two-person event gives easier access for the visual impairment sailors when it is included in the WS Para Sailing in the future.
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