

### World Sailing Race Officials

#### Regulation 31.8

A submission from the Chairman of Race Officials Committee

#### Purpose or Objective

To clarify that a member national authority should not unreasonably withhold its endorsement of a candidate for first time appointment as international race official.

#### Proposal

Please note that this proposal has two different options of which only one should be approved.

#### Proposal Option 1

Amend Regulation 31.8 in the following way:

- 31.8 A candidate for first appointment shall be endorsed by his Member National Authority.  
**However, such support shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed by the Member National Authority.**

#### Proposal Option 2

Amend Regulation 31.8 in the following way:

- 31.8 A candidate for first appointment shall be endorsed by his Member National Authority.  
**However, the Race Officials Committee may waive this requirement if the endorsement is unreasonably withheld or delayed by the Member National Authority.**

#### Current Position

As above.

#### Reasons

1. Currently, a Member National Authority (MNA) can withhold or delay endorsement of an application for first appointment as an international race official. This submission will require the MNA to have a reason for not endorsing an application.
  2. The same principle and wording is applied in Regulation 33.6 where it has worked well.
  3. Option 2 clarifies what the alternative is if the MNA unreasonably withholds or delays the endorsement
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