

**Racing Rules of Sailing**

Rule 89

A submission from the Royal Yachting Association

*Proposal (using RRS 2009 rule numbers):*

**89 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY; NOTICE OF RACE; APPOINTMENT OF RACE OFFICIALS**

**89.1 Organizing Authority**

Races shall be organized by an organizing authority, which shall be

- (a) the ISAF;
- (b) a member national authority of the ISAF;
- (c) a club or other organization (**other than a class association**) affiliated to a national authority;
- (d) a class association, either with the approval of a national authority or in conjunction with an affiliated club;
- (e) an unaffiliated body in conjunction with an affiliated club where the body is owned and controlled by the club. The national authority of the club may prescribe that its approval is required for such an event; or
- (f) if approved by the ISAF and the national authority of the club, an unaffiliated body in conjunction with an affiliated club where the body is not owned and controlled by the club.

*Current Position:*

As above.

*Reason:*

To make clear that clauses (c) and (d) are mutually exclusive. This proposal was previously submission 126-03 and rejected by ISAF RRC with these words: "Approval not recommended – not required". The RYA interpretation of "not required" is that rule 89.1(c) obviously does not include a class association that is affiliated to a national authority because the requirements for a class association to be an organizing authority are specifically covered in rule 89.1(d). However, some other organizations have taken an opposing view and this proposal is made again so that ISAF can clarify the interpretation.