

International Sailing Federation

2002 QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of Class?	INTERNATIONAL MONOHULL OPEN CLASS ASSOCIATION I M O C A
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Average price of complete new boat without sails?	New Open 50' : 300 000 £ New Open 60' : 600 000 £ (very average prices)
Name three builders (preferably one per continent) and quoted price for 2001/2002	BUILDER NAME : same as last year and several others all over the world. We are an Open Class, with no production boats. It is very difficult to fix the price, depending of the length of the boat.
Name National Association member countries paid up in 2001	There is not a National Association, which we think is better for now (perhaps later it could change and become a direct member of MNA, where the fleet is based.

Name six Countries and number of members that represent the ISAF minimum criteria (details in Appendix A).	<p>1 France 20 to 25</p> <p>2 Great Britain 8 to 10</p> <p>3 USA 6 to 8</p> <p>4 Italy 6 to 8</p> <p>5 Australia 4 to 6</p> <p>6 Swiss 4 to 6</p> <p>and New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, etc...</p> <p>The next big event is Around Alone, which will be raced under IMOCA Rules and will be part of the World Championship. This will bring to the Class many new members all over the world.</p>
How many new boats were built in 2001?	<p>Open 60' 2 / 3</p> <p>Open 50' 3 / 4</p>
How many boats were built over the past 5 years?	Open 50' an 60' approximately 30
Approximately how many boats exist Worldwide?	More than 45
Name & nationality of World Champion?	Roland JOURDAIN, French
2001 World Championships	<p>World Championship by points based on 5 events :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2000 Single handed Transatlantic Race - 2000.2001 Vendee Globe - 2001 Trophee Quiberon - 2001 EDS Atlantic Challenge - 2001 Transat Jacques Vabre
Please give a short report of the World Championships	<p>1) QUALITY OF EVENT ORGANISATION?</p> <p>Depending of the Organizers. Technically, it's very often good, because the variations relate to the communication, and not on technical matters.</p> <p>2) STANDARDS/ LEVEL OF RACING?</p> <p>It is a very big progress that Open 50 and 60 racing has adopted definitively the same rules for these worldwide big events like Around Alone</p>

	<p>or Vendee Globe.</p> <p>We still have some difficulties with one or two associations, which wanted to be the ISAF for Oceanic Racing, but less than before.</p>
<p>Please state any recommendations for future World Championships</p>	<p>IMOCA has paid to ISAF the subscription fee, either for the 50' OPEN Class, and for the OPEN 60'.</p> <p>We have difficulties, (seen with Simon at Lisbon), about the ISAF registration fee for each boat built since 99, because the rule is arrived when many of the contracts with the sponsors was looked.</p> <p>We suggest to have exemption between the beginning of the agreement (99) and the 1st january 2002, beginning of the International status.</p> <p>And from this 1st january forward, to be untractable with the skippers for this fee.</p> <p>We would appreciate to have a definitive position of ISAF on this point. Many thanks.</p>