

World Sailing Committees

Terms of Reference – Para World Sailing Committee

An urgent submission from the Board

Purpose or Objective

To update the terms of reference of the Para World Sailing Committee to match those of the Events Committee and to reflect terminology in line with International Paralympic Committee practice.

Proposal

Amend Regulation 6.4.5:

6.4.5 The Para World Sailing Committee shall:

- (a) ~~be responsible for the Paralympic Sailing Programme including events and equipment selection~~ **recommend to Council the policy (and implementing actions) including the selection of events and equipment for the Paralympic Sailing programme;**
 - (b) ~~be responsible for Para World Sailing Championships~~ **recommend to Council the policy (and implementing actions) to be used in the Para World Sailing Championships and other Para World Sailing events;**
 - (c) ~~develop and monitor the World Sailing Disabled Sailor Ranking System~~ **Para World Sailing Ranking System;**
 - (d) ~~provide one of its members to be a representative on the International Paralympic Committee~~ **liaise directly with World Sailing staff on matters;**
 - (e) ~~monitor the activities of Paralympic sailors and assist World Sailing and its committees in the administration of the disabled sailor classification programme, classifier instruction and evaluation, and to~~ **make** recommendations to the Race Officials Committee on the appointment and administration of International Classifiers;
 - (f) ~~promote, assess and support programmes for disabled sailing~~ **Para World Sailing** run by MNA's;
 - (g) ~~decide the criteria for and advise upon the development of equipment, aids and adaptations for disabled sailing~~ **Para Sailing** and Paralympic **Sailing** formats ~~sailing~~;
 - (h) ~~liaise with the IFDS Trust;~~
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- ~~(i)~~ **(h)** liaise with all other relevant World Sailing committees as necessary or appropriate to ensure consistency across World Sailing processes and activities with ~~disabled~~ **Para Sailing and Paralympic Sailing** and
- ~~(ii)~~ **(i)** appoint the Para World Sailing Committee representatives to the Equipment Committee, ~~and the Equipment Control~~ **Rules** Sub-committee, **and the Regional Games Sub-Committee.**

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. The proposed changes in (a) and (b) reflect the same language used by the Events Committee in regard to the Olympic Sailing Competition and World Sailing events. This ensures that Council is the final decision-making body (acting on the recommendation of the Committee).
 2. Language changes to existing Terms of Reference are intended to clarify and be consistent with that used in other references to Para Sailing in other World Sailing documents and accepted by the International Paralympic Committee.
 3. Addition of "appointment of a representative to the Regional Games Sub-Committee" is consistent with current practice but not defined in Terms of Reference. It is important to the reinstatement of sailing into the Paralympic Games and for clarity in ongoing development of adapted sailing for those sailors with a physical or intellectual impairment to show global effort by World Sailing to grow Para Sailing on a world-wide regional basis.
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