

Designation as an ISAF International Class

From: International Maxi Association [mailto:info@internationalmaxiassociation.com]
To: Jason Smithwick
Cc: 'Philip Tolhurst'; 'David Lees'; 'Jeff Martin'
Subject: IMA Application

Dear Jason,

I am happy to inform that at the Annual General Meeting of the Association the proposal to apply for designation as an International Class was approved unanimously.

I shall therefore be grateful if you will treat this letter as a formal application to that effect. I hope it can be discussed and approved at your annual conference in November.

I think you appreciate that the Class is different in many respects from most other classes. It is designed to accommodate the largest of racing boats. For the most part, the boats of its members are dealt with under the IRC Rules and are not governed by their own class rules. Certain special provisions are contained in the Class Constitution.

The Wally Division normally applies the Wally Class rules (Wally Class has its own rules) and I enclose a copy of them. You will see that they are not in the ISAF Standard Class Rules and do not adopt the ERS. I am sure that you will appreciate that, in view of the size of the boats, neither the standard rules nor the ERS would be appropriate. The Class therefore applies for exemption from the requirement in this respect in the regulations.

I enclose the following:

1. The Class' Constitution. I should mention that David Lees who has recently chaired the Jury of the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup has looked at the Constitution and told me that he considers that it complies with the appropriate regulation.
2. The Wally Class Rules.
3. A list of registered boats owners. You will see that the Class complies with the requirements in the regulation by a substantial amount.
4. The results of the this years's Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup with 40 Maxis participating

I shall be grateful if you will send to IMA an invoice for the requisite application fee.

I confirm that the class is happy that its constitution and the Wally class rules should be made available on the ISAF website.

I will of course be delighted to provide with any more information you would like. Equally if you think I could help the application, I will be pleased to attend the Madrid Conference in November. I have sent copies of this letter to Jeff Martin, Philip Tolhurst and David Lees.

Yours sincerely.

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Secretary General