

Olympic Sailing Competition - Events

Regulation 16.1.1

A submission from the President

Proposal:

Proposal 1

To amend Regulation 16.1.1 as follows:

- 16.1.1 Council shall make the following decisions on Olympic Events and Equipment (classes):
- (a) at the November meeting of Council seven years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, decide the Olympic Events and Equipment selection criteria (regulation 16.1.5);
 - (b) at the November meeting of Council five years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, decide the Events. Council ~~will decide the~~ **shall** list of possible Events at the prior mid-year meeting;
 - (c) at the November meeting of Council four years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, decide the Equipment. Council will decide the list of possible Equipment at the prior mid-year meeting, such Equipment to be selected, except in exceptional circumstances, from Equipment in respect of which the ISAF has entered into an acceptable form of ISAF Olympic Classes Contract with the relevant Class Association or other appropriate organization at the time of that mid-year meeting.
 - (d) Council may decide the equipment for a maximum of 40% of the Olympic Events at its November meeting seven years before the Olympic Sailing Competition, subject to the following:
 - (i) the Equipment is to be used at the next Olympics;
 - (ii) a vote in favour of at least 75% of votes cast;
 - (iii) if more than four choices of Equipment achieve the required 75% vote, those with the highest % votes in favour shall be selected;
 - (iv) where Equipment is used by more than one gender category, each shall be counted as a separate choice.

Proposal 2

To amend Regulation 16.1.3(a) as follows:

16.1.3 Except as provided in Regulation 16.1.4:

- (a) Decisions made under 16.1.1 (b) **by Council at the November meeting** may only be overturned with a vote in favour of two thirds of all Council members entitled to vote.
- (b) Decisions made under 16.1.1 (a) and (c) may not be subsequently overturned

- (c) Decisions made under 16.1.1(d) may only be overturned with a vote in favour of 75% of all Council members entitled to vote.

Current Position:

As above

Reason:

Proposal 1

In November 2002, changes were approved to Regulation 161.1 to implement a revised process to select the events and equipment for future Olympic Sailing Competitions.

The system was implemented in the selection of events in November 2003 and the selection of equipment in November 2004.

Whilst the regulations detail the intent of the process as followed in the previous selection process, the wording of the regulations requires clarification to make it unequivocal that it is only “possible events” which can be considered at the May Mid-Year Meeting, not a definitive list.

The process for selecting the events for the Olympic Sailing competition was established through the process implemented in November 2003 (based on the Regulations changed in November 2002) for the 2008 Olympic Sailing, and will be applied again in the selection of events in November 2007.

Submissions will therefore only be accepted for the 2007 November meeting.

Proposal 2

The limitation in Regulation 16.1.3(a) is intended by Council to apply to decisions made in November under the first sentence of 16.1.1 (b).

It should not apply to decisions made under the second sentence: of 16.1.1(b), which states: “*Council will decide the list of possible events at the prior mid-year meeting*”

It would be unreasonable to have the 2/3 voting requirements for any changes made to the possible list decided at the prior May Meeting.