

Violations of Rule 3, RRS

New Regulation

A submission from the Executive Committee

PROPOSAL:

A regulation to be drafted by the Constitution Committee to provide that if a person is in breach of ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 3, which prohibits taking the Federation (ISAF) to court, such a person's ISAF Eligibility be suspended by the Executive Committee for a period of up to two (2) years.

To be effective 1st April 2003.

CURRENT POSITION AS AT NOVEMBER 2002:

No penalty is currently provided.

REASON:

Increasingly, sailors who are in breach of the Racing Rules such as ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 69 are taking the matter to their national courts instead of relying on the processes provided by the Federation (ISAF). Not only does this violate the right and duty of sports federations to police their own sport, but also it offers the spectre of multiple national jurisdictions being involved out of a single incident.