World Sailing Regulations

Regulation 25.6 – Other World Championships - Special Events

A submission from the International Kiteboarding Association

Purpose or Objective

To achieve clarity and transparency about what special events are, under which conditions they can be established; limitations to protect interests of classes affected.

Proposal

Amend Regulation 25.6 as follows:

25.6 Other World Championships

Subject to Regulation 25.8.13, World Sailing may approve other events as World Championships upon written application made by a National Authority, Class Association or an organizing authority (as defined in RRS)

Current Position

As above

Reasons

1. Regulation 25.8.13 (new) covers “Special events” and applicable safeguards for World Sailing Classes.

2. Special events should be limited in holding world championships if those conflict or could be potentially confused with existing class world championships and if there is no agreement with the classes affected.

3. There is currently no clarity about “Special Events” and their relationship to world championship titles, and classes (windsurfing – IFCA, kiteboarding – IKA, multihulls – M32 / GC32) are potentially affected in their rights by world championships awarded through special events. Therefore this matter needs urgent clarification and the conditions under which special events may award world championships need to be added to the regulations.