Appointment of Race Officials to Events

Regulation 25.8

A submission from the Executive Committee, the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee and the Chairman of the Regional Games Committee

Purpose or Objective

To simplify the current Regulation, and introduce consistency across the appointment and approval of Race Officers, Judges, Umpires and Measurer and to remove the need to differentiate between Category I and Category II Regional Games.

Proposal 1

Amend Regulation 25.8 as follows:

25.8.3 For appointments under Regulations 25.8.10, 25.8.12 and 25.8.14 ISAF shall only appoint or approve after consultation with:

(a) any relevant ISAF Class/Owners’ Association;
(b) for the Paralympic Sailing Competition and IFDS World Championships, the Disabled Sailing Committee;
(c) for Regional Games, the relevant ISAF Affiliate Continental Member; and
(d) the Member National Authority of the venue.

25.8.4 The Executive Committee may propose from time to time at its discretion to the Council the addition or deletion of events from the lists in Regulations 25.8.8 through 25.8.15. Upon the Council's approval of such a proposal, either as proposed or as amended, the lists in Regulation 25.8.8 through 25.8.15 shall be amended accordingly.

25.8.5 If an ISAF Race Official is appointed or approved by ISAF to officiate in a Major Event, as defined by Regulation 25.8.15, from the date of acceptance of, whether or not he continues to act as a race official in that event, he shall not compete in it himself or advise or act in any capacity for a competitor or a competitor’s team for that event.

25.8.6 ISAF shall publish a list of all appointments made under this Regulation no later than 30th June of each year and shall update the list no later than the end of each calendar year.

25.8.7 ISAF shall not appoint or approve a Jury Chairman, Principal Race Officer, Chief Measurer/Equipment Inspector or Chief Umpire who is from the country of the Organizing Authority of the event.
25.8.9 International Jury or International Umpire team

(a) When ISAF appoints or approves the International Jury it may, to the extent permitted by the Racing Rules of Sailing, in conjunction with the relevant class association and Organizing Authority, appoint / approve national judges.

(b) When ISAF appoints or approves the Umpire Team, it may, in conjunction with the relevant Organizing Authority, appoint / approve national umpires to the extent consistent with guidelines adopted by the International Umpires Sub-committee.

25.8.10 ISAF shall exercise the right to appoint the race officials International Jury or the Umpire Team for the following events:

- America's Cup Series, America's Cup Challenger Series, America's Cup Defender Series, America's Cup Match;
- Grade One Match Racing Events.

All events organized by or on behalf of ISAF

ISAF Events as follows:

- ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship
- ISAF Sailing World Championships
- ISAF Offshore Team World Championship
- ISAF Match Racing World Championship
- ISAF Women's Match Racing World Championship
- ISAF Youth Match Racing World Championship
- ISAF Team Racing World Championship

In addition, any other ISAF Events that are introduced.

World Championships of the Olympic and Paralympic Classes;
Olympic and Paralympic Qualifying Events;
The Olympic Sailing Competition (see Regulations 16.3 and 16.3.1)
The Paralympic Sailing Competition
The Youth Olympic Games
Regional Games Category I
The Volvo Ocean Race.

25.8.11 ISAF shall approve the International Jury or the International Umpires when deemed necessary for the following events otherwise not covered by the Regulations above:

- Regional Games Category II;
- Paralympic Qualification Events;
- Paralympic Games;
- Special Olympics.

25.8.12 ISAF shall have the right to approve and/or appoint the race officials International Jury or the Umpire Team when deemed necessary for the following events otherwise not covered by the Regulations above:

- Global and Trans-Oceanic Ocean Races;
- Grand Prix Match Racing Events;
- Continental Championships of the Olympic Classes
- ISAF World Sailing Rankings graded Events;
- Professional Windsurfers Association Events (PWA)
- Trans-Oceanic Races;
- Volvo Ocean Race
World Championships of non-Olympic ISAF Classes, when agreed with the ISAF as detailed in Regulation 10.10

Appointment or approval of Race Officers or Course Representatives
25.8.13 ISAF shall exercise the right to appoint the Race Officer(s) and/or Course Representatives for the following events:

**ISAF Events as follows:**
- ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship;
- ISAF Sailing World Championships;
- ISAF Offshore Team World Championship;
- ISAF Match Racing World Championship;
- ISAF Women’s Match Racing World Championship;
- ISAF Youth Match Racing World Championship;
- ISAF Team Racing World Championship;
- ISAF Sailing World Cup

--- In addition, any other ISAF Events that are introduced.

World Championships of the Olympic Classes;
Olympic Qualifying Events;
The Olympic Sailing Competition.

25.8.14 ISAF shall have the right to approve and/or appoint the Race Officer(s) and/or Course Representatives when deemed necessary for the following events otherwise not covered by the Regulations above:

**ISAF World Sailing Rankings graded Events:**
World Championships of non-Olympic ISAF Classes, when agreed with the ISAF.

**Appointment or Approval of Measurers**

25.8.15 ISAF shall exercise the right to appoint the Measurer(s) for the following events:

**ISAF Events as follows:**
- ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship;
- ISAF Sailing World Championships;
- ISAF Offshore Team World Championship;
- ISAF Match Racing World Championship;
- ISAF Women’s Match Racing World Championship;
- ISAF Team Racing World Championship;

--- In addition, any other ISAF Events that are introduced.

--- The Olympic Sailing Competition.

25.8.16 ISAF shall have the right to approve and/or appoint the Measurer(s) when deemed necessary for the following events otherwise not covered by the Regulations above:

**ISAF World Sailing Rankings graded Events:**
World Championships of ISAF Classes, when agreed with the ISAF.

25.8.12 Major and Recognized Events

(a) **Major Events** are as follows:

America’s Cup Series, America’s Cup Challenger Series, America’s Cup Defender Series, America’s Cup Match;
Global Ocean Races;
Grade 1 Match Racing Events;
Grand Prix Match Racing Events;
All events organized by or on behalf of ISAF

**ISAF Events as follows:**
- ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship;
- ISAF Sailing World Championships;
- ISAF Offshore Team World Championship;
- ISAF Match Racing World Championship;
ISAF Women’s Match Racing World Championship;
ISAF Youth Match Racing World Championship
ISAF Team Racing World Championship;
...And any other ISAF Events that are introduced.
Events of the Olympic Classes (at the discretion of the ISAF Executive Committee);
World Championships of the Olympic and Paralympic Classes;
Olympic and Paralympic Qualifying Events;
The Olympic Sailing Competition;
**The Paralympic Sailing Competition:**
Professional Windsurfers Association Events (PWA);
Global and Trans-Oceanic Races;
Regional Games Category I;
Volvo Ocean Race.

(b) Recognized Events are as follows:

Events of the Olympic Classes not covered under (a) (at the discretion of the ISAF Executive Committee);
Regional Games Category II,
World Championships of non-Olympic ISAF Classes, unless otherwise agreed with the ISAF, as detailed in Regulation 10.10;
Paralympic Sailing Competition (including Paralympic Qualification Events);
Special Olympics.

25.8.18 ISAF shall publish a list of all appointments made under this Regulation no later than 30th June of each year and shall update the list no later than the end of each calendar year.

Proposal 2

Amend Regulation 25.13.2 as follows:

25.13.2 ISAF will appoint the Technical Delegate for Regional Games Category I as soon as possible after the event’s dates and venue have been announced. The Organizing Authority shall prepare the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and other race documents in close cooperation with the Technical Delegate and shall send them to ISAF for approval. The Notice of Race shall be sent not less than eight months before the start of the Games, the Sailing Instructions not less than one month. ISAF shall publish the Notice of Race on its website or by such other means as it thinks fit and once published the provisions in the Notice of Race relating to the classes to race and the format of the races shall not be altered except with the consent in writing of ISAF.

Delete Regulation 25.13.3

Current Position

See current Regulations 25.8 and 25.13.2 as above.

Reasons

1. Simpler and shorter regulation.
2. The same processes and impartiality requirements should apply to all “Chiefs”, as all are making decisions that affect the competition and its fairness.

3. Splitting the Regional Games across two Categories is an unnecessary overhead and complexity with no benefit.

4. Continental Championships of Olympic Classes are already covered in Regulation 25.8.12 as they are ISAF World Sailor Ranking graded Events, but it is clearer to split them out.