ISAF Advertising Code

Regulation 20.8

A submission from the Royal Yachting Association

Proposal

20.8 Fees

20.8.1 All Events being either one of those listed under Regulation 20.6.4.1 or of any Class listed from time to time under Regulation 20.6.4.2 shall pay a fee to ISAF.

20.8.2 Any Competitor displaying Advertising on his boat or board pursuant to Regulations 20.3 may be required to pay a fee to their National Authority only. When a Person in Charge of a boat chooses to display Advertising pursuant to Regulation 20.3, the National Authority of such Person in Charge, and not any other National Authority, may impose an annual fee for that boat.

Current Position

As above

Reason

To confirm that the Advertising Code should not include any regulations on entry fees charged by organising authorities, in accordance with Council's most recent decision on this subject in November 2005 (submission 010-05 from the Argentine Yachting Federation).

The intended simplification of the Code approved in November 2008 inadvertently reversed the 2005 decision by Council. The Constitution Committee has recently stated that organising authorities are not permitted to require a supplemental entry fee since "this would be in conflict with Regulation 20.8.2, where it states that Any Competitor displaying advertising ..... may be required to pay a fee to their National Authority only". Use of the word "only" makes it clear that it is only circumstance in which a fee relating to advertising can be charged.

This proposal reverts to the position prior to the change in November 2008. If the Code is separately revised, this submission should be reflected in the revised Code.