World Sailing Regulations

Classification Code – Regulations 22.2.1 and 22.2.2

A submission from the Board on behalf of the Classification Commission

Purpose or Objective

To amend the provisions of the Classification Code.

Proposal 1

To amend Regulation 22.2.2 as follows:

22.2.2 Group 3

A Group 3 competitor is a competitor who, within the Qualification Period

[...]

(b) has been paid for work that includes coaching, managing, training, practising, tuning, testing, maintaining or otherwise preparing a boat, its crew, sails or performance enhancing equipment for racing, and then competed on that boat, or in a team competition, in a boat of the same team; or

(c) has been paid:

(i) to provide a boat or its sails for racing; or
(ii) services in connection with providing a boat or its sails; for racing and
(iii) then raced competed on that boat, or in a team competition, in a boat of the same team.

[...]

(d) has been paid for work (except coaching), in a marine business or organization which require knowledge or skill:

(i) that is capable of enhancing the performance of a boat in a race; and
(ii) which can be utilized by the competitor whilst on board a boat when racing; or

Current Position 1

See above.

Reasons 1

The wording in Regulation 22.2.2 requires updating based on the experience of the Classification Commission in applying the Regulation.
Proposal 2

To amend Regulation 22.2.1 as follows:

22.2.1 Group 1

[...]

(b) However:

(i) a competitor who is under 18 years of age is a Group 1 competitor; and

(ii) a competitor who is over 18 years of age, but under 22 years of age, or 70 years of age and over, is a Group 1 competitor provided that he/she has not engaged in any of the activities listed in Regulation 22.2.2 for more than 100 days (for the avoidance of doubt this is calculated on the total period of paid work) in the qualification period (excluding any activities undertaken before his/her 18th or after his/her 70th birthday respectively).

Current Position 2

See above.

Reasons 2

The Classification Commission considers that the age limit below which a limit period of Group 3 can be undertaken should be lowered from 24 to 22 years old.