

World Sailing Race Officials Administration

Regulation 31.12 Examinations

A submission from the Chairman of Race Officials Committee

Purpose or Objective

To simplify the regulations regarding the requirements for the appointment of World Sailing Race Officials. To ensure that the Race Officials Committee has the discretion required to deal with the general and discipline specific qualifications in one location, it is not necessary to have the Examinations section in the regulations. For each discipline, all the requirements for examinations will be the Race Official Roles, Qualifications and Competences (RQC) document, as required by Regulation 31.7(a). It is preferable and easier for race official applicants to have all such matters in one location in the RQC document.

Proposal

Examinations

~~31.12 If a candidate for appointment must pass a World Sailing examination in order to be appointed, the following provisions shall apply:~~

~~31.12.1 A candidate shall have passed the examination in the four years prior to 14 October of the year of application.~~

~~31.12.2 If a candidate for re-appointment has not passed the examination prior to 14 October of the year of application, he may be re-appointed if all other conditions for re-appointment are met and:~~

~~(a) the examination has been passed by 1 January in the following year; or~~

~~(b) the examination has been passed by 1 May but after 1 January in the following year. In this case, the Executive Office may omit or mark the candidate's name accordingly in the World Sailing Yearbook.~~

~~If the examination is not passed by 1 May in the following year, the candidate will, unless there are special circumstances, have his appointment terminated by the Race Officials Committee but may re-apply in accordance with Regulation 31.15.~~

~~31.12.3 An examination pass may only be used once to qualify.~~

~~31.12.4 A candidate who does not pass an examination may retake it on the following conditions:~~

~~(a) a candidate who fails an examination on the first attempt shall not retake the examination within six months of the first attempt, unless the Chairman of the relevant Sub Committee (or the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee if there is no Sub committee) is satisfied that there are special circumstances to permit the candidate to retake the examination earlier;~~

~~(b) a candidate who fails an examination on the second attempt shall not retake the examination within a period of two years, unless the Chairman of the relevant Sub Committee (or the Chairman of the Race~~

~~Officials Committee if there is no Sub-committee) has considered the candidate's individual case and is satisfied that the candidate should be permitted an additional opportunity to retake the examination; and~~

~~(e) a candidate who fails an examination on the third attempt shall wait a period of two years before retaking the examination, is not entitled to submit an application during that period, and shall then apply as a candidate for first appointment.~~

Appointments

31.13~~2~~ *Renumber the remaining parts of Regulation 31 accordingly.*

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. Regulation 31.7 states that to be appointed, race officials shall meet the general qualifications for appointment as a World Sailing Race Official and the discipline-specific qualifications as published by World Sailing by 1 February each year. The Race Officials Committee (ROC) publish this information annually in the Race Official Roles, Qualifications and Competences (RQC) document. The RQC contains most of the requirements for qualification but not all the examination requirements, which are currently in regulation 31.12.
 2. This submission would remove all the requirements regarding examinations from the Regulations and allow ROC to publish this information in the RQC document along with the other requirements for qualification. This means that all the requirements are published together in one place for ease of reference by applicants and race officials.
 3. This change also allows the ROC the flexibility to adjust the requirements for each discipline when required.
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