World Sailing Regulations

Submission: 041-16

Regulation 24.5.3(b) – Youth Worlds Equipment

A submission from the Board

Purpose or Objective

To allow the Board to change the equipment at the Youth Worlds if it is necessary to do so in order to secure the provision of equipment free of charge to competitors at the Youth Sailing World Championships

<u>Proposal</u>

Amend Regulation 24.5.3(b) as follows:

(b) Equipment shall be provided for the competitors, free of charge. If the selected equipment for a particular event cannot be provided free of charge or the supply of equipment is interrupted, the Board may substitute the equipment for alternative equipment following consultation with the organizers and the appropriate committees.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

- 1. One of the fundamental aims of the Youth Sailing World Championships is for competitors to have access to supplied equipment, at no cost, and as selected by World Sailing through its processes.
- 2. The provision of free supplied equipment is wholly dependent on the co-operation of the builders of the equipment providing it for the use of competitors. Without this co-operation, it is not economical to run the affected event at the Championship and World Sailing has benefited hugely from the goodwill and co-operation of the suppliers who support the Championship.
- 3. In recent years there have been occasions when World Sailing has had difficulty in securing the free provision of some of the equipment for the Championship. Often these factors are outside the control of World Sailing and the organizers. The Board and Executive Office are committed to using all reasonable efforts to secure the equipment specified in the Regulation for free, but there must be a contingency option available in case it is not possible to provide the equipment specified in the Regulation. The alternative is that the event in question may need to be cancelled.