World Sailing Committees

Terms of Reference – Para World Sailing Committee

A submission from the Chairman of the Para World Sailing Committee

Purpose or Objective

This submission updates the Terms of Reference of the Para World Sailing Committee to acknowledge and adjust language to reflect terminology more in keeping with that of the IPC

Proposal

Amend Regulation 6.4.5:

6.4.5 The Para World Sailing Committee shall:

(a) be responsible for the Paralympic Sailing Programme including events and equipment selection; recommend to Council the policy (and implementing actions) including the selection of events and equipment for the Paralympic Sailing programme;

(b) be responsible for Para World Sailing Championships; recommend to Council the policy (and implementing actions) to be used in the Para World Sailing Championships and other Para World Sailing events;

(c) develop and monitor the World Sailing Disabled Sailor Ranking System; Para World Sailing Ranking System;

(d) provide one of its members to liaise directly with World Sailing staff on representative on the International Paralympic Committee matters;

(e) monitor the activities of Paralympic sailors and assist World Sailing and its committees in the administration of the disabled-sailor Para World Sailing classification programme, classifier instruction and evaluation, and to make recommendations to the Race Officials Committee on the appointment and administration of International Classifiers;

(f) promote, assess and support programmes for disabled sailing Para World Sailing run by MNA’s;

(g) decide the criteria for and advise upon the development of equipment, aids and adaptations for disabled Para Sailing and Paralympic Sailing formats sailing;

(h) liaise with the IFDS Trust;

(i) liaise with all other relevant World Sailing committees as necessary or appropriate to ensure consistency across World Sailing processes and activities with disabled Para Sailing and Paralympic Sailing and
appoint the Para World Sailing Committee representatives to the Equipment Committee, and the Equipment Control Sub-committee, and the Regional Games Sub-Committee.

Current Position
As above.

Reasons
1. Language changes to existing Terms of Reference are intended to clarify and be consistent with that used in other references to Para Sailing in other World Sailing documents and accepted by the International Paralympic Committee.

2. Changes in (a) and (b) reflect the same language used by the Events Committee in regard to the Olympic Sailing Competition and World Sailing events.

3. Regulation 6.4.5 (h) and its reference to the IFDS Trust needs to be deleted as that trust will be finally dissolved by the end of 2016, and subsequent items in the ToR should be renumbered.

4. Addition of “appointment of a representative to …… the Regional Games Sub-Committee” is consistent with current practice but not defined in Terms of Reference. It is important to the reinstatement of sailing into the Paralympic Games and for clarity in ongoing development of adapted sailing for those sailors with a physical or intellectual impairment to show global effort by World Sailing to grow Para Sailing on a world-wide regional basis.