2016 Olympic Sailing Competition

Availability of Information on Equipment Changes

A submission from the Confederação Brasileira de Vela (CBVELA)

Purpose or Objective

To increase the transparency of the equipment change process. This submission is part of a pack of proposals made by the Brazilian Confederation in order to provide a fair competition during Rio 2016 regatta held in its home waters.

Proposal

All supplied equipment at the Olympic Regatta should be distributed after a public draw.

Current Position

No current position. However, in 2012 Olympic Regatta this information was not undisclosed.

Reasons

1. It is possible that some sailors tries to change the equipment (especially the supplied ones) in order to get an advantage. During the 2012 regatta this information was not available and there was a lot of speculation that many changes were made without a reasonable reason.

2. It is important for the credibility of the competition that the process of equipment change is transparent.