2016 Olympic Events and Equipment

Regulation 23.1.4

A submission from the Cyprus Sailing Federation and the Royal British Virgin Islands Yacht Club

Purpose or Objective

The purpose of this submission is to clear up the confusion created by the 2012 Mid Year meeting in May

Proposal

In view of the fact that Council did not make a decision on the ‘RS:X and/or kite board’ equipment in May, we propose that the RS:X be selected for both men and women as that is the only equipment properly understood and available.

Current Position

No equipment has been selected

Reasons

The vote made by Council did not appear to follow ISAF Regulation #23 and should therefore be considered invalid.

1. If it was a vote to change the ‘event’ to “kite boarding” from “RS:X and/or Kite boarding” it was invalid because under 23.13’a’ such a decision has to be taken 6 years before the Games or if taken later under 23.1.7 has to be passed with a 75% majority.

2. If it was a vote for equipment, that equipment was not clearly defined at the time and therefore Council did not know what they were voting for. Further under 23.1.6 the class and/or manufacturers shall have entered into a contract with ISAF by May 1st 2012. As the equipment is unknown, the parties involved could not properly enter into a contract.

3. No proper evaluation has taken place of both the RS:X and the as yet unknown kite boarding equipment as required by Council in accepting submission 097-10 so the only available equipment under regulation 23.1.3’c’ is the RS:X

NB it should be noted that ISAF have not published any detail on kite boarding equipment since the Mid Year Meeting in May so no decision could have been made at that time or MNAs would now know what to buy and Sail Melbourne would have been able to publish a complete list of events and Classes, which they have been unable to do.