

## **2024 Olympic Sailing Competition**

### Olympic Equipment

A submission from the International Finn Association

#### Purpose or Objective

To select suitable sailing equipment for the 2024 Olympic Games to allow sailors of different physiques to compete in the 2024 Olympic regatta.

#### Proposal

The equipment chosen for 2024 shall give opportunities to women and men sailors of a wide range of physiques to compete.

New equipment need to be selected in the following events:

- Mixed One person Dinghy
- Mixed Two person Dinghy
- Kite Mixed

To note that the Men and Women One person dinghy equipment is under review and could be changed.

Following decisions at the 2018 November meeting, the equipment for the men and women windsurfing could be changed or evolved.

The event slate for 2024 shall ensure that appropriate equipment is chosen to cater for men and women of different physique.

#### Current Position

2020 Olympic equipment allows for men and women of different physiques to compete.

#### Reasons

1. Regulation 23.1.2 (d) states that Olympic event and equipment shall: be attractive and accessible to young athletes from all continents, and of different size and weight, with a clear pathway from World Sailing Youth to Olympic Events and Equipment;
2. In November 2017 World Sailing Council approved (35 for /3 against /0 abstain) the Board submission 070-17 with the objective: To ensure that there are Events at the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition that suit athletes over a wide range of physiques.

The Board submission stated the following reasons:

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- a. Athlete physiques vary greatly and vary from region to region. Sailing is a sport where the Events and Equipment selected can limit the range of size and weight of an athlete
  - b. The Events selected for the Olympic Sailing Competition should allow for a broad range of athlete physique to ensure that athletes of different size and weight are able to compete.
  - c. To ensure that at the 2018 Mid-Year meeting this policy is followed to help with the Submission process.
  - d. To help the relevant Committees make their final recommendations on the Events and Equipment selected for the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition.
3. February 2018 Council minutes reference the Events and Equipment Working Party recommendations including the following statement in 4.2:
- “Athlete physiques are an important consideration for World Sailing and the Council approved a policy to ensure a wide range of athlete physiques across the sailing events. However, this discussion is particularly relevant for the equipment discussions.”
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