2013 – 2016 ISAF Sailing World Championships and ISAF Sailing World Cup

Selection of Windsurfing Events and Equipment – Regulations 24.2.2 and 24.3.1

A submission from the Chairman of Windsurfing and Kiteboarding Committee

Purpose or Objective

To reinstate the windsurfing in the ISAF events.

In case in accordance with Regulation 23.1.7, a proposal to amend Regulation 23.1.4 is not accepted, to amend the windsurfing events and equipments in the ISAF events.

Proposal 1

Add in regulation 24.2.2 a second sentence:

24.2.2 Only the events and equipment included in the next Olympic Sailing Competition shall be included in the programme of the Championships. However, for the period 2013-2016 ISAF may include the windsurfing event(s) in the ISAF World Sailing Championship.

Proposal 2

Add in regulation 24.3.1 a second sentence:

24.3.1 Only the Events and Equipment included in the next Olympic Sailing Competition shall be included in the programme of ISAF Sailing World Cup regattas. However, for the period 2013-2016 ISAF may include the windsurfing event(s) in the ISAF Sailing World Cup Events.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. By selecting the kiteboarding ISAF has deleted the windsurfing - another strongest Olympic events and one of the most popular events as participation and global spread.

2. The windsurfing is suitable and proven for different disciplines (racing, speed) and formats (course racing, slalom, border cross, etc).

3. The logistic prices are vastly reduces for national and international travel for the windsurfing.

4. The inclusion of windsurfing supports the development towards more youth and spectator/media friendly events, as requested by the IOC. The junior classes, the Techno 293 Class, selected as equipment for use in the Youth Olympics and RS:X 8.5m2 as equipment for use in ISAF Youth Sailing Worlds, are suitable pathways to both Olympic kiteboarding and windsurfing.