2024 Olympic Sailing Competition

Data Collection and Evaluation

A submission from Israel Sailing Association and the International 470 Class Association

Purpose or Objective

That World Sailing undertakes comprehensive and relevant data collection and evaluation ahead of making its decisions in May 2018 on the events and equipment review for the 2024 Olympic Games.

Proposal

That the Events Committee be tasked to establish the list of data which should be collected and evaluated ahead of reviewing the events and equipment for the 2024 Olympic Games. This data should include, but not be limited to:

- Physiques and weights for current and potential Olympic events and equipment to ensure meet majority;
- Nation spread and fleet size in each nation;
- The nations which can/can’t support mixed events at the Olympic Sailing Competition due to cultural, religious or other reasons;
- Events which meet gender equality in terms of matched events/equipment;
- Events/Equipment at Regional Games currently and selected for the next cycle(s);
- Olympic aspirations of MNAs and in which events/equipment at 2024 Olympic Games and beyond;
- Performance at the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition and performance ranges within each fleet in order to best understand the balance of participation versus excellence;
- Cost and accessibility of Olympic equipment around the world;
- Nation spread and fleet size in pathway classes to current and potential Olympic Events/Equipment;
- Physique (height/weight/strength) ranges of current and potential Olympic Events/Equipment;
- How Olympic events/equipment represent/reflect participation levels in equivalent events/equipment around the world.
- Impact of changing equipment on small versus medium versus large MNAs around the world.

Reasons

1. Change in events and equipment has far reaching implications for the sport around the world, and any changes must be made based on accurate data and with full understanding of the consequences.

2. There is currently no requirement within the World Sailing Regulations to undertake any form of data collection and evaluation in order to make informed decisions on the selection of
events and equipment for the Olympic Games. Without such an evaluation it is impossible to make transparent and accountable decisions.

3. The Olympic Programme must deliver for the development and growth of sailing as a global sport, and with data and evaluation World Sailing can better understand the impact of its decisions.

4. The above proposal addresses the Olympic events and equipment programme priorities as set out in Regulation 23.1.2.