Olympic Sailing Competition – Core Events

Men’s One Person Dinghy and Men’s 2nd One Person Dinghy - Regulation 23.1.5

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Purpose or Objective

To select the Men’s One Person Dinghy and Men’s 2nd One Person Dinghy as Core Events and to secure hereby a longer term Olympic pathway for young male dinghy sailors in the Olympic Games.

Proposal

To select the Men’s One Person Dinghy and the Men’s 2nd One Person Dinghy as Core Events.

Current Position

There are currently no Core Events as per the ISAF Regulations. Both proposed Events have already been selected for the 2016 Olympic Games as an Olympic Event.

Reasons

Male dinghy sailing has always been a major part of the Olympic Sailing Competition. The current Men’s One Person Dinghy Event caters for sailors from around 70kg to 85 kg whereas the current Men’s 2nd One Person Dinghy Event for sailors from 85kg to 110kg.

Single handed dinghy sailing attracts the youth and keeps campaign costs (both, equipment and travelling) at a minimum. Single handed dinghy events keep also Olympic entry numbers low (as preferred by the IOC) and allow at the same time for a maximum number of participating countries in the given event.

Selecting these two Events as Core Events would for a longer term secure a natural Olympic pathway for young sailors as it has been the case over the last decade with a number of single handed dinghy sailors switching from the Men’s One Person Dinghy Event to the Men’s 2nd One Person Dinghy Event during their Olympic sailing career.