Olympic Sailing Competition

Quotas

A submission from the International 470 Class Association

Purpose or Objective

The World Sailing Regulations are not explicit as to which body within World Sailing holds the responsibility to decide the entry quotas for each of the ten events at the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition and the purpose of this submission is to make that distinction.

Proposal

That the responsibility to decide the event quotas for the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition shall be held by the World Sailing Council by amending Regulation 23.4 as follows:

“23.4 All decisions concerning the format, qualification system, and quotas for the 2024 and later Olympic Sailing Competitions shall be decided **by the World Sailing Council** no later than 31 May in the year following the previous Olympic Sailing Competition. The Board may change this deadline to a later date in order to comply with any schedule or requirements from the IOC.”

Current Position

As above, Regulation 23.4 only refers to the timeline when the decision on event quotas shall be taken for the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition, but not clearly to the body responsible for taking the decision.

Reasons

1. The allocation of event quotas for each Olympic event significantly impacts the number of nations who will campaign for the Olympic Games.

2. The decision on event quotas has far-reaching consequences on the sport at elite and pathway level and must be taken only after full consultation with MNAs and the opportunity for debate.

3. It is imperative that the responsibility for such a far-reaching decision shall be held by the World Sailing Council after appropriate research and debate.