

ISAF Events & Class Rules of Olympic Classes

Nation Flags at ISAF Events

A submission from the Chairman of the Events Committee

Purpose or Objective

To enhance the presentation of the sport at the most important ISAF Olympic Class regattas by requiring boats to display nation flags on their sails.

To remove uncertainty over this requirement when class rules do not explicitly address it.

Proposal

At the ISAF Sailing World Championships, and at all ISAF Sailing World Cup regattas, all Olympic Class boats shall carry nation flags on their mainsails, and all kiteboards on their kites, in accordance with their Class Rules. If the Class Rules do not include a specification for carrying nation flags, they shall be carried in accordance with ISAF specifications.

The requirement and specifications will be published in the NoR of these events.

Current Position

The 2016 Olympic Classes Agreement requires that:

“Country identification such as flags, national colours and crew identification will be used at the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships and the ISAF Sailing World Cup in line with ISAF specifications. The class rules shall be in accordance with the specifications and permit such country identification.”

Reasons

1. Carrying flags on sails improves the presentation of the sport and has become the norm for some but not all Olympic classes.
 2. The Olympic Classes Agreement already permits this to be a requirement specified by ISAF. This submission confirms the requirement, and includes a process for classes that have not yet addressed the requirement within their class rules.
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