Development of Sailing at the Pacific Games

OSAF and Pacific Games Council (PGC) Cooperation Agreement

A submission from Sailing Cook Islands

Purpose or Objective

The Pacific Games Council (PGC) is promoting its Games as a venue & vehicle for the development of Sports to the Continental Sports Federations of Oceania. OSAF are keen to take up this initiative and to complete a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that is proposed by the Pacific Games Council (PGC). The MOU is an opportunity to form partnerships that will facilitate the development of resources, improve the standards of competition, create pathways for Pacific Games member sailors and contribute to the Development of our Sport in the Oceania continent.

Proposal

That the Regional Games Committee and ISAF considers the opportunity presented by the PGC to assist the development of Sailing in Oceania and supports Oceania Sailing Federation (OSAF) in its objectives to develop Sailing and to increase the number of NMA’s of ISAF in the Oceania region.

That ISAF supports OSAF negotiating an MOU with the PGC to facilitate

- the use of all ISAF regulations including eligibility at Sailing Competitions hosted by the PGC
- the development of sailing in the 22 member PGC countries
- ISAF Race management, technical officials, umpires and judges at Pacific Games events
- the coordination and support of sailing including the expansion of classes sailed at the Pacific Games

Current Position

The PGC has MOU’s with many International Federations but does not have an MOU with ISAF.

OSAF wish to proceed with the proposal and seeks ISAF approval to proceed.

Reasons

1.  The PGC is a significant Games Organisation.

2.  The PGC recognises and supports the objectives of International Federations in developing Sport in the Pacific region.
3. The PGC through its Executive Director, Andrew Minogue is focused upon development of Sports in the Pacific Region.

4. Alignment of eligibility rules will complete the alignment of all Pacific Games rules with ISAF rules for the conduct of sailing at the Games.

5. Enables the development of qualifying competitions at the Pacific Games as the basis for selection pathways towards World and Olympic Games.