

International Equipment Inspector

Regulations and Racing Rules

A submission from the Equipment Committee Chairman

Terms in **bold style** are used as defined in the ERS

Objective

- To establish an ISAF technical International Race Official called “International Equipment Inspector”.
- To clarify that Race Committees appoint **equipment inspectors** for an event and MNAs or its delegate, for example a **class authority**, appoint **official measurers**.

Proposals

- The INTERNATIONAL EQUIPMENT INSPECTOR (IEI) is to be an independent race official, recruited and licensed in the same way as the International Judge, the International Umpire and the International Race Officer.
- The IEI office shall comply with the ERS definition C.4.4 Equipment Inspector: “A person appointed by a race committee to carry out **equipment inspection**.”
- The IEI is to replace the “International Measurer” who is an **equipment inspector** linked to up to five specified classes. The International Measurer Sub-Committee is to be renamed to the INTERNATIONAL EQUIPMENT INSPECTORS SUB-COMMITTEE.
- An International Measurer who has current IM appointment when the IEI office is introduced shall be considered for appointment as “International Equipment Inspector”.
- An IEI may be appointed for disciplines of sailing such as: windsurfers & kites, dinghies, keelboats, multihulls and yachts.

It is emphasized that **equipment inspection** takes place at events and may range from checking **certificates** only to a full check of the equipment’s compliance with the **class rules** and other applicable rules and regulations.

Required **certification control** shall have been carried out by an **official measurer** and **certification** by the **Certification Authority**, or an **official measurer** when applicable, before an event.

Proposed amendments to the ISAF Regulations are listed in Appendix 1 and proposed amendments to the Racing Rules of Sailing listed in Appendix 2.

Current Position

No current position in regard to the “International Equipment Inspector”.

Reasons

- The IEI office will provide a career route for the national **equipment inspector** similar to those available to the National Judge, National Umpire and National Race Officer.
 - The possibility to become an International Equipment Inspector will serve as an inspiration for national **equipment inspectors**. And is also likely to lead to an increase in national **equipment inspectors** available for national and club events.
 - Experienced IEIs will be able to do high level **equipment inspection** at multi class events.
 - It is likely that the number of IEIs will become larger than the number of IMs we currently have which could mean a wider spread and thereby a possible reduction in costs to run international events.
 - An independent **equipment inspector** working with many classes can be in a better position to detect **class rules** issues and repeated **equipment control** errors and thereby be instrumental in raising the general level of equipment control.
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Appendix 1**Proposed Amendments to the ISAF Regulations****DEFINITIONS**

~~Event Measure~~ Equipment Inspector – An ~~Event Measure~~ Equipment Inspector in accordance with the Equipment Rules of Sailing C 4.6 is: "A ~~measurer~~ person appointed by a race committee to carry out equipment inspection."

Appointment of Committee Members

5.1.1 (a) ISAF Classes Committee

- (iv) The ISAF Classes Committee may nominate candidates for membership of the Equipment, Events, Equipment Control, International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee, Class Rules Sub-committee and Windsurfing and kiteboarding Committees.

(b) Race Officials Committee

The Chairman of the Race Officials Committee may nominate candidates for membership in the Race Officials Committee and the International Judges, International Umpires, Race Management and ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committees.

Committees

6.5.6.2 The Equipment Control Sub-committee shall consist of:

- (vii) a representative of the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee.;

6.5.6.3 The Chairman of the Equipment Control Sub-committee may, for the purposes of liaison, appoint himself/herself or another member of the committee as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee.6.7.3 (f) propose members to the Equipment Committee, Events Committee, Equipment Control Sub-committee, Class Rules Sub-committee, International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding Committee. The member proposed to the Events Committee shall be a representative from an Olympic class.6.10.3 The Race Officials Committee shall have the following Sub-committees: International Judges, International Umpires, International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors and Race Management Sub-committee as provided in Regulations 6.9.7, 6.9.8, 6.9.9 and 6.9.10.

6.10.6 The Race Officials Committee shall:

- (b) maintain an oversight management of its four Sub-committees: the International Judges, the International Umpires, the Race Management and the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee and liaise with committees responsible for any other ISAF Race Official disciplines;

6.10.8 International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee6.10.8.1 The International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee (~~IMSC~~ IEISC), which shall be responsible for administering the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors

Programme, has been established by the Council as a Sub-committee of the Race Officials Committee (ROC) pursuant to Article 42.

- 6.10.8.2 The International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee shall consist of a Chairman and the number of members that shall be appointed by the Council from time to time as provided by Article 42.
- 6.10.8.3 The International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee shall:
- (a) administer the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Programme including the review and maintenance of high standards of equipment inspection and uniform application of ISAF standards by International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors at events;
 - (b) recommend to the Race Officials Committee the appointment of International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors in accordance with these regulations;
 - (c) disseminate information to and communicate with International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors and Member National Authorities;
 - (d) be responsible ~~with the relevant classes~~ for the instruction and evaluation of International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors and candidates to become an International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspector, which shall include:
 - (i) the development and conduct of seminars, related manuals and materials to train and qualify International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors and candidates to become ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors; and
 - (ii) the formulation of the examinations which applicants must pass to qualify as International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors and, if required, the establishment of the criteria for a performance assessment and its administration;
 - (e) assist Member National Authorities in training and in developing national ~~measurer/~~ equipment inspector programmes;
 - (f) recommend policies regarding the conduct of International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors;
 - (g) administer programmes to promote uniform application and consistent ~~interpretation~~ interpretation of the Racing Rules of Sailing and other ISAF documents by International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors;
 - (i) develop and administer a procedure for the grouping and classification of International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors according to their abilities and to place them in groups based on agreed criteria;
 - (j) update International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee documents, such as the Championship Equipment Inspection Report, the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Manual and the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors application form and comment to the relevant committee on any ISAF document;
 - (l) address questions from International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors;
- 6.11.7 The Racing Rules Committee shall:
- (d) include in the Racing Rules the following:
 - (i) the authority given to national authorities, organizing authorities, race committees, protest committees, umpires and ~~Measurers~~ equipment inspectors in the conducting of races;
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Regulations on Administering ISAF Classes

10.5 To maintain its ISAF designation, an ISAF Class shall:

(g) ensure that its equipment control procedures properly maintain the objectives of the class rules and shall:

(v) keep all Official Measurers approved for the class informed with respect to class rule changes and interpretations, and, if practical:

~~1. have sufficient ISAF recognized class International Measurers (see Regulation 31.13) to represent the class regionally;~~

~~2. ensure that at least one class International Measurer attends each ISAF Equipment Inspection Symposium;~~

~~3. have at least one class International Measurer present at the class World Championships;~~

~~4. organize regular class Equipment Inspection Seminars to train class Equipment Inspectors with the International Measurers as instructors; and~~

~~5.1.~~ ensure only class approved International Official Measurers to measure prototypes of moulded production boats.

10.11.6 Once a change has been approved, ISAF shall notify the Class/Owners Association, all Member National Authorities, ~~all International Measurers~~ and all licensed builders. The Class/Owners Association shall inform its members.

Class Rule Interpretations

10.12.1 ISAF may only make interpretations in accordance with the following procedures:

(a) requests for an interpretation may be made to ISAF from the following sources only: Member National Authorities, ISAF Class/Owners Associations, Copyright Owners, Trade name and Trademark Owners, Manufacturers of ISAF Class Associations and International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors;

Appointment of Race Officials in International Events

25.8.7 ISAF shall not appoint or approve a Jury Chairman, Principal Race Officer, Chief ~~Measurer~~ Equipment Inspector or Chief Umpire who is from the country of the Organizing Authority of the event.

25.8.8 When ISAF exercises its right to appoint a Chief Umpire, Jury Chairman, Chief ~~Measurer~~ Equipment Inspector, Course Representative or Principal Race Officer (Race Officer when one course area will be used) the appointee shall respectively be an International Umpire, International Judge, International ~~Measurer~~ Equipment Inspector or International Race Officer.

ISAF Race Officials Administration

31.1 The provisions of this regulation affect all International Race Officials, namely International Judges, International Umpires, International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors and International Race Officers, International Classifiers, International Expression Judges and International Technical Delegates referred to collectively in this Regulation as ISAF Race Officials".

General Qualifications required of all ISAF Race Officials

- 31.9 A candidate for appointment or re-appointment for any discipline shall:
- (a) except in the case of International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspector, be an experienced racing sailor;

Additional Qualifications for Individual Disciplines

- 31.14 International ~~Measurer~~ Equipment Inspector
- ~~31.14.1 The appointment is made for a specific Class or Rating System. For the purpose of this Regulation a Rating System, except where otherwise stated, shall be deemed to have the status of a Class.~~
- ~~31.14.2 An International Measurer can only be appointed to a maximum of five Classes subject to meeting the requirements in Regulation 31.13.5.~~
- 31.14.31 A candidate for appointment as International ~~Measurer~~ Equipment Inspector shall:
- (a) have acted as an Equipment Inspector in at least two principal events (as defined by the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee) ~~of the Class he is applying for~~, within the four years prior to 14 October of the year of application;
 - (b) have attended an ISAF International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspector's seminar ~~and in~~ the four years prior to 14 October of the year of application;
 - (d) have an intimate knowledge of the ~~relevant~~ ISAF Standard Class Rules and the ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing.
 - ~~(e)~~ be recommended by the relevant class association or, for Rating Systems, by an ISAF Rating Class, and
 - ~~(f)~~ have obtained one completed IMSC IEISC reference form from an International Measurer who has served at a principal event with the candidate.
- 31.14.42 A candidate for re-appointment as International ~~Measurer~~ Equipment Inspector shall:
- (a) have acted as an Equipment Inspector in two principal events (as defined by the International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors Sub-committee) within the four years prior to 14 October of the year of application. ~~one of the events shall be of the Class or Rating System he is applying for. As an alternative, one of the events may be substituted by one hull prototype measurement of the Class he is applying for;~~
 - (b) have an intimate knowledge of the ~~relevant~~ ISAF Standard Class Rules or Rating System rules and the ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing; ~~and~~
 - ~~(c)~~ ~~be recommended by the relevant class association or Rating System.~~
- ~~31.14.5 An International Measurer applying for appointment to an additional Class shall:~~
- ~~(a) have acted as an Equipment Inspector in at least two principal events (as determined by the International Measurers Sub-committee) of the Class he is applying for, within the four years prior to 14 October of the year of application;~~
 - ~~(b) have an intimate knowledge of the relevant class rules and the ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing.~~
 - ~~(c) be recommended by the relevant class association or, for Rating Systems, by an ISAF Rating class.~~
- ~~31.14.6 Once appointed, an International Measurer shall not be employed by or act as a consultant to or regular official measurer at a builder for that class or Rating System.~~
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Events Requiring ISAF Eligibility

19.6 ISAF Eligibility is required for the following events:

- (e) any event at which the Organizing Authority, Member National Authority or ISAF has appointed an International Jury, International Umpires, International Race Officers, International ~~Measurers~~ Equipment Inspectors or ISAF Technical Delegates to act in that capacity;

Appendix 2**Proposed amendments to the Racing Rules of Sailing**

- 43.1(c) When an equipment inspector ~~or a measurer~~ in charge of weighing clothing and equipment believes a competitor may have broken rule 43.1(a) or 43.1(b) he shall report the matter in writing to the race committee.
- 62.1(a) an improper action or omission of the race committee, protest committee, organizing authority, equipment inspection committee ~~or measurement committee~~ for the event, but not by a protest committee decision when the boat was a party to the hearing;
- 64 When the protest committee is in doubt about the meaning of a class rule, it shall refer its questions, together with the relevant facts, to ~~an authority responsible for interpreting the rule~~ the class rules authority. In making its decision, the committee shall be bound by the reply of the authority.
- 65.3 When the protest committee penalizes a boat under a ~~measurement~~ class rule, it shall send the above information to the relevant ~~measurement authorities~~ class rules authority.
- 78.1 A boat's owner and any other person in charge shall ensure that the boat is maintained to comply with her class rules and that her ~~measurement or rating~~ certificate, if any, remains valid.
- 78.3 When an equipment inspector ~~or a measurer for an event~~ decides that a boat or personal equipment does not comply with the class rules, he shall report the matter in writing to the race committee.
- 89.2(b) The organizing authority shall appoint a race committee and, when appropriate, appoint a protest committee, ~~and~~ umpires and equipment inspector(s).
- B6 78 COMPLIANCE WITH CLASS RULES; CERTIFICATES - Add to rule 78.1: 'When so prescribed by the ISAF, a numbered and dated device on a board and her centreboard, fin and rig shall serve as her ~~measurement~~ certificate.'
- G1.1(c) Sails ~~measured~~ certified before 31 March 1999 shall comply with rule G1.1 or with the rules applicable at the time of ~~measurement~~ certification.
- H2 When the weight recorded exceeds the amount permitted, the competitor may rearrange the items on the rack and the equipment inspector ~~or measurer~~ shall again soak and weigh them. This procedure may be repeated a second time if the weight still exceeds the amount permitted.
- J1.2(7) equipment inspection, ~~measurement procedures~~ or requirements for ~~measurement certificates or for handicap or rating~~ certificates;

- J2.2(9) ~~procedures for equipment inspection or measurement~~ procedures;
- K *On separate lines, insert the full name of the regatta, the inclusive dates from ~~measure-~~
~~ment~~ equipment inspection or the practice race*
- K7.2 ~~Measurement and~~ Equipment Inspection:
- K8 ~~MEASUREMENTS~~ EQUIPMENT INSPECTION - Each boat shall produce a valid ~~[measurement]~~ ~~[rating]~~ certificate. (OR) Each boat shall produce a valid ~~[measurement]~~ ~~[rating]~~ certificate. In addition the following ~~measurements~~ checks [may] [will] be ~~taken~~ made:
- L *On separate lines, insert the full name of the regatta, the inclusive dates from ~~measurement~~
~~equipment inspection~~ or the practice race until ...*
- L20 ~~EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS~~ INSPECTIONS - A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector ~~or measurer~~ to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- M2.1 • boats' representatives were on board when required (rule 63.3(a)). When the parties were in different races, both organizing authorities must accept the composition of the protest committee (rule 63.8). In a ~~measurement~~ class rules protest obtain the current class rules and identify the authority responsible for interpreting them (rule 64.3(b)).
- N2.2(a) questions of eligibility, ~~measurement or boat~~ certificates; and