International Measurer

Rating Systems

A submission from the International IRC Owners Association

Proposal

33.13.1 The appointment is made for a specific Class or Rating System. An International Measurer can only be appointed to a maximum of three Classes and/or Rating Systems except the Race Officials Committee may authorize additional Classes and/or Rating Systems if they are very similar to measure as a Class or Rating System the International Measurer is already appointed to.

33.13.2 A candidate for appointment as International Measurer shall:

(a) have acted as an Equipment Inspector in at least two principle events (as defined by the International Measurers Sub-committee) of the Class or Rating System he is applying for, within the four years prior to 14 October of the year of application;

(b) have attended an ISAF International Measurer’s seminar and have passed the International Measurers written test within the last four years prior to 14 October of the year of application; and

(c) have an intimate knowledge of the relevant Class or Rating System, rules and the ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing.

(d) be recommended by the relevant class association or Rating System, and another International Measurer.

33.13.3 A candidate for re-appointment as International Measurer shall:

(a) have acted as an Equipment Inspector in two principle events (as defined by the International Measurers 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 class or Rating System, rules and the ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing.

(c) be recommended by the relevant class association or Rating System.

33.13.4 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.

Current Position

As above.

Reason
Currently, International Measurers may only be appointed for a specific class. International Measurers may not be appointed for a Rating System. It is proposed that Regulation 33.13 should be modified to permit International Measurers to be appointed for Rating Systems:

While some different measurements may be taken for certification under a Rating System, the fundamental principles of measurement are identical to the extent that in 2010 IRC Rules adopted the Equipment Rules of Sailing in their entirety.

IRC is used by c7500 actively racing boats each year. Boats are certified in some 40 countries. IRC is used for races including the Commodores’ Cup international team event, the Fastnet Race, the Sydney to Hobart Race, Hamilton Island Race Week, Spi Ouest France, Cork Week, Key West Race Week, Voiles de St Tropez, etc, etc, etc.

This fleet, and these events, are not currently catered for by the International Measurer system. It is very desirable that Rating Systems should be able to offer the same service in respect of equipment inspection at events that is available to classes generally.

Work is in hand, in conjunction with the Equipment Control Sub-committee, to produce an ERS based training guide. It is anticipated that this guide will be used at two international measurement seminars for IRC measurers in October 2010.