1. Welcome & Introductions

The chairman welcomed the members of the committee.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Minutes

To note the minutes of the International Judges Sub-committee meeting of 8 November 2009.

The minutes were noted.

(b) Minutes Matters Arising

To consider any matters arising not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on this agenda.
3. **Obituaries**

To respectfully note the loss of the following International Judges during the period November 2009 and November 2010.

- Jack Cameron, CAN
- Geoff Myburgh, RSA
- Mike Tappert, USA
- Jacques Simon, FRA

4. **Strategy and Development**

To discuss the following items with regard to Strategy and Development within the Race Officials Committee, its Sub-committees and the ISAF Race Officials:

(a) Conflict of Interest/fair play education, communication and policy

   As in Item 10.

(b) Recruiting and training more, and younger, race officials

   ISAF VP Eric Tulla expressed concern about a decrease in the number of ISAF Race Officials where there is a need for growth. He outlined the role of the IJSC in recruitment, training and development of international judges. He asked the IJSC to develop a parallel system to the grouping system used by International Umpires.

   Charley Cook stressed the priority to increase the number of ISAF officials by 10% in the next four year. The focus is especially in South America, Africa, and Eastern Europe. Travel grants could be available for national officials with potential to get to international events.

(c) Expanding seminar programme to under-served areas.

   National Judge seminar materials are now available

(d) Review of ISAF Race Management Policies

   Not discussed

(e) 4 year plan for ROC and Sub-committees

   Not discussed

(f) Coordination between Sub-committees

   Not discussed

(g) Linkage with coaches and athletes

   Not discussed

(h) Relationship between ROC and Equipment Committee, and their respective Sub-committees

   Not discussed

(i) Development of the Performance Reporting System

   Not discussed

(j) Meeting schedule of the ROC and Sub-committees for future conferences

   Not discussed
5. **Appointments of Race Officials**

(a) Submission 011-10

Submission 011-10 from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee about ISAF appointment of Chief Umpire, Jury Chair, Chief Measurer, Corse Representative or Principal Race Officer.


(b) Submission 012-10

Submission 012-10 from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee about ISAF appointment of Umpires and Judges.

*Recommendation to Race Official Committee*: Support

(c) Submission 144-10

Submission 144-10 from the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation about age limit for Race Officials at mayor.

*Recommendation to Race Official Committee*: Reject

6. **Guidelines of Principal Events**

To review and discuss the Guidelines of Principal Events document.

Steve Wrigley will work with Sally Burnett on an updated draft of the Guidelines, to liaise with IUSC.

7. **ISAF Regulations**

(a) Submission 047-10

To consider submission 047-10 from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the Chairman of the Constitution Committee about Regulation 31.1.2.

Not discussed

Submission 109-10

To consider submission 109-10 from the Chairman of the Events Committee about new Regulation 17.3-ISAF Sailing World Cup.

Not discussed

8. **Race Officials**

(a) Submission 145-10

Submission 145-10 from RS:X International Class Association about in-depth study on the role and function of International .

*Recommendation to Race Official Committee*: IJSC does not support the submission, but does support the concept of a review.

(b) Submission 146-10

Submission 146-10 from RS:X International Class Association about International Juries decision in respect of Class Rules.

*Recommendation to Race Official Committee*: No support

(c) Submission 141-10
To consider submission 141-10 from the Royal Yachting Association about Rating Systems.

This was not discussed.

(d) Submission 142-10
Submission 142-10 from the Chairman of the International IRC Owners Association about Rating Systems.

*Recommendation to Race Official Committee: Defer*

(e) Submission 143-10
Submission 143-10 from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee about appointment to additional classes.

*Recommendation to Race Official Committee: Defer*

9. **Code of Conduct**

To review and discuss the draft Code of Conduct for ISAF Race Officials.

Josje Hofland-Dominicus reports that the work done on conflict of interest will relate well to the development of a Code of Conduct for ISAF Race Officials.

10. **Conflict of Interest**

(a) Update report

To receive an update on the development of Guidelines for the assessment of conflicts of interest.

Report from the chairman of the working party, Josje Hofland-Dominicus.

She presented survey data that suggest that Race Officials might not see themselves having the conflict of interest that is perceived by others. There are also practical implications that might be different from perfect solutions.

The Working Party will create Guidelines and content on conflict of interest for RO seminars, RO manuals. They will create a dedicated website by January 2011 with guideline documents, a database of scenarios, Frequently Asked Questions with frequent updates. It will have an e-mail address where people may file their questions and receive answers.

11. **Major Events**

(a) America’s Cup

To receive an update on the preparations for the 34th America’s Cup.

The International Jury for the 34th America’s Cup has been appointed

(b) Volvo Ocean Race

To receive an update on the preparations for the Volvo Ocean Race 2011-2012

Not discussed

(c) Olympic Sailing Competition

To receive a report from the Chairman on the preparations for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition and the selection of race officials to note the proposal for the format of the sailing competition.
Charley Cook reported that appointments of officials for Perth are expected within a month. For the Olympics, Council will be asked to extend the time from Nov. 2011 to the end of 2011.

(d) ISAF Sailing World Cup
To receive a report from the Chairman on the ISAF Sailing World Cup and the involvement of ISAF race officials.
Charley Cook reported that event organizers will appoint Chief officials from within a list provided by ISAF. Each event will submit a list of judges and umpires for approval by the ISAF.

(e) Redress
To discuss the operation of redress at ISAF Sailing Events in general and in the Medal Race in particular.
Not discussed

(f) On the water Coaching
To discuss the proposed changes to the International Star Class Rules to on the water coaching.
Not discussed

(g) Deferred Submission 081-09
To consider submission 081-09 from the Hungarian Yachting Association and the Russian Yachting Federation about the introduction of “Middle Gates”.
Not discussed

(h) Deferred Submission 086-09
To consider submission 086-09 from the Polish Yachting Association about ISAF Sailing World Cup events.
Not discussed

12. Race Officials Reporting Systems

(a) Online reporting system
See below

(b) Online system for Regatta Reports
To receive a report on the use of the online system for Regatta Report Forms on www.ijreport.org
Lars Nyqvist and Costas Tsantilis reported on the use of the online system for Regatta Report forms on www.ijreport.com. The IJSC supports the continuation of the use of the regatta reports, and encourages judges to submit reports following their events.
The Chairman thanked Lars and Costas for their good work and their commitment to continue with the regatta report initiative.

(c) Regatta Report Forms
To consider reports and comments from IJ Regatta Reports during 2010 and in particular specific incidents/issues raised at events.
The IJSC supports a separation of the evaluation of officials from the regatta report on the event. Lars Nyqvist will work with Riccardo Antoni and Andres Perez on this initiative.
The Chairman suggested a working party linked to the IUSC on the portion of the report that evaluates the IJs and NJs on juries at events.

Steve Wrigley will report to the subcommittee with a proposal on the feasibility of the periodic publication of an IJ newsletter, noting that the commitment of all IJSC members to contribute would be needed.

13. Development

(a) The needs of ISAF Appointment Working Party

Charley Cook reported that the ISAF Appointment Working Party has been restructured with three members. In the past four years many more events have appointed ISAF officials. The goal for the appointments is to staff regattas with judges having a good mix of skills. For this reasoning, grouping of IJs is highly desirable, as described in point (d).

(b) Education of IJs

To discuss proposal for “refresher training” of IJs.

Lynne Beal reported on a proposal for a refresher education programme for IJs to promote quality assurance. The proposal includes five components: Keeping up to date on rule changes; continuing education on Rule 42; Study materials to be available for individual and group use; Participating in continuing education through a range of activities; and Tracking and reporting on an IJ’s continuing education activities. An on-line test with no report to the ISAF is desirable for IJs to evaluate their knowledge and identify areas for further development.

Jim Capron reported on an internet platform for the rule 42 e-library that has broader implications for education of IJs. The platform, accessible through ISAF website using one’s ISAF sailor ID and password could accommodate courses, testing, video upload and other capabilities. The IJSC supports the development of an IJ library of resources for self-study and continuing education. Lynne Beal, Krystyna Lastowska and Riccardo Antoni will advance the plan.

(c) Rule 42 Education Programme

To receive a report on the Rule 42 workshops held in 2010 and to review the plans for 2011.

In 2010 there were three rule 42 workshops at junior and youth levels. Educational materials on the most common rule 42 breaches were produced for all Olympic classes, Optimist and 420s. Materials were translated into Chinese, French, German, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, and Spanish.

(d) Further Development

To discuss areas with need for further development.

The Chairman had previously circulated a proposal whereby judges could be grouped by skill for the purpose of being appointed to ISAF events. IJs who met experience requirements could seek grouping. New IJs and others who so choose would remain ungrouped. Values of the IJSC include establishing clear criteria that are published for grouping judges. Sally will lead a Working Party to develop the concept further, considering establishing a grouping panel, and grouping criteria. Steve Wrigley, Lynne Beal and Riccardo Antoni will join a working party with the goal of having a plan to implement by March 2010.

(e) Professional Race Officials
To discuss the development of professional race officials
Not discussed.

14. Seminar and Clinic Programme

(a) Future Conferences
To discuss possible plans for future race officials conferences
Not discussed

(b) Seminars and Clinics 2010
To review the Seminar and Clinic Programme 2010
There were 6 IJ seminars in 2010 with 67 attendees and three more seminars to come. Locations were Russia, Mexico, China, India, Australia, and Argentina.

(c) Plans for Seminars and Clinics 2011
To discuss a possible plan for Seminars and Clinics in 2011 and onwards
Seminars and Clinics in 2011 will be planned, pending budget decisions. The focus will continue on requests and the continued focus on underdeveloped nations. It could be helpful to make the method for re-sitting the IJ test, clear to candidates at the seminars

(d) Entry System to ISAF Seminars and Clinics
To discuss possible entry requirements for ISAF Seminars and Clinics
No suggestions.

(e) Seminar and Clinics Material
To note the status of the ISAF Seminar and Clinic material
Status of the ISAF Seminar and Clinic material was noted.

(f) Rule 42 material
To receive an update on the development of the rule 42 material
Sophia Truchanowicz reported that the rule 42 Library is live on the ISAF Race Officials microsite, http://www.sailing.org/ click on officials, click on Rule 42 library. It includes class-specific information, interpretations, quizzes. Presentations and videos links are under constructions. Videos shot in 2010 are being prepared for the website.

Goals for 2011 are: to identify and educate four new rule 42 educators in North America, South America, Africa, Asia and Europe; to develop a rule 42 library; to implement the rule 42 platform; and to provide rule 42 workshops for continuing education on junior and youth levels. Plans to achieve these goals involve recruitment and training of the Rule 42 educators, running workshops focusing on youth and junior levels; translating the most common breaches to more languages, and promoting rule 42 library in the sailing community.

The Chairman thanked Sofia for the work she has done on this initiative.

(g) National Judge Programme Package
To receive a report regarding the development and implementation of the National Judging programme used as a legacy at the end of a clinic.

The ISAF version of the National Judges programme will be held for the first time in November in Chile in Spanish, linked to a continental championship. The next
languages for translation will be Portuguese and Chinese. The materials will be available for use by any MNA by request to Sarah Johnson.

(h) Budget
To note the expenditure on the seminar/clinic programme in 2010 (previously circulated) and the budget approved by the Executive for 2011.
The subcommittee noted the expenditure on the seminar and clinic programme in 2010 (previously circulated) and the budget approved by the Executive for 2011.

15. Appointment of Seminar Instructors
(a) Appointments of IJ Seminar Instructors
To note the appointments of Seminar Instructors
There are currently eleven IJ instructors. The Chairman of IJSC makes the appointments of Instructors. Sally Burnett and Jim Capron will work on a proposal to make the appointments for one year, renewable
(b) IJ Seminar Instructors
To record the list of IJ Seminar Instructors and identify potential future instructors.
Anna Sanchez is proposed as an Instructor. Nelson Ilha has resigned, and is willing to consider reappointment.

(a) International Judges Manual
To receive a report on the updates of the IJ Manual
The IJ Manual update is close to completed. Sections are in progress, with some projected to be ready for posting on the internet by the end of April 2011. Lynne Beal and Bill Bell are working on this initiative with Ronnie McCracken.
(b) New Sections
To discuss the need to include new sections
(c) Publication of ISAF Standard Documents
To discuss and note the publication of ISAF Standard documents
New sections to add include: the Chief Judge; scribing at a hearing; whistle systems of on the water judging

17. Q&A Panel
(a) Q&As published in 2010
To receive a report from the chairman of the Q&A Panel
Not discussed
(b) ISAF Q&A Booklet
To note the publication of the Q&A booklet
Not discussed

18. Racing Rules Submissions
To specifically consider the following submission proposing changes to the Race Rules of Sailing:

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19. **Umpired Fleet Racing Rules – Addendum Q**

To receive an update from the working party

No update was available from the working party

20. **ISAF Race Officials Uniforms**

(a) Update and future plans

To receive an update on the Race Officials Uniforms from the ISAF Competitions Manager
ISAF is in discussion with vendors to provide polo shirts, hats and dry bags to all ISAF officials within the next year. In addition, ISAF branded gear would be available for 50% off retail, ordered on-line. IJSC suggests that National Judges at ISAF events also have branded clothing as members of the officials’ team.

21. Race Officials Committee Agenda

To review the Race Officials Committee agenda and the ROC Sub-Committee

22. Technology in Sailing

(a) Progress Report

To note a progress report from the chairman of the Working Party.

No report available

(b) Tracking Systems and International Judges

To discuss the impact of tracking systems for International Judges

Not discussed

(c) Deferred submission 081-09

To consider submission 081-09 from Hungarian Yachting Association and Russian Yachting Federation about Tracking System and electronic control of the starting line and course.

Not discussed

(d) Deferred submission 088-09

To consider submission 088-09 from Deutscher Segler-Verband about Tracking system for tracking and race management.

Not discussed

(e) Deferred submission 089-09

To consider submission 089-09 from Polish Yachting Association about Tracking System.

Not discussed

23. Summary of Meeting

The meeting will be closed to observers from the following item onwards

24. Race Officials Performance Investigations

To receive a report from the chairman regarding investigations undertaken in accordance with Regulation 34.

Josje Hofland-Dominicus updated the Committee.

25. Race Officials Commendations

To consider recommendations for ISAF commendations
None made

26. **ISAF Race Officials Appointments**
   To consider applications for the appointment to IJ status, and the applications for renewal of status (previously circulated)

27. **IJ Test**
   (a) Current IJ Test
   To discuss current IJ tests
   Not discussed
   (b) Test Results 2010
   To note the results of candidates who sat the test in 2010 (previously circulated).
   Not discussed
   (c) Verbal Test
   To note the status of the verbal test.
   Not discussed
   (d) IJ Test for Renewal of Status
   To discuss the policy paper regarding the practicalities of retesting IJs
   Not discussed
   (e) Test Administrators
   To discuss the need to identify additional test administrators to facilitate re-sit requests and if agreed, establish a simple policy.
   Jim Capron spoke to the status of the IJ test and Seminar. See Item 14.

28. **Any Other Business**
   The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1845 hours. She thanked the members for all of their contributions throughout the year, and noted that there would be much more work to come!