International Measurers Sub-committee Minutes

The International Measurers Sub-committee will meet at 09:00–18:30 hours on Saturday 6 November 2010 at the Divani Caravel Hotel, Athens, Greece

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Present:
D. Dimou GRE (Chairman)  A.Cardona(ESP)
H. Suntay (TUR)  D. Sprague (CAN)
N. Sironi (ITA)  B. Johnson (AUS)
H-K. Jang (KOR)

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 Measurers Sub-committee meeting of 7 November 2009.

   (b) Minutes Matters Arising

   None

3. **Obituaries**

   The loss of recently retired Cle Jeltes (NED, FD Class) was noted.
4. **Strategy and Development**

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

(a) Conflict of Interest/fair play education, communication and policy
   Concern was expressed about various situations that might lead to a conflict of interest case. The committee discussed in detail situations like family relations and professional affiliations, especially between race officials and MNA’s. IMSC will forward all recommendations to the ROC through D. Sprague.

(b) Recruiting and training more, new, race officials
   The IMSC with the help of the classes will work towards the recruitment of new race officials. More women also need to be encouraged to enter the world of measurement. The difficulty of attracting young people that must balance family, career and IM commitments was noted, and ways to attract those people must be sought.

(c) Expanding seminar programme to under-served areas
   The IMSC seminar/clinic programme is under continuous development and review. But in general, Europe should be covered with at least one seminar per year, and other continents to be served on a rotational basis. It was also agreed that a clinic be held prior to the commencement of pre event inspection for the 2011 African Games to be held in Mozambique. A seminar is planned for May 2011 in Qingdao, China and Eastern Europe must receive a high priority in 2011. Either a seminar or clinic should be held in Mexico prior to the 2011 Pan Am Games.

(d) 4 year plan for ROC and Sub-committees
   The IMSC agreed that needs are required in the area of dealing with difficult people and addressing the inconsistency of event measurement/inspection.

(e) Coordination between Sub-committees
   Progressing well

(f) Linkage with coaches and athletes
   Better understanding of each required

(g) Relationships between ROC and EQC, and their respective committees
   Some conflict occurs in the area of manual coordination. ISAF Technical Department need closer links with the IMSC as the IMSC is currently aligned to the Race Officials Department. It was agreed that we are RO’s but we also Technical Officials.

(h) Development of Performance Reporting System
   Nothing to report

(i) Meeting schedule of the ROC and Sub-committees for future conferences
   No comment required
5. **Payments to Race Officials**

No discussion

6. **Technology in Sailing**

(a) 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.

No recommendation

(b) Deferred submission 088-09

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

No recommendation

(c) Deferred submission 089-09

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

No recommendation

7. **ISAF Regulations**

(d) (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.

*Recommendation to the Race Officials Committee*: Approve

(b) 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. **International Measurers and Equipment Inspection**

(a) Procedures

General discussion will little to report except that all felt that a symposium for all ISAF Classes Chief Measurers should be held in the not too distant future in order to help the Classes improve their technical organization and enable IMs to share ideas and knowledge on measurement / inspection systems.

(b) Submission 141-10

To consider submission 141-10 from the Royal Yachting Association about Rating Systems.
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Recommendation to the Race Officials: Approve

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

Recommendation to the Race Officials: Defer

The IMSC recommends deferral of the submission for 12 months whilst a Working Party is formed to establish the best way forward; the Rating systems measurement has differences in philosophy and practice from Class measurement, and the current ISAF IM training system must be modified to cover it properly.

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

Recommendation to the Race Officials: Approve

9. 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, Course Representative or Principal Race Officer.

Recommendation to the Race Officials: Approve with the following amendment: Chief Measurer is replaced with International Measurer.

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

Not discussed

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

Not discussed

(d) Submission 145-10 from RS:X Class Association about the role and functions of the International Juries.

Not discussed

(e) Submission 146-10: withdrawn

10. Guidelines to Principal Events

IMSC will look to ways whereby to work with the classes.

11. Performance Reporting System

No comment from IMSC.
12. Code of Contact

Race Officials Committee V/Chairman addressed the IMSC on work to date relating to the Code of Conduct for all ISAF Officials.

13. Conflict of Interest

(a) See 4(a) above.

14. Major Events

(a) America’s Cup
   No report received

(b) Volvo Ocean Race
   No report received

(c) Olympic Sailing Competition
   Olympic Classes have forwarded the names of those to be considered for appointment for the ISAF Olympic Classes World Championship, the 2011 Pre Olympics and the 2012 Olympic Games.

(d) ISAF Sailing World Cup
   Verbal report received on past events, further update will be tabled at ROC.

(e) 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

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

15. Race Officials Reporting Systems

(a) No report received

16. Key Areas for the IMSC

(a) Equipment Control Sub-committee
   IMSC and EQCSC are working together in harmony

(b) Classes and MNA’s
   IMSC shall contact Classes through the help of the ICC, to explain the technical issues and needs and the role of IMs. MNA’s should be also contacted regarding the IM clinic programme, to help them set up
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their national measurement systems.

(c) Equipment Rules of Sailing
Although the responsibility of the EQSC, it was felt that greater input from IM’s be considered. ERS Working Party to meet in early 2011 and so comments to Jan Dejmo from IM’s should be encouraged.

17. Seminar and Clinic Programme

(a) Future Conferences
IMSC Chairman to draft a proposal and forward to ROC (see also 8.a).

(b) Seminars and Clinic Programme 2010
Seminars held in Argentina and Turkey
Clinics held in Portugal and China

(c) Plans for Seminars and Clinics 2011
Proposed Seminars for China, Netherlands and Estonia
Proposed Clinics for Mexico, Mozambique, Poland and/or Italy

(d) Entry System to ISAF Seminars and Clinics
Clinic – No entry requirements
Seminar – IM clinic or equivalent attendance to be required in future.

(e) Seminar and Clinic Material
A comprehensive base of material is available to successfully run both clinics and seminars.

(f) Budget
The IMSC to submit its budget for 2011 to the ROC.

18. Appointment of Seminar Instructors

(a) Appointments of IM Seminar Instructors
ISAF Instructors for 2010-2011: Dimitris Dimou (GRE), David Sprague (CAN), Alex Finsterbusch (ARG) and Barry Johnson (AUS)

(b) New IM Seminar Instructors
Antonio Cardona (ESP), Paolo Luciani (ITA) and Ken Kershaw (GBR) to be recommended to ROC for appointment as apprentice Instructors.

19. International Measurers Publications

(a) To receive a report on the updates of the IM Manual
Final material to be available by Jan 31, 2011 for final editing and formatting, publication by ISAF in late April 2011.

(b) New Sections
ISAF Regulations can change sections of Manual.
Link required for Classes and MNA’s.

(c) Publication of ISAF Standard Documents
20. **Racing Rules Submissions**
IMSC noted submissions with no comments.

21. **ISAF Race Officials Uniforms**
Chairman ROC provided an update on the progress of uniforms.

22. **Race Officials Committee Agenda**
The IMSC noted the ROC agenda.

23. **Other Business**
The IMSC are of the opinion that all Race Officials (including IM's) should be graded as the International Umpires. Chairman to follow up at ROC meeting, requesting advice from the IUSC and IJSC who are leading in that field.

24. **Summary of Meeting**
In closing the meeting, to the observers present a vote of thanks was passed by the Chairman for their input and commitment to their role as an ISAF International Measurer and the work they have undertaken throughout the year with their classes and MNA’s.

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

25. **Race Officials Performance Investigations**
Nothing to report for 2010

26. **Race Officials Commendations**
Nothing to report for 2010

27. **ISAF Race Officials Appointments**
The IMSC considered all received applications for the appointment to IM status, and the applications for renewal of status. The recommendations were forwarded to the ROC.

28. **IM Test**

   (a) **IM Test**
The IMSC considers that the current test requires considerable study of the ERS and thus ensures a good understanding of the ERS for all future IMs.

   (b) **Test Administrators**
Dimitris Dimou (GRE) with the help of Alex Finsterbusch (ARG) and David Sprague (CAN).

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 1835h.