Racing Rules of Sailing

Rule N1.2

A submission from Yachting Australia

Purpose or Objective

To align rule N1.2 with current practice.

Proposal

N1.2 The jury shall consist of a chairman, a vice chairman if desired, and other members for a total of at least five. A majority shall be International Judges. The jury may appoint a secretary, who shall not be a member of the jury.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. To allow a member of an international jury to undertake secretarial duties and remain a member of the jury, when no-one is available to serve in that position.

2. The requirement that the secretary not be a member of the jury has been ignored at many events as it is common practice for many juries to do their own secretarial work.

3. The removal of the last sentence removes any confusion as to the standing of a jury member who is acting as the jury secretary.

4. There are situations at large events where the officially appointed jury secretary is also a member of the international jury.

5. ISAF have in the past appointed an IJ to both positions; jury member and secretary, which is not in line with the rule.