The Equipment Control Sub-committee met at 14:30 – 18:00 hours on Monday 7 November 2011 at Caribe Hilton Hotel, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Please refer to the ISAF website www.sailing.org for the details of the submissions in these minutes.

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SP = Supporting Paper
CM = Paper circulated to Committee Members only

Please refer to the ISAF Council minutes of 11 - 13 November 2011 for the Final Council decision on all recommendations and opinions contained within these minutes.

Present:
Dina Kowalyshyn (Chairman)
Dimitris Dimou (Vice Chairman)
Alberto Predieri (ISAF Vice President)
Bengt Gustafsson
Richard Hart (ISAF Classes Rep)
Bruno de Wannenaeker (Windsurfing Rep)
Paolo Luciani
Georg Tallberg
Jan Dejmo
Ken Kershaw
Dick Rose (Racing Rules Rep)
Nil Nordenstrem (Oceanic & Offshore Rep)
Haluk Suntay
Juri Saraskin
Leo Sanchez Soto

Also Present:
Jason Smithwick (Head of Technical & Offshore)
Barry Johnson (International Measurer)
Rob Taylor (Technical Co-ordinator)
Boris Hepp

1. Opening of the Meeting
Dina Kowalyshyn gave a warm welcome to the committee, thanking them for making the long trip to Puerto Rico.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
The minutes of the Equipment Control Sub-committee meeting of 8 November 2010 were noted and approved. There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

3. Submissions Deferred from the November 2010 Council Meetings

ISAF Regulations
(a) International Measurer – Rating Systems
Submissions 141-10 from the Royal Yachting Association and submission 142-10 from the International IRC Owners Association both regarding proposed changes to ISAF Regulation 33.13 relating to International Measurers being appointed for Rating Systems were discussed together as pertaining to the same matter. The merits of having International Measurers for Rating Systems were considered. It was discussed how the actual measurements required were similar to other classes but it was just how those measurements were administered that differed. It was agreed that it should be the
Race Officials Committee and International Measurers Sub-committee who made any recommendation on this matter and so on a proposal from Ken Kershaw, seconded by Jan Dejmo this was agreed by the committee.

**Opinion: No Recommendation**

(b) The Chairman of the Equipment Committee appointed Working Party, Ken Kershaw explained the background to the submissions and updated the committee on the work of the Working Party to date, which concluded these submissions were a good idea and recommended the Equipment Committee to further recommend approval with the friendly amendment of changing ‘Rating Class’ to ‘Rating System Authority’.

**Equipment Rules of Sailing**

(c) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: New B1 – POSITION OF EQUIPMENT

The committee reviewed submission 074-10 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing and could not establish the reasons for deferring the submission from 2010. On further review, it was agreed the submission was correct and still required and so on a unanimous vote in favour, it was agreed to recommend this submission be approved.

**Opinion: Approve**

4. **Submissions**

**Equipment Rules of Sailing**

The submissions relating to the Equipment Rules of Sailing were presented to the committee by Jan Dejmo, Chairman of the ERS Working Party.

(a) **Equipment Rules Interpretations**

The committee considered submission 055-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding Regulations 29.3.5 and 29.3.6 on Equipment Rules interpretations. Dick Rose suggested that two working groups be set up; one for the Q&A which would be more responsive to issues that arise, and one for a Casebook which would be more reflective. Cases could then be included in the back of the ERS book and be revised every four years with the rest of the book.

On a proposal by Ken Kershaw, seconded by Dick Rose, and unanimously agreed by the committee it was recommended to approve the submission.

**Opinion: Approve**

(b) **The Equipment Rules of Sailing: Introduction – Changes**

Submission 056-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(c) **The Equipment Rules of Sailing: A.1 Class Rules**

Submission 057-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(d) **The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.2.3 Open Class Rules**

Submission 058-11 from the International 12 Metre Class Association regarding interpretations of the Equipment Rules of Sailing was considered by the committee.
Opinion: No Recommendation
The Equipment Control Sub-committee agrees with the opinion of the Class Rules Sub-committee as follows:

1. Does "specifically prohibited" mean that the item must be directly mentioned within the class rules as a prohibited item?
   Yes

2. If an open class rule uses the ISAF Standard Class Rules format of listing mandatory and optional equipment, if an item of equipment is not listed in either of these lists, is that considered to be "specifically prohibited" by omission?
   No

3. If the answer to Q2 is "Yes", would that not meet the definition of closed class rules? and if not what would be the reason?
   Not applicable

(e) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.3.2 Certify
Submission 059-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(f) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.4.1 Fundamental Measurement
Submission 060-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(g) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.4.2 Certification Control
Submission 061-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(h) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.4.7 International Measurer
Submission 062-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(i) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.6.5 Portable Equipment
Submission 063-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve
(j) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: C.6.5(a) Age Date & C.6.5(b) Series Date
Submission 064-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
The wording is ambiguous. This should be addressed in conjunction with an Offshore Special Regulations submission.

(k) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.2 Rig Types
Submission 065-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(l) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.4(a) Mast
Submission 066-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the work of the ERS Working Party; however it was suggested that the proposal be amended for further clarity.

**Opinion: Approve with the following amendments:**

(a) MAST
   A spar on which the head or throat of a sail, or a yard, is set. Includes its standing rigging, running rigging, other rigging, spreaders, fittings and any corrector weights, but not running rigging and fittings that are not essential to the function of the mast as part of the rig.

(m) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.4(c) Hull Spars
Submission 067-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the work of the ERS Working Party; however it was suggested that the proposal be amended for further clarity.

**Opinion: Approve with the following amendment:**

(c) Hull Spars
   A spar attached to the hull to take rigging loads.
   (i) Bowsprit
       A hull spar extending forward to attach rigging and/or the tack of a headsail, or headsails.
   (ii) Bumpkin
       A hull spar extending aft to sheet a sail and/or attach rigging.
   (iii) Deck Spreader
       A hull spar extending transversely to attach standing rigging.

(d) OTHER SPARS
   Other spar types include their rigging, fittings and any corrector weights, but not running rigging.
   Other Spar Types:
   (i) Spinnaker Pole
       A spar attached to the mast spar to set a spinnaker.
   (ii) Whisker Pole
A spar attached to the mast spar and a headsail clew.

(iii) Bowsprit
A hull spar extending forward to attach rigging and/or the tack of a headsail, or headsails.

(iv) Bumpkin
A hull spar extending aft to sheet a sail and/or attach rigging.

(iii) GAFF
A spar attached at one end to a mast spar to set the peak, throat and/or head of a quadrilateral sail.

(iv) SPRIT
A spar attached at one end to a mast spar or a hull to set only the peak of a quadrilateral sail.

(v) YARD
A spar hoisted on a mast spar at a point between its ends to set the head of a quadrilateral sail or the luff of a lateen sail.

(n) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.5 Rigging Components
Submission 068-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(o) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.6(a)(i) Forestay & F.1.6(a)(ii) Shrouds
Submission 069-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed in principle; however it was suggested that the proposal be amended for further clarity.

Opinion: Approve with the following amendment

(i) SHROUD
Permanently attached Rigging providing transverse support for a mast spar or hull spar which may also provide longitudinal support and is not detached when racing.

(iii) FORESTAY
Permanently attached Rigging providing forward support for a mast spar and is not detached when racing.

The ERS Working Party to edit to ensure grammar and wording is a definition and not a rule.

(p) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.6(a) Standing Rigging
Submission 070-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Reject
The Equipment Control Sub-committee prefer the wording of the amended submission 069-11.
(q) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.6(b) Running Rigging
Submission 071-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(r) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.1.7 Spreader
Submission 072-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(s) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: F.2.3 Mast Centre of Gravity
Submission 073-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(t) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.1 Sail & G.1.4(o) Attachments
Submission 074-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(u) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.3(b) Headsails and Spinnakers
Submission 075-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
The Equipment Control Sub-committee supports submission 166-11 on RRS 50.4 in favour of this one.

(v) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.3(d) Headsail & G.1.3(e) Spinnaker
Submission 076-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
Submission to be withdrawn by the Chairman of the Equipment Committee.

(w) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.4(g) Double Luff Sails
Submission 077-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**
(x) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.4(i) Dart
Submission 078-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the work of the ERS Working Party; however it was suggested that the proposal be amended for further clarity.

**Opinion: Approve with the following amendment:**

(i) DART
Overlap where an area cut out of one ply is joined.

An overlap formed at a sail edge by overlapping joining the ply edges of a cut out in the body of the sail.

(y) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.4(k) Batten
Submission 079-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
There is a circular reference to batten pocket in 079-11.

(z) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.4(k) Batten
Submission 080-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
This definition is ambiguous as a batten can support more than a sail edge.

(aa) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.4(m) Window
Submission 081-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(bb) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.1.4(n) Stiffening
Submission 082-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
This submission is to be further developed with the batten pocket definition in submissions 079-11 and 080-11.

(cc) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.2.4 & H.5.2 Hollows in Sail Leeches
Submission 083-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**
(dd) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.4.2(a) & G.4.2(b) Mainsail & Headsail Head Point
Submission 084-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed
changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which
agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
The wording in the submission is open to too much interpretation.

(ee) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.6.3 Tabling
Submission 085-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding
proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee
which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(ff) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.6.4 Batten Pocket Patch
Submission 086-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding
proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of was reviewed by the committee
which agreed with the work of the ERS Working Party; however it was suggested that the
proposal be amended for further clarity.

**Opinion: Approve with the following amendment:**

G.6.4 Batten Pocket Patch
Secondary reinforcement at the inner end an end of a batten pocket.

(gg) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.8.4 Reinforcement Size
Submission 087-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding
proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee
which agreed with the work of the ERS Working Party; however it was suggested that
the proposal be amended for further clarity.

**Opinion: Approve with the following amendment**

G.8.4 Reinforcement Size
(a) AT A CORNER: The greatest dimension of the sail reinforcement from a sail corner
measurement point, distance measured from the sail corner measurement point.
(b) TABLING WIDTH: The width of a tabling measured at 90° to the sail edge.
(c) ELSEWHERE: The greatest dimension of the sail reinforcement.

(hh) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: G.8.9 Window Ply & G.8.10 Window Area
Submission 088-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding
proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee
which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Approve**

(ii) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: H.4.2 Outer Point Distance
Submission 089-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed
changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which
agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

**Opinion: Reject**
The wording in the submission is open to too much interpretation.

Submission 090-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the work of the ERS Working Party; however it was suggested that the proposal be amended for further clarity.

Opinion: Approve with the following amendment:

H.4.7  Mast centre of gravity height shall be checked with any halyards fully hoisted and rigging pulled taut and tied to the spar as close to the lower heel point as possible.

(kk) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: H.5.1 Condition of the Sail

Submission 091-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(ll) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: H.5.2 Hollows in Sail Leeches

Submission 092-11 from the International IRC Owners Association regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Approve

(mm) The Equipment Rules of Sailing: H.5.4 Sail Corners

Submission 093-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding proposed changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing was reviewed by the committee which agreed with the proposal made by the ERS Working Party.

Opinion: Reject

The proposed wording requires further consideration

Advertising Code

(nn) ISAF Advertising Code – Regulation 20.7.1

The committee noted submission 011-11 from the Executive Committee regarding changes to the ISAF Advertising Code and were unanimously in favour of recommending this submission for approval.

Opinion: Approve

(oo) ISAF Advertising Code – Regulation 20: Table 1, Events Advertising

The committee noted submission 012-11 from the Executive Committee regarding the ISAF Advertising Code and were unanimously in favour of recommending this submission for approval.

Opinion: Approve

(pp) ISAF Advertising Code – Regulation 20: Table 2

The committee noted submission 013-11 from the Executive Committee regarding the ISAF Advertising Code and were unanimously in favour of recommending this submission for approval.

Opinion: Approve
In-House Certification

(qq) Regulation 10.5(h)

Submission 054-11 from Royal Yachting Association regarding a class’ requirements for maintaining ISAF Class status with regards the ISAF In-House Certification programme was discussed by the committee. Ken Kershaw provided the committee with the background to the submission and why the RYA considered it necessary to prevent any class based IHC schemes. Georg Tallberg informed the committee of the views expressed during the Class Rules Sub-committee and the small amendments that were suggested regarding limiting the scheme to sails only which was agreed to by Ken Kershaw.

After further discussion it was noted that class rules had the control over certification methods and that ISAF approved or rejected changes to class rules and as such this change to regulation was not necessary at this time as there were already means of controlling the problem.

Opinion: Reject

The intention of the submission is good but ISAF has the authority to control class rule changes that may attempt to introduce such a scheme.

Racing Rules of Sailing

(rr) The Racing Rules of Sailing: Rule 50.3

The committee noted submission 165-11 from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding proposed changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing and were unanimously in favour of recommending this submission for approval.

Opinion: Approve

(ss) The Racing Rules of Sailing: Rule 50.4

The committee noted submission 166-11 from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding proposed changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing and were unanimously in favour of recommending this submission for approval with the limitation that the difference between a headsail and spinnaker is only defined this way for the purposes of RRS 50, 54 and for RRS Appendix G.

Opinion: Approve with the following amendment:

50.4 Headsail

For the purpose of Rule 50, 54 and Appendix G the difference between a headsail and a spinnaker is that the width mid-girth of a headsail, measured between the midpoints of its luff and leech, is less than does not exceed 75% 50% of the length of its foot, and no other intermediate girth exceeds a percentage similarly proportional to its distance from the head of the sail. A sail tacked down behind the foremost mast is not a headsail.

(tt) The Racing Rules of Sailing: Rule 78.2

The committee noted submission 177-11 from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding proposed changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing and were unanimously in favour of recommending this submission for approval.

Opinion: Approve
The committee considered submission 208-11 from the Deutscher Segler-Verband regarding proposed changes to the Racing Rules of Sailing and agreed that the submission was flawed in several areas and as such could not be recommended for approval.

**Opinion: Reject**

LP and J are not defined terms in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

### 5. Equipment Rules of Sailing

(a) ERS Working Party Report

Jan Dejmo briefly reported on the work of the ERS working party to date and that a successful meeting had occurred in Southampton earlier in the year where many of the submissions had been drafted.

A large number of the outstanding issues that had been notified to the ERS working party during 2009-2012 have now been satisfactorily addressed in the submissions. It was agreed that the draft version of the 2013-2016 edition would be circulated to the Equipment Control Sub-committee and the Equipment Committee in accordance with the Regulations.

It was suggested the revised version of the ERS be compared with the original aims and objectives to ensure it is still achieving this and the findings be distributed to the committee.

It was noted that increasingly offshore classes and rating systems are now using the Equipment Rules of Sailing and as such it was thought that expanding the ERS Working Party to include representation from this area should be pursued.

**Recommendation:**

To expand the Equipment Rules of Sailing Working Party to include two offshore representatives to cover that part of the sport.

(b) RRS 50.4 Working Party Report

It was noted that a submission proposing changes to RRS 50.4 had been submitted which was discussed by the committee and could be approved with a number of minor amendments. Whilst this solution was not thought to be ideal, it created a better rule than the current RRS 50.4.

### 6. Measurer and Equipment Inspector Training Policy

The paper from the Chairman of the Measurer and Equipment Inspector Working Party was received and the four proposals contained therein were noted by the committee. A new Working Party consisting of Ken Kershaw (Chairman), Dimitris Dimou, Dina Kowalyszyn plus two others; one who is an International Measurer and one from an IHC background was formed and given the task of furthering the four proposals with the aim of achieving firstly, consistency between all training materials for Equipment Control as currently used for IM and IHC courses and secondly, to draft Regulations which unifies the training requirements of the EQSC and IMSC. This Working Party is to report to both EQSC and IMSC and always include equal numbers of members from both Sub-committees and, via the relevant Committee Chairmen, make appropriate submissions to next year’s Conference.
7. **Equipment and Event Equipment Inspection Policy**

Jason Smithwick gave a brief update regarding Event Equipment Inspection Policy document that have been developed, primarily for use at the Perth 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships and the London 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition and how this document has been developed in close consultation with the Race Officials Committee.

8. **Measurement and Certification of Hulls**

Richard Hart spoke on the proposal document from the International Finn Class Association regarding the certification of hulls and appointment of measurers, the reasons why the Finn Class considered a measurement database to be necessary and how it could be made more available in the future.

9. **Committees with Cross-representation – Reports & Opinions**

   (a) **International measurers sub-committee**

   Dimitris Dimou, Chairman of the International Measurers Sub-committee updated the committee on proceedings from the meeting held on Saturday 5 November. The committee were updated on plans to hold an IM Conference in Dublin in 2012 subject to Council approving the budgetary requirements, which would focus on continuity of training International Measurers.

   (b) **Class rules sub-committee**

   Georg Tallberg, Chairman of the Class Rules Sub-committee gave a short report from the meeting held on Sunday 6 November. The class rule change process was explained as well as plans for future revision of the system to include a more staff driven process.

   (c) **ISAF Classes Committee**

   Richard Hart gave a verbal report of proceedings from the meeting of the ISAF Classes Committee held on Saturday 5 November, but had nothing further to add that had not already been covered in discussions during the meeting.

   (d) **Oceanic & Offshore Committee**

   Nils Nordenstrøm, the Oceanic and Offshore Committee representative, updated the committee on developments regarding standard nomenclature and integrating the work of this working party into the work of the Equipment Rules of Sailing Working Party. Note: this meeting will occur on 9 November.

10. **Working Group Reports**

   (a) **Manuals for equipment control – review of work begun.**

   Bengt Gustafsson presented a paper on how to reduce costs in equipment inspection. It was noted that this was a well presented paper; however the recommendations within were not specific enough for implementation and should be developed further. Bengt agreed to discuss this further with Dimitris Dimou, Barry Johnson, Bas Edmonds and the ISAF Staff in order to prepare for the next Sailing World Cup series.

   (b) **Equipment inspection – development of forms for the ISAF sailing world cup events.**

   Dina Kowalyshyn noted that whilst it was desirable to undertake equipment inspection on all boats at multi-class regattas, this was restricted to just event limitation at Sailing
World Cup events due to the constraints at these events.

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<td>Jason Smithwick gave a verbal update on the ISAF In-House Certification programme, how it has developed over the past year and the increasing need for more MNAs to get involved as Authorizing Authorities in the coming year to keep the scheme progressing.</td>
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