

1. Equipment Committee Recommendations to Council

This “yellow paper” is a summary of the Recommendations made at the Equipment Committee meeting on 25th and 27th October 2021. During its deliberations, Council will consider the Recommendations in Submission order, i.e. 001-20 to 100-21.

2021 Submissions

001-21 New Regulation 6.12: To transform the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee into Olympic Classes Committee
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve

002-21 Regulations 23, 24 and 25: Replacing references to Laser and Laser Radial with ILCA 7 and ILCA 6
Reporting Committee: Equipment
Other Committee: Events, Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve

008-21 Regulation 27.2.3(d): Changes to minimum lengths for Grade 1 Open and Grade 2 Open boats
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: Equipment, Constitution
Opinion: Approve with the following amendment

Event Grade	2 - O	1 - O	2 - W 2 - Y	1 – W 1 - Y
Boats General	6.8m-5.9m	6.8m-5.9m	5.9	5.9

010-21 Regulation 23.1: Housekeeping to reflect replacement of Offshore by Men’s and Women’s Kite events for 2024 Olympics
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: Equipment, Constitution
Opinion: Approve

011-21 Regulation 24.5.3: Replacement of Mixed Kite event with separate Men’s and Women’s Kite events at the Youth World Championships, to align with 2024 Olympics programme
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: Equipment, Constitution
Opinion: Approve

013-21 Regulation 24.5.3: Equipment for Boys and Girls Windsurfer Events Youth Sailing World Championships
Reporting Committee: Events, Equipment
Other Committee: Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve

015-21 Regulation 23: Timelines for the selection of the 2028 Olympic Games Events and Equipment
Reporting Committee: Events, Equipment
Other Committee: Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve

017-21 Regulation 23: Housekeeping to move related clauses together
Reporting Committee: Events, Equipment
Other Committee: Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve

- 018-21 Regulation 23: Formalising the Olympic Event and Equipment Selection Criteria Policy**
Reporting Committee: Events, Equipment
Other Committee: Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve
- 019-21 Regulation 23 – Voting processes**
Reporting Committee: Events, Equipment
Other Committee: Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve
- 022-21 Regulation 13.1(j): Addition of Double Handed discipline to the ORC International World Championship**
Reporting Committee: Oceanic & Offshore, Board
Other Committee: Events, Equipment, Constitution
Opinion: Approve

Recommendations not based on Submissions

1- Equipment Committee agenda item 5: Applications for World Sailing Class Status

International Wingfoil Class

Recommendation to Council: Defer to mid-year 2022

Comments: The Committee recognised the early development stages of the discipline and considered that deferring to mid-year 2022 will allow the Class to implement required changes to the class rules and to prove their validity. Further events will serve to further align with the requirement to offer a high standard of international competitive sailing.

The postponement will allow to consider the intended progress in relation to how the class governs equipment and ensure that the global distribution numbers refer to athletes actively competing in events governed by the class rules.

GWA Wingfoil Race Class

Recommendation to Council: Defer to mid-year 2022

Comments: Similarly to the previous wingfoil application, the Committee considered that deferring to mid-year 2022 will allow the Class to implement required changes to the class rules and to prove their validity. The Committee noted that the presented class rules are an improvement but had not been used in the current track record of events. Further events will serve to further align with the requirement to offer a high standard of international competitive sailing.

The Committee noted the Constitution Committee review of the class constitution and the deviation from what is expected from traditional class associations.

International Techno Wind Foil 130 Class

Recommendation to Council: Defer to mid-year 2022

Comments: The Committee noted that confirmation from one additional MNA was required to comply with the global distribution requirements. It is expected that the requirement will be satisfied. The deferral will also allow to implement minor class rule changes required by the ERSC.

L30 Class

Recommendation to Council: Defer to mid-year 2022

Comments: The Committee noted that the L30 has expanded its global distribution and meets the minimum regulatory requirements. However, the Equipment Rules Sub Committee noted that changes are required to the class rules to align with the ERS before recommending approval.

IKA Snow Kite Class

Recommendation to Council: Defer to mid-year 2022

Comments: Similarly to 2020, the Committee noted that currently there is no reference within the regulations that confirms World Sailing as the governing body of the sport of sailing on snow, ice or land. The Committee notes the need for the 'Equipment Governance Working Party' to consider the matter with the intent to confirm whether World Sailing is the governing body of the sport on snow, ice or land rather than deciding through a particular class application. The Committee will re-consider this application once these policy decisions are made by Council.

iQFOiL Class

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Comments: The Board decided at its meeting of December 2020 to postpone the decisions regarding the 2020 iQFOiL Class applications for World Sailing status until after a new election facilitated by World Sailing had taken place. Noting that the Class had complied with the requirements set by World Sailing, and considering all regulatory requirements satisfied, the Committee noted the deferred recommendation to approve.

2- Equipment Committee agenda item 8.1: Report from the Equipment Rules Sub-Committee

Recommendation to Council

RRS-ERS Joint Working Party:

The Committee recommends to Council that it approves the appointment of a joint working party between the Racing Rules Committee and the Equipment Rules Sub-committee under Regulation 5.5.1(c).

The remit of the joint working party shall be to:

- 1) Rationalise rules relating to equipment and its use to ensure consistent definitions and interpretations and clearer lines of responsibility
- 2) Study options to incorporate the ERS into the RRS
- 3) Resolve conflicts between the RRS and ERS
- 4) Advise the RRC on other submissions about rules involving equipment-related rules in the RRS

The members of the joint working party shall be appointed jointly by the Chairmen of the Racing Rules Committee and Equipment Rules Sub-committee.

For information

1- Equipment Committee agenda item 9.1: Changes to Olympic Equipment Building Specifications

Nacra 17 rudder elevators: Approved subject to conditions

Comments: The Committee noted the support from the Class to the request for approval to the rudder elevator building specifications. The request is approved subject to following conditions:

- manufacturers being licensed by World Sailing,
- receiving the building specifications prior to the end of 2021, and
- receiving proposed control methods.

Nacra 17 rudder rake angle adjusters: Approved subject to conditions

Comments: The Committee noted the request for approval to the rudder rake angle adjuster specifications. The request is approved.

49er and FX sails: Approved subject to conditions

Comments: The Committee noted the support from the Class to the request for approval to the sail design change. The request is approved subject to following conditions:

- manufacturers being licensed by World Sailing,
- receiving the building specifications prior to the end of November 2021, and
- receiving proposed control methods.

49er and FX rigs: Deferred

Comments: The Committee will evaluate the request in the following weeks.

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