Class Rule Changes  
International Kiteboarding Association - FK  
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Amendment One

B.1 LICENSED MANUFACTURERS

Amend to add:

   B.1.1 Terminology

   (b) Series Production Equipment: Equipment of one manufacturer which is mass produced in a production run of at least 100 pieces per model/size and continuously made available for purchase worldwide without restriction until the end of the current Olympic Cycle with monthly production capacities of not less than 50 pieces. Each piece of equipment shall be produced using the same manufacturing specification and materials, be identical within production tolerances in all performance related aspects and comply with the measurements provided by the manufacturer.

Amendment Two

B.1 LICENSED MANUFACTURERS

Old:

   B.1.2 Registration and Licensing follows the procedures described in the ‘IKA Builder Agreement and Registrations Scheme’

Amend to read:

   B.1.2 Registration and Licensing follows the procedures described in the ‘IKA Builder Agreement and Registrations Scheme’ available online at www.internationalkiteboarding.org

Amendment Three

B.1 LICENSED MANUFACTURERS

Delete:

   B.1.3 Kite-board hulls not using foil systems, foil systems and kites shall compete in Formula Kite class events only with registered series production equipment, manufactured by licensed builders as selected according to B.1.4
Amendment Four

B.1    LICENSED MANUFACTURERS

Amend to add:

B.1.3    Timelines affecting Equipment Eligibility
  a) Application period
   • Period closing date**: 1st May 2020*
  b) Evaluation period
   • Period starting date: Day after the 2020 Olympics*
   • Period closing date: ‘Equipment selection date’ in December 2021*
  c) Licensed period:
   • Starting date: ‘Equipment selection date’ in December 2021*
   • Closing date: Day after the 2024 Olympics*

* these timeframes will be updated accordingly to adapt to every Olympic cycle.

** For the avoidance of a doubt, an equipment registration application is only complete when complying with the requirements of the application process, including but not limited to world wide availability.

Amendment Five

B.1    LICENSED MANUFACTURERS

Delete:

B.1.4    Selection of Equipment
  (a) In November, three years before the next Olympic Games, Foil System models and kite models which comply with World Sailing regulations as well as World Sailing criteria for manufacturers of Olympic Equipment shall be selected by the IKA / World Sailing Technical Committee (as applicable) to be used in any class event.
  (b) Any equipment in B.1.4(a) shall be chosen from the IKA registered series production equipment list valid at the time of the selection.
  (c) Only the first five equipment models used by sailors in the World Sailing Rankings at the time of the selection shall be eligible for selection.
  (d) The chosen equipment shall remain selected until the day after the Olympic Games following the selection.
  (e) Separate equipment control and registration procedures may apply as agreed between World Sailing, the manufacturer and the class.
  (f) Kite-board Hulls may be provided for some of the events.
Amendment Six

B.1 LICENSSED MANUFACTURERS

Amend to add:

B.1.4 Equipment Eligibility
   a) Only registered series production foil systems and kites listed on the relevant registered series production list as eligible to race, with an eligibility date defined as per the provisions of rules B.1.4.(b)-(e), are eligible for racing. The registered series production list is available at the class website, www.formulakite.com.
   b) Any equipment registration completed after the “Application period” closing date defined in Rule 1.3(a), shall only be eligible for racing after the licensed period closing date as defined in Rule B.1.3(c).
   c) Prior to the “Evaluation period” defined in Rule B.1.3(b), only equipment listed with an eligibility date prior to the “Evaluation period starting date” defined in Rule B.1.3(b), shall be eligible for racing.
   d) Until the end of the “Evaluation period” defined in Rule B.1.3 (b), only equipment registered prior to the “Application closing date” defined in Rule B.1.3(a), shall be eligible for racing.
   e) During the “Licensed period” defined in Rule B.1.3 (c), only equipment models selected and licensed by the closing date defined in Rule B.1.3 (b) as per the class equipment licensing policy document, shall be eligible for racing.
   f) Separate equipment control procedures and agreements may apply as agreed between World Sailing, the manufacturer and the class.

Amendment Seven

Delete:

B.2 HULL IDENTIFICATION

   B.2.1 Production Hulls shall display either
      a) IKA Logo + Manufacturer name + Manufacturer s/n or
      b) IKA plaque + Manufacturer name
      As applied by the manufacturer
Amendment Eight

B.2 KITE IDENTIFICATION

Old:

B.3.1 Registration and Licensing follows the procedures described in the ‘IKA Builder Agreement and Registrations Scheme’

Amend to read:

B.2.1 Registered Series Production Kites shall display the official IKA Registered Production Equipment Plaque and the manufacturers serial number as applied by the manufacturer.

Amendment Nine

B.3 HULL IDENTIFICATION

Old:

B.4.1 Production foil systems registered after December 31st 2017 shall display a unique manufacturers serial number on mast, fuselage, front wing and stabilizer (rear wing). The serial number shall be in a place visible without dismantling the foil system. Brand and Model/Size may be coded into the serial number. The serial number may be covered by clear coating applied by the manufacturer.

Amend to read:

B.3.1 Registered Series Production foil systems registered after December 31st 2017 shall display the official IKA Registered Production Equipment Plaque on the port side of the mast, and a unique manufacturers serial number on mast, fuselage, front wing and stabilizer (rear wing). The serial number shall be in a place visible without dismantling the foil system. Brand and Model/Size shall be coded into the serial number. The serial number may be covered by clear coating applied by the manufacturer.
Amendment Ten

C.1 GENERAL

Delete:

C.1.1 LIMITATIONS

(a) Not more than either
   1) one production hull and four production kites and two fins per fin box (if so prescribed by the Notice of Race) shall be registered for an event. When a hull, kite or fin has been lost or accidentally damaged beyond repair, a replacement may be made, only with the approval of the Race Committee. The Race Committee shall then attach an event limitation mark to the replacing item, or
   2) One production foil system and a maximum of four production kites shall be registered for an event. When a foil system or kite has been lost or accidentally damaged beyond repair, a replacement may be made, only with the approval of the Race Committee. The Race Committee shall then attach an event limitation mark to the replacing item. Any hull may be used.

Amendment Eleven

C.1 GENERAL

Amend to read:

C.1.1 LIMITATIONS

(a) Not more than any one hull, one registered series production foil system and a maximum of four registered series production kites shall be registered for an event. When a hull, foil system or kite has been lost or accidentally damaged beyond repair, a replacement may be made, only with the approval of the Technical Committee. The Technical Committee shall then attach an event limitation mark to the replacing item.

(b) Not more than one mast, one frontwing, one rearwing/stabilizer and one fuselage shall be used in a foil system.

(c) Not more than one production kite shall be registered per size range:
   Large: Nominal Size of 15m or bigger
   Medium: Nominal Size of 11m to 15m
   Small: Nominal Size 11m or smaller
   X-Small: Nominal Size 9m and smaller

(d) From 1st September 2017, only kites displaying a registered equipment plaque shall be used at World and Continental Championships.

(e) Registered series production equipment used for racing shall comply with the measurements published on the registered series production equipment lists.
Amendment Twelve

C.3 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Old:

C.3.2 SAFETY AND LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT
(a) A detachable kite leash shall be used. The Notice of Race and the Sailing instructions may change this rule.

Amend to read:

C.3.2 SAFETY AND LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT
(a) A detachable kite leash with a leash safety release, capable of fully flagging out the kite, shall be used and worn as intended. The Notice of Race and the Sailing instructions may change this rule.

Amendment Thirteen

C.3 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Delete:

C.3.2 SAFETY AND LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT
(b) Any helmet may be used

Amendment Fourteen

C.3 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Amend to add:

C.3.2 SAFETY AND LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT
(c) A helmet to the minimum standard EN1385 or EN1077 or equivalent with at least 300 square centimeters of the exterior surface in a high visibility colour (except green and blue colours) shall be worn at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. If prescribed by the Notice of Race, the helmet shall carry nationality flags as instructed by the Notice of Race.

(d) A hook knife shall be securely attached to the competitor at all times when afloat.

(e) Body protection (Impact vest) which may also act as a personal flotation device in accordance with CR C.3.2(b).
Amendment Fifteen

C.3 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

Amend to add:

C.3.3 OPTIONAL

(g) A whistle, compliant with ISO 12402-8 or equivalent, securely attached to the competitor.

Amendment Sixteen

C.4 PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

Old:

C.4.2 OPTIONAL

(b) Any camera recording equipment and attachments, where permitted by the Notice of Race and/or Sailing instructions, and removable for weighting

Amend to read:

C.4.2 OPTIONAL

(b) Any camera recording equipment and attachments, removable for weighting. The Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions may change this rule.
Amendment Seventeen

C.6  ADVERTISING

Amend to add:

C.6.2  PLACEMENT OF ADVERTISING AND CLASS INSIGNIA

The areas on each sides of the rear 30% of the bottom of the hull, are reserved for event advertising within an area of 50x10cm. The class insignia shall be placed on the front middle of the bottom of the hull, within an area of 10x10cm.

Red: Event Advertising
Orange: Class Insignia
Amendment Eighteen

C.7 HULL

Delete

C.7.1 MODIFICATIONS/MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

(a) The hull shall not be altered in any way except as permitted by these class rules.
(b) Routine maintenance and repairs may be carried out provided such repairs are made in such a way that the essential shape, characteristics or function of the original are not affected. The serial number/s shall remain legible.
(c) The deck grip may be partially removed to apply personal sponsor logos or may be restored to its original condition with a clear coating. The original hull designs shall remain identifiable.
(d) A damaged fin box may be replaced only by the same ‘type’ of fin box and shall be positioned at the same position as the original.
(e) Unused fin boxes must not be filled or sealed.
(f) Any footstraps may be used
(g) A damaged insert may be replaced and shall be positioned at the same position as the original. Inserts may be filled or sealed.
(h) Footpads may be replaced or extended along the board with a similar type of material and as close as possible same thickness as the original, provided that the original hull design remains identifiable
(j) Any adhesive tape may be used provided that the original hull design remains identifiable.

Amendment Nineteen

C.7 HULL

Amend to add:

C.4.2 MODIFICATIONS/MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR
a) Any one hull may be used
b) Any modification/maintenance and repair is permitted
Amendment Twenty

C.7  HULL

Delete:

C.7.2 MAKERS MARKS

For hulls registered after 01.01.2013, personal advertising as provided in the World Sailing Advertising Code may be applied provided that brand, make and size identification remains identifiable.

Amendment Twenty-one

C.7  HULL

Amend to Add:

C.7.3 WSCA REGISTRATION

Hulls used in Continental and World Championships, Regional and Olympic Games and their qualification events, shall display a WSCA registration sticker with an unique registration number, applied as instructed.

Amendment Twenty-two

C.8  HULL APPENDAGES

Delete:

C.8.1 GENERAL

(a) If C.1.1 (a)(1) applies any fin is permitted. No other hull appendages are permitted to be attached to the hull.

(b) If C.1.1 (a)(2) applies only one foil system is permitted to be attached to the hull.

Amendment Twenty-three

C.8  HULL APPENDAGES

Amend to add:

C.8.1 GENERAL

(a) Only one foil system is permitted to be attached to the hull.
Amendment Twenty-four

C.8 HULL APPENDAGES

Old:

C.8.1 DIMENSIONS

If C.1.1 (a)(1) applies the shortest distance between the lowermost point of the fin or retractable fin when fully retracted and the bottom of the hull shall not exceed 500 mm. If C.1.1 (a)(2) applies there shall be a minimum of 500mm between the lowest point of the foil system to its closest point to the hull shell.

Amend to read:

C.8.1 DIMENSIONS

There shall be a minimum of 500mm between the lowest point of the foil system to its closest point to the hull shell.

Amendment Twenty-five

C.8 HULL APPENDAGES

Amend to add:

C.8.1 WSCA REGISTRATION

Foil System Masts used in Continental and World Championships, Regional and Olympic Games and their qualification events, shall display a WSCA registration sticker with an unique registration number, applied as instructed.

Amendment Twenty-six

C.9 RIGGING

Amend to add:

C.9.1 Bars

(b) Handle bars shall have a quick release system that allow to disconnect the handle bar from the harness with a single hand movement.
Amendment Twenty-seven

C.10 KITE

Amend to add:

C.10.4 WSCA REGISTRATION
Kites used in Continental and World Championships, Regional and Olympic Games and their qualification events, shall display a WSCA registration sticker with an unique registration number, applied as instructed.

Amendment Twenty-eight

Amend to add:

C.11 EQUIPMENT READY TO SAIL

C11.1 LIMITATIONS
The total weight of the hull, the foil system and footstraps used during racing shall not be less than 5.5 kg. The equipment shall be weighted in accordance with the following procedure:
(a) The hull shall be put into water and left unaided to float for 30 seconds. The hull shall then be turned over and left to float unaided for a further 30 seconds.
(b) Once complete, the hull shall be stood vertically on its aft end and immediately weighed after 10 minutes.
Amendment Thirty

D.1 GENERAL

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Amend to read:

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