

INTERPRETATION 003-18
REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION FROM INTERNATIONAL FINN ASSOCIATION

Question 1

Beyond the proposal in a Council approved submission, is World Sailing bound to the at least the basic principles set out in the reasoning of the given submission?

Answer 1

No. World Sailing is not bound by the reasons set out in a submission. In approving a submission, Council is not necessarily approving the reasons set out in the submission. Council members may vote in favour of a submission for various reasons which may not match those set out in the submission. Only the minuted decision is binding.

Question 2

When preparing and distributing documents for a World Sailing conference (like the Reg 23 template distributed for the Nov. 2018 conference) is it permissible to the Procedure Working Party or any other World Sailing organ (incl. the Exec. Office) to deviate to a great extent from the very detailed reasoning of Council approved submission M22-18, given the fact that the detailed reasoning in submission M22-18 served as a background for Council members to understand the fairly complex events proposal in M22-18?

Answer 2

Yes. As noted in Answer 1, the reasons in a submission are not binding following its approval. Therefore, World Sailing can deviate in subsequent documents from the reasoning contained in a submission.

Any deviation must always remain subject to complying with what is contained, in this case, Regulation 23 and decisions made under that Regulation.

The template, as drafted, does not breach Regulation 23 or Council's decisions of May 2018. The template is a template and its use is not mandatory.

Constitution Committee
World Sailing

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