

## World Sailing Regulations

### Mandatory Reporting of Safety Incidents – New Regulation 38

An urgent submission from the Board

#### Purpose or Objective

Require MNAs, Classes and Rating systems to report to World Sailing the relevant information regarding incidents occurring while training or racing, in order to share best practice and raise awareness of increasing safety concerns.

#### Proposal

Add new Regulation 38 as follows:

#### **38 SAFETY REPORTING**

**38.1 Member National Authorities, World Sailing Classes and Rating Systems shall report within 30 days to World Sailing any incident of which they are aware and which:**

**(a) occurs at an event using the RRS;**

**(b) which falls within their jurisdiction; and**

**(c) falls within the scope of the Incident Reporting System established by the Board from time to time.**

**38.2 The bodies listed in Regulation 38.1 shall give all reasonable assistance to World Sailing if it conducts an investigation into an incident.**

#### Current Position

There is no requirement to report any incidents to World Sailing.

An online reporting portal has been tested by the Executive Office and is fully operational at <http://sailing.org/sailors/safety/incident-reporting-portal.php>

#### Reasons

1. Provide a single point of contact and information with regards to safety for the sport.
  2. World Sailing needs the input from its MNA's, Classes and Rating Systems to properly evaluate any policy, regulation and rule changes to improve safety.
  3. The reported incidents will provide factual data to promote industry changes around safety, protective gear and implementation of quality standards.
  4. The analysis of the reported incidents will lead to improved recommendations in all areas of our sport. Lessons learnt during the investigation will be fed back to the MNA's, Classes and Rating systems through best practice documents and recommendations.
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