# **2024 Olympic Sailing Competition**

Submission: M16-18

Olympic Events & Equipment

A submission from the Japan Sailing Federation

## Purpose or Objective

To emphasize Universality and Diversity and incorporate as many Mixed events as possible.

## Proposal

Current Event & Equipment	2024 Event Proposal	2024 Equipment Proposal
Men's One Person Dinghy – Laser *	Retained	Retained *
Women's One Person Dinghy - Laser Radial *	Retained	Retained *
Men's Skiff - 49er	Retained	Retained
Women's Skiff – 49erFX	Retained	Retained
Mixed Two Person Multihull – Nacra 17	Retained	Retained
Men's Windsurfer – RS:X *	Retained	Retained
Women's Windsurfer – RS:X *	Retained	Retained
Heavyweight Men's One Person Dinghy – Finn	Mixed Keelboat	New Equipment
Men's Two Person Dinghy – 470	Mixed Two Person Dinghy	New Equipment
Women's Two Person Dinghy – 470	Mixed Kitesurfing	New Equipment

<sup>\*</sup> Note the equipment for this event is under antitrust review

#### Main Criteria:

Mixed Keelboat: around 30 feet, and able to be handled by minimum mixed 2 persons.

Mixed Two Person Dinghy: suitable dinghy for mixed two persons, currently sailed on all continents, maximumly accessible, and suitable for anti-monopoly policy.

Mixed Kitesurfing: low cost as much as possible, widely available, and sailed on all continents.

## **Current Position**

As above.

## Reasons

- The universality is the most important factor of events and equipment selection of Olympic as
  the pinnacle competition event. Competitors should be gathered from more countries on five
  continents. Two Person Dinghy (especially 470) and Windsurfer are excellent from the
  viewpoint of universality. Windsurfer and Kitesurfing are completely different types, and even
  if kitesurfing is chosen, Windsurfer should be retained from the perspective of universality.
- 2. We should incorporate as many Mixed events as possible. Four mixed events are appropriate for 2024 Olympic.
- 3. To appeal to various sailing styles to spectators, Kitesurfing and Keelboat have novelty.
- 4. To ensure globally equal accessible opportunities beyond the physical differences. In Asia and Africa, a lot of small size and light weight sailors are active in the front lines. But there are little events for them to compete in the existing Olympic games. If Two Person Dinghy (470) is dropped out from the Olympic equipment, their opportunities would be further lessened.
- 5. Two Person Dinghy (470) are completely consistent with the global pathway of Junior to Olympic. They are well allocated as one of the integrated pathway from Junior (420) through Olympic (Skiff). If Two Person Dinghy (470) disappear from the Olympic equipment, the pathway of Junior (420) to Olympic (Skiff) would be also collapsed.
- 6. The current Two Person Dinghy equipment (470) can be sailed safely under wider range of wind conditions and has minimum need of coach boat minimizing environmental impact.

  Minimal need for coach boat is also important form the promotional aspect of the sport, as it impacts the cost and need for manpower.
- 7. It is inappropriate to select more than one event by body weight for One Person Dinghy from the viewpoint of "Move from a sport-based to an event-based programme" mentioned in "Olympic Agenda 2020".
- 8. Mix Kitesurfing, rather than separate men and women events, will help increase the number of both gender sailors.