

**2024 Olympic Sailing Competition**

Olympic Events & Equipment

A submission from the International Speed Windsurfing Class Association

Purpose or Objective

To propose a slate of Events for the 2024 Olympic Games that is congruent with the recommendations of the IOC's Olympic Agenda 2020; particularly the recommendations that relate to: gender equality, universality, youth appeal and an Event (rather than Sport) based focus. The slate showcases the wide diversity of sailing while keeping within athlete quotas and the medal allocation.

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 *	Retain	New Equipment
Women's Windsurfer – RS:X *	Retain	New Equipment
Heavyweight Men's One Person Dinghy – Finn	Men's Kiteboarder	New Equipment
Men's Two Person Dinghy – 470	Women's Kiteboarder	New Equipment
Women's Two Person Dinghy – 470	Mixed Two Person Dinghy - 470	Retain 470

*\* Note the equipment for this event is under antitrust review*

**Windsurfing – New Equipment – “Convertible”**

1 board, 1 foil, 1 fin, 1 rig (size eg 9.0 men and 8.0 women)

Racing from 4 to 35 knots; multi manufacturer to “box-rule”; multi brand participation

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### **Kiteboarding – New Equipment – “Crossover”**

1 board, 1 foil, 1 kite – Foiling

1 board, 1 foil, 1 kite – Boarder-cross

Competing from 4 to 35 knots; multi manufacturer to “box-rule”; multi brand participation

**TRIALS** – should allow the maximum flexibility, for both Windsurfing and Kiteboarding to demonstrate the many options available.

Trials should be a test of new equipment options and “formats”.

### Current Position

As above.

### Reasons

1. WS Regulation 23.1.2 clearly states that the Olympic Events and Equipment shall demonstrate the various type of sailing – Windsurfing and Kiteboarding are different from each other, and both are different from other forms of boat sailing.
  2. The International Olympic Committee (IOC) Agenda 2020 goals are clearly stated, and include gender equality, universality, innovation and engagement with Youth; all these goals are met through Windsurfing and Kiteboarding Events.
  3. Men’s and Women’s Windsurfing have been major and successful events in the Olympic Sailing Competition since 1984 (Women 1992), enabling global participation. Continuity of Events is essential for the sustainability of the sport, shaping the development of youth sailing and the accessibility of Olympic sailing.
  4. Gender equality and mixed events are key recommendations of the IOC’s Olympic Agenda 2020. The above slate moves from 1 mixed event in 2020 to 2 events in 2024. We also move sailing to full gender equality in both athlete participation and event options.
  5. The above slate increases the number of one person events from 5 in 2020 to 6 in 2024; thereby increasing the possibility of greater participation by nation.
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