

2024 Olympic Sailing Competition

Olympic Events & Equipment

A submission from the International Raceboard Class Association

Purpose or Objective

To propose a slate of Events for the 2024 Olympic Games that complies with the recommendations of the IOC's Olympic Agenda 2020. In particular the relevant recommendations that relate to: gender equality, universality, youth appeal and an Event (rather than Sport) based focus. The slate also showcases the wide diversity of sailing while keeping within the current quota and medal allotment

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

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

Suggested Criteria for Mixed Kite – Two Person Team

Twin tip or foiling, suitable for multiple disciplines/ formats (slalom/ tricks/ course racing etc), Reasonable cost, restricted number of kites.

Suggested criteria for Foiling One person dinghy

Competitively priced, safe, early planning, wide wind range, modern foil

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 is different from other forms of sailing and has a very unique signature.
 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.
 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. This slates sees the inclusion of kiteboarding which broadens the various types of sailing on display. It also sees the inclusion of single handed foil dinghy which enjoys a lot of popularity and would ensure for some spectacular and thrilling racing.
 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.
 6. The above slate would make for spectacular media content and would be very attractive to Olympic sponsors.
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