Designation as an ISAF Recognized Class

Soto 40 One Design

Proposal:
To adopt the Soto 40 class as an ISAF recognized class.

Current Position:
None.

Reason:
The Soto 40 is the world’s most popular new 40 foot One Design racing yacht. The Audi MedCup, VTR Oceanica, Punta del Este, the Mitsubishi Sailing Cup, the Circuito Atlántico Sur of the Rolex Cup, the Rolex Ilhabella Sailing Week - all use the Soto 40 as their yacht of choice. The Soto40 One Design is the most numerous class in which the top South American sailors are sailing.

Designed by Javier Soto Acebal, every Soto 40 is identical. It is being very well accepted because of its excellent performance and its affordable cost.

What started in South America is now reaching into every corner of the globe. There are 31 Soto 40s in 8 countries. Probably we will have a couple more in the water before the end of 2011, not a bad achievement in just over two short years for a niche of one design class.

ISAF Regulation 10

(a) Active Class / Owner Association
The governance of the Soto 40 Class is the following:

Management Team:

- Mr. Norberto Álvarez Vitale, President (owner)
- Mr. Eduardo Souza Ramos, Vice-President (owner)
- Mr. Jorge Araneda, Treasurer (owner)
- Mr. Ignacio Postigo, President of the Class in Europe (owner)
- Mr. Javier Méndez, M-Boats’ representative (builder)
- Mr. Alejandro Bottino, Soto Acebal Studio’s representative (design studio)
- Mr. Torkel Borgström, Technical Committee
- Mr. Guillermo Baquerizas, Technical Committee
- Mr. Lucas Ezequiel Vescio, Secretary

Measurers:
Chief Measurer: Pablo Ferrer
European Measurer: Enrique Molinelli
Brazilian Measurer: Paulo Kunze
Chilean Measurer: François Carlier
Argentine Measurer: Nicolás Promenzio

(b) Class Constitution
See attached.
(c) **Class Rules**
See attached.

(d) **Provided a list of registered boat owners**
See the list of worldwide distribution of the first 31 S40 boats and their owners attached.

(e) **Qualification Numbers**
For recognised status at a length of 12.19m require a minimum of 2 boats in at least four countries. From the initial sales the S40s are represented in 8 qualifying countries with 31 boats built. In addition the S40 is being promoted in Asia with the organisation of the Asia Cup One Design Circuit.

For more information on the class please visit [www.soto40.org](http://www.soto40.org) and [http://www.youtube.com/user/S40Class](http://www.youtube.com/user/S40Class)

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