MAXI CLASS APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STATUS

History
At the 2009 ISAF mid-year meeting of the Equipment Committee the Maxi Application was considered with the following recommendation:

2009 Mid-year Equipment Committee meeting - Minute 3(a)

Recommendation to Council
The Equipment Committee recommend that the Mini Maxi Racing Division of the Maxi Class be granted Provisional ISAF Class status to hold their World Championship in September 2009. This is subject to the adoption of the revised class rules and the signing of an agreement between the Class Association and ISAF in relation to fees on boat built.

In the period between Mid-year and November the IMA has clarified the situation with the World Championships and the divisions and also made an application for an additional World Championships to the Maxi Division allowing two titles at the IMA World Championships. This was agreed at the September executive meetings in accordance with Regulation 18.3.1. The Executive committee minute is as follows:

September 2009 Executive committee meeting - Minute 20(b)

Decision
The Executive approved the additional World Championships for the Maxi division of the International Maxi Association (IMA) on the condition that they gain full ISAF Class status (currently provisional) and that both World Championships be held at the same regatta.

Summary
- The IMA therefore intend to have two World titles in the Mini Maxi and Maxi. These titles will be raced in 1 single category per division.

- The IMA are in the process of adopting the ISAF standard class rules format together with rule suggestions involving safety etc. made by the ISAF secretariat. These are to be put to the membership at the next IMA general meeting.

- The IMA have signed the agreement between the Class Association and ISAF in relation to fees on boat built etc.
Dear Jason,

following our previous contacts and discussions, I am pleased hereby to confirm that in case of a World Championship for the mini maxi fleet, all the mini maxi boats, whatever can be their characteristics, will race together and the title of mini maxi champion will be awarded to the best scored boat of the fleet.
The same will apply to the maxi fleet where there will be only one maxi champion for the best scored boat of the fleet, independently if she is considered a racing/cruising, supermaxi or racing boat.
The IMA will be happy to formally modify our class rules in order to make them as close as possible to the format of the other ISAF classes rules.
I hope this is satisfying the ISAF requirements.

Many thanks for your kind collaboration

Best personal regards

Gianfranco Alberini
Secretary General