

WORLD SAILING POLICY REGISTER

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP RIGHTS FOR WS CLASSES

1. Requirements

- 1.1 In order to maintain their rights to hold world championships, World Class Associations must meet the following requirements.
- (a) register the dates for next year's major championships (world and continental) by 1 October each year with World Sailing. No alteration in the championship dates are to be allowed after the annual World Sailing meeting without the approval of World Sailing, the host Member National Authority and the class/owners association;
 - (b) obtain the approval of the Member National Authority governing the proposed venue of its world and continental championships;
 - (c) appoint an international jury for the world championships (unless otherwise agreed with World Sailing);
 - (d) appoint an International Measurer to the technical committee for the world championships (unless otherwise agreed with World Sailing);
 - (e) meet or exceed the following participation levels for two of the last three World Championships (except that for multihull boats up to 6.0m, the required number of entries is 25):

Category according to Hull Length or weight	Number of Entries			Number of Countries	Number of Continents
	Gender open and men's only world championships	Women's, boy's and mixed World Championships	Girls and mixed Youth World Championships		
Boats up to 6.0m	30	20	15	5	2
Boats >6.0m to 9.0m	25	17	13	4	2
Boats >9.0m to 12.0m and <2000 kg	20	13	10	3	2
Boats >9.0m to 12.0m and >2000 kg	12	8	6	3	2

Boats >12.0m and <7500kg	10	5	4	3	2
Boats >7500 to 16000kg	8	5	4	3	2
Boats <16000kg	6	4	3	3	2

- (f) send a report on the class world championship(s) to the Executive Office as soon as possible after the championship but no later than the 1 February annual report, including information required by World Sailing. Failure of a class to submit this report may result in World Sailing review the Class's right to hold a world championship, notwithstanding other policies. The information required by World Sailing shall include:
- (i) a full set of results for each awarded title, stating the nationality of each entry; and
 - (ii) an evaluation on the event organization, the overall quality of the event, the venue and standards of racing.
- 1.2 If a Class has failed to meet the requirements in section 1.1(e) for two of their last three World Championships, it may only call its next such event a World Championships and award World Champion titles if the participation levels at that event meet this requirement.
- 1.3 Before World Sailing rescinds any right to host a world championship, the Class must be given notice in writing and shall be offered the right to appeal any decision to the Board.
- 1.4 The title of the world or continental championships should be: "*The xxx Class World Championship*" or "*The xxx Class <Name of Continent> Championship*", but other titles may be used. The title must not include the term "*World Sailing*", "*International Sailing Federation*", "*Sailing*" or "*World Cup*".

2. Rights

- 2.1 World Sailing Class Associations have the sole right to hold world and continental championships of their class.
- 2.2 Each World Sailing Class Association is granted the following world championship rights (subject to compliance with policy and the Regulations):
- (a) an age unrestricted world championships which may be:
 - (i) either one world championship title open to any gender and one female world championship title, or
 - (ii) one male world championship title and one female world championship title, as well as the right to
 - (iii) one mixed world championship title, where mixed crews are so defined by the class,

- (b) a youth world championships (where youth crews are so defined by the class) which may be:
 - (i) either one world championship title open to any gender and one girl's world championship title, or
 - (ii) one boy's world championship title and one girl's world championship title, as well as the right to
 - (iii) one mixed youth world championship title, where mixed crews are so defined by the class, and
 - (c) one further world championship title on the basis of age or discipline.
- 2.3 Fleets may compete together. If fleets compete together, the number of participating entries in each fleet must meet or exceed the number of entries shown in the table above at section 1.1(e)
- 2.4 The above rights for a World Sailing Class Association selected by World Sailing to be equipment at the next Olympic Sailing Competition may be restricted or amended by the Olympic Classes Contract.
- 2.5 The above rights do not apply to the International Radio Sailing Association ("IRSA"). IRSA may hold one annual world championship per IRSA Class up to a maximum of three world championships.

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