

Equipment Committee
Equipment Evolution Task Team Reg 11.4(b)(iii)
21 Aug Meeting Report

1. Introduction

We are the Equipment Evolution Task Team, established under World Sailing Regulation 11.4(b)(iii) to undertake the re-evaluation of equipment used in Olympic sailing events. Our current scope covers the **ILCA 6/7, iQFoil M/W, 49er/49erFX** events as we work towards developing recommendations for the equipment to be used at the **2032 Brisbane Olympic Games**. In accordance with the Olympic planning cycle, recommendations and any associated decisions must be finalised by the **end of 2027**.

As part of this re-evaluation, our objective is to assess the current equipment for each event and recommend one of 2 outcomes:

- **Retain** the existing equipment; or
- **Evolve** the existing equipment through targeted improvements

2. Status Update

The World Sailing Olympic Equipment Evolution Survey has now concluded, and we have commenced the process of analysing the responses received. The findings will provide valuable insights into stakeholder perspectives on equipment performance, accessibility, and suitability across the Olympic classes.

In parallel, we have held discussions with each of the 3 Class Associations to better understand the current equipment landscape, including any operational challenges, ongoing issues, and strategic developments within their respective classes.

The next phase of work will involve cross-referencing the survey findings with the feedback received from the Class Associations to identify areas of alignment, highlight any differing perspectives, and ensure that the recommendations are informed by both stakeholder feedback and class-specific expertise.

Based on this analysis, the Task Team will develop proposals for consideration at the World Sailing AGM in November.