

**Regulation 23.1 Event Review Outcome**

2028 Olympic Sailing Competition Events and Equipment

A submission from the International Formula Kite Class Association and the International 470 Class Association

Retained Events and Equipment:

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| Men's Windsurfing   | iQFOiL | not under review |
| Women's Windsurfing | iQFOiL | not under review |
| Men's Dinghy        | ILCA 7 | not under review |
| Women's Dinghy      | ILCA 6 | not under review |
| Men's Skiff         | 49er   | not under review |
| Women's Skiff       | 49erFX | not under review |

1) Men's Kite:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retain Event Men's Kite | <p>Summary of the reasons to retain the Event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The event has a unique signature in the overall slate. Windsurfing, Kiteboarding and Wing Foiling are all different events with different unique signatures (other than the proposed "Boards" event). Events require some definition, and 'Board' is not precise enough. Kiteboard Racing, as is in the 2028 Olympics, is different from whatever Wing Foiling may become (racing, reaching, tricks, waves) and the definition board is too broad for World Sailing to approve.</li> <li>• Kiteboarding has seen tremendous growth especially in small, emerging and developing countries. Further to MNAs with tradition in Olympic sailing, kiteboarding attracts MNAs not historically successful in dinghies and therefore increases universality.</li> <li>• MNAs have only just invested in sailors, coaches and pathways. A potential change of the event put investment and pathways into jeopardy.</li> <li>• Kiteboarding has been successfully tested in the Olympic framework, including the World Sailing World Championships and other World Sailing events like the Youth Worlds, Youth Olympics Sailing World Cups etc.</li> <li>• Challenging to sail, compelling to watch. Appeal to youth, both as competitors and as spectators, is well demonstrated and aligns with the IOC 2020+5 agenda.</li> </ul> |
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|                        |                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduction of cost / complexity implications for MNAs and NOCs compared to a new event.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| IKA<br>Formula<br>Kite | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retain Equipment | <p>Summary of the reasons to retain the Equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Sailing has just licensed 7 manufacturers of Hydrofoils and 4 manufacturers of Kites (in March 2022) with manufacturing control to the highest standards.</li> <li>MNAs have just invested in current equipment after the postponed Olympic Games.</li> <li>The class rules provide for moderate evolution, new builders to get licenced, and the market to expand every 4 years.</li> <li>There are no known quality issues with the current equipment.</li> <li>Multi-manufacturer registered series production equipment allows sponsoring of national teams / athletes through brands.</li> <li>The current equipment is fully supported by sailors, the industry and the wider kiteboarding community.</li> <li>Same equipment for men and women, and throughout the pathway: Youth Worlds, Youth Olympics, Olympics.</li> <li>The equipment supports a wide range of body physiques, making it competitively accessible for all regions of the world.</li> <li>No existing alternative.</li> </ul> |
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|                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Select new Equipment        | Summary of 'criteria to select new equipment'                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## 2) Women's Kite:

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## 3) Mixed Dinghy:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retain Event Mixed Dinghy | <p>Summary of the reasons to retain the Event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The two-person dinghy sailing is universal and mainstream, with many possible racing formats.</li> <li>• Unique event which differs from all other current Olympic events in required skill set, technique, athlete body type and racing style.</li> <li>• Broadest range of athlete skills: boat tuning, wind shift management, tactics, strategy, boat handling, teamwork, top physical condition, stamina and agility. Challenging kinetics technique, unique among the current Olympic events.</li> <li>• Widely accessible Olympic event, with proven pathway from Youth to Olympic.</li> <li>• Well-developed affordable training schemes, skill and knowledge sharing and development of coaches have been around for decades across all continents.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 470                                                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retain Equipment <p>Summary of the reasons to retain the Equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highly manoeuvrable tactical racing boat in light and medium conditions, fully controllable and high performing in the strongest winds and heavy seas, with outstanding safety record.</li> <li>• Only Olympic class fully adjustable to suit different sailing styles and crew weights.</li> <li>• A proven performer, highly flexible and adaptable to a wide range of different racing environments and all possible available race formats, in any wind condition and sea state.</li> <li>• Great media appeal and easy video coverage, as highlighted in Tokyo 2020. Onboard and aerial cameras, headcams and audio can all showcase the intensity of racing, precision of team work and the full range of athlete skills.</li> <li>• Top level one-design class rules and building specification. Level playing field, with top class equipment available from manufacturers around the world. Durable (3½ year-old medal winning boats in 2016 and 2020) and easy to maintain, it is the</li> </ul> |

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|  |                                               | <p>most affordable two-person Olympic boat, ideal for small and emerging nations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Premier Olympic boat solution for light and medium weight athletes. Very wide body size and age ranges.</li> <li>• Both genders can perform equally well as helm or crew.</li> <li>• Same equipment (boat, rig, sails) from Juniors to Masters.</li> <li>• Broad geographical spread and participation with many medal capable countries.</li> <li>• No existing alternative with the 470 qualities.</li> </ul> |
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## 4) Mixed Multihull:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retain Event Mixed Multihull |                                                      | <p>Summary of the reasons to retain the Event:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modern Platform</li> <li>• Mixed Sportspersons working together</li> <li>• Representative of Professional Sailing</li> <li>• Representative of multihull aspect of sailing diversity</li> <li>• Compelling to sail and watch</li> <li>• Broad mix of sizes and weights suitable</li> <li>• Broad mix of generational (age) and geographical participation</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Nacra 17                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retain Equipment | <p>Summary of the reasons to retain the Equipment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Olympic maturity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Evolution of equipment complete for foreseeable future</li> <li>◦ Male and Female helms and crews both participating in both positions</li> <li>◦ Broad range of weights and heights for the athletes</li> <li>◦ Safety improvements implemented</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Fair racing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Build consistency at Olympic Standard</li> <li>◦ Class Rules and Event checks at Olympic standard</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Campaign Costs manageable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Durability at Olympic standard</li> <li>◦ Additional builder(s) to come online after Paris 2024</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

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|  |                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No existing alternative               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A new boat will have to be invented, likely facing the same challenges Nacra 17 has taken a decade to overcome</li> <li>○ A new boat will not have a class association or proven track record of suitability, and there is not sufficient time to develop in the two years before it would be needed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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