

World Sailing Classes Recommendations to Council

This "yellow paper" is a summary of the Recommendations made by the World Sailing Classes Committee on the 2023 Annual Conference Submissions on 13 November.

2023 Submissions

- 023-23 Proposal 1: Proposal to Removing Conflicting And Ambiguous Sections Of RRS 60.4(A)**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules.
Other Committee: Race officials
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 023-23 Proposal 2: Proposal to Removing Conflicting And Ambiguous Sections Of RRS 60.4(A)**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules.
Other Committee: Race officials
Opinion: Reject
Notes:
- 036-23 Proposal To Include The Equipment Regulations In The List Of Rules And Documents That A Boat Shall Comply With.**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Reject
Notes:
- 037-23 Proposal To Clarify The Responsibility Of An Event Technical Committee With Regards To The Certificates.**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Reject
Notes:
- 038-23 Proposal To Bring Rule 78.2 In Line With Practice. Often It Is The Technical Committee That Manages Class Certificates.**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 043-23 Proposal To Allow MNA To Prescribe That Its Approval Is Required To Organise An Event And To Appoint Race Officials**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Reject
Notes:
- 044-23 Proposal To Improve The Name Of The Technical Committee And To Introduce The Equipment Regulations Document.**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 088-23 Proposal To Regulate Off-Site Protest Committees And Juries In Order To Offer Sailors A Fair And Transparent Procedure In Case Of A Hearing And When Judging Rule 42**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee:

Opinion: Reject

Notes: all 3 proposal rejected

- 098-23** **Proposal To Amend Regulation 10.2.1 to allow for recognition of offshore classes providing competition for a diverse range of nationalities that do not meet the current criteria.**
Reporting Committee: Oceanic and Offshore
Other Committee: events, equipment and Constitution
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 100-23** **Proposal To Amend Regulation 10.3(c) to clarify what plaque fees World Sailing Classes can expect to be required to pay to World Sailing**
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Classes, Constitution, equipment
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 102-23** **Proposal To Amend Regulation 10.4(d) to clarify that the chair of the Event Technical Committee is an International Measurer of the class**
Reporting Committee: equipment
Other Committee: Classes, events, Constitution
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 109-23** **Proposal To Amend Regulation 25.2.1(a)(ii) to enable Classes to have a Transgender Policy awarding female World Championship titles and World Championship titles open to any gender**
Reporting Committee: Classes
Other Committee: Board, women forum, events, Medical, Constitution
Recommendation to Council: Approve
Notes: The Classes Committee supports the initiative to have a transgender policy
- 150-23** **Proposal To Amend Regulation 10.2.1 to have additional methods for determining designation as a World Sailing Class Association**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Events, Constitution, Classes
Opinion: No opinion
Notes:
- 151-23** **Proposal To Amend Regulation 10.2.1 and 10.4 to correct regulations linking designation as a World Sailing Class Association and the right to hold a World Championship**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Events, Constitution, Classes
Opinion: No opinion
Notes:
- 152-23** **Proposal To Prevent issues when Olympic Equipment is selected, but the class is not recognised as a World Sailing Class Association, and to provide added value to the Olympic classes' world championship**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Events, Constitution, Classes
Opinion: No opinion
Notes:
- 18-23** **To remove the requirement for a trapeze harness to comply with an ISO standard for quick release from the RRS. This can be specified in class rules.**
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:

- 19-23** Delete the requirement for a trapeze harness to comply with an ISO standard for quick release. Make it clear that harnesses used by wing foils, kiteboards and windsurfers are covered by this rule.
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
- 20-23** To Remove The Requirement For A Trapeze Harness To Comply With An ISO Standard For Quick Release From The RRS
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes/Equipment
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 29-23** To Clarify What Are The Relevant Authorities To Be Informed About Class Rule Related Penalties
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 35-23** Quite often, the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions for an event provide that class rules are subject to discretionary penalties. However, not complying with class rules implies breaking rule 78.1 as well. Yet, breaking rule 78 is seldom marked as No concern was raised [DP] or [SP].
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee:
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 41-23** To clarify the conditions for changing a class rule at an event and bring the RRS in line with the WS Regulations.
Reporting Committee: Racing Rules
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 101-23** A proposal to amend Regulation 10.4(a) To adjust the timeline to notify World Sailing of the next World Championship of an international class.
Reporting Committee: Equipment
Other Committee: Events, Classes, Constitution
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 108-23** Proposal to amend Regulation 23.3.1 and 25.8.2 For the Board to approve the Chief and Deputy Chiefs to the Olympic Games
Reporting Committee: Race Officials
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 117-23** Proposal to amend new constitution article 51.10 to Correct minor differences between current and new regulations.
Reporting Committee: Race Officials
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Approve
Notes:

- 119-23** **To clarify the term of ICA and to introduce abbreviations for the Technical Committee and the Equipment Regulations.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Racing Rules
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 120-23** **To clarify the applicability of the ERS**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee:
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 121-23** **To clarify the applicability of the ERS**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 122-23** **To improve and clarify the positioning of mainsails on the rig**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee:
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 123-23** **To clarify the use of the actual measurement points on booms and bowsprits for the positioning of equipment**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee:
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 124-23** **To introduce a new term for the authority responsible for interpreting class rules for the purpose of RRS 64.4(b)**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Racing Rules & Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 125-23** **To add the ICA in the list of bodies which may be certification authorities**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 126-23** **To add the licensed manufacturer's mark which is referenced by certain Class rules**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 127-23** **To improve the wording and clarify the actions and functions of certain officials and marks on equipment.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 128-23** **To add the Equipment Regulations as a term**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes

Opinion: Approve

Notes:

- 129-23** **To add a term for a crew member which is needed in certain class rules.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 130-23** **To add new terms for personal equipment types and improve the wording of existing ones.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 131-23** **To add missing definitions and improve the wording in existing terms.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 132-23** **To improve the wording of existing terms.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 133-23** **To introduce a separate term for polishing and two new terms for locking equipment in place or to block access**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee:
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 134-23** **To improve the definition of Hull, and to make it possible to be used by the RRS.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 135-23** **To clarify the way of measuring weight of appendages.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 136-23** **To add the various forms of boom Vang as an ERS term.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 137-23** **To fix errors in the form of missing lines in specific rig diagrams.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 138-23** **To move the backstay into the standing rigging.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee

Other Committee: Classes

Opinion: Approve

Notes:

- 139-23** **To remove obsolete examples from the definition and amend the drawing accordingly to match the text.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 140-23** **To clarify the definitions of Headsail, Spinnaker and Quadrilateral sails.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 141-23** **To clarify the conditions for extending sail edges to find a corner point.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 142-23** **To add an alternative method of controlling spinnaker size, still used by certain classes.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 143-23** **To use the new term of Certification Measurer, to clean up the text and to make it gender neutral.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 144-23** **To use the new term of event class rules authority.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Racing Rules
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 145-23** **To clarify and unify the measurement condition for tip weight and centre of gravity of masts.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 146-23** **To clarify the conditions for extending sail edges to find a corner point and to remove a method which is in contradiction to the principles shown in the various ERS diagrams for corner points.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 147-23** **To make minor improvements or re-arrangements in the text as part of a general housekeeping.**
Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee
Other Committee: Classes

Opinion: Approve

Notes:

153-23 **Proposal to amend Regulation 23 to have certainty about the process on how and when to select events and equipment for future Olympic Games.**

Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee

Other Committee: Classes

Opinion: Approve

Notes:

154-23 **Proposal to amend Regulation 23 to have certainty about the process on how and when to select events and equipment for future Olympic Games.**

Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee

Other Committee: Classes

Opinion: Approve

Notes:

214-23 **Proposal to delete Rule B5.62 to standardising the rules for giving redress**

Reporting Committee: Equipment Committee

Other Committee: Classes

Opinion: Reject

Notes:

**Approved by Jan Martin,
Chair of the World Sailing Classes Committee**

Olympic Classes Sub-committee Recommendations to Council

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2023 Submissions

- 107-23** **Proposal to amend Regulation 15.6 To allow the 2024 Mid-Year Council meeting to approve regulation changes to Regulation 23 Olympic Sailing Competition.**
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee:
Opinion: Approve
Notes: 153-23 and 154-23 should be deferred but if 107-23 is rejected then 153-23 is the preferred option over 154-23
- 108-23** **Proposal to amend Regulation 23.3.1 and 25.8.2 For the Board to approve the Chief and Deputy Chiefs to the Olympic Games**
Reporting Committee: Race Officials
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 117-23** **Proposal to amend 117 -23 Article 51.10 New Constitution To correct minor differences between current and new regulation.**
Reporting Committee: Constitution
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Approve
Notes: Proposal 2 is preferred.
- 149-23** **Proposal to amend Regulation 24.1 to 24.3.4 To provide flexibility in relation to the Sailing World Championships including to split the Sailing World Championships into multiple events and to include additional events where appropriate.**
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Approve
Notes:
- 153-23** **Regulation 23 – Timelines and selection of new events.**
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Defer
Notes: If 107-23 is rejected then 153-23 should be approved.
- 154-23** **Regulation 23 – Timelines and selection of new events.**
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Events
Opinion: Defer
Notes: If 107-23 and 153-23 is rejected then 154-23 should be approved.

2023 Recommendations not based on submission:

- 1. Olympic Vision**
The OCSC notes concerns about the requirement of supplied equipment for all events (regardless of the equipment).
- 2. The OCSC recommends that any format testing for the LA 2028 Games is finalised by mid-year 2025. New formats need to be tested in elite level multiclass events.**
- 3. The OCSC recommends that the board prioritizes the implementation of the new ranking system, approved in 2018. The new rankings could be well used for media communication and building stars.**
- 4. The OCSC recommends that World Sailing and classes media efforts are better coordinated at the combined world championships to maximise media output.**
- 5. The OCSC recommends that World Sailing maximises efforts in the area of digital officiating and develop a clear digital officiating strategy to use at it's major events.**

**Approved by Markus Schwendtner,
Chair of the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee**