

Constitution Committee Agenda

The Constitution Committee will meet at 10:30 – 17:30 hrs on Wednesday 15 November 2023 and 09:30 – 13:30 hrs on Friday 17 November at the Hotel NH, Malaga Spain.



Please refer to the World Sailing website www.sailing.org for the details of the submissions on this agenda. The Committee may make a recommendation to Council on any item of its agenda.

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
3. Regulation 2.4 - MNA Review and Recommendations
4. Submissions
5. Governance Reforms
6. Safeguarding
7. Constitution and Regulations
8. Annual General Meeting
9. Annual Report
10. Any Other Business

1. Opening of the Meeting

- (a) Welcome from the Chairman
- (b) Apologies for absence
- (c) Declaration of Conflicts of Interests

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- (a) Minutes
To note the minutes of the meetings of 25 October 2022 (circulated and approved after the meeting).
- (b) Minutes Matters Arising
To consider any matters arising not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

3. Regulation 2.4 - MNA Review and Recommendations

- a) To consider the Working Party recommendations and determine report and recommendations to the Council.

4. Submissions

To consider and make a recommendation to Council on the following submissions:

4.a To consider and give an opinion on the submissions where the Constitution Committee is the Reporting Committee:

001 -23 Regulations 19.7, 20.4.3, 28.2.6 and 29.2.5 Submitter: Racing Rules Committee

To eliminate repetition required in Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.

148-23 Regulation 1.30 - Sailing Federation of Ukraine – Constitution

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Member challenging the membership of a Full Member. Sailing Federation of Ukraine application to cancel the full membership of the Russian Yachting Federation.

4.b To consider and give an opinion on the following submissions for which the Board is the Reporting Committee

149-23 Regulation 24.1 to 24.3.4 - Board

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.

155-23 Regulation 8.15.2 - Board

To amend Terms of Reference for the Safety Commission.

4 (c) To consider and give an opinion on the following submissions for which the Classes Committee is the Reporting Committee.

099-23 Regulation 10 Submitter – Classes Committee

To clarify what plaque fees World Sailing Classes can expect to be required to pay to World Sailing

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101 -23 Regulation 10.4 (a) -Submitter – Classes Committee

To adjust the timeline to notify World Sailing of the next World Championship of an international class.

102-23 Regulation 10.4.(d) – Submitter – Classes Committee

To clarify that the chair of the Event Technical Committee is an International Measurer of the Class.

103 -23 Regulation 10.4.(d) Submitter – Classes Committee

To allow classes the opportunity to have a Class approved Measurer who may not be an International Measurer.

109-23 Regulation 25.2.1 (a) (ii) Submitter – Classes

To enable Classes to have a Transgender Policy awarding female World Championship titles and World Championship titles open to any gender.

117 -23 Article 51.10 New Constitution - Classes Committee

To correct minor differences between current and new regulation.

118 23 - International Six Metre Association – Classes

To enable the International Six Metre Association to award a World Championship in each of the two divisions in which yachts of the class now compete.

153-23 Regulation 23 Option 1 Classes Committee

Timeline and selection of new events for the Olympics

154-23 Regulation 23 Option 2 Classes Committee

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4 (d) To consider and give an opinion on the following submissions for which the Oceanic and Offshore Committee is the Reporting Committee

098 -23 Regulation 10.2.1 (d)(e) Submitter - Oceanic and Offshore Committee

To allow for recognition of offshore classes which due to the cost of the boats and nature of racing are not likely to meet the current criteria despite the providing competition for a wide range of nationalities

104-23 Regulation 10.5 Submitter – Oceanic and Offshore Committee

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To recognise Measurers in Offshore Classes who can prove the competency and expertise in their Classes.

105 -23 Regulation 10.5 Submitter -Oceanic and Offshore Committee

To allow time for current Offshore classes such as IMOCA and Class 40 which do not hold World Championships to qualify as International Measures.

106-23 Regulation 10.5 Submitter - Oceanic and Offshore Committee

To allow time for current Offshore classes such as IMOCA and Class 40 which do not hold World Championships to qualify as International Measures. Alternative Proposal.

114-23 Regulation 30.3 Submitter Oceanic and Offshore Committee Chair

To introduce a process for the issuing of Offshore Special Regulations interpretations.

4 (e) To consider and give an opinion on the following submissions for which the Race Officials Committee is the Reporting Committee

108-23 Regulation 23.3.1 and 25.8.2 Submitter – Race Officials Committee

For the Board to approve the Chief and Deputy Chiefs to the Olympic Games

110-23 Regulation 25.8.13 Submitter – Race Officials Committee

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. Proposal 1 Add new rule J1.1(7) Proposal 2 -Change Regulation 25.8.13

115-23 Regulation 31.15 Submitter -Race Officials Committee

To amend the Regulation 31.15 by changing the reapplication time for WS Race Officials after the termination of their appointment.

116-23 Regulations 31.7 and 6.10.7.3(i), 6.10.8.3(i), 6.10.9.3(i) and 6.10.10.3(i) – Race Officials - Croatian Sailing Federation.

To propose an alternative Grouping system for Race Officials.

4 (f) To consider and give an opinion on the following submissions for which the Events Committee is the Reporting Committee

107-23 Regulation 15.6 Submitter - Events Committee

To allow the 2024 Mid-Year Council meeting to approve regulation changes to Regulation 23 Olympic Sailing Competition

111-23 Regulation 27.2 - Submitter Events Committee

To update the Regulations to clarify that there can be three principal national championships, open, women and youth

112-23 Regulation 27.2 – Submitter Events Committee

To change the definition of the Youth division in the Regulations from U23 to U25 and to clearly define what U25 means

113-23 Regulation 27.2.3 - Submitter Events Committee

To level the playing field and make the weight limit in open match racing fair and inclusive to people of all weight ranges

4 (g) To consider and give an opinion on the following submissions for which the Equipment Committee is the Reporting Committee

150-23 Regulation 10.2.1(d)and(e) - Equipment

To propose alternative methods to global distribution criteria for determining designation as a World Sailing Class Association

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151-23 Regulation 10.2.1.(d) and (e) and Regulation 10.4 – Equipment

To differentiate between having the right to host a World Championship and being classified as a WS class and allow flexibility in terms of global distribution criteria.

152-23 Regulation 10.2.1 and 10.4 – Equipment

To prevent issues when Olympic Equipment is selected, but the class is not recognized as a World Sailing Class Association, and to provide added value to the Olympic classes' world championships.

5. Governance Reform

To receive a report on the proposed Governance Reform documents from the Governance Sub-Committee and confirm recommendations to Council on the documents which are for approval not based on submission:

- General Assembly Rules of Procedure
- Council Rules of Procedure
- Betting and Anti-Corruption Code Appendix 5 (Updated to match IOC template)
- Anti-Doping Code Appendix 2 (Updated numbering only)
- Committee Terms of Reference
- Regulation 35 and Regulation 36 Changes

6. Safeguarding

To discuss policy and procedures which are on the Council agenda for approval not based on submission.

7. Constitution & Regulations

To review any interpretations issued by the Committee since its last meeting and to discuss any amendments required to the Constitution or Regulations.

8. Annual General Meeting

To note the agenda of the Annual General Meeting

9. Annual Report

To receive the Chairman's report to Council covering the period 31 October 2022 to 31 October 2023.

10. Any Other Business