

Classes Review Report

Introduction

In accordance with World Sailing Regulation 10.13, the Equipment Committee (EQ) conducts periodic reviews of World Sailing Class Associations every three years. These reviews are crucial for determining whether each class still meets the requirements outlined in Regulation 10.13.1 to maintain their World Sailing Class status. Failure to meet these criteria can lead to the reconsideration or withdrawal of the class's status, as per Regulation 10.13.2.

This report outlines the current status of several World Sailing Classes, based on the updated evaluation matrix and scoring system introduced in 2022. The goal is to ensure transparency, fairness, and accountability, while safeguarding the integrity of World Sailing and its associated classes.

Review Procedures

A Working Party (WP) formulated a strategy to review World Sailing Classes regularly, as required by Regulation 10.13. This includes making recommendations to the Equipment Committee for potential withdrawal of World Sailing Class status where classes fail to meet the set criteria.

To assess each class fairly, the WP employed a matrix and scoring system to rank classes for review. This approach ensures that selection for review is objective, based on measurable compliance issues. Data is primarily sourced from the annual reports submitted by each class by February 1st each year. In cases of incomplete information, the Office actively contacts the respective class to fill the gaps.

Evaluation Matrix and Compliance Scoring

Classes are evaluated and ranked based on total points, with different weights assigned for non-compliance. Points are allocated across several categories, such as global distribution, unpaid debts, incomplete annual reports, lack of technical representatives, and non-compliance with World Championship requirements. Detailed scoring criteria can be found in Appendix A of this report. Classes scoring seven or more points are subject to review with the intention of withdrawing their World Sailing Class status if issues are not resolved.

Upon identification, additional compliance information is compiled by the Office and shared with both the class and the Equipment Committee to promote transparency. The WP recommended, during the Mid-Year Meeting, that classes scoring seven or more points be reviewed and possibly have their status withdrawn if non-compliance persists.

Classes Working Towards Compliance

In addition to the classes under review or with withdrawn status, there are several classes actively working with World Sailing to address specific areas of non-compliance. The Equipment Committee recognises that some issues are complex and require extended efforts to resolve. As such, additional time has been granted to these classes, which are collaborating closely with WS and the legal department to meet the required standards.

The following classes are actively working towards compliance:

- Sunfish Class Association

- International Windsurfer Class Association
- SB20 Class Association

These classes are expected to resolve their outstanding issues by the deadlines set by WS, and their progress will be continuously monitored. World Sailing's approach reflects its commitment to fostering a supportive environment, ensuring that classes making genuine efforts are given a fair chance to comply.

Summary of Classes Placed Under Review

Below is a summary of the classes currently placed under review, based on their respective evaluations:

Boat Type	Class Association	year
Centreboard	International 14 Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International Byte Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International Flying Junior	2022
Centreboard	International Enterprise Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International Moth Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International RS Tera Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International Splash Class Association	2022
Keelboat/Yacht	Farr40 Class Association	2022
Keelboat/Yacht	International Ocean 65 Class Association	2022
Keelboat/Yacht	International One Design Class Association	2022
Keelboat/Yacht	International Sonar Class Association	2022
Multihull	International Nacra 15 Class Association	2022
Multihull	International Nacra F20 Carbon Class Association	2022
Multihull	International Nacra Infusion Class Association	2022
Multihull	International Topcat K1 Class Association	2022
Board	IKA - A's Youth Foil Class Association	2023
Board	International Windsurfer Class Association	2023
Centreboard	International Enterprise Class Association	2023
Centreboard	International Flying Junior	2023
Centreboard	International Splash Class Association	2023
Centreboard	International Sunfish Class Association	2023
Centreboard	International Vaurien Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	International Melges 32 Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	International Monohull Open Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	International Ocean 65 Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	International SB20 Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	Swan 45 Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	X-41 International Class Association	2023
Multihull	International Nacra F20 Carbon Class Association	2024
Multihull	International Nacra Infusion Class Association	2024
Multihull	International Topcat K1 Class Association	2024
Multihull	Diam 24 One Design Class Association	2024
Keelboat/Yacht	International RS 21 Class Association	2024

Summary of Classes with Withdrawn Status

The following classes have had their World Sailing Class status withdrawn due to failure to meet compliance standards:

Boat Type	Class Association	year
Centreboard	International Byte Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International Enterprise Class Association	2022
Keelboat/Yacht	Farr40 Class Association	2022
Keelboat/Yacht	International Ocean 65 Class Association	2022
Centreboard	International Splash Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	International Ocean 65 Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	Swan 45 Class Association	2023
Keelboat/Yacht	X-41 International Class Association	2023
Board	IKA - A's Youth Foil Class Association*	2024

*Class has voluntarily withdrawn its status, effective 7th May 2024

Classes Pending EQC Decision for 2024

The following classes are pending review by the Equipment Committee (EQC) in 2024:

Boat Type	Class Association
Multihull	International Nacra F20 Carbon Class Association
Multihull	International Nacra Infusion Class Association
Multihull	International Topcat K1 Class Association
Multihull	Diam 24 One Design Class Association
Keelboat/Yacht	International RS 21 Class Association

Conclusion

The findings of this report underline the necessity of upholding high standards across all World Sailing Class Associations to preserve the sport's integrity and competitiveness. Several classes have been placed under review or had their status withdrawn due to non-compliance with critical criteria. However, World Sailing recognises and appreciates the efforts made by certain classes to resolve their issues, demonstrating the importance of collaboration and commitment to meeting WS standards. Moving forward, all classes are strongly encouraged to work closely with World Sailing, address any remaining compliance issues, and strive to meet established standards. This structured and transparent approach helps ensure a fair and vibrant sailing ecosystem, allowing all participating classes to contribute positively to the global sailing community.

Appendix A - Points Assigned to Each Item Reviewed

	Points
GLOBAL DISTRIBUTION	
Failure to comply with the regulation	5
DEBTS	
Annual subscription Unpaid	1
other debts	1
ANNUAL REPORT	
the class hasn't completed the annual report	1
The class completed late the annual report	0,5
The class has no technical representative.	1
The class has no International Measurer	1
The class has no technical and/or equipment committee	1
The class has not reported any licensed builders	1
The class has not reported the number of boats built	1
The class has not reported any incident reportable under Regulation 38	1
Class has not sent any up-to-date class publications	1
Class does not use the approved World Sailing Association logo	1
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP	
Class does not report the title awarded in 2022	1
Class has not registered the Class Worlds by 1 August 2022	1
Class registers late the Class Worlds	0,5
AGREEMENTS	
Class Agreements need to get updated	1
Class agreement update on progress	0,5