

The World Sailing Classes Committee (WSCC) met virtually at 14.00 UTC on 27 March 2025

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| 1. Opening of the Meeting | a. Sails from recyclable materials |
| 2. WSCC Work Plan 2025 – Going Forward | b. Regulation 30.2.2 change proposal |
| 3. WSCC Cross-Representation Consultation | c. PWA Special Event status update request |
| 4. Any Other Business: | |

Members Present:

Jan Martin Wilschut -WSCC Chair and Int. Cadet Class Association	Edwin Lodder Int. Nacra 15 Class Association	Mattias Dahlstrom Int. M32 Class Association
Andreas Kosmatopoulos -WSCC Vice chair and Int. 470 Class Association	Eric Faust Int. ILCA 6 Class Association	Michael Hutton Clark Int. Flying Fifteen Class Association
Tomasz Chamera – WS Vice President	Gonzalo Costa-Hoevel Int. IQFoil Class Association	Mirco Babini Int. Kiteboarding Association - Formula Kite
Dimitris Dimou Int. 420 Class Association	Greg Mancusii-Ungaro Int. One Design Class Association	Nayl Driss Int. Raceboard Class Association
Andrew McIlvine Int. Maxi Class	Harold Elfring Int. Windsurfer Class Association	Olivier Bovyn Int. Formula 18 Class Association
Andrus Poksi Int. ILCA 4 Class Association	Jan Martin Wilschut Int. Cadet Class Association	Piotr Oleksiak Int. Formula Windsurfing Class
Anita Yngve Int. Zoom 8 Class Association	John Seepe Int. 2.4 Metre Class Association	Pippa Kenton-Page Int. 29er Class Association
Antonio González de la Madrid Int. Optimist Dinghy Association	John Brunt Int. Shark Class Association	Rob Weiland Int. TP52 Class Association
Ben Remocker Int. 49erFX Class Association	Jurgen Jentsch Int. Tornado Class Association	Robert Deaves Int. Finn Association Inc.
Benoit Tréguilly Int. Techno 293 Class Association	Louise Morton Int. 5.5 Metre Class Association	Steven Chapman Int. Viper 640 Class Association
Bill Brassington Int. Topper Class Association	Mads.P.G. Korsgaard Int. H-Boat Class Association	Thomas Jullien Int. Monohull Open Class Association
Bruno De Wannaemaeker Int. Funboard Class Association	Manfred Schumi Int. Tempest Association	Thomas König Int. Formula 16 Class Association
Christopher Howell Int. J24 Class Association	Marina Psychogiou Int. Kiteboarding Association - KiteFoil Open Class	Tracy Usher Int. ILCA 7 Class Association
Curly Morris Int. GP Fourteen Class Association	Markus Schwendtner Int. Kiteboarding Association - Open Class	Valerie Boutet Int. IQFoil Youth & Junior Class Association

David Brookes Int. Hobie 14 Class Association	Martine Zurinkas Int. Sunfish Class Association	Walter Baumgartner Int. Yngling Association
David Brookes Int. Hobie 16 Class Association	Matias Collins Int. Int. Soling Class Association	Pilar López- WS Staff
David Sprague Int. Lightning Class Association, alternate of Chair Jan Martin Wilschut	Mats Runstrom Int. Fareast 28R Class Association	Observers: Chris Williams Intl Sunfish Class; Muriel IMOCA
Edward "Buttons" Padin Int. Sonar Class Association		

1. Opening of the Meeting

- a. Chair's Opening Remarks
- b. Apologies for Absence
Apologies for absence were received from the following members: Liam Willis (RS21 Class); Giulia Grosselli (Melges 32 Class) and Alastair Deaves (OK Dinghy Class).
- c. Declaration of conflicts of interest:
No conflicts of interest were declared
- d. Minutes of the meetings on Monday 24 November. Approval of the minutes from the meeting held on Monday, 24 November was **deferred** and will be addressed at the next scheduled meeting.

2. WSCC Work Plan 2025 – Going Forward

- a. The Committee held a discussion on the key priorities for the 2025 Work Plan
- b. Issues raised during the discussion included:
 - Insurance-related challenges
 - Concerns regarding the current ranking system
 - Difficulties linked to the transition from Regulation 10 to the newly adopted policy framework
- c. A proposal was made to establish a Working Group focused on class rights.

3. WSCC Cross-Representation Consultation

- a. The Committee discussed the process of appointing cross-representation.
Jan Martin Wilschut provided clarification on the constitutional procedure, explaining that following consultation with the Committee, the Chair has the authority to appoint cross-representatives.
Eric Faust submitted a proposal to hold a vote on cross-representation.
Jan Martin responded that, under the Constitution, such a vote is not permitted, and after discussion, he ruled the proposal out of order, maintaining that the Chair alone holds the authority to decide on appointments.
Following this, Eric Faust expressed ongoing concerns and raised a separate issue regarding the lack of preparation by the Equipment Committee in previous Olympic equipment

evaluations.

He emphasised the need for clear and transparent criteria for Olympic equipment selection.

b. Candidate Presentations

Each candidate presented themselves to the Committee. The relevant documentation was shared on-screen during the session and some classes indicated they would submit their comments via email following the meeting.

4. Any Other Business

a. Sails from Recyclable Materials:

Raised by Andrew McIrvine (International Maxi Association).

The Committee held a general discussion on the potential use of recyclable materials in sail production, considering its alignment with World Sailing's sustainability objectives.

It was noted that while there is interest in encouraging sustainable innovation, further exploration is needed to assess feasibility, performance implications, and potential regulatory considerations

b. Regulation 30.2.2 – Change Proposal

Presented by Rob Weiland (TP52 Class).

It was confirmed that the issue has now been resolved through the adoption of the new regulation and updated policy framework, which addresses the previous inconsistencies.

c. PWA Special Event Status – Update Request

Raised by Piotr Oleksiak (International Windsurfing Association).

Piotr reiterated ongoing concerns related to the status and management of PWA Special Events, including:

Lack of transparency in how these events are operated. Compliance issues with World Sailing rules and policies. The negative impact such events may have on existing classes and their recognition.

It was noted that these concerns have been raised in previous years and remain unresolved.

The Committee acknowledged the need for further follow-up to assess the alignment of special events with current class and event policies

d. Appendix UF – Outdated Auxiliary Rules

Piotr Oleksiak also raised concerns about the continued application of Appendix UF, which he explained is outdated and not aligned with the current regulatory structure.

He noted that Appendix UF prevents certain classes from organising regattas under the revised regulations.

The Committee recognised the issue and agreed that further review may be needed to ensure consistency between the auxiliary rules and the broader regulatory updates.