World Sailing Board Registration Scheme WS Technical & Offshore Department Scheme Updates - 07/10/2023



1. Introduction

A World Sailing's approved series production board is a board that has been produced in accordance with World Sailing's Board registration scheme. The scheme requires manufacturers to produce a minimum series of identical boards of each model registered. Approved series production boards are identified by the use of a World Sailing logo in their production.

The international Windsurfing Classes reported in *table 1* require the boards to be from an approved series production in order to be eligible for racing in their classes. The scheme is managed by World Sailing which charges a fee for each registration. The number of board models registered in the last few years are reported below:

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Funboard & Youth Funboard	61	<i>7</i> 5	48	43	67
Formula	0	10	11	4	10
Raceboard	2	2	1	1	1

Table 1. Number of models registered from 2018.

Additional information can be found on the equipment registration page of the WS website: link here.

2. Status

Identified risks reported in the 2021 Annual Conference Agenda Item 14.2 have been addressed and extensive work has been done with the involvement of the Funboard, Formula and Raceboard classes which collaborated for the improvement of the Scheme.

The following changes, will become effective from 01/01/2023:

- 1. require builders/brands to:
 - a. seek approval to apply WS logo before starting production
 - b. Include laminate layups within the required registration documents
- 2. Include a two-phase registration system:
 - a. "Pre-registration": Brands/Builders share with WS board outline and laminate specification before starting production.
 - b. "Final-registration": Form 1a, Form 1b, Form II and other requirements set in the WS Instruction

3. Next Steps:

- 1. Change to an online based registration form
- 2. Define registration criteria of models with the same specification but different graphic design.
- 3. Define requirements for building specifications identifying the level of technical details and format in which to be presented.
- 4. Review the need to audit and monitor compliance with reported requirements.
- 5. Consider extending the "World Sailing's approved series production board" to a "World Sailing's approved series production equipment scheme" allowing to introduce it to other classes that require equipment to be from a registered series.