

1. Constitution Committee Recommendations to Council

This “yellow paper” is a summary of the Recommendations made at the Constitution Committee meeting on 25 October 2022. During its deliberations, Council will consider the Recommendations in order as shown on the Council agenda.

2022 Submissions

- 042-22 Gender Neutral Proposed amendments to eight (8) rules in the RRS to remove or change gendered terms.**
Reporting Committee: RRC
Other Committee: ROC/Board/ CC
Recommendation to Council: Approve
Comment Subject to Policy. The proposal is supported however it is important to note that some translations into other languages may run into difficulties.
This should be part of a process of endeavouring to make all World Sailing documents gender neutral, recognising English is the language as per the Constitution Article 2.3. This would also include substantial work with the cases, call books and other related World Sailing documents.
- 043-22 Regulations 28.2.2. & 28.3.1 - To allow RRC to work more collaboratively with submitters to increase approvals.**
Reporting Committee: CC
Other Committee: RRC/ROC
Recommendation to Council: Approve
- 044-22 Regulation 28.1.5 -To rename "test" rules as development rules.**
Reporting Committee: CC
Other Committee: RRC/ROC
Recommendation to Council: Approve
- 045-22 Para Sailing World Championships- Proposed amendment of Regulation 24.6 to correct inconsistencies, typographical errors and terminology**
Reporting Committee: PWS
Other Committee: CC
Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment
Comment Subject to policy with following amendment.
24.6 ~~Para World Sailing~~ Para Sailing World Championships.
- 046-22 Numbering errors - A note provided in lieu of a submission proposing an amendment to Regulation 24.6 to correct numbering error**
Reporting Committee: PWS
Other Committee: CC
Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment
Comment: Subject to policy. CC suggests that to be consistent with the way Regulations are drafted this **begins with 24.5.1 rather 24.5 (refer other Regulation drafting) and renumber thereafter ie. 24.5.2, 24.5.3 etc.**

- 047-22** **Proposal to add a provision to WS Regulation 13.1 sub-paragraphs to complete the enumeration of ORC responsibilities relating to the ORC Superyacht Rule and ORC Multihull Rating System**
Reporting Committee: OOC
Other Committee: CC
Recommendation to Council: Approve
Comment: Subject to Policy
- 049-22** **Open Events instead of Men's Events. Amends to Regulation 23.1.4 so that each of the four Olympic Events currently designated as "Men's Events" are renamed as "Open Events".**
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: CC
Recommendation to Council: Reject
- 050-22** **Regulations Governing Special Events -Proposal to set up a working party tasked with formalizing regulations governing special events with a set of key rights and obligations for special events.**
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Events/Equipment/CC
Recommendation to Council: Reject
Comment: The CC supports the establishment by the Board of a working party to discuss matters specific to Special Events.
- 051-22** **New regulation to cover special events – to introduce a new Regulation 25.8.13 to include list of special events and limitations to protect interests of classes affected.**
Reporting Committee: Board
Other Committee: Events/Equipment/CC
Recommendation to Council: Reject
- 052-22** **Addition and removal of events Proposed amend is to introduce a new Regulation 25.8.4(b) to establish a procedure to add and remove events from the list of major, recognized, and special events.**
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: Board/ Equipment/CC
Recommendation to Council: Reject
- 053-22** **Proposed amend to Regulation 31.14.1 to ensure that Race Officials Committee has full discretion to handle challenges with first-time appointment of race officials due to special circumstances.**
Reporting Committee: ROC
Other Committee: CC
Recommendation to Council: Approve
Comment: Subject to amendments proposed by ROC
- 054-22** **Proposal to amend the regulations so that the event for skiff in the Youth Sailing World Championship is male/mixed instead of male.**
Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: CC

Recommendation to Council: Approve in principle

Comment: Subject to Policy – this would require a separate submission for a Regulation change.

055-22 Proposal to amend Regulation 27.2 to change the points allocation of the Youth match racing events to follow the same logic as for Women's match racing events

Reporting Committee: Events

Other Committee: CC

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Comment Subject to Policy

056-22 Regulation 10.11.9 - amend to Regulation 10.11.9 to include a procedure for managing evolution or changes to the Technical Specifications of equipment used by World Sailing Classes.

Reporting Committee: Equipment

Other Committee: CC

Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment

Comment Subject to Drafting amendments.

1. 10.11.9(b) - b)an assessment conducted **by a suitably qualified person** to justify that the new equipment is robust, fit for purpose and has adequate longevity, disclosing how the equipment has been assessed, number of prototypes tested and by whom,

2. 10.11.9(b) (c) (e) - b) an assessment conducted to justify that the new equipment is robust, fit for purpose and has adequate longevity, disclosing how the **new** equipment has been assessed, number of prototypes tested and by whom,

c) an assessment of the effect in performance disclosing how the **new** equipment has been assessed and by whom,

e) the intended initial distribution plan, including the minimum number of new equipment items and the date by which they shall become available for purchase ahead of the first event in which the **new** equipment would be eligible, if should be proposed and new equipment.

3. 10.11.10 – For equipment with a confidential building specification, approval to changes shall be handled by the Chief Executive Officer in consultation with the Chairman of the Equipment Rules Sub-committee (or if he is conflicted, another committee member **appointed by the Chair of the Equipment Committee**). The relevant Copyright holder or manufacturer applying for approval shall provide a report including the items listed in regulation 10.11.9.

057-22 Regulation 10: -amendments to Regulation 10 to clarify the process for changing the class rules of World Sailing Classes (3 proposals).

Reporting Committee: Equipment

Other Committee: CC/Classes

Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment

Comment subject to policy with proposed amendments.

10.2.1 In order to be so designated a class must be able to meet the following criteria, detailed in an application to the Chief Executive Officer before 1 August, for consideration by Council at the next scheduled **Annual World Sailing meeting**
World Sailing Annual Conference.

10.11.1 Before applying to World Sailing for approval, the class/owners association is encouraged shall to consult with the Chief Executive Officer (who shall respond in a timely manner) and shall have approved the changes in accordance with its constitution and its class rules.

059-22 Regulation 10.5 (f) (iii) to amend Regulation 10.5 to extend the grace period to have an International Measurer for World Sailing Classes due to Covid Pandemic

Reporting Committee: Equipment

Other Committee: CC/ROC

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Comment Subject to Policy

065-22 Regulation 39 - to amend Regulation 39 to allow the Board to make the decision on location of 2023 Conference and to extend timeline for 2024 Conference so that the 2023 Conference will vote on the location of 2024 Conference

Reporting Committee: Board

Other Committee: CC

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Comment Subject to Policy

2. 2022 Recommendations not based on submissions

Agenda Item 7 – Governance

At its meeting on the 25th October 2022 the Constitution Committee unanimously resolved to express to Council its unreserved support for the Governance Reform proposals.