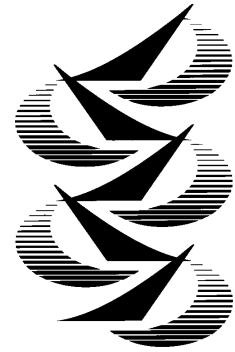


INTERNATIONAL SAILING FEDERATION RADIO SAILING DIVISION



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AFFILIATE MEMBER

Regulations

1. NOTICES AND SUBMISSIONS

1.1 Any notice to the Division shall be addressed to the General Secretary.

Notices from the Division shall be deemed to be properly delivered if dispatched by post, sent by facsimile, telex or electronic mail to the appropriate address or posted on the web site of the Division. Any notice posted on the web site shall be announced by electronic mail.

Failure to dispatch a notice in proper time shall not invalidate such notice, or preclude the subject matter of such notice being placed on the agenda and resolved, if the General Assembly so decide.

1.2 A submission from a Division Member shall be sent over the signature of a Senior Officer of that Division Member.

1.3 A submission from an International Class Association shall be accepted if it is sent over the signature of a Senior Officer of the International Class Association. A copyright holder/manufacture of an International Class may make submissions.

1.4 All submissions shall be accompanied by reasons supporting their adoption. In the case of submissions for changing the Racing Rules or Class Rules, the current rules shall be quoted and the proposed changes shall be given with the exact words to be inserted and/or deleted.

1.5 A notice or submission shall be deemed to have been given on the date of receipt by the General Secretary.

1.6 The General Secretary shall keep a register of addresses of all members of the Division, the members of the Permanent Committee and the members of the other Committees.

2. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES OTHER THAN THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE

2.1 The General Secretary shall submit to the Permanent Committee, at its meeting following the General Assembly, an alphabetical list of all candidates for membership of the Committees submitted in due time by the Division Members.

2.2 Any candidate nominated shall complete a Statement of Commercial Interests setting out any commercial interests the nominee, and/or his immediate family may have in radio sailing prior to their nomination being considered by the Permanent Committee for membership of any committee. In addition nominated candidates shall confirm that they are able to send and receive electronic mail.

If during the period of tenure there is a change in the status of the Commercial Interest of the member of any Committee he shall forthwith declare the new commercial interest.

2.3 In selecting the membership of the committees the Permanent Committee shall take due cognisance of the following:

- i) Persons shall be selected for their expertise rather than geographical location, but no more than two persons from any country shall be included on any committee.

- ii) The recommendations for membership of the committees made by the Division Members.
- iii) The recommendation of Committee Chairmen regarding the composition of their Committees.
- iv) There shall not be a set number of members on any committee.
- v) There shall not be a maximum period for any member to sit on a committee.

2.4 A committee may appoint one or more sub-committees. Sub-committees, however, shall not be entitled to financial support without prior approval by the Permanent Committee.

2.5 Any Committee Chairman who does not receive a response to an item of business from a committee member, within 4 (four) weeks, from the date of the request, may proceed without that member's input. Committee Chairmen may propose the replacement of a committee member who regularly fails to respond.

2.6 In exceptional circumstances Committee Chairmen may reduce the time scale for replies in Article 2.5 and proceed with the particular item of business as soon as a majority vote is received. Committee Chairmen shall retain all voting records until the item has been ratified, amended or rejected by the Permanent Committee.

2.6 Any member or Chairman of a Committee appointed by the Permanent Committee having a personal involvement in any decision shall be a non-voting party to the process.

2.7 All Committee Chairmen shall produce prepare an annual report on the work of their Committee. The report shall be circulated to the Permanent Committee at least 2 (two) weeks prior to the annual Permanent Committee Meeting.

3. CIRCULARS

3.1 All circulars sent to Division Members by the General Secretary shall be sent to the members of the Permanent Committee for information.

3.2 All Circulars sent by Committee Chairmen to Division Members requiring ratification by the Permanent Committee shall also be sent to the members of the Permanent Committee.

4. PERMANENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

4.1 In addition to the requirements of Article 7.7 of the Constitution the Permanent Committee may meet at such times as it shall be deemed necessary for conducting the business of the Division.

4.2 Meetings of the Permanent Committee other than those required by Article 7.7 of the Constitution may be conducted by electronic mail, facsimile and post.
A minimum of 14 (fourteen) days shall be given for members of the Permanent Committee to respond to any particular item of business.

4.3 Meetings of the Permanent Committee under Clause 4.2 of the Regulations shall be formally convened by the General Secretary by the issuing of an Agenda, containing the items for discussion and the timeframe for submitting motions and/or amendments.

4.4 All motions and amendments thereto shall be formally proposed and seconded and circulated to all members of the Permanent Committee.

5. RACING RULES COMMITTEE

5.1 The Racing Rules Committee has the responsibility for advising and making recommendations to the Permanent Committee regarding :

- i) Racing Rules for Radio Sailing.

- ii) Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- iii) Regulations for the Organisation of Championships.
- iv) Racing and Observing Systems.
- v) Management of Races.

5.2 The procedure for the consideration of the introduction of new rules or amendments to the existing Racing Rules for Radio Sailing or Racing System Rules is as follows:

- i) Submissions relevant to Racing Rules Committee shall not be accepted unless the following information is supplied, the present rule shall be quoted, the amendment shall be given and shall state the exact words which are required to be deleted and/or inserted. Finally the reason for the submission shall be stated. All such submissions shall be passed to the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee, who in turn shall circulate them to members of the Racing Rules Committee.
- ii) Upon receipt of comments from members of the Racing Rules Committee, the Chairman shall prepare a voting paper for circulation. Voting shall be by a simple majority.
- iii) No new principle or change in principle shall be approved for inclusion in the next revised edition of the Racing Rules unless it has been circulated to all Division Members for a trial period of one year in national events prior to its submission for adoption internationally.
- iv) Subject to satisfactory reports from Division Members to the Racing Rules Committee on the one year trial and subject to the approval of the Permanent Committee the new rule may then be introduced through the Standard Sailing Instructions.
- v) The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee may amend any existing rule by means the Standard Sailing Instructions at any time with immediate effect in response to experience gained at World, Regional or Continental Championships, that has highlighted a shortcoming to an existing rule. Such an amendment shall be subject to approval of the Emergency Committee as provided for in Article 7.8 of the Constitution.

5.3 Division Members may submit cases, printed or typed in English, including any necessary diagrams to the Racing Rules Committee for study. The Racing Rules Committee shall recommend to the Permanent Committee those cases that merit publication in the Interpretations of the Division of the Racing Rules for Radio Sailing.

5.4 The following are the guidelines for publications of cases:

- i) The interpretations shall significantly clarify an important meaning of a rule, or increase the understanding of a complex rule.
- ii) The interpretation shall be one not already included in the interpretation book.
- iii) When an interpretation is the same as but considered an improvement on an existing case, then it shall be included and the old case deleted.
- iv) When cases, which are submitted, are long and contain a great deal of unnecessary text matter or "obiter dicta" a condensed version will be produced containing the approved interpretation. Acceptance of the revised text to be confirmed by the Racing Rules Committee.
- v) Interpretations shall not be accepted which are a result of situations caused by peculiar local conditions and which, therefore, would not be generally applicable.

5.5 ISAF interpretations of the International Racing Rules for Sailing and the Division interpretations of the Racing Rules for Radio Sailing are recognised as authoritative interpretations and explanations of the rules.

5.6 For the purpose of this regulation the word "case" shall include decisions by Division Members on completed appeals and matters for interpretation submitted on a "question and answer" basis.

5.7 Appeals to the R.S.D.

On no account will the Division adjudicate upon an appeal against a ruling of a Division Member arising from an event under the jurisdiction of that authority. There is no provision in the Constitution of the Division for it to adjudicate on either a protest or an appeal. It would be inappropriate to form an international appeals committee, since it would impair the powers of a Division Member, which is autonomous regarding events within its own jurisdiction and its decisions on appeals are final.

6. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AND INTERNATIONAL CLASSES

6.1 The Technical Committee has responsibility for advising and making recommendations to the Permanent Committee regarding:

- (i) The Rules and Recommendations for the Adoption and Control of International Classes.
- (ii) International Class Administration Rules.
- (iii) International Class Rules.
- (iv) Methods and procedures for measurement of boats and equipment.

Interpretations of Class Rules.

6.2 Where no International Class Association exists

6.2.1 Requests for clarification and interpretation of class rules for International Classes may be accepted by the Technical Committee Chairman from the following sources only:

Division Members
National Class Associations
Licensed Builders, Copyright Holders and Manufacturers
Designers of Development Classes

6.2.2 The Technical Committee Chairman shall acknowledge the request. If, in the opinion of the Technical Committee Chairman and the relevant Technical Committee Class Secretary, the question involves a matter of principle they shall consult all members of the Technical Committee before giving an interpretation.

6.2.3 Interpretations and clarifications shall be distributed to the party making the request, Division Members, National Class Associations and Licensed Builders.

6.3 Where an International Class Associations exists

6.3.1 The International Class Association may accept requests for clarification and interpretation of class rules for International Classes from any source.

6.3.2 The International Class Association shall acknowledge the request.

6.3.3 Any interpretations or clarifications concerning the class rules made by the International Class Association shall be submitted for the approval of the Technical Committee.

6.3.4 After approval by the Technical Committee the International Class Association shall distribute interpretations and clarifications to the party making the request, Division Members, National Class Associations and Licensed Builders.

6.4 Interpretations and clarifications shall have the status of a class rule prior to the review by the Permanent Committee at its next meeting.

6.5 Technical Committee Class Secretaries

The Technical Committee Chairman may appoint Class Secretaries who shall handle the business of their class for the Technical Committee. Such appointments shall be reviewed from time to time by the Technical Committee Chairman.

6.6 **Amendments to Class Rules**

- 6.6.1 Except where stated otherwise, all amendments to class rules shall be effective from 1 March following the Permanent Committee meeting.
- 6.6.2 The Technical Committee shall establish and circulate to Division Members the time frame, which will be followed in any class rule rewrite, should this be deemed necessary. The time frame established shall allow adequate time for the Division Members to consult their own clubs and members.

6.7 **Freezing of Class Rules**

It is not practicable to establish a fixed period during which rules shall be frozen since a large proportion of the deliberations are concerned with clarification and interpretations. A policy of prompt adoption of rule changes could often work in the best interest of a class. Therefore, the frequency of class rule changes shall be left to the discretion of the Technical Committee.

7. **ORGANISATION AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

- 7.1 The Organisation and Policy Committee has responsibility for advising and making recommendations to the Permanent Committee regarding:

- i) The Constitution and Regulations.
- ii) The Structure of the Division.
- iii) General Policy and long term planning.
- iv) Class Association matters except for class rating rule issues.

- 7.2 Requests for clarifications on matters listed in Article 7.1 may be accepted by the Organisation and Policy Committee Chairman from the following sources only:

Division Members
International or National Class Associations.
Licensed Builders, Copyright Holders and Manufacturers.

- 7.3 The Organisation and Policy Committee Chairman shall acknowledge the request. The matter shall be referred to the Organisation and Policy Committee for their consideration and decision.

- 7.4 The Organisation and Policy Committee shall ensure that the Division operates consistently within its Constitution and Regulations.

8. **SUBMISSIONS FROM INTERNATIONAL CLASS ASSOCIATIONS**

- 8.1 Class Associations submitting proposals on class rules are entitled to one representative at meetings in order to answer questions, and give additional information whenever proposals are substantial or of important nature.

Privileges and Responsibilities

- 8.2 International Class Associations are entitled to conduct Division recognised World and Continental Championships.
- 8.3 International Class Associations shall report annually to the annual meeting of the Permanent Committee on the activities of the Class, its financial status and Class growth worldwide. This report shall be in writing.
- 8.4 It shall be the obligation of an International Class Association to protect the design characteristics of a class, by enforcing building and measurement requirements as required by the class rules.

8.5 The Television Rights of all International and *Recognised* Classes are the property of the Division. Televising of World or Continental Championships and any other publicity in sailing of all classes involved are the property of the Division.

9. FLAGS AND EMBLEMS

9.1 If flags or emblems purporting to identify Division Members or the competitors are used at international events, they shall be limited to:

- (a) a national flag or emblem, or a delegation flag or emblem where these differ from the national flag or emblem, or
- (b) a flag or emblem approved by the Division Permanent Committee.

10. AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS

These Regulations may be amended by a resolution of the Permanent Committee carried by a simple majority of votes cast, but any such amendment shall be subject to variation by the next General Assembly.