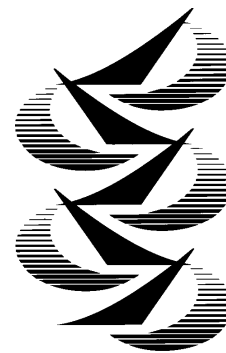


# INTERNATIONAL SAILING FEDERATION RADIO SAILING DIVISION



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## Technical Committee Chairmans Report To the Permanent Committee Meeting - January 2002

### Tasks performed from 03 July 2001 to the end of year 2001 are:

#### July

- list of proposed TC members was sent to ISAF-RSD PC
- starting of reviewing the latest drafts of Class Rules and discussion about finalising diagrams in electronic format
- cover page illustration for IOM, Marblehead and 10R were produced in electronic format

#### August

- JPN question regarding IOM boom holes was discussed within TC and JPN representative was given the answer
- requirements for Class insignia of IOM, Marblehead and 10R were removed from Part G and put in Part C
- unofficial request for clarification of tabling/reinforcement on IOM Class sails discussed

#### September

- unofficial comments from IOM ICA Interim Committee Chairman were discussed and necessary minor amendments to draft of IOM Class Rules were made
- draft of IOM Class Rules was amended, so it is clear that luff wire and luff tabling are permitted on mainsails
- Marblehead MF and certificate in electronic format (EXCEL spreadsheet) were improved to make them full complied with Class Rules requirements (input data in the required format, rounding up of decimals, etc)
- list of proposed TC members with Commercial Interest declarations for each of them was sent to ISAF-RSD PC

#### October

- latest drafts of IOM, Marblehead and 10R Class Rules with cover page illustrations, without diagrams in electronic format, were sent to the Chairman and Vice Chairman of ISAF RSD
- information received from the Vice Chairman of ISAF RSD that redrawing in the electronic format of Class Rules were in the process and that the deadline for termination of class rules is January 2002 PC meeting
- 10R Measurement Form and Certificate in the electronic format (EXCEL spreadsheet) were improved and brought to full compliance with Class Rules requirements (input data in required format, rounding up of decimals, etc)
- test with time needed for downloading the Class Rules with scanned hand made drawings from ISAF RSD web site was made – no significant time delay in downloading and/or poor quality printing was found

#### November

- the format of questions and answers in IOM MF was unofficially discussed regarding compatibility with ISAF standard practice
- MYA request for interpretation of RC pot material discussed

#### December

- Interpretation of IOM Class Rules regarding RC container was sent to PC
- IOM spar material (aluminium) content has been discussed within TC
- final draft versions of IOM, Marblehead and 10R Class Rules were finished
- final versions of IOM, Marblehead and 10R Certificates and Measurement Forms were finished

### **TC work - General**

I was elected Chairman of ISAF RSD TC on 3 July 2001. so this report deals with the activities from July to December 2001. Graham Bantock, as Deputy Chairman of TC presented his report on ISAF RSD GA in Omisalj during IOM WC, including a report on first half of 2001. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Graham Bantock and all TC members for all the tremendous work in the past years.

Members of Technical Committee proposed by the current TC Chairman have not been approved by ISAF-RSD PC since July 2001. Comments so far noticed from ISAF- RSD PC members :

- CV of each TC member has been asked regardless of previous membership in TC.
- voting for each proposed TC members instead of voting for whole TC
- composition of TC is regionally out of balance – there is no representative from Oceania

TC Chairman has answered on almost all mentioned remarks. PC Meeting in January 2002 may be good venue for final decision about this very important matter. In the meantime, TC has worked in composition proposed by TC Chairman.

The most important part of TC activity from July to December was finishing of Class Rules, Measurement Forms and Certificates for Marblehead, International One Metre and 10R and answering various informal questions concerning class rules from various individuals.

### **Class Rules – Finishing of final drafts**

In the moment when I was elected Chairman of TC (July 2001) I found completed text of Class Rules for Marblehead, IOM and 10R with certificates and MF with only remaining problem – diagrams in electronic format. Only hand made diagrams which may be scanned exist. Unfortunately the problem with diagrams in electronic format has not been solved since summer 2001 and final draft in electronic format (cover page-text-diagrams) will be ready for January 2002 PC Meeting.

The work on redrafting the IOM Class Rules started on the late 1998. If March 2002 is the date when the new rules become effective this is more than three years from beginning of the work. In the future this situation must be avoided and ISAF RSD have to define a deadline for that task and necessary action should be taken including outside professional paid help for producing diagrams or whatever other task which RSD officials, as volunteers, are not able to do.

In the meantime (July-December 2001) the TC have worked on various improvements of wording, clearly defining ambiguous points in Class Rules, which eventually will give us high standard Class Rules in compliance with ISAF recommendation and Equipment Rules of Sailing.

### **Various informal questions regarding class rules from various individuals**

Many informal answers have been sent to GBR, AUS, JPN, RSA and CRO.

All of them have been informed that the correct route for official answer is to ask the authority which issues certificates in their countries. If the authorities cannot answer for any reason they will consult the TC, which will be able to do so.

### **TC tasks in the future**

“A” Class Rules have not been redrafted in the SCR format. Depending on PC decision of future status of this Class, redrafting of “A” Class Rules may be the a future task of TC.

New Class Rules for IOM, Marblehead and 10R come into force from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2002 and need for some interpretation may arise.

The relationship between future ICAs and ISAF-RSD should be clearly established. The role of the TC Chairman, Class Secretary and whole TC on ISAF-RSD side and relevant ICA technical bodies have to be defined in the way that future class amendments and interpretations on Class Rules can be effected smoothly and without unnecessary delays.

Rijeka, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2001.

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