

Competition Format and Scoring at the 2007 Pan American Games

A submission from the Canadian Yachting Association

Proposal:

1. That ISAF reject the following portions of the Notice of Race for the Pan Am Games:
 - i. 1 Throw-out after 10 races
 - ii. "Winner takes all" medal race

2. That ISAF direct the organizers of the Pan Am Games to include the following in the Notice of Race:
 - i. One throw-out after 5 races
 - ii. If the OA wishes to conduct medal races, the boats shall be scored as set forth in Submission 025-05 (ie double points for the 'medal race').
 - iii. The fleet size for the medal race can be reduced to 5 boats as the fleet sizes are smaller than those contemplated in Submission 025-05.

Current Position:

See 1, above.

Reason:

The Notice of Race for the Pan American Games conflicts with ISAF policy and Submission 025-05. The competition format and scoring for the Pan American Games should be consistent with ISAF policy and the competition format and scoring for ISAF Grade 1 events and the Olympic Regatta. This consistency benefits sponsors, athletes and the media. The fleet may be smaller than the 10 in the Olympics and therefore 5 in the final race will make it more relevant.