

## ISAF Constitution

### Membership Obligations – Article 15.1

A submission from the Executive Committee

#### Purpose or Objective

To provide that ISAF can take action against a Member National Authority if its representation of the sport of sailing in its country no longer meets the required standard.

#### Proposal

Amend Article 15.1 of the Constitution as follows:

- 15.1 **(a)** The status of any existing Member National Authority of the Federation may only be challenged by an existing Member National Authority Reference to FM. or MNA?in good standing or an organization which has or is claiming the status of a governing body of the sport of sailing in the particular country in which the Member National Authority is located and has been so certified by the Constitution Committee having considered the recommendation of the Secretary General.
- (b) Any Member may at any time be required at the request of the Executive Committee to demonstrate that its constitution and its representation of the sport of Sailing in that country is such that it would, at that time, satisfy the requirements for Membership as set out in Article 4 and the Regulations at the time applicable to Membership and applications for Membership. If the Executive Committee has reasonable grounds for believing that it does not so satisfy those requirements, and has failed to remedy any deficiency within 30 days of being requested to do so, then it may suspend the Member until the next meeting of Council, at which time Council shall decide whether to reinstate the Member, continue the suspension, or cancel its Membership under Article 15.3.**

#### Current Position

See above.

#### Reasons

1. It is important that, having been admitted as a Full Member, a MNA's obligation to continue to represent the sport of sailing is upheld and its constitution continues to meet the requirements of the ISAF Constitution and Regulations.
  2. This proposal will allow ISAF to better enforce the required standards in the event of non-compliance.
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