Associate Membership

Submission: 025-13

Definition – Regulation 1.16 to 1.19

A submission from the Chairman of the Constitution Committee

Purpose or Objective

To align the definition of associate membership in the Regulations with the new definition in the Constitution.

Proposal

Delete Regulation 1.16 and replace as follows:

- 1.16 Associate Membership is available to countries that meet the criteria in Article 4 and are approved under Article 5.1. Subject to the Articles, the following criteria shall be used when determining applications for Associate Membership:
 - (a) the territory in question is an integral part of, or has some dependent (e.g. colonial relationship) with a parent state:
 - (b) the territory is geographically separated from that parent state by the sea, without bordering, or being in close proximity to, it or its coastal waters;
 - (c) the applicant National Authority has autonomous governance of the sport of Sailing in the territory; and
 - (d) the Member National Authority of the parent state has granted its consent to the application.

Amend Regulation 1.18(f) as follows:

- 1.18 Associate Members shall not be entitled to:
 - (f) participate in the Olympic Sailing Competition, unless payment of pastsubscriptions are received.

Amend Regulation 1.19 as follows:

- 1.19 Countries approved as Associate Members shall pay an annual subscription as determined by the Executive Committee, and every three years their membership shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee and shall continue only if it is satisfied that they still qualify for Associate Membership and have not abused their rights as such a member.
 - (a) pay an annual subscription or as alternatively fixed by the Board of Directors;
 - (b) be entitled to be an Associate Member for a maximum of three years only, after which continuing membership will be at the discretion of the ISAF Council, following recommendation by the ISAF Executive Committee.

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Current Position

As above.

Reason

Following the recent amendments in the Constitution, it is necessary to update the Regulations to reflect the new status of Associate Member. Associate membership is not temporary now, so the three year time limit is inappropriate.