

ISAF Sailing World Championship

Regulation 24.2.7

A submission from the Chairman of the Windsurfing and Kiteboarding Committee

Purpose or Objective

To support ISAF's campaign for an 11th Medal by enabling the inclusion of kiteboarding in ISAF major events from 2014 onwards.

Proposal

Amend the Regulations governing the ISAF Sailing World Championship to permit the inclusion of events using potential future Olympic Equipment.

Proposed New Regulation 24.2.7

24.2.7 Notwithstanding 24.2.2 above the Organising Authority for an ISAF Sailing World Championship may, with ISAF approval, also include Events using potential future Olympic Equipment or disciplines.

Where practical within the constraints of current contracts, resources and venues, ISAF requests that Sailing World Championship Organising Authorities also organise a kiteboarding event at the same time of the Sailing World Championship. The format of any such event shall be agreed with ISAF.

Current Position

There is currently no Regulation 24.2.7

Reasons:

1. Inclusion of Kiteboarding events held in advance of ISAF or IOC decisions can help support these decisions. However the current regulations do not allow for such events at the Sailing World Championship or other ISAF events.
 2. ISAF's campaign for an 11th Olympic Medal through kiteboarding is more likely to be successful if ISAF can show to IOC that it has already included kiteboarding in its own events.
 3. To further explore race management, rules and organizational implications it is advisable to include kiteboarding as early as possible in ISAF major events.
 4. To further test and explore possible racing formats it is advisable to include kiteboarding as early as possible in ISAF major events.
 5. Kiteboarding equipment should be "bring yourself" and therefore does not add excessive costs to the organizers budget.
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6. It is important to demonstrate to IOC that ISAF is fully incorporating Kiteboarding in its major events and structures. Therefore event grading, points and rankings, and display of such on the ISAF website should be applied similar to the current Olympic Classes.
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