

ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship

New Regulation 24.4.10

A submission from the International Kiteboarding Association

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 Youth Sailing World Championship to permit the inclusion of demonstration events using potential future Olympic Equipment.

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24.4.10 Notwithstanding 24.4.3 and 24.4.9 above the Organising Authority for an ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship may, with ISAF approval, also include Demonstration Events using potential future Olympic Equipment or disciplines.

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

Current Position

There is currently no Regulation 24.4.10

Reasons:

1. Demonstration events held in advance of ISAF or IOC decisions can help support these decisions. However the current regulations do not allow for such demonstration events at the Sailing Youth 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 explore new formats like freestyle, slalom etc. the ISAF Sailing Youth World Championships provide a perfect testing ground.
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5. Kiteboarding equipment should be "bring yourself" and therefore does not add excessive costs to the organizers budget.
 6. It is important to demonstrate to IOC that ISAF is fully incorporating Kiteboarding in its major events and structures, including (and especially) the youth pathway events.
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