

## Selection Criteria

### For the 2014 ISAF 470 Class World Championships – held in Santander, Spain

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#### Background

1. This documents the process for the selection of sailors who will be selected to represent New Zealand at:
  - a. The 2014 ISAF 470 Class World Championships<sup>1</sup>
2. There is a limit to the number of entries that are accepted to this World Championship regatta, accordingly the regatta organisers restrict the number of entries allocated to each country.
3. In most classes, New Zealand has generally been allocated two to four firm places. This varies for each regatta.
4. In the past New Zealand has asked for and been allocated additional places. New Zealand will continue to make these requests however there is no guarantee that additional places will be allocated.
5. New Zealand sailors may also qualify for Championship berths outside of the country allocation because of their individual performance in other regattas.

#### Selection Regattas – World Championships

6. The selection of the New Zealand representatives to the 470 World Championship will be based on the sailors performance in the 470 Class at:
  - a. The 2014 NZL 470 National Championships<sup>2</sup>
  - b. The 2014 Sail Auckland Regatta<sup>3</sup>.

Where the 470 Class makes gender based allocations, selection for these places will be gender based. When the selector so decides, the allocations for each gender will then be based on the sailors performance in the selection regattas stated above.

#### Other Criteria

7. To be eligible for selection sailors shall:
  - a. Be a financial full member of the New Zealand 470 Class Association prior to entering any of the selection regattas, and
  - b. Be a financial member of a yacht club affiliated to Yachting New Zealand prior to entering any of the selection regattas, and

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<sup>1</sup> Being sailed in Santander, Spain during Sept 2014

<sup>2</sup> Being sailed at Kerikeri Cruising Club 21-23 Feb 2014

<sup>3</sup> Being sailed at RAYC, 31 Jan – 4 Feb 2014

- c. Comply with the gender requirements of the regatta for which they are seeking selection, and
  - d. Comply with ISAF Regulation 19, *Eligibility Code*, and be eligible to represent New Zealand for the purpose of selection to the 2016 Olympic Games.
8. There is no provision for wild card or discretionary entries except as provided for in 27.
  9. The final results of the selection regattas will be used. The final results are those issued by the regatta race committee after the results of all protest and appeal decisions have been incorporated.
  10. Where an eligible sailor has been granted a berth to the World Championship by other than the selection criteria of the New Zealand 470 Class Association, the sailor shall not be excluded from the results of the selection regattas, however when determining the recipients of the allocated berths the next non-qualified person will be offered selection.
  11. The scoring provisions of RRS Appendix A will be used. The final result of each of the selection regattas shall be the points scored. The final total points from each regatta (2) will be added together and the crews then ranked accordingly. The low points system shall be used.
  12. If there is a tie in the final points RRS Appendix A8.1 shall apply. If a tie remains between two or more boats, they shall be ranked in order of the last regatta in the selection series.
  13. If a tie remains, other 470 Class regattas shall be used from the latest sailed to the earliest sailed.
  14. The New Zealand 470 Class Association shall appoint an independent panel to arbitrate and decide on matters of selection.
  15. If one of the selection regattas is not sailed the New Zealand 470 Class Association may nominate that an alternative regatta be used in its place. This replacement regatta shall be sailed prior to March 30<sup>th</sup> and shall be scheduled over a minimum of two days. The venue for the replacement regatta shall be in Auckland. The independent selector shall decide on the replacement regatta being sailed after hearing from any interested parties who may make written presentations.
  16. At the completion of all selection regattas the first eligible competitor(s) will receive written notification of their selection and then will have 48 hours in which to accept their berth at the Worlds. If this, or subsequent competitors decline the berth, the class secretary will continue to contact eligible competitors. If a competitor who has accepted the berth within the original 24 hour subsequently decides not to use their berth, that berth will be awarded to the next eligible sailors.
  17. The New Zealand 470 Class Association will score and publish the results table for the selection series.
  18. Unless otherwise advised all costs associated with sailing at the World Championship shall be borne by the sailor.

19. A sailor may apply for one of the available places if they have been unable to qualify through their regatta places if they meet the following criteria:
- a. The sailor, because of illness, accident or other reason is unable to sail in one or more of the selection regattas.
  - b. The sailor must have campaigned in the 470 Class class in 2013.
  - c. The application for consideration for selection shall be lodged with the Secretary of 470 Assoc before the completion of the last selection regatta.

## **Post Selection Changes**

20. Any changes to the helmsperson or the other member of the crew occurring after the crews have been selected will be subject to the approval of the Selection Panel.
21. When deciding to give approval or not to give approval, the panel shall take in to account whether:
- a. The replacement has the ability to represent New Zealand with an appropriate level of distinction; and
  - b. The replacement was a participant in the selection regatta; or
  - c. The replacement will be the best option for the teams performance; and
  - d. Such other matters as it thinks appropriate
22. The Panel will allow a sailor and his or her chosen replacement a reasonable opportunity to meet the Panel and to put his or her case for approval. The replacement member may attend and speak at the meeting.
23. Notwithstanding the provisions of 20. and 21. where the change of crew occurs because of a disagreement between the crew, and neither member of the crew agrees to relinquish his or her position in the team, the Panel shall:
- a. Give both the members of the crew the opportunity to reconcile their differences, and failing reconciliation, shall
  - b. Rescind the team membership of both, unless it is satisfied that there is good cause to disqualify only one of them (whether helmsman or crew).
24. No sailor may obtain the Panel's approval for more than one substitute crew member of a boat's crew.
25. Decisions of the Panel will be final.

## **General**

26. Because the 2014 ISAF 470 Class World Championships is a qualifying event for the 2016 Olympic Games, Yachting New Zealand has the over riding power to enter sailor(s) other than those recommended by the Class Association.