



International Sailing Federation

ISAF Standard Guidelines for
the Organisation of Grade WC, 1 and 2
Match Racing Events

ISAF STANDARD GUIDELINES FOR THE ORGANISATION OF ISAF GRADE WC, GRADE 1 AND GRADE 2 MATCH RACING EVENTS

1. General

- 1.1 These guidelines should be followed by event organisers and are used by ISAF when assessing the final grade to be allocated to an event. They are not strict requirements that must be met when it is impossible or impractical to do so. You should contact ISAF in advance if the guidelines cannot be met: secretariat@isaf.com.
- 1.2 Links to the documents mentioned below are in Appendix A.

2. Race management

Race management shall be of international acceptable standard as specified in the following documents:

- (a) ISAF Race Management Manual – Section T (Match Racing)
- (b) ISAF Umpires and Match Racing Manual – Sections H, J3, J4 and J6
- (c) ISAF Standard Race Management Policies for Match Racing

3. Match racing boats

Provided equipment shall be of uniform high standard as specified in the following documents:

- (a) ISAF Regulation 27.2.3(d) – Grading Criteria for Events
- (b) ISAF Umpires and Match Racing Manual – Section J1

4. Breakdown services and bosun

Breakdown services shall be provided throughout the event and a bosun for on the water services should be provided if possible.

5. Umpire boats and equipment

Umpire boats shall allow umpires to do their duties and be of internationally acceptable standards as specified in the following document:

- (a) ISAF Umpires and Match Racing Manual – Sections J2, J3, J5, J7

6. Format and pairing lists

The event should use formats and pairing lists as approved by ISAF and published in the following document:

- (a) ISAF Umpires and Match Racing Manual – Section M

7. Forms and documents

The event should use forms and documents as approved by ISAF and published in the following document:

- (a) ISAF Umpires and Match Racing Manual – Section P

8. Provision for participating teams

Where possible, the event should endeavour to provide support for participating teams to keep their costs as low as possible, such as contributing towards travel, housing and provision for meals.

9. Prize money

The following ratios are to be used when prize money is distributed:

<u>Position</u>	<u>% Total Prize Money</u>
1 st	24%
2 nd	15%
3 rd	12%
4 th	10%
5 th	9%
6 th	8%
7 th	7%
8 th	5%
9 th	4%
10 th	3%

10. Media, TV and spectators

- 10.1 Where possible, events should endeavour to provide best possible coverage in media and TV. The ISAF Marketing and Media Department will provide detailed information on request.
- 10.2 Where possible, events should make provision for spectators such as grandstands, commentators and live tracking. The ISAF Marketing and Media Department will provide detailed information on request.

11. Umpire appointments

- 11.1 As stated in the ISAF Regulations, all International Umpires for Grade WC and Grade 1 events are appointed by ISAF. Organisers will be requested to nominate their preferred umpires.
- 11.2 The number of umpires needed for the event shall be equal to the number of boats participating plus two. This is to provide one umpire boat per match and one wing boat overall.
- 11.3 The umpire team must include a sufficient number of ISAF International Judges from sufficient countries to compose an international jury.
- 11.4 Except in exceptional circumstances, ISAF will not appoint an umpire team with more than half of the umpires being from the same MNA.
- 11.5 The expenses and type of accommodation for ISAF appointed umpires shall be described in the standard invitation letter to the umpire team. Umpires shall have a single bed room for their own privacy unless individuals choose to share.
- 11.6 Umpire teams will be composed as per the table in Appendix B.

APPENDIX A

ISAF Regulations

<http://www.sailing.org/documents/regulations/isafregulations/index.php>

ISAF Race Management Manual:

http://www.sailing.org/raceofficials/internationalraceofficer/document_library.php

ISAF Umpires and Match Racing Manual:

http://www.sailing.org/raceofficials/internationalumpire/document_library.php

ISAF Standard Race Management Policies:

<http://www.sailing.org/raceofficials/eventorganizers/rm-policies.php>

APPENDIX B

LEVEL OF EVENT	GROUP 1	GROUP 2A	GROUP 2B	GROUP 2C	UNGROUPED/ NATIONAL
Worlds (not WMRT)	30%	20%	20%	15%	15%
WMRT	35%	35%	20%		
Difficult Grade 1	25%	20%	20%	10%	25%
Less Difficult Grade 1	15%	15%	30%	15%	25%