ISAF Match Race Ranking Holiday

This system is the same for both Open and Women's Ranking.

The following addition is proposed:

- ➢ A skipper may apply to ISAF to have their ranking position put 'ON HOLD', stating the reasons for the application.

- ➢ If approved, the skipper will be credited with a ranking position equivalent to their current position at the time of application rounded down to the nearest multiple of ten. (Approval would be by the Grading & Ranking Working Party)

- ➢ Approval will normally be granted to skippers with America's Cup syndicates, Olympic campaigns, illness or injury, for example.

- ➢ At the time of application, the skipper shall nominate the start date of their 'on hold' period.

- ➢ The 'on hold' period will be divided into two sections a non-scoring period and a recovery period.

- ➢ The 'non-scoring' period will start at the nominated date and continue until ISAF is notified in advance of the end date selected by the skipper. The minimum 'non-scoring' period is 6 months and the maximum is 12 months.

- ➢ The 'non-scoring' period will be immediately followed by a 'recovery' period of 18 months.

- ➢ During the 'non-scoring' period any events sailed by the skipper will be scored 0 points, leaving other skippers with the points applicable to their actual finishing position.

- ➢ During the 'recovery' period, the skipper will be scored normally.

- ➢ At the end of the recovery period, the 'on hold' position will be removed from the system.

- ➢ An event may use either the actual or the 'on hold' ranking position of the skipper to determine their total skipper points.

- ➢ The operation of the actual rankings will not be changed in any way.

- ➢ Any skipper with an 'on-hold' position will also have an actual ranking.

- ➢ Another skipper in the actual ranking will duplicate the 'on hold' ranking position.

- ➢ On-hold ranking positions will not be used for determining entries into ISAF World Championships.

- ➢ A skipper may only apply for an 'on-hold' period once in any 3 year period.

- ➢ This system may be modified or suspended in light of experience.