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WYA MEMBERSHIP REGULATIONS – TRACKING SHEET

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SECTION 1

1. Interpretation

These Membership Regulations are made to govern the relationship between the Welsh Yachting Association (“the Association”) and its members (the “Members”)

These Membership Regulations have been approved by the board of directors of the Association (the "Board") pursuant to Article 4 of the Articles of Association (the "Articles").

1.1 Unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) any reference to a "Regulation" is to a regulation of these Membership Regulations; and
- (b) words or expressions contained in this document bear the same meaning as in the Articles.

1.2 ‘Writing’ refers to a legible document on paper or a document sent in electronic form which is capable of being printed out on paper.

1.3 Nothing in these Membership Regulations is intended to contradict the Articles or the provisions of the Companies Acts and, in the event of any inconsistency between any provision of these Membership Regulations and any provision of the Articles, the Articles will prevail.

1.4 Proposals for the amendment of these Regulations may be made and approved by the Board and if thought fit approved by it.

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SECTION 2

2. Membership

- 2.1 In accordance with Article 25. Membership of the Association is open to any organisation interested in Boating and who qualifies in accordance with these Regulations.
- 2.2 The Board may reject any application where:
- (a) the Board has reasonable grounds to determine that the applicant has by its previous actions or omissions demonstrated that his or its admission to Membership would seriously damage the Association's reputation;
 - (b) the Board considers that an organisation's objects are in conflict with those of the Association or are too loosely aligned to those of the Association.
 - (c) The organization is not a member or an affiliate of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA). In exceptional circumstances the Board may at its discretion waiver this if the organisation is actively working towards becoming an RYA recognised centre. In this instance membership will be for a limited time period.
- 2.3 The detailed rules for Membership are set out in Annex A for clubs and organisations.

Associate Membership

- 2.4 The Board may, create classes of associate membership for supporters who are not Members (but who may nevertheless be termed 'members'), and to decide who will be eligible for admission to them and what their rights and obligations will be.

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- 2.5 For the avoidance of doubt, associate membership does not convey Membership of the company nor any of the rights or privileges of Members of the company under the Articles or the Companies Acts.

SECTION 3

3. Subscriptions and Affiliation Fees

- 3.1 The annual affiliation fees to be paid by Members and associate members will be proposed by resolution at the AGM by the Board, for approval by the members. Notices will be published on the website and notification will be sent to every subscribing club or member organisation.
- 3.2 The first annual subscription for a club or organisation who becomes a Member will be payable on the date of notification of their acceptance for Membership. Subsequent subscriptions will be payable annually on the first day of April every year.
- 3.3 Subscriptions and affiliation fees may be set by reference to the amount of services and benefits available to the different types of Members, but need not be so decided.
- 3.4 Subscriptions and affiliation fees are payable annually in advance.

Annex A

WYA MEMBERSHIP FOR CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS

A1 Applications

A1.1 Applications for Membership from clubs and organisations are to be in the form decided by the Board. They may be conveyed by post, electronically, in person or by any other means specified by the Board.

A2 Acceptance

A2.1 Membership takes effect from when the application has been approved by the Board and the appropriate affiliation fee is received and the name of the organisation is added to the Association's Register of Members.

A3 Resignation and Cancellation

A3.1 An organisation wishing to resign from Membership of the Association must notify the Association in writing but will remain liable for its affiliation fee for the then current year. Its Membership will be terminated seven days after notification of the intention to resign under Regulation A3.1 is received in writing by the Association.

A3.2 An organisation wishing to cancel its Membership at the next renewal date should inform the Association in writing at least one month before the renewal date and its Membership will terminate on that date.

A3.4 The Board may cancel the Membership of an organisation that has been put into administration or receivership but the organisation will remain liable for its affiliation fee for the remainder of the then current year. The organisation may at the Board's discretion be permitted to re-apply for Membership at a future date.

A3.5 The Board may cancel the Membership of any organisation whose affiliation fee remains wholly or partly unpaid for more than three months after it has

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become due. The organisation may at the Board's discretion be permitted to re-apply for Membership at a future date.

A3.6 The Board may at its discretion at any time cancel the Membership of any organisation for good cause shown in accordance with Article 26.4.

A4 Membership for Clubs & Organisations

A4.1 The Membership of a club or an organisation will be registered in the name of the organisation.

A4.2 The secretary of the club or the organisation or any other person the club or organisation nominates will be recorded as the point of contact. Notices of general meetings and other similar communications will be sent to this person and, unless the club or organisation decides otherwise from time to time, this person will be the 'authorised representative' of the club or organisation and will be able to attend, speak and vote in the club or organisation's name at general meetings in person or by proxy.

A4.3 None of the other members of the club or organisation will be entitled to any of the rights or privileges of Membership.

A5 Membership types for clubs & organisations

A5.1 There will be the following types of Membership by clubs and organisations:

- (a) Affiliated Clubs;
- (b) Affiliated Class Associations;
- (c) Affiliated Organisations;

A5.2 Any club, association of clubs, society, company or committee having as one of its objects the promotion of Boating may apply for Membership as an Affiliated Club or Organisation.

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A5.3 Any association of owners and other persons interested in vessels of similar type or design used in Boating may apply for Membership as an Affiliated Class Association.

A6 Associate membership for organisations

A6.1 There may be a class of associate membership for organisations. This will be on such terms and affiliation fees and with such rights and privileges as the Board may decide from time to time.

A6.2 Organisations carrying on business on a commercial basis will normally be offered associate membership, however they will not have voting rights.

A7 Payment of affiliation fees

A7.1 The first affiliation fee for an organisation that becomes a Member is payable on the date that the organisation is notified of its admission. The Board may decide to pro rate the initial fee for the period from the date of joining to the end of the current membership year. Subsequent annual affiliation fees are payable on the 1st April each year, or on such other date as the Board may decide.

A7.2 An organisation will not be entitled to any of the rights or privileges of Membership whilst its affiliation fee is in arrears.

A8 Privileges of Membership for Clubs and Organisations

A8.1 The privileges of Membership for organisations are that:

- (a) They are entitled to receive the support of the Associations staff for the further development of the sport; this can be in the form of direct support, professional coaching or services in kind. Support is dependent on the resources available and the commitment of the member club or organisation to work in partnership.

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- (b) They are entitled to receive publications or benefits provided by the Association for its Members at such special charge (if any), as the Board may decide.
- (c) They are entitled to access appropriate advice, lobbying on its behalf and other services from the Association all as decided by the Board from time to time.

Other benefits, such as discounts on goods and services from other organisations, are arranged on behalf of the Members from time to time and may be made available to the members of a Member organisation if the Board so decide.

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