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Summary: Number of races and discards at SCIRA major events

Affects:
- [ ] Constitution
- [ ] By-Laws
- [x] Deed of Gift
- [ ] Rules of Conduct
- [x] Class Rules
- [ ] Other

Objective: Reducing the total maximum number of races from 11 to 9, reducing the number of discards, from 2 to 1.

Proposal (include current & proposed changed wording– changes to be shown in red): Example: By Laws: Section 1. Racing Season
The official racing sailing season of this Association shall extend for the full twelve months of the year starting on January 1st and ending on December 31st.

Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas

Race Schedule
4. Unless specified in the event Deed of Gift, three races shall constitute a regatta.
4.1 No more than three (3) two (2) races shall be sailed per day, unless differently stated in the event’s DoG. However three (3) races may be sailed per day, if behind schedule.
Note: for the Women’s European Deed of Gift we adopted an exception, which – maybe – could be applied in general, giving discretionary power to the Board:
4.2 Considering the venue (i.e. small lakes) or the availability of charter or borrowed boats, the Organizing authorities, with the agreement of the SCIRA Board, can adopt shorter courses than the official SCIRA courses, more than 2 races per day, and different formulas for classification and rotation of charter or borrowed boats (i.e. round robin, qualifying heats, medal race).

Deed of Gift: Snipe World Championship (Commodore Hub E. Isaacks Trophy)

Regatta Conditions: 1. “Rules for Conducting National and International Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions must be followed in all respects.
2. Nine to eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official web site (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule.
3. If six to seven to nine races are completed, the worst race shall be dropped, including a disqualification, If nine to eleven races are completed, the two worst races shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If five six or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted.
4. 3 races constitute a regatta.
5. Sailed in waters selected by the Board of Governors.
6. There must be a judge at each mark and there must be separate regatta and protest committees.
7. World Sailing RRS shall apply National prescriptions of the host country may be used.

1 Proposals can be made by the Board, Technical Committee, National Secretaries or 5 fleet captains up to 1st March.
8. All skippers must use their own sails (borrowed sails not permitted). In case of chartered or loaned boat the skipper may use the sail number of his/her own boat and both boats shall be registered to SCIRA for the current year.
9. Skippers may bring their own boats if desired.
10. In case of chartered or loaned boats, the skipper may use the sail number of his/her own boat and both boats shall be registered to SCIRA for the current year.

Deed of Gift: Junior Snipe World Championship

Regatta Conditions: Held every two years in odd numbered years in waters selected by the Board of Governors, using “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” as furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors.

1. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official website (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule. If seven to nine races are completed, the two worst races shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If 6 to 8 races are completed, the worst race shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If six or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
2. The fastest schedule approved is as follows:

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3. There must be separate regatta and protest committees and a judge at each mark.
4. Competitors may use their own boats. The Fleet organizing the event shall provide to juniors not bringing their own boats of good quality.
5. The country holding the regatta shall be obliged to host the following, free of charge: the jury members, Measurement authorities, and if possible to the second crew.
6. Skippers may use their own boats. However, the regatta-organizing country shall attempt to provide boats for those who represent countries where shipping their boats is difficult.

Note: revision by agreement between donor and SCIRA

Deed of Gift: Women’s Snipe World Championship

Regatta Conditions: “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions must be followed in all respects.

1. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official website (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule.
2. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
3. No races to be started if wind velocity exceeds 18 knots prior to preparatory signal.
4. The regatta venue shall be approved at a National Secretaries meeting.
5. Skippers may choose to use their own boats. However, the regatta-organizing country shall attempt to provide boats for those who represent countries where shipping their boats is difficult.

Deed of Gift: Junior European Championship

Regatta Conditions: “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions must be followed in all respects.

1. Held every two years in even numbered years.
2. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official website (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule. If seven to nine races are completed, the two worst races shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If 6 to 8 races are completed, the worst race shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If six or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
3. Competitors may use their own boats. The Fleet organizing the event shall provide to juniors not bringing their own boats good boats to the skippers who are not in a position to bring their own boats. At least two extra boats will be provided at the regatta site to allow for any prompt repair of a breakdown and replacement.
4. Competitors may use their own sails. In case of chartered or loaned boat the skipper may use the sail number of his her own boat and both boats shall be registered to SCIRA for the current year.
5. The hosting organization, one year prior to the regatta, must send a letter with specific instructions covering all details of the regatta to the European General Secretary assuring them of the organization and compliance with this Deed of Gift. Some countries are not able to accommodate these rules, and the European Board may have discretion on the rules depending on the circumstances.
6. The World Sailing RRS shall be used.
7. All skippers must use their own sails (borrowed sails not permitted).
8. The country holding the regatta must furnish an adequate number of good boats to the skippers who are not in a position to bring their own boats.
9. The hosting organization, one year prior to the regatta, must send a letter with specific instructions covering all details of the regatta to the European General Secretary assuring them of the organization and compliance with this Deed of Gift. Some countries are not able to accommodate these rules, and the European Board may have discretion on the rules depending on the circumstances.
10. The hosting country/organization shall provide lodging to the following, free of charge: to cover the jury members, Measurement chairman, SCIRA Representative and Executive Director.
11. Entry fee: maximum of 250 Euros, inclusive of the following social events: Opening ceremonies, one dinner during the Championship, and the prize giving dinner.

Deed of Gift: Junior Snipe World Championship (Vieri Lasinio di Castelvero Trophy)

Regatta Conditions: Held every two years in odd numbered years in waters selected by the Board of Governors, using “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” as furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors.

1. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official website (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule. If seven to nine races are completed, the two worst races shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If 6 to 8 races are completed, the worst race shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If six or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
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3. There must be separate regatta and protest committees and a judge at each mark.
4. Competitors may use their own boats. The Fleet organizing the event shall provide to juniors not bringing their own boats of good quality and competitiveness that shall be chartered for an amount not exceeding US$500.00, inclusive of the boats provided shall be of hull #29000 or higher. A committee composed of the Commodore, National Secretary of the host country, a qualified SCIRA representative from the opposing hemisphere, and others to be designated by the Commodore shall be assigned to review and approve the boats. At least two extra boats will be provided at the regatta site to allow for any prompt repair of a breakdown and replacement.
5. The country holding the regatta is obliged to offer lodging and food to the first crew of each country, National Secretaries and SCIRA authorities, and if possible to the second crew. Lodging to be in private homes, if possible.

Note: revision by agreement between donor and SCIRA

Deed of Gift: Women’s Snipe World Championship (Roy Yamaguchi Memorial Trophy)

Regatta Conditions: “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions must be followed in all respects.

1. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official website (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule.
2. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
3. No races to be started if wind velocity exceeds 18 knots prior to preparatory signal.
4. The regatta venue shall be approved at a National Secretaries meeting.
5. Skippers may choose to use their own boats. However, the regatta-organizing country shall attempt to provide boats for those who represent countries where shipping their boats is difficult.

Note: revision by agreement between donor and SCIRA
Regatta Conditions: 1. Held on alternate years with Junior World Championships in waters selected by National Secretaries of Europe, using “Rules for Conducting National and International Regattas.”
2. Nine to eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official web site. Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule. The maximum wind under which a start should be made depends upon water conditions, which will be prevailing. Races may be started in winds up to and including 8 meters per second and a race shall be abandoned if the winds rise 10 meters per second.
3. Three races shall constitute a regatta. In case of ties refer to current SCIRA scoring rules.
4. If 6 to 8 races are completed, the worst race shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If 9 to 11 races are completed, the two worst races shall be excluded, including a disqualification. If 5 or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted.
5. Three races shall constitute a regatta. In case of ties refer to current SCIRA scoring rules.
6. If seven to nine races are completed, the worst race shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If six or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted.
7. If 5 or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted.
8. The National Secretary of the sponsoring country shall be the official SCIRA representative

Note: owned by SCIRA UK

Deed of Gift: Snipe Western Hemisphere & Orient Championship (Hayward Western Hemisphere Trophy)

Regatta Conditions: “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Technical Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions shall be followed in all respects.
1. Nine or eleven races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official web site (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest. No more than two races shall be sailed per day, however three races if behind schedule.
2. The preferred schedule is no more than 2 races per day, however three races if behind schedule.
3. Two races constitute a regatta.
4. The preferred schedule is no more than 2 races per day, but a 3 race day is permissible only to make up missed races, to ensure enough races to constitute a regatta, or to meet the 11 race maximum.
5. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
6. The country holding the regatta shall make available at least two (2) boats for charter to each country participating.
7. All skippers shall use their own sails.
8. A skipper’s meeting prior to the races shall be held and special rules, etc. shall be clarified and explained.

Deed of Gift: Snipe South American Championship

Regatta Conditions: “Rules for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Rules Committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions shall be followed in all respects.
1. Nine races, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official web site (www.snipe.org). Races shall be managed to last approximately 60-75 minutes. A different time used to complete the race will not be grounds for protest.
2. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
3. If six or fewer races are completed, the worst race shall be excluded, including a disqualification, if allowed by the SCIRA Official Scoring System. If 9 to 11 races are completed, the two worst races shall be excluded, including a disqualification, if allowed by the SCIRA Official Scoring System. If 5 or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted. If seven to nine races are completed, the worst race shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If six or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted.
4. Three races shall constitute a regatta.
5. The same skipper must sail in all races and can be replaced after the first race only, and then only if the skipper is obviously incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced in this manner, the first race shall be the race excluded. The same crew shall sail in all races except for reasons satisfactory to the Race Committee. All skippers shall use their own sails (borrowed sails are not permitted)
6. There will be a Master and Mixed (men & women crews) South American Championship on Monday and Tuesday prior to the championship.
Deed of gift: Snipe South European Championship (Sergio Michel Perpetual Trophy)

Regatta Conditions: “Rules for Conducting National and International Regattas” are specific instructions furnished by the International Rules committee and approved by the SCIRA Board of Governors. These instructions must be followed in all respects.

1. Six or seven races shall be sailed, depending on local conditions, of the official SCIRA courses published in the current Rulebook or SCIRA official web site (www.snipe.org).

2. If six or seven races are completed, the worst race shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If 7 races are completed, the two worst races shall be dropped, including a disqualification. If 4 or fewer races are completed, all shall be counted. Three races shall constitute a regatta. In case of ties refer to current SCIRA scoring rules.

3. The Championship shall be sailed in waters selected by European National Secretaries.

4. The racing rules of the ISAF shall be used.

5. The same skipper must sail all races and may be replaced after the first race only, and then only if the skipper is obviously incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced in this manner, the first race shall be the race dropped. The same crew must sail in all races except for reasons satisfactory to the race committee.

6. The hosting organization, one year prior to the regatta, must send a letter with specific instructions covering all details of the regatta to the European General Secretary assuring them of the organization and compliance with this Deed of Gift. Some countries are not able to accommodate these rules, and the European Board may have discretion of enforcement of the rules depending on the circumstances.

Reasons:
At the recent skipper’s meetings the majority of the sailors agree that it is better to have only to races per day (3 if behind schedule). In this way it is easy to have good “high quality” races.
Also, the number of discards should be reduced to 1, because in this way it easy to control the fleet, especially if the regatta has a deep and huge fleet.