

# SCIRA Proposal Form

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## **Summary: Professional Sailors**

### **Affects:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Constitution | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | By-Laws          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Class Rules        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Deed of Gift | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Rules of Conduct | <input type="checkbox"/> | NoR or SI Template |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other        |                                     |                  |                          |                    |

### **Objective:** **Deleting Section 15**

### **Proposal** (include current & proposed changed wording- changes to be shown in

#### **Section 15. Professionals**

No person shall be on board a Snipe during a race held under general or specific jurisdiction of the Association except those who participate in yacht racing as a pastime as distinguished from the means of obtaining livelihood. No yachtsman shall lose amateur status by reason of the fact that his livelihood is derived from designing or constructing any boats or parts or boats or sails or from other professions associated with the sea and ships. Appeals or protests on this issue should be directed to the national authority.

### **Reasons:**

- 1) Snipe class is basically amateur. However, occasionally, a professional sailor from an Olympic Class, Offshore or any other kind of professional sailor sails Snipe for pleasure or for sharpening their own racing skills. This interchange is positive to the class.
- 2) The current interpretation of professional conflicts with ISAF's Sailors Classification where sailmakers are considered professional.
- 3) Organization Authority can still make different categories separating professionals to amateurs using ISAF's Sailors Classification if desired.

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<sup>1</sup> Proposals can be made by the Board, Technical Committee, National Secretaries or 5 fleet captains up to 1<sup>st</sup> March.