

DERVIO F18 Revised Minutes - Saturday 7th July 2008.

Decisions discussed again and confirmed in Paris 1st December.

Agenda:

1. Welcome by Chairman / Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of F18 Council 2nd December 2006.
3. Matters arising from NOT on the Dervio agenda.
4. Proposal for Constitution Rule Change Italian submission
5. F18 Rules re-written in ISAF format.
6. F18 rules written in standard F18 format.
7. Proposal of International payment fee to ISAF.
8. Proposal of "First Measurement fee" to boost International funds.
9. Update on Worlds in Spain July 2008.
10. Worlds 2009: UK and Belgium to present.
11. Worlds 2010. Argentina showing considerable interest.
12. Sail Cloth list updated.
13. List of National Measurers
14. Rule matters raised by the French Association:
 - a. Clarification when roller reefers is not fitted.
 - b. Clarification of roller being "optional".
 - c. That the crew shall be able to demonstrate that they can lower the mainsail.
 - d. That the main halyard be of 4mm minimum non stretch line.
 - e. Change of Rule 9.6 to reflect more fairly the voting numbers at World Council. See Agenda Item 4 above.
 - f. That each boat carry a sharp knife for safety purposes.
 - g. that the World Council minute the exact voting in each area after discussion.
 - h. that the F18 website be updated to include all rules changes.
15. Distribution of stickers/. Chairman to report.

16. More emphasis to be placed on Youth Sailing.
17. Technical matters still to be resolved.
 - a. Watertight length of lower masts
 - b. Size of windows in jibs and mains. In lower third of sails.
18. Any other business. Discussions items only.

Minutes: Dervio July 2007.

1. The Chairman welcomed the members to the meeting
2. Minutes of the meeting in Paris in December 2006 were read and accepted. However there was concern expressed that the minutes were taking far too long to get onto the website. It was agreed that this matter be resolved with haste.

Action: Olivier Bovyn and Don Findlay.

3. There were not any matter arising that were not on the agenda.
4. Italian submission proposing change to the F18 Constitution Rule 9.6, which stated that for National F18 Associations with up to 50 members, then they ONE Council vote, countries with membership between 51 and 100 had TWO Council votes and countries with excess of 100 members had THREE votes.

The Italian submission wished to change that to : "Each country shall have a direct proportion of their members to represent their voting rights at Council, with the proviso that no country may represent more than 25% of the total votes cast and the smallest countries have a single vote." Following considerable discussion this was passed and this system will be used in future. The annual National memberships for 2007 will reflect the voting rights for 2008 and so on.

National membership figures to be distributed so that the voting rights may be clear to all.

Action: Olivier Bovyn

A request by the French delegate to add to current class rules Section A (Administration) that " each competitor in an F18 regatta shall be a member of their National Association (appointed by the IF18CA), where there is not a National Association then they shall be members of the International Formula 18 Catamaran Association.

This item was voted and agreed. Also agreed was that each competitor entering an F18 regatta shall be a member of their National Association (appointed by the IF18CA), where there is no a National Association then they shall be members of the International Formula 18 Catamaran Association.

Action: Olivier Bovyn and Don Findlay.

5. It was agreed that the rules should not be changed into the ISAF / ERS format.

Action: Don Findlay.

6. It was agreed that all the rule changes would be updated onto the website before 01.03.2008

Action: Olivier Bovyn and Don Findlay.

7. The Sec. General had wanted to approach the ISAF and regularise the arrangements with regard to the International Fee. The Chairman agreed to contact Simon Forbes in ISAF Southampton and report back to the Paris meeting.

Action: Olivier Bovyn.

8. The Sec. General's proposal for a first time "Measurement Fee" to boost International funds was defeated

9. The meeting was updated on the progress of the F18 Worlds planning for 2008.

Action: Don Findlay

10. The meeting agreed that UK and Belgium would present in Paris in December 2007 for the right to hold the World Championships in 2009.

Action: UK and Belgium delegates

11. It was noted the Argentina were showing considerable interest in hosting the F18 Worlds in 2010.

Action: Don Findlay

12. The sail cloth list was discussed and will be updated in due course.

Action: Olivier Bovyn and Don Findlay

13. The Sec. General wished for a list of National Measurers to be set to him and he would distribute amongst Council members.

Action: Don Findlay.

14. The French Association wished the raise the following rule clarifications.

a. Clarification of wording when roller reefer is not fitted. "The tack of the jib must not be lower than the highest point of the bridles." This needs a diagram before the rules go to the website.

Action: Pierre-Charles Barraud and Olivier Bovyn

b. There was still concern that the roller reefer was a safety feature, But sailors may carry one if they wish race organisers cannot stipulate one.

c. For safety reasons, it was agreed that the crew should be able to demonstrate lowering the mainsail within reasonable time and effort.

d. It was agreed that the main halyard be of a minimum 4mm non-stretch line.

e. Change to Constitution 9.6. see above.

f. That each boat should carry a sharp knife for safety purposes. Left open as a recommendation.

g. That better records of Council meetings be made and distributed more promptly. This was agreed.

h. That the F18 International website be updated to include all changes. (*This was also agreed in Paris December 2007*)

15. Stickers update The Chairman gave an update on the distribution of stickers for boats. There had been criticism but it was clear that some Chairmen had not made appropriate request in time. Also it was discussed as to whether stickers were a profit making operation for National Associations or service to owners.

16. Youth Sailing. It was agreed that each National Association would put more emphasis on youth sailing.

Action: National Chairmen.

17. Technical matters still to be resolved:

a. Watertight masts. John Dinsdale agreed to go and examine the current situation. (*Subsequently 450mm has been agreed*)

b. Window size. The Technical Committee have recommended the following 0.3 sq metres for jibs and 1.00 sq metre for mains. Both windows to be in the lower one third of the sail. John Dinsdale requested time to see current practice.

Action: Don Findlay.

c. It was agreed that every sail will have the following : Loft of manufacture, the name of cloth used, year of production, a serial number.

d. It was agreed that the Secretary General would update the cloth list in conjunction with the Technical Committee.

Action: Don Findlay.

e. Any sail maker who then wishes to add to the list write to the Sec. General and will receive a reply with 30 days.

Action: Don Findlay.

18. There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting.

Any notes in italics were agreed after the meeting in question.