

International Formula 18 Catamaran Association.  
Council meeting.  
FFV Offices  
17, Rue henri Bocquillon, Paris 75015  
Saturday 5th December 2009.

Council minutes

**1. Welcome by President (12h00).**

Olivier Bovyn welcomed all to the meeting.

Present:

Olivier Bovyn. President.  
Sandor Roka. (Hungarie F18)  
James Baeckler. Gen Sec  
Frederique Pfeiffer (France F18)  
Liesbeth Osterhagen. (Dutch F18)  
Thomas Pierlet Vice President (Belgium F18)  
Jon Worthington (UK F18)  
Johan Guosspelius (Sweedeen F18)  
Pierre Charles Barraud Chief Measurer  
Florence Delory (Observer)  
Andrew Gallagher (Ireland F18)  
Lamberto Cesari (Italy F18)  
Eric Hainneville Treasurer  
Canadian Representative by Skype conference.

**2. Apologies for absence** (G. Secretary).

David Ingram (USA),  
James Ogilvie (Australia)  
Martin Vanzulli (Argentina)

**3. Approval of July 2009 WC Minutes** (G. Secretary).

The minutes of the July 2009 Duinbergen meeting were approved.

**4. Class activity report** (G. Secretary).

From 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009, it is mandatory to have F18 ISAF plaques on all new boats. The decision is available on ISAF website (<http://www.sailing.org/2129.php>). Details about the ISAF plaques including retail prices and order forms have been sent to boat builders.

New F18 associations are under construction in Finland and Hong Kong.  
A measurement training course for a new Finish measurer took place during Marseille regatta in November

The final set of class rules in SCR format has been approved by the ISAF Class Rules Sub committee and was circulated to NCAs on 2 December. No comments have been received from the NCA on the new rules format.

Comments made after meeting regarding points raised during the July 2009 meeting with responses:

- *There was still concern that some members of Council wished to keep the term "spirit of F18 rules" which had been deleted.*

According to CRSC comment and GEN SEC request the SCR will be amended as follow:  
Use the Class rules Introduction text as guideline for the spirit of F18 rules governing the F18 class.

The actual title will be deleted and replaced by: F18 class rules guiding principle.

- *iii. C.4.1: standards for personal floatation devices:*

According to CRSC comment the SCR is amended as follow:

The **crew** shall wear a **personal floatation device** to the minimum standard EN393, ISO 12402-5 (CE 50 Newtons), USCG Type III, or AUS PFD 2

#### **LONG DISTANCE RACING**

- (a) The crew may be asked to demonstrate their ability to re-right after capsize.*

- *iv.C.10.3. (a) 2 The **tack point** shall not be fixed below the apex of the bridle wires:*

According to CRSC comment the SCR is amended as follow:

C.10.3JIB

(2) The **tack point** shall not be fixed below the apex of the bridle wire.

- *v. D.1 Hulls; The item concerning buoyancy levels had been omitted:*

According to CRSC comment the SCR is amended as follow:

D.3.1 Materials

(2) Each **hull** shall carry floatation in line with relevant maritime regulations.

- *vi. wording in E.3.3 c, "daggerboards and centreboards shall be homogenous" pointing out that this is unsatisfactory and would rule out many foils used today.*

Pending item. Will be implemented during next class rules review.

#### **5. ISAF Plaques rules delivery guideline and price review** (G. Secretary)

The IF18CA is buying the F18 plaques from ISAF for 30 € (revised price according to the currency).

The plaques are charged to all builders at 50 € per boat (2 stickers with same serial number).

The retail price to the builder will be reviewed by the WC.

#### **6. IF18CA 2009 financial report and 2009 fees collection presentation** (Treasurer).

Eric Hainneville presented a full financial report for 2009 and budgets for 2010.

The figures will be issued to WC.

After meeting remark:

The treasurer will receive the last NCA fees and stickers payments after the WC meeting. In order to circulate a complete 2009 financial figures the 2009 report will be finalised in January.

#### **7. To receive the 2009 final report and financial report for 2009 Worlds** (Belgium Rep).

Thomas Pierlet presented the final event and financial report.

The president thanked the RSBC for the high quality of the event and warm welcome by the hoisting club.

One comment is that the racing area was too narrow.

## **8. 2010 Worlds slots allocation** (Treasurer).

Decision:

The allocation of slots for the 2010 Worlds will be based on fees collected during 2009. In order for fees to be counted towards the Worlds they must be received by the International Association by the end of December 2009.

It was agreed that all slots should be paid for by 15 April. After 15 April all unused slots will be reallocated. If a National Class Association wishes to keep their allocated slots after April 15 without payment being provided the Class Association can guarantee the payment of the remaining slots to the hosting club.

### **SLOT ALLOCATION DISTRIBUTION BY COUNTRIES**

*The slot allocation list will be available on January 2010*

## **9. To review World Championship rules and slots allocation** (G. Secretary, All).

### **Slots allocation**

Decision:

Fees collected in year "n-1" will be used for calculating Worlds' slots and council votes in the year "n".

Fees shall be paid and received prior the December world council meeting.

The allocated slots will be issued with the December minutes.

This rule will apply for the 2012 and following Worlds events.

At least 1 slot is guaranty for all NCAs who pay fees.

The formula for slot allocation is as follows: *(see January slot allocation list)*

The maximum fleet entry is fixed to 180 boats with 20 slots for the hoisting country.

The 10 IFCA wild cards will be distribute by the IF18CA board (President, Vice president, Gen Sec) as follows:

- 3 for the last Worlds' podium,
- 7 according to IF18CA board decisions.

### **Race Format**

Decision:

Fleet divided into 4 groups and Round robin with a minimum of 6 qualifying races.

Race pattern: 2 separate race areas or one trapeze race area with inner and outer loop including separate start line and finishing line (2 committee boats).

## **10. To review the 2010 Worlds organisation** (Hoist club Rep.).

Olivier Bovyn made a presentation on the latest provisional budget (100.000€).

The total budget is similar to the latest financial report from RSBC.

The club is still waiting for a race tracking budget.

The race format will be 2 separate race area or one trapeze race are with inner and outer loop including separate start line and finishing line (2 committee boats).

The NOR will be issued prior February 1<sup>st</sup> 2010.

The event website will be available soon.

## **11. To receive bids from Hungary and Italy for 2011 Worlds** (hungary Rep., Italian Rep.).

Each representative made a presentation and where welcomed by the council.

Sec Gen pointed that both presentations do not have budget figures.

Decision:

The president used his casting vote for Hungary.

For Hungary: 6

For Italy: 2

**Hungary will host the 2011 Worlds** if a provisional budget including sustainable figures is presented to WC before March 1st 2010.

The event venue: 01.07.2011 to 08.07.2011

After the vote Hungary representative pointed out that if the selected location on the lake is not available then there is an alternative location available on the same lake.

**12. Prospective and Bid from USA for 2012 Worlds** (US Rep, All)

The Gen Sec presented the bid From Alamito bay Yacht club.

A formal presentation will take place during next WC meeting in Erquy.

WC requests and recommendations:

- New date: holding the event during February or during the European summer break calendar will allow a large participation,
- consider holding the event on the east coast to increase European participation.
- include a provisional budget and entry fees in the presentation,
- detail the boat parking and beach facilities,
- the hoisting club shall appoint in relation with the IF18CA the International jury. The hoisting club shall cover all transportation, food and housing expenses for all the event officers.

**13. To discuss requirement for F18 International webmaster and job post description** (Sándor Róka, All)

A detailed summary on the subject will be issued by Sandor Roka.

**14. F18 trademark registration and F18 logo** (President, G. Secretary)

According to 2008 Nigran minutes (extract):

*the Formula 18 be jointly owned by the Chairman and the Chief Measurer and that they be passed by licence to the IF18CA.*

The F18 logo is now registered at the trade marks and designs registration office of the European Union (OAMI). The official publication is available at:

[http://oami.europa.eu/bulletin/ctm/2009/2009\\_028/008312282.htm](http://oami.europa.eu/bulletin/ctm/2009/2009_028/008312282.htm)

The licence draft contract will be presented by the owners to Gen Sec and will be on the next WC agenda.

The licence draft will be presented to the IF18CA World Council in Erquy.

**15. Any other business** (All).

**Meeting closed at 17H50**

James Baeckler  
Sec. General. IF18CA.