

Men and Women One-Person Dinghy Equipment Re-evaluation

Board Recommendation to Council

In November 2017, Council approved World Sailing's new procedures for re-evaluating the equipment used for Olympic Events. This process is separate from the existing review process under Regulation 23 and is in line with World Sailing's Anti-Trust Policy approved by Council.

In January 2018, the World Sailing Board commenced a re-evaluation of the equipment for the Men and Women' One Person Dinghy for the 2024 Olympic Games. You can find a report of this decision [here](#). An invitation to tender was published and the Board appointed a working party to evaluate the 8 tenders received¹.

Phase 1 of the review focused on criteria such as suitability to the event, class rules, manufacturing capabilities, price and customer service. Following a report from the working party, the Board agreed to shortlist four tenders for the second phase of the process. You can find the report of this decision [here](#).

Following shortlisting, World Sailing has further reviewed the bids of the shortlisted candidates. In this Phase 2, World Sailing undertook site visits to the manufacturers to confirm the submitted information, after which an improved bid was requested from each of them which addresses the supply of equipment to major events, the accessibility to the market by new builders and the standardization of equipment amongst different builders.

The Board's Re-evaluation Working Party has reviewed the bids and has recommended to the Board that World Sailing should proceed to select new equipment with additional recommendation that the existing equipment (Laser/ILCA) is included as a full option in this process.

If this recommendation is accepted, equipment trials (sea trials) and evaluation will be carried out under the supervision of the Equipment Committee in order to comply with Regulation 23.1.3(e). These trials will assess the following bids (in alphabetical order):

- D-Zero, presented by Devotti Sailing s.r.o.
- Laser Standard and Laser Radial sailboat, presented by ILCA
- Melges 14, presented by Melges Boat Works Inc., NELO and Mackay Boats Ltd.
- RS Aero, presented by RS Sailing.

The Board has now discussed and approved the Working Party recommendation to proceed to evaluation and trials for these 4 candidates. Following the trials and evaluation, a report

¹ Working Party: Scott Perry (Vice President), Yann Rocherieux (Chairman, Athletes' Commission), Dina Kowalshyn (Chairman, Equipment Committee), Jurgen Cluytmans (Equipment Committee), Ana Gamulin (Constitution Committee), Carlos de Beltran (Director of Technical & Offshore) and Jaime Navarro (Technical Specialist).

will be made to the Equipment Committee. The Committee will then make a recommendation to Council on the final selection of the equipment.

Recommendation to Council:

The Board recommends to Council that World Sailing should proceed to select new equipment with an additional recommendation that the existing equipment (Laser/ILCA) is included as a full option in this process.

The selection of equipment will be made from amongst the D-Zero, ILCA (Laser), Melges 14 and RS Aero following equipment trials (sea trials) to be scheduled at the earliest opportunity with evaluation against the criteria stated in the invitation to tender.

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