

Report of the ICSA Championship and Competition Committee

The ICSA Championship and Competition Committee has worked on a number of issues relating to improving ICSA Championships and ICSA Competition. Among the items the Committee worked on this semester were

1. Recommendation to Appoint Doc Sullivan as ICSA Chief Umpire
2. Recommendation to Rules Committee to add class rules that eliminate Black Flag and U Flag and change Appendix P2.1 to allow for additional flags until a competitor has completed their penalty turns
3. Discussion of how to deal with Breakdowns when the competitor supplies the parts.
4. Creating a list of ICSA Approved PRO's for National Championships
5. Adding a Compass to the list of approved items for competitors to supply at ICSA Singlehanded Nationals
6. Creating a signed agreement between ICSA and Nationals Hosts
7. Encouraging Conferences to experiment with fully umpired fleet races
8. Reworking the Fowle Trophy points
9. Creating better lines of communication between conferences so smaller conferences can get berths at events in NEISA and MAISA

Here is our report

1. The Championship/Competition Committee recommends that ICSA President Mitch Brindley appoint Richard "Doc" Sullivan as ICSA Chief Umpire to serve a term of one year and two serve no more than two consecutive terms.
2. The Championship/Competition Committee recommends that the Rules Committee create class rules that eliminate the use of the Black Flag and the U Flag and change Appendix P P2.1 to allow for additional yellow flags until a competitor completes their penalty and remove the provision for a DSQ without a hearing.
3. The Committee will create criteria for ICSA Approved PROs for National Championships. PRO's for ICSA National Championships will be chosen only from this list. We invite members to suggest any criteria they deem appropriate for this list. The criteria will be presented at the Annual Meeting.
4. The Committee asks ICSA Chief Umpire to look at our breakdown rule as it relates to competitor supplied parts and to see if there should be any adjustments to the current rule and guidelines.
5. The Committee recommends that compass be added to the list of approved items a competitor can bring to the Singlehanded Nationals.

6. The Committee will create a template for an agreement to be signed by ICSA and Host Schools of National Championships in the hope that it will help create a better understanding of what ICSA will provide and what is expected on Hosts. The agreement template will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

7. The Committee encourages Conferences to experiment with Fully Umpired Fleet Racing and report back to the committee to let us know what they think about it.

8. The Committee has directed Alden Reid to adjust the Fowle Trophy points to remove DNC. This will be presented at the Annual meeting and go into effect during the 2019-2020 season.

9. The Committee recommends that Schedulers from each ICSA Conference communicate with each other about open berths within their conference to allow for more two conference competition. It is the feeling of the committee that conferences who are looking for more opportunities to sail outside their own conference take advantage of the ICSA two conference regatta procedure which reads ***“For development purposes, non-contiguous Conferences may coordinate and schedule regattas between the two Conferences with approval from the ICSA Interconference Regatta Coordinator”***.

10. The committee will announce its recommendations for future ICSA Nationals Hosts at the Mid Year Meeting..

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the ICSA Championship and Competition Committee

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