

World Sailing Race Officials

Regulation 31

An urgent submission from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee

Purpose or Objective

To amend the procedures for appointing World Sailing Race Officials in order that they can be applied for 2019 applications.

Proposal

1. Amend Regulation 31.7(b) as follows:
 - (b) send an application on the official form so that it is received by the Executive Office by 1 September **(for applications for re-appointment the Race Officials Committee may extend this deadline for up to two weeks if there is a good reason to do so).**
2. Amend Regulation 31.8 as follows:
 - 31.8 A candidate for first appointment shall be endorsed by his Member National Authority **no later than the deadline for application.** However, the Race Officials Committee may waive this requirement if the endorsement is unreasonably withheld or delayed by the Member National Authority. **The candidate shall request any waiver within fourteen days of being notified that there is, or will be, no endorsement and shall provide the Committee with all relevant documentation.**
3. Amend Regulation 31.19 as follows:
 - 31.19 A candidate for appointment or a World Sailing Race Official may appeal against the decision of the Race Officials Committee regarding his application or termination of an appointment. **There is no right of appeal against results of examinations, assessments or references.**

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

Following the Race Official Committee's decisions on appointments in 2018, 5 appeals were heard by the Judicial Board. Of these, four were denied and one was returned for a new decision by the Committee. A number of appeals raised issues concerning the wording of the Regulations which the Committee recommends be rectified prior to the 2019 applications round.
