

RACE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting

held from 15:00 – 17:00 UTC/GMT on Tuesday, 3rd November 2020 via Zoom

MINUTES

Present: Ecky von der Mosel (GER) – chairman, Akis Tsalikis (GRE) – vice-chairman, Willeeem Elemeet (NED), Bruno Frank (SUI), Joakim Majander (FIN), Nicola Sironi (ITA), Johan Tuvstedt (SWE)

Apologies for absence was received from: Joaquin Barenys (ESP)

Observers: Aleix Ballester (ESP), David Bartol (SLO), Per Boeymo (NOR), Edward Cesare (USA), Johannes Christophers (GER), Dobbs Davis (USA), Philippos Georgakis (CYP), Peter de Jong (NED), Edward Dougall (CAN), Bruno Finzi (ITA), Bojan Gale (SLO), Matthew Gallagher (USA), Zoran Grubiša (CRO), Luiz Kahl (USA), Patrick Lindqvist (FIN), Eiji Mizukoshi (JPN), Panayotis Papapostolou (GRE), Ab Pasman (NED), Stig Paulsen (NOR), Alberto Pindozzi (ITA), Fabrizio Pirina (ITA), Lopo Pizarro (POR), Raymond Roesnik (NED), Wolfgang Schaefer (GER), Maria Spirideli (GRE), Roy can Aller (NED), John White (USA), Patricia Young (USA), Godwin Zammit (MLT), Matteo Zuppini (ITA), Dirk-Jan Zweers (NED)

1. Approval of Minutes of 2019 meeting

Minutes of 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

2. Submissions

MANCOM 1 - ORC Certificate layout improvement

The submission is supported, and the new design is very much appreciated, recognizing that some work on details is still open, such as the Committee's wish to have the Certificate Number put in a prominent place.

The idea to concentrate on some basic scoring options only is very much welcome, while still giving the option for space on a separate page to show national requirements and preferences. This eliminates the usual ongoing discussion about which scoring options should be shown on the Certificate.

NED 1 – ToT/ToD Conversion factor

The submission is supported to change the conversion factor to 600 for Triple Number Coastal/Long distance ratings. As discussed in the Rating Officers Committee this change makes sense. It will change the Triple Number ratings for long distance racing but will be more comprehensible to the owners.

USA 1 – Triple Number Scoring

In discussion the Committee understood the idea of this submission can be achieved in the Sailing Instructions of the event, it is not a matter for the ORC Green book.

While discussing an extension of the wording of ORC Rating System 403.4 we became convinced that this recommendation is not in the right place and we therefore recommend to delete the entire sentence in 403.4 because the recommendation is already included in the Race Management Guide with the wording sought in Submission USA 1.

Therefore USA 1 is not supported.

3. Race Management Guidebook

The Committee discussed its earlier wish to produce a short version (Quick Guide) of the Race Management Guide. After consideration of many different approaches, we had to accept that the use of the scoring systems in different nations varies too much to be condensed into a single short publication. We are being more effective by supporting different nations to produce their own guidelines in their own languages and referring to the scoring options they are using in their fleets.

4. Any other business

A suggestion about a new way of scoring with the ORC System in US was described as a hybrid approach between using a PCS constructed course with ToT ratings calculated within Triple Number wind bands. We learned that a similar approach was made years ago in Greece and was given up for being too complex.

The Committee will improve its contacts with race organizers in the future. Ideas are collected, such as in a questionnaire sent to the member authorities (like Ab Pasman did a couple of times in the past) or to offer a video conference for race managers.