Reporting committee: **MEASUREMENT COMMITTEE**
RATING OFFICERS COMMITTEE

ORC MANAGER SOFTWARE ACCESS

PROPOSAL

Develop the ORC Manager to be more accessible, allowing other measurers to submit measurement data directly. This would significantly reduce the lead time for issuing certificates.

RATIONALE

The current ORC Manager has limited access, making the certificate issuing process entirely dependent on the local Rating Officer's availability. This creates a significant bottleneck, with some countries experiencing certificate lead times of 14 days or more. Even "fast-track" options, which may still take five days to process, will often require paying double the standard fee.

This system makes even small certificate amendments time-consuming and difficult for boat owners, leading to a loss of revenue for ORC if the amendment process is not user-friendly.

Our submission proposes that the ORC Manager program be developed into a more robust database with expanded functionality. For example, a Rating Officer could grant limited access to certified measurers, who could then prepare measurement data directly within the system. This would streamline the process by allowing measurers to enter data with notes for the Rating Officer, eliminating the need for the officer to manually re-enter or merge data sent via email.

For instance, if a measurer takes a new measurement of a boat's largest sail, they could input that data directly. This would ensure that small amendments don't take two weeks to process, especially when the Rating Officer has other daily responsibilities.