

International Seascope 18 Class Association Constitution

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1 NAME

- 1.1 The name of the Association shall be the International Seascope 18 Class Association (ISCA).

2 OBJECTS

- 2.1 The objects of ISCA are:
 - a. To promote and develop Seascope 18 class activities under uniform rules throughout the world.
 - b. To provide a structure for class management and for the exchange of information among Seascope sailors to enhance the enjoyment of these sailboats.
 - c. To preserve the Seascope's recreational features, including ease of handling, low cost of ownership, safety and comfort.
 - d. To maintain the worldwide one design integrity and equality of performance of the different Seascope boats.
 - e. To organize and promote regional, national and international class events and championships for the benefit of Seascope Class members.
 - f. Promulgate and review the Class Rules, in association with the Copyright Holder and Licensed Builders, as strict one design classes throughout the world.
 - g. To manage Constitution and Class Rule changes.
 - h. To maintain the relationship with the Copyright Holder and Licensed Builders.
 - i. To maintain the relationship with and in between the National Seascope Class Associations.
- 2.2 In furtherance of other events with international participation the ISCA will:
 - a. Encourage the formation of National Class Associations in all countries where boats are sailed.
 - b. Ensure that International Championships are held in appropriate locations and to proper standards.
 - c. Approve other events of international impact on the Seascope Class and ensure they are held to proper standards.

3 LANGUAGE

- 3.1 The official language of the Association shall be English and in case of any dispute over the translation the English Text shall prevail.
- 3.2 The word "shall" is mandatory and the word "may" is permissive.

4 OFFICES

- 4.1 The Official Office of the Class shall be the address of its statutory agent for service of process.

- 4.2 Other offices may also be established at such places as the Executive Committee may from time to time determine.

5 MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 The Class shall consist collectively of the Executive Committee of the Class and the National Seascope Class Associations (the "NCA's") that are officially recognized by the Executive Committee of the Class.
- 5.2 The Executive committee shall officially recognize a NCA when and as long as the following criteria are met:
 - a) Membership of a minimum of five (5) registered boats whose owners are active Members of the NCA.
 - b) Presentation by the NCA and acceptance by the Executive Committee of the NCA's by-laws or constitution.
 - c) Election of Class officers including a President by Members of the NCA.
 - d) Scheduling of at least one national or continental Class championship per year.

6 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 6.1 The international authority of the Class is the Executive Committee, which shall be responsible for the administration of the Class.
- 6.2 The Executive Committee shall manage the affairs of the Class in accordance with the objects of the Association and with assistance from a Technical Committee.
- 6.3 The Executive Committee may delegate to any one or more of its representatives such powers and duties as it shall determine.
- 6.4 The Executive Committee shall consist of one (1) member appointed by each officially recognized NCA and one member appointed by the Copyright Holder.
- 6.5 The term of office for Executive Committee members shall be two years beginning on January 1st of each even-numbered year.
- 6.6 Bi-annually, the Executive Committee shall elect from its NCA appointed members a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Class for a period of two years.
- 6.7 The Executive Committee may appoint a Secretary/Treasurer who shall:
 - a. Control the funds of the Class and shall make such disbursements which shall have been authorized by the Executive Committee.
 - b. Maintain accurate records of the financial affairs of the Class
 - c. Present a budget for the coming year at the Annual Executive Committee Meeting.
 - d. Carry out the duties imposed on him/her by the Constitution and Class One Design Rules.
 - e. Carry out all tasks as reasonably required by the Executive Committee such as but not limited to administration of the Class' activities and maintenance of subscription records.
 - f. Keep minutes of all Executive Committee Meetings and give due notice of all Executive Meetings.
- 6.8 In the event that vacancies occur on the Executive Committee prior to or between Executive Meetings the remaining Executive Committee members may appoint one of its remaining Executive Committee members to fill the vacancy or co-opt such member as they consider fit.

7 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 7.1 The Executive Committee shall meet on such occasions and at such places as appropriate to efficiently carry out the business of the Association and as called by the Chairman or as decided by a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 7.2 Meetings of the Executive Committee may also take place by tele-conference.
- 7.3 The Secretary shall give at least fourteen (14) days written notice of such meetings. Notice may be given in the form of mail, fax or email.
- 7.4 Two-thirds of voting members of the Executive Committee shall form a quorum.
- 7.5 Each Executive Committee member shall have one vote. In addition, the NCA representatives shall have one vote for every complete multiple of twenty (20) Seascapes owned by Members of the NCA.
- 7.6 The Chairman shall have a second and casting vote in the event of a tie.
- 7.7 Resolutions of the Executive Committee shall be passed by a simple majority of votes of the Executive Committee present and voting.
- 7.8 Ballots and elections may also being conducted in an electronic way.

8 THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

- 8.1 A Technical Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee. This committee shall be responsible for control and enforcement of the Seascope 18 Class Rules and for making recommendations to the Executive Committee regarding Class Rules and Building Specification and Measurements, including suggested amendments or additions and interpretations.
- 8.2 The Technical Committee shall consist of at least two representatives from the NCAs plus one representative from the Copyright Holder.
- 8.3 The Technical Committee shall elect from its NCA appointed members a Chief Class Measurer as chairman of the Technical Committee. The Chief Class Measurer shall be responsible for the operation of the Technical Committee.
- 8.4 The Technical Committee shall cooperate with NCA official measurers and the technical staff of licensed builders to protect the one-design character of the Seascope 18 boats.
- 8.5 The Technical Committee shall report to the Executive Committee on no less than an annual basis.

9 CLASS MEASURERS

- 9.1 The NCAs shall, in cooperation with their National Authorities, be responsible for the appointment of official Class Measurers.
- 9.2 Names and addresses of such appointed Class Measurers shall be reported to the Technical Committee.
- 9.3 Class Measurers, under the guidance of the Technical Committee, shall be responsible for One-Design compliance, for measurement prior to and during events, and for the re-measurement of yachts when they have been outside Class One-Design configuration.

10 CHANGES TO CLASS RULES

- 10.1 Changes to Class Rules may be proposed to the Executive Committee by an NCA, by the Technical Committee, by the Copyright Holder, or by the ISAF / World Sailing.
- 10.2 The proposed changes will be reviewed by the Technical Committee, which will formulate a resolution for review by the Executive Committee.
- 10.3 After presenting the resolution/motion in writing, and allowing a minimum 60 day review period, the Executive Committee may approve the changes in accordance with Section 8.
- 10.4 Approved changes shall be announced latest January 1st and shall become effective March 1st.

11 AMENDMENTS

- 11.1 This Constitution shall only be amended by a resolution of which notice has been duly and which is duly proposed and passed by two thirds of votes present at an Executive Committee Meeting.

12 LIMITATIONS

- 12.1 In the execution of their powers and duties under this Constitution or under the One Design Rules no officer or other member of the Class Executive Committee shall be liable for any loss to any of the members or former members of the Association or to the Assets of the Association by reason of any mistake or omission made in good faith by him/her or any other officer or member or from any other matter other than willful and individual wrongdoing, wrongful omission or fraud on the part of the person who is sought to be made liable.