

iQFOiL Class AGM 2023

SUBMISSION FORM

The deadline for submissions is **2400 hrs UTC on September 4th 2023**

This submission form shall be used as the format for your submission, saved as a PDF and sent by email to: info@iqfoilclass.org

Please read the following notes carefully before completing the Submission Form.

- In accordance with the Class Constitution Article # 6.11 a submission shall be sent by e-mail to the Class Executive Secretary (info@iqfoilclass.org) by a National Class Association being a Full Member.
- To make your submission as clear as possible, the original exact wording received on submission forms shall be retained in the final formatted submissions. However, if wording is unclear the Class will consult the originator for clarification.
- Please click in the highlighted boxes in the Form below to insert the purpose or objective, the proposal, the current position and the reasons.
- If the submission proposes new policy, please insert the wording in full in the “Proposal” section and also complete the “Current Position” and “Reason” section.
- If the submission proposes a change to existing Articles, Regulations, the Racing Rules, or other Class or World Sailing Codes and Rules, please insert the current version in the “Proposal” section highlighting new wording as **bold and underlined**, and text to be deleted as ~~double struck through~~. The words “as above” should then be inserted in the “Current Position”. Clearly defined reasons should be inserted in the “Reason” section.
- The font and size for text in submissions is Arial 11pt
- The font Times New Roman 12pt should only be used when inserting current wording or new wording proposals to amend the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Authorisation to make a submission <i>(Only a duly authorised person may make a submission. Please detail name of authorised person)</i>	
Country Code: <i>(eg. AUS)</i>	ExCom
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<i>All submissions will be acknowledged. If you do not receive an acknowledgment or you need any further information about the submission process, please contact info@iqfoilclass.org</i>	

Title

CONSTITUTION CHANGE: Updating the iQFOiL Class Constitution

Subtitle

Updating the iQFOiL Class Constitution to enable the Executive Committee to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) more easily when it deems it beneficial for its members

A submission from

iQFOiL Class' Executive Committee

Purpose or Objective

Updating the iQFOiL Class Constitution to enable the Executive Committee to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) more easily when it deems it beneficial for its members can offer several advantages for the class and its stakeholders:

Member Input: An EGM provides a platform for members to voice their opinions, concerns, and ideas directly to the Executive Committee. It encourages transparency and inclusivity in the decision-making process, allowing members to have a say in Class matters that affect them.

Enhanced Member Trust: Members are more likely to have trust and confidence in the leadership of the Class when they see that there is a mechanism in place to address critical issues promptly and transparently. This can lead to greater member satisfaction and a stronger sense of community within the class.

Improved Governance: Updating the constitution in this manner can lead to improved governance practices within the Class. It encourages transparency, inclusivity, and member engagement, which are all hallmarks of effective governance.

Responsive Decision-Making: Allowing the Executive Committee to call for an EGM when it deems it necessary ensures that the Class can respond quickly to important and time-sensitive matters. This agility in decision-making is crucial for addressing emerging issues or opportunities.

Flexibility: The ability to call for an EGM, when necessary, provides flexibility in addressing specific issues or changes in circumstances that may not have been anticipated when the original constitution was drafted. This flexibility can help the class adapt to evolving needs and challenges.

Crisis Management: In times of crisis or unforeseen events, such as Class Rule Changes, equipment issues or external factors impacting competitions, having an efficient process to convene an EGM allows for a rapid response and strategic decision-making to mitigate potential negative effects.

Accountability: The provision for an EGM at the discretion of the Executive Committee holds the committee accountable to the membership. It ensures that the committee is responsive to the needs and concerns of the members and can be called upon to explain and justify its decisions.

Conflict Resolution: An EGM can serve as a platform for resolving disputes or disagreements within the Class, providing a formal and structured process for addressing contentious issues and reaching resolutions.

Long-Term Viability: Ensuring that the class can convene an EGM, when necessary, helps safeguard its long-term viability by allowing it to adapt to changing circumstances and continue to meet the needs and expectations of its members.

Proposal

Updating the iQFOiL Class Constitution to enable the Executive Committee to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) more easily when it deems it beneficial for its members:

6. GENERAL ASSEMBLY & MEETINGS

6.4. An extraordinary General Meeting may be called if the Executive Committee considers this of interest to the iQFOiL Class Full Members or if at least 1/3rd (one third) of the iQFOiL Class Full Members submit a written request addressed to the legal address of the International iQFOiL Class Association, mentioning the items to be discussed. The calling on an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be notified to the iQFOiL Class Full Members at least 4 (four) weeks before the date of the meeting.

Current Position

6. GENERAL ASSEMBLY & MEETINGS

6.4 An extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly shall be held on demand of 1/3rd of the current iQFOiL Class Full Members.

Reason

Updating the iQFOiL Class Constitution to facilitate the convening of an Extraordinary General Meeting by the Executive Committee offers advantages, including responsive decision-making, member input, flexibility, crisis management capabilities, accountability, improved governance, enhanced member trust, conflict resolution mechanisms, and long-term sustainability. These benefits ultimately contribute to the overall health and success of the class and its ability to serve its members effectively.