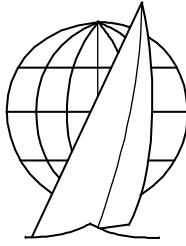


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Minutes of the meeting of the Race Management Committee held on November 10th, 2008 10.00 to 13.10h in Madrid

Present:

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Bruno Frank
Joakim Majander (subst.Timo Sarainmaa)
Ecky von der Mosel

Observers:

Panayotis Papapostolou
Zoran Grubisa
Hans Zuiderbaan
Roula Galani
George Sykaris
Enrique Molinelli
Fabrizio Pirina
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Vadim Mekhanikov
Vasily Alexeev
Wolfgang Schäfer
Emilio Felia Sera

1. Recommendations about Submissions:

FFV 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 - Content of Certificates

The committee had a closer look to the actual design and content of the both types of certificates in the current version. We learned that there have been already made some changes by the technical staff, which partly fulfils the requirements of the FFV-submissions. The RMC intends to leave further changes to the technical staff, but strongly recommends to keep things simple and understandable for the user. Data should only be printed if they are needed for measurement check and self-checking by the owner.

HSF 1 - Measurement Protests

After a long discussion under consideration of the meaning of the Measurement Committee from yesterday from the eyes of Race Managers we do not see an actual need for a change. We understand the clause 305.2 of the Rating System as an instrument to handle and compensate the results of differences in measurements, not as an area of tolerance to designers, producers and sail makers. Probably this tolerance is too generous. Tolerances for freeboard height may be bigger as for a simple length of a pole. For the sake to keep things simple we would not like to recommend a catalogue for different measurement tolerances.

Therefore we would recommend to refuse the submission.

KNWV1 - RMS File

Nicola Sironi explained the actual situation. After some discussion we learned from Panayotis Papapostolou that it will not be a technical problem to add to the RMS datafiles the offshore ToT now missing

Therefore we recommend to follow the wish in the submission.

2. Methods of scoring

Eva Holmsten, Race Manager of Gotland Runt has recalculated the results of this long distance race and of some W/L races. They officially use ocean pcs scoring. The results do not come to big differences when using ToT or ToD scoring, except on extreme boats.

Other nations report on their scoring experiences:

Greece:

Ocean pcs, Constructed courses on all races of the World Championship

Netherlands:

Triple Number ToT (strong recommendation not to use ToD in current/tidal waters)

Switzerland:

ORC Club races; Triple Number

Spain:

High level: PCS; others ToD or PL

Estonia:

ToT Offshore and Inshore

Russia:

Single Number Scoring

Italy:

PCS inshore, Single Number for offshore

Germany:

PCS for W/L, single Number ToT for coastal and offshore races. German Championship only single number ToT (inshore/offshore).

To sum up: **The Race Management Committee strongly recommend to use the simplified scoring options.**

3. Any other business

Members of the RMC are missing the "Guide to Race Management" on the ORC-website. Nicola Sironi promised to check this. Everybody is welcome to give comments or report mistakes in this publication.

Madrid 10th November 2008
Ecky von der Mosel