

MINUTES of the **Rating Officers Committee** (held on November 6th 2017, in PUERTO VALLARTA)

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1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the previous meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved unanimously.

2. SUBMISSIONS

GER 5 – ORC Manager Modification

The committee supports the submission in principle, but it is deferred to the ORC Manager programmer for more detailed answers about the technical aspects of applying the requested modifications. It was also noted that none of the present rating officers are sending certificates to the owners by the post as all of them are using only e-mail or posting certificates on a dedicated website. Nevertheless, an option to create a mailing list by extracting owners names and addresses from the DXT files is already available through the Report option in the ORC Manager.

It is also stressed again that comments on the ORC Manager and suggestions for improvements or particular needs of one rating office can always be sent to the ORC staff without the need for making a submission.

NED 2 – Headsail dimension

The submission is supported in principle, but first it needs to be tested if the HHW measurement can be added to the drawing without overlapping with other measurements already printed. It is therefore deferred to the ORC programmer who will make a final decision based on the test made.

3. ORC MANAGER SOFTWARE and ORC DATABASE – updates, suggestions for improvements

ORC Manager

It is suggested to have the VPP Output in the ORC Manager re-organized in a more readable and understandable format.

ORC Sailor Services

Following updates are suggested:

- For certificate copies: Change watermark form "Test" to "Copy" and "Invalid for racing" to "Certificate copy Not used for racing"
- For test certificates: Change "Invalid for racing" to "Test certificate Not valid for racing".
- Add individual sail drawing in the sails inventory

4. **OTHER BUSINESS**

It was confirmed that boats racing outside their country can have certificates issued by the rating office of the country where they are mostly staying and racing, or the rating office of their nationality. It is only important to have good communication between rating offices to avoid duplication of the same boat certificate issued by different rating offices.

The meeting adjourned at 16:30