

The retirement of the Regional Officers and its replacement with Class Officers and the description of the 'named' classes. This is in Article 7 below with the proposed deletions and additions. Note the yellow highlighted section.

#### Article 7 Executive Committee

The major constitutional changes are that Class Committees are established as part of the IRSA Executive Committee, and that the Regional Officers and the Organisation and Policy Committee Chairman are retired. As a minor matter, it is made clear that the office of Treasurer is an independent office that is not combined with some other office.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers who are:

- ( ) The Treasurer ~~(this position may be combined with The General Secretary)~~
- ~~( ) The Chairman of the Organisation and Policy Committee.~~
- ~~( ) The Regional Officers for Europe, the Americas and Oceania~~
- ~~( ) The Chair of the Racing Committee~~
- ( ) The Chair of the Racing Rules Committee.
- ( ) The Chair of the Events Committee.
- ( ) The Chairs of the Class Committees of IRSA Classes where the class does not have an independent ICA

There are several issues with this:

- The RO's provided and ensured geographic representation on the Executive. The Class Officer becomes happenchance.
- The RO's represent the NAs of their region and therefore represent the interests of all classes sailed in those regions. There are many large classes sailing around the world, such as Soling 1M, RC Laser, US1M, DF65, DF95, EC12. Several of these classes individually, have more sailors racing world-wide than the A, 10R and M combined. Replacing the ROs with specified Class Officers disenfranchises those classes.
- The wording of the change highlighted in yellow is strange as it limits the Class Officers to IRSA classes yet excludes classes with their own ICA. This suggests that the IOM Class is excluded. It also suggests that if any of the named classes forms an independent ICA, it would lose its seat on the Executive.