



CONSTITUTION

1. Name and Definition


The International Displacement Division of Sailboards (Division II) Association shall be known as the “**International Division II Class Association**”(ID2CA).

Definition:

A Division II sailboard is defined as round bottom sailboard, built to the International Displacement Division Measurement Rules from 1979 to 1992, initially set by **I.B.S.A** (International Board Sailing Association – defunct), then implemented by **I.Y.R.U** (International Yachting Race Union).

Any sailboard built to these Rules will be considered as DIVISION II, and will be issued with a Measurement Certificate based upon the latest Measurement Rules (1992 - Section B)."

Class Insignia and Flag:

The Emblem of the Class shall be the DII Insignia of the Class, , arranged in accordance with Rule B 2.6.3 and the associated diagram. The flag of the Class consists of a black square with a white roman numeral II superimposed upon black.

2. Objective

- 2.1.** The objective of the **International Division II Class Association** is to regroup windsurfers sailing DIVISION II sailboards as well as to promote and once more develop the DIVISION II Class throughout the world.

The Association will encourage:

- The recovery, renovation and the registration of all DIVISION II sailboards and their equipment (sails, dagger boards, accessories, etc.) by Members of the Association as well as all historical documents related to the Class that can be found,
- The conception and production of new DIVISION II boards and sails using new technologies, according to the existing Class rules (1979-1992) until such time as they are updated by the Association subsequent to approval by the WS.
- The organization of International Championships for the Class such as an annual World Championship and other Continental, National & Regional events.
- The promotion of DIVISION II sailboards in sailing clubs to develop youth sailors and as a transition between windsurfers and dinghies

- 2.2.** All DIVISION II equipment (hull, dagger boards, sails, etc.) produced between 1979 and 1992 are considered as **the Foundation of the Class**.

The Association will record and maintain a detailed list of all known DIVISION II sailboards.

- 2.3.** The **International Division II Class Association** shall coordinate and manage the affairs and the rules of the DIVISION II Class Association, shall provide a structure of management, shall create and co-operate with NCA's and Fleets of DIVISION II boards where existing.

- 2.4. The **International Division II Class Association**, will operate within the **International Windsurfing Association (IWA) framework**, of which it has elected to become a **Class Member**. Consequently it will delegate Treasurer and Secretary functions to IWA for the duration of the partnership. At the end of partnership, ID2CA will resume to its original structure as described in Art.7.0 to operate independently.
- 2.5. It will co-operate with the **International Sailing Federation (WS)**, the supreme Authority for Sailing, with the aim to obtaining **WS Class Association status** and will coordinate and work with any sponsors and management bodies involved in any officially sanctioned events.
- 2.6. The **International Division II Class Association** will promote contact, friendship and camaraderie between members.

3. Other Terms and Definitions

- 3.1. **The Class Rules** shall mean the rules relating to measurement, equipment, racing condition for DIVISION II sailboards.
- 3.2. **EC shall mean the Executive Committee** that is the governing body of the **ID2CA**, the composition of which is defined in Article 8.1.
- 3.3. **Class Sanctioned Events** shall mean those regattas organized or recognized by the International or National DIVISION II Class Associations.
- 3.4. **ICA: International Class Association**
- 3.5. **NCA:** Shall mean any **National Class Association** approved by **International Association** to control and organize Division II sailing within a geographic area (Country or Region)
- 3.6. **TC: Technical Sub Committee**

The official language of the **International Division II Class Association** shall be English.

4. Jurisdiction

- 4.1. The DIVISION II Class Constitution, the Class Rules and other associated regulations are binding on all members.
- 4.2. To participate in Class Sanctioned Events, the DIVISION II owners and non-owners shall hold a valid membership of the Class Association and shall pay the required entry fees. Membership can be paid at Event registration.
- 4.3. DIVISION II label belongs to sailboard equipment that fully complies with Class Rules.

5. Membership

Membership is open to all people having an interest for the Division II sailboards. Any person may apply for membership and when accepted shall pay the subscription on an annual basis.

- 5.1. **“Owner” (Full) Member:** An individual, 18 years or age or older, who owns one (or more) Division II.

A Full Member is granted the following rights:

- to vote at an AGM and on matters affecting the Constitution or Measurements.
- to hold positions on Association Committees
- to organize a NCA, a Fleet and to be elected as a Captain of a fleet.
- to participate in Events organized by the Class Association

- 5.2. **Associate (Ordinary) Member:**

Any person who sails regularly on Division II sailboard, using someone else's equipment.

An Ordinary Member is granted the following rights:

- to participate in Events organized by the Class Association
- to vote at an AGM but not on matters affecting the Constitution or Measurements

5.3. Junior Member: Individuals under 18 years of age

A Junior Member is granted the following rights:

- to participate in Events organized by the Class Association
- to be elected a fleet captain .

5.4. Corporate Member

- Architect, builder, shaper, sail maker and equipment manufacturer interested in the Division II Class

5.5. Supportive Member

- ID2CA supporting sailors, friends or relatives
 - Supporting sailors can participate to local, regional regattas
 - Cannot vote at AGM
- Club or any other sporting organization or sponsor interested in the Division II Association

5.6. Honorary Member

An Honorary Member may be elected by resolution at an Annual General Meeting.

Such Honorary Member shall have the privileges accorded to an Associate Member and, if he is an Owner of a registered DIVISION II, he shall have the privileges of a Full Member.

Membership fees are waived for Honorary Members

5.7. NCAs Membership

Any recognized NCA will have to pay a membership to ICA.

Amount of membership will be defined at AGM

5.8. Application for Membership.

An application shall be made in writing to the Secretary of the Association or the Secretary of the applicants NCA or online via IWA Website. The applicant shall state his name, address and qualification for Membership.

If applying for Full Membership, the applicant must include a detailed description of the DIVISION II board, the IBSA sticker number on the sailboard if available and the sail number.

Boards & sails that have already been measured and approved by IBSA, IYRU or another



International or National authority; or listed on the official equipment list of the Class Association will be considered as compliant. Unapproved or unlisted equipment will need to be evaluated, measured and certified by a Class Measurer.

The Secretary may grant the application for Membership subject to approval at the next meeting of the Executive Committee ("EC").

The Executive Committee has absolute discretion to approve or to refuse the application for Membership.

5.9. Cessation of Membership

Membership termination

- A Member can resign by writing to the Secretary of the Association.
- . Membership ceases if not renewed within 3 months of the renewal date

Disciplinary termination

The Class Association reserves the right to take disciplinary action including revocation or denial of Class Association membership:

- Should a member of the Class Association act in a manner that could bring the Class into disrepute
- Should a member's behaviour be incompatible with the Association's spirit of friendship and camaraderie
- A notice of such action shall be given to the member, and the member shall be given the opportunity to appear before the Executive Committee to respond
- Not less than 30 days notice shall be given of a hearing under this rule.
- Membership revocation requires a decision of the Executive Committee by a majority of not less than two thirds .

6. Annual Subscriptions, Funding and Fees

The International DIVISION II Class Association shall be supported by subscriptions, the amount to be determined at an Annual General Meeting.

Currency will be Euro.

The International Association will be funded by, but not limited to,

- Members' Subscriptions
- NCA's Subscriptions
- Registration Fees for Division II equipment
- Provision of Services to Members
- Profits on Publications
- Sanction Fees for International Events
- Sharing the Profits of International Events
- Sponsorship



Financial Year: The ICA's financial year shall end on **December 31st**

6.1. Subscriptions

- Memberships are payable to Association for each financial year.
- The amount of any change in the annual subscription shall be determined by EC and ratified by Members at the Annual General Meeting.

NCAs, if any, shall act as agent for the ICA for the collection of membership dues and shall transfer the funds to the International Office before December 31st.

NCA's shall report to the International Association the member's names, addresses and DIVISION II sail numbers (if any), of each Member for the year.

No later than one month prior to the Annual General Meeting, each National Secretary shall send an updated list of Members to the International Office.

7. Association Officers:

The following officers shall be appointed:

- *International President*
- *International Vice President Competition*
- *International Chief Measurer*
- *International Secretary*
- *International Treasurer*

7.1. International President

- Represents the Class Association.
- Review and certify the Association financial records before each AGM.
- Shall be chairman at meetings of the EC and at an AGM

7.2. The International Vice President

- Drives Competition Committee and coordinate with Event organizers
- Officiates in the absence of the President.

7.3. The International Chief Measurer

- Oversees all official measurement activities of the Class Association;
- Is responsible for the training of DIVISION II Measurers;
- Shall investigate any evidence of incorrectly completed Certificates;
- Will receive and review Rule interpretation requests and make recommendations;
(rule interpretations may be appealed to the full Technical Committee at any time , see 11.2)

7.4. The International Secretary

- Liaises with IWA officials (Secretary & Treasurer) during IWA membership by the Class Association (see #2.4)
- Holds responsibility for Secretarial functions outside of IWA Membership.



7.5. The International Treasurer

- Liaises with IWA officials (Secretary & Treasurer) during IWA membership by the Class Association (see #2.4)
- Holds responsibility for treasurer functions outside of IWA Membership.

8. Committees

There will an Executive Committee and at least one subcommittee, the Technical Committee.

8.1. The Executive Committee ("EC") will include:

- The 5 Association Officers
- The Media Representative
- The Representatives of NCA 's to a maximum of 5

EC is responsible for:

- The management of day-to-day business of the International Office.
- The assignment of sail numbers
- The registration of DIVISION II boards, in co-operation with NCAs

The EC :

- May delegate its powers to any one or more of its members, or co-opt any other Member, or create sub committees for specific tasks.
- Shall hold meetings upon giving not less than seven days notice in writing.

8.2. The Technical Sub Committee ("TC") :

- **The Chairman** and its members will be appointed by the EC
- The TC shall be limited to **four (4) members**, in addition to the Chief Measurer and International Secretary.

Purpose of the TC

- Shall consider from time to time all Class Measurement Rules, and other technical matters including rule interpretations
- Shall advise upon their revision and decide disputes referred to it.
- Shall give direction on how to prevent abuse of the rules,
- Shall put forward proposals for amendments to Class rules, building specifications and measurement forms.
- Shall be responsible for arranging and monitoring measurement checks at any officially sanctioned DIVISION II Events.

8.3. The International Office

- The International Office (**Headquarters**) shall be determined by the Association Committee and may be the most suitable to meet the requirements of the President.



- The Committee may meet to conduct Class Association business at any time, provided the meeting and agenda are announced to the Class Association membership at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled meeting date.

Formation of National Associations (NCA) and Fleet

8.4. National Associations

- **Ten (10)** or more Full Members of a Country may apply to the International Association Committee to form a National Association.
- The application shall be made in writing **to the International Secretary** stating the name and addresses of the **President**, the **Secretary** and **Treasurer** of the proposed Association, if any.
- The International Secretary shall place the application before the next meeting of the EC .
- The NCA Constitution will provide for control by its members, and must comply with the Constitution of the ICA.
- a NCA Constitution shall contain the following provisions, which cannot be amended without amendment of this Constitution:
 - Provision in Rule 8.6 relating to the National Committee and its powers.
 - The calling of an Annual National General Meeting, at least once per year.
 - A requirement to elect annually a **National President** and a **Secretary** at its AGM .
 - A requirement to vote and set subscription fees during the AGM or by Postal ballot.
 - A requirement for 14 days written notice containing the Agenda of such Meeting.

8.5. National Committee

Each NCA shall elect a **Management Committee** that will consist of:

- *National President*
- *National Secretary*
- *Fleet Captains*

8.5.1. Power & Duties : Collection and payment to the International Class Association of Member's Subscriptions, Royalties, and Registration Fees

- Appointment of National Class Measurers and maintenance of measurement templates
- Co-ordination with the International Office for issue of measurement Certificates
- Issuance of sails numbers, maintenance of Division II registry, qualification of equipment, etc.
- Selection and regulation of fleets
- Organization of ballots of the Members and reporting the results to the Association.

8.5.2. Return of Information: Every National Committee shall make the following returns to the International Office:

- Annually on the due dates, the return of information required in Rule 13
- Within one (1) month following the National AGM:
 - Agenda and minutes of the National AGM
 - Names and addresses of the elected National President and Secretary,
 - Updated list of fleets with Captains names and addresses
 - List of measurers authorised by NCA for ratification by the International Measure
 - Results of the National Championship,

- Copy of the annual accounts and a note of the national subscription.

Failure to make such returns of information may be treated by the ICA as grounds for reducing or denying an allocation of places at International Class Championships or, for recommending dissolution of NCA .

8.5.3. Dissolution

A National Association may be dissolved by the EC in the event the NCA fails to participate in two (2) consecutive AGM's, or whose membership falls **below Ten (10)** boards at the time of an AGM.

9. The Fleet

Five (05) or more Members may apply to their National Association or, if they have none, to the International Association to form a Fleet.

The application shall be made in writing to the Secretary, stating the proposed locality of Fleet, the registered numbers of the DIVISION II forming it and the names of their owners.

The Secretary shall place the application before the next Meeting of the Committee who shall, in their discretion, grant or reject the application.

Members of the fleet shall hold a meeting once a year when they shall elect a Fleet Captain and such other Officers, as they deem necessary. Not less than 14 days notice of the meeting shall be given in writing and notice of the election of the Fleet Captain shall be given immediately to the International Secretary.

Fleet Members and Captains must have valid DIVISION II memberships at the time of the constitution of their fleet.

There cannot be more than one fleet per sailing club.

The EC may dissolve a fleet where the number of DIVISION II falls below Five (05).

Fleet Captains, or their appointed deputies, shall be entitled to attend and vote at meetings of their National Committee.

10. International Annual General Meeting (AGM)

10.1. Initial AGM

- This Section 10.1 shall remain valid only from creation of the Association until the first AGM.
- The first AGM will be held before the 1st January 2016
- If possible, 1st AGM will be held in parallel with a recognized ICA Division II competition.
- The International Secretary will provide date and place of meeting

10.2. Annual General Meetings

- An AGM (except the initial AGM, per 10.1.) will be conducted each year in conjunction with the largest officially sanctioned DIVISION II event occurring during that year, but not less



than six months after the preceding AGM.

- The International Association at its previous Annual General Meeting shall decide the venue, but in default the International President in consultation with EC shall determine the venue.
- The Agenda of AGM, including all items to be voted upon will be posted on the International Association web site not less than one month before the Meeting.
- The International Secretary shall send written notice of the date and venue of the meeting to all NCA & Fleet Secretaries, and to individual Members, not less than two months before the meeting.
- NCA & Fleet secretaries shall ensure that the notice is brought to the attention of their members
- The International Secretary shall establish a list of members eligible to vote.
- Attendance via electronic means is permissible.
- The meeting shall be open to the public unless the Members present decide to discuss a specific item in private.
- A quorum shall be declared upon the attendance of at least 60% of the EC
- If a quorum exists at roll call, it exists throughout the meeting.
- If a quorum is not present, voting will be conducted by email ballot sent to all Members within two weeks after the AGM, and the outcome of such voting shall be determined by a majority of votes received at the Class Association office within 30 days of the date of notification.
- Any Member or NCA or Fleet may submit agenda items to the secretary no later than thirty (40) days prior to the date of the AGM..

10.3. Decisions of the Meeting

Decisions shall be by a simple majority of Members attending and voting (or by postal ballot), , except for those matters, which the Constitution requires to be decided by Owner Members only. Simple majority will be 50% of Approved (YES) votes from total votes in the room, +1 .

10.4. Limitation of Authority

A General Meeting of the International Association shall not be competent to make alterations to the Constitution or the Measurement Rules, except that minor changes of the Measurement Rules may be made in accordance with Rule A 11.3

10.5. Chairman

The International President shall be the Chairman of the Meeting.

In his absence or at his request, the Vice President will chair the AG

11. Alteration to the Constitution, Class Rules or to Design

Proposals for changes to the Constitution, Class Rules or Design may only be addressed during an AGM. Two other members must second a proposal made by a member, at least two of which must be from different national Fleets or NCAs

11.1. Alteration of the Constitution

Proposals to alter the Constitution may be made:

- By Members attending an Annual General Meeting, or

- By Five (5) National Associations, or
- By the Association Executive Committee (EC)

Proposals shall be put to a postal ballot in accordance with Rules set in Section 13.0.

Any change to the Class Constitution shall require a two-thirds majority of the votes received by all full “Owner” Members. No ballot may be held within three years of a previous ballot on the same or a substantially similar proposal, except with the approval of the EC.

11.2. Interpretation of Rules

Interpretation of rules may be appealed to the EC at any time.

Such appeal shall be promptly scheduled and reviewed by the EC, in accordance with rules set in Section 8.2

All Interpretations shall be published to the Class website and shall be subject to a 30 day comment and appeal period after they are published and before they shall become binding.

If an Interpretation is appealed after 30 days and is overturned, actual work carried out based upon such interpretation shall be subject to Section 11.5. The waiting period shall not apply to Interpretations that have been decided by majority vote of the EC.

Extenuating circumstances may be taken into consideration for Class Rules or a restriction if the wording requires interpretation and no deliberate attempt to gain an unfair advantage has been practiced. Precedent and the established policy of the Association shall be taken into consideration in interpreting any rule or regulation of obscure meaning or items not covered at all.

11.3. Alteration to the Measurement Rules

Proposal to alter measurement rules shall be made in accordance with Rules set in Section 11.4

Minor changes and permitted **Temporary Measurement Rules** may also be made by an International Annual General Meeting of the Association provided that written notice containing the full text of the proposal is sent to all Members with the Agenda of the Meeting.

Minor changes are defined as those which clarify or prevent abuses of the Rules, or maintain the rules objective..

Temporary Rules made under the provisions of the Measurement Rules may be made or modified in accordance with the procedures for Minor changes, subject to any rules governing their duration.

Any change to the Class Rules not addressed in Section 11.4 shall require a two-thirds majority vote by the EC members in attendance.

11.4. Changes to the Design of Open Division 2 sailboards

Definition: A Change to the design is defined as any rule change that would alter the original and existing plan set by IBSA and IYRU or is outside the allowable variance from the plan set.



- Proposal Changes to the Design must be submitted to the Secretary, along with supporting documentation.
- The Secretary shall provide all proposed changes and supporting documentation, to the Technical Committee for consideration.
- Upon approval by the Technical Committee, changes to the design shall be submitted to the EC for consideration.
- Upon approval of the EC, all changes to the design must receive a three-quarter majority vote by **all** full members. A quorum of 70 % (seventy percent) of all full members' participation to the vote is required to validate the ballot
- Upon acceptance, the proposal of changes will be submitted to W.S. for final decision (assuming Division II is an WS Class again).
- Upon approval by W.S for Change in the Design, the Technical Committee shall be responsible for updating the specifications, to reflect the new changes to the design.

11.5. **Alterations of Other Rules**

If Rule or Design changes occur, or Interpretations are overturned after the waiting period of 30 days, that prohibit a feature of any existing board's Hull or Rig, the prohibited feature(s) may be retained ("grandfathered").

The prohibited feature(s) shall be documented on the Measurement Certificate, and their non-compliance can never be challenged

Changes of the Championship Rules shall be made in accordance with the procedure for minor rule changes in Rule 11.3

12. Elections – Rights of vote

12.1. **Elections of Association Officers**

At creation of Association, the **International President, Vice President, Chief Measurer, Secretary and Treasurer offices** will be elected among themselves for an initial set up period of two years.

12.2. **Term Limits**

After the initial set up period, all Officers will be elected to a term of two years.

They shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in any specific role

President and Secretary will be elected in years of even numbers, other officers in years of odd numbers

12.3. **Election Procedure**

- A nominee must be presented by his (her) NCA or Fleet (when there is no NCA).
- A nomination may only be submitted by any full member having at least two (2) years membership completed.
- Each full member may submit in writing to the Secretary one nomination for each position, no later than 60 days prior to the AGM. A minimum of three (3) nominations is required for inclusion on the ballot.
- An NCA or Fleet shall nominate candidates for election in writing. Such nominations shall



be received by the International Secretary not less than one calendar month before the published date of the AGM in the year of election. If there is more than one candidate for any office, then the International Secretary shall hold a postal ballot to be held amongst all Members of the Association in accordance with Rule A-13.0.

- Working knowledge of English is required to be eligible at International office

12.4 Vacancies

The EC may appoint a Member to temporarily fill a vacancy until a new officer is elected in accordance with Rules 12.1.

12.5 Voting

- A member of the EC may choose to submit their vote by proxy through another EC member.
- Each full Owner's member is entitled to one (1) vote for each position.
- Election results shall be announced at the conclusion of the AGM

13. Ballots

Ballots are required for election of International Officers under Rule 12.3 and for changes to this Constitution and Measurement Rules, except as provided by Rule 11.3 and to Championship Rule 11.5

13.1. Notice and Organization of Ballot

Notice of the ballot to be held shall be sent by the International Secretary to all NCA Secretaries, Fleet and individual members not less than two months before the date of the close of the ballot.

NCA Secretaries shall organize the ballot within their jurisdiction at the expense of their NCA. The notice of the ballot shall state:

- The matter to be determined,
- Whether all Members or only Full Members (limited to one vote per -Member) are entitled to vote
- The date by which National Secretaries shall send ballot papers to their Members, which shall not be less than one month before the close of the ballot.

13.2. Return of Ballots

Members shall return ballot papers to their NCA Secretaries or to the International Secretary. The NCA Secretary shall record the votes cast, and shall send a copy of this record to the International Office not later than two weeks after the date of the ballot.

13.3. Record of Results

Not less than two Members of the EC shall record the result of each NCA ballot, and those ballot papers returned to the International Secretary by individual Members.

A Member of the EC who is a candidate in an election to be determined by ballot shall not take part in the tabulation of the results. The votes cast in total and by each NCA shall be recorded in the Minutes of the Meetings of the International Association and sent to all NCA Secretaries.



NCA Secretaries (or the International Secretary where appropriate) shall give the result of the ballot to Members within their jurisdiction.

13.4. Custody of Ballot Papers

The Ballot papers shall be retained in safe custody for two years by NCA Secretaries and the International Secretary and shall be produced to the EC, if it so requires.

13.5. Invalid Ballot

Failure by any NCA Secretary to organize a ballot in his jurisdiction in accordance with this Rule shall not invalidate the Ballot, unless in the opinion of the EC half the Members of the International Association have been disenfranchised by such failures. In these circumstances EC shall decide whether to organize a further ballot, and in which countries it shall be held, or to refer the matter to the next International General Meeting.

14. Interpretation

14.1. Where there is a discrepancy between versions of these Rules in different languages the English language version shall prevail.

14.2. Throughout this and all other documents of the International Association, words implying one gender include all other genders.

14.3. This Constitution is subject to changes during the initial set up period