

Dear Presidents,

First I would personally like to thank all members of the Technical Committee (TC) for their contributions and support.

The period since New Zealand has been one of challenge. Our measurement guidelines were updated to bring into effect our new three page measurement certificate and to highlight points around Rule 8, mainly the 2.3m & .75m from centerline rules as there appeared uncertainty from some areas as to how this rule should be looked at.

A national measurers' database was put in place so any relevant information could be forwarded to measurers as it came to hand. Disappointedly requests to measurers who have acted as equipment inspectors at major regattas to provide feedback on any issues faced at these events remain unanswered.

Three builders requested clarification on rules around rudders and centerboards and a number of countries have requested advise on various rule and constitution issues, which hopefully we have assisted with.

The major issues faced over the period for the TC was driven by one particular builder who had his own slant on our rules and did all he could to push his point. His emails and thinly veiled threats of further action against the class and comments regarding the TC and me personally were extremely disappointing. He placed his concerns before ISAF who agreed 100% with the TC findings and was advised accordingly. He has since used the social media to further discredit our findings and cause disruption.

The role of the TC is up for discussion as a separate agenda item. I believe it serves a valuable purpose to the class and should continue in either its present format or one decided on by IACA and the country presidents.

Regards

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