

Irish Sailing Association

Nomination and Selection Procedure

for the

2017 Youth Sailing World Championships

1. Objective

- 1.1 The objective of this Nomination and Selection Procedure document is to set out the criteria by which the Olympic Steering Group (“OSG”) will recommend to the board of the Irish Sailing Association (“ISA”) the members of the Irish team for the 2017 ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship to be held from 9 to 16 December 2017 at Sanya, Hainan Island, China (“the Championships”).

2. Other Definitions used in this Document

“Board” shall mean the board of the ISA

“Candidate” shall mean, in the case of a single-handed boat, the helm, and in the case of a double-handed boat each of the helm and crew, who are seeking nomination for a place on the Irish team for the Championships.

“Domestic Trials” shall mean regattas to be held in Ireland chosen by the OSG for deciding on recommendations for selection of Candidates for the Championships.

“Nomination” shall mean nomination by the OSG to the Board of those Candidates who meet the qualification standards set out below.

3. Candidates Eligibility

- 3.1 To be eligible for nomination Candidates must not reach their 19th birthday until after 31 December 2017.
- 3.2 Each Candidate must be a national of Ireland and must be eligible to compete for Ireland as per the Bye-law to Rule 42 of the Olympic Charter.
- 3.3 World Sailing eligibility according to World Sailing Regulation 19 is required of all Candidates.
- 3.4 Substitution of helms in the Domestic Trials will not be permitted under any circumstances. Crew substitutions will be permitted provided that any such substitutions shall, where possible, be approved in advance by the OSG but in all cases shall be approved in advance by the Academy Manager of the ISA.

4. Nomination Process

- 4.1 To be nominated for the Championships a Candidate in the 420 Boys, 420 Girls, Laser

Radial Boy or Laser Radial Girl must win their Domestic Trials and also prove their international competitiveness by finishing in the top 20% (see 8.1 below) at one of the relevant overseas events listed below (see 6.1 below).

- 4.2 There will be no Domestic Trials for Candidates in the 29er Class Boy and Girl, the Nacra 15 Open and the RSX Board Boy and Girl but the international competitiveness requirements will be the same as stated in 4.1.
- 4.3 In the event that the winner of a Domestic Trial does not achieve the international competitiveness standard then the nomination will revert to the highest placed Candidate in the Domestic Trial who has achieved the required international competitiveness standard.
- 4.4 The OSG shall make its recommendations to the Board based on the criteria above. The Board will not be obliged to accept the recommendations of the OSG and shall be under no obligation to make any nominations to the Championships if it so decides.

5. Domestic Trials

- 4.1 The Domestic Trials regattas shall be:
- Laser Radial Classes:**
Laser Radial Connaught Championship, 1/2 July 2017
Laser Radial Leinster Championship, 5/6 August 2017
- 420 Class:**
420 National Championship (Dates, venue TBC)
420 Regional Championship (Dates, venue TBC)

6. Overseas Events

- 6.1 The regattas to be used for international competitiveness purposes are:

Open 29er Class – To be confirmed upon request

Nacra 15 – To be confirmed upon request

RSX Windsurfer – To be confirmed upon request

International 420 Class

22-25 June 2017, Kiel Week, Germany

6-13 August 2017, 420 Junior European Championship, Riva Del Garda, Italy

Laser Radial Class

6-13 July 2017 – Laser Radial Youth European Championship, Gdynia, Poland

11-19 August 2017 – Laser Radial Youth World Championship, Medemblik, Holland

7. Domestic Trials Scoring

- 7.1 In deciding the winners of the Domestic Trials, the Candidate with the lowest aggregate placings from the official final results for each class for the two events shall be the winner. Non Candidates scores will be included when calculating the official final results. In the event that two or more Candidates finish with the same aggregate placings then the

Candidate who finishes best in the second Domestic Trial regatta shall be the winner.

- 7.2 The leading Candidate as decided above at the conclusion of both regattas in the Domestic Trials shall be nominated by the OSG if they have also proved their international competitiveness as set out in 4.1 above.

8. Overseas Events Scoring

- 8.1 At the selected overseas events the calculation of the top 20% overall placing will be made only counting the overall finishing position sailors who are eligible for each Candidate's Championships discipline.

- 8.2 The calculation of a Candidate's finishing position shall be made to one decimal point and rounded to the nearest whole number, with five or more tenths being rounded up.

9. Appeals

- 9.1 Any appeal under this Nominations Procedure shall be made in writing in the first instance to the OSG with further recourse being available to the ISA Tribunal.