

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022**  
**Saturday, 19 November 2022**

According to the IM24CA Constitution, motions, amendments and nominations for the AGM shall be proposed only by the Executive Committee, NCA's, the Technical Committee and World Sailing and must reach the [International Secretary](#) not less than eight (8) weeks before the officially announced date of the meeting. Only the motions, amendments and nominations on the Agenda and its attachment/s shall be voted upon. The Chairman may, in exceptional circumstances, accept amendments from the floor of the AGM when, in his opinion, this will assist the resolution of issues on which the World Council have had an opportunity to express their views. Deadline for the submissions for the 2022 AGM is **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022**. To allow this process to function smoothly, the each Submission should adhere to the following guidelines:

- The Submission shall clearly state the current position along with the proposal for a change (clearly stating the rule) and the rationale behind this change.
- The Submission should be written to relate to any IM24CA documents or topics as listed below.
- Wherever possible, each submission should contain wording for the proposed new rules.
- Reason for the motion
- Technical items the tech staff can work on during the year should not be sent as an Submission

<b>Nominating Body</b> <i>Exec Comm, NCA, Tech Comm</i>	U.S. Melges 24 Class Association
<b>Name and Surname</b>	Joy Dunigan
<b>Position in Nominating Body</b>	Class Administrator / Communications Officer
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<b>Title of the motion, amendment, nomination</b>	Weed Sticks

**Topics concerned**

	Constitution		Events
<b>X</b>	Class Rules		Technical issues
	Regatta Regulations		General policies
	Nomination		

<b>Proposal</b> <i>You can widen this box if needed</i>	C.5.1 (b) EQUIPMENT, FOR USE, OPTIONAL – To allow Weed Removal Sticks as additional equipment, for the purpose of removing seaweed or debris off the rudder. A “Weed Stick” would be a device for manual use that includes a rod and scraper of optional shape and design, fixed to the end of the rod, that may engage the front and sides of the rudder, being manually slid down by pushing the rod into the water, so that the scraper catches the weed or debris and pushes it off of the rudder.
<b>Reason</b>	Seaweed or debris caught on the rudder can drastically affect the boat’s performance and regatta outcome. Although the boats are equipped with a Kelp-Cutting to assist with removal of weed and debris that may tangle on the keel, there is no accommodation for removal of weed from the rudder. It seems only sensible that if a weed removal devise is allowed for the keel, that weed removal devise be allowed for the rudder as well.