

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024**  
**Saturday, 16 November 2024**

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 – *the deadline has been postponed by one (1) week this year*. 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 in the resolution of issues on which the World Council have had an opportunity to express its views.

The deadline for the submissions for the 2024 AGM is **September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. To allow this process to function smoothly, 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 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 a Submission.

**Nominating Body**

*Exec Comm, NCA, Tech Comm*

Melges 24 Italian National Class

**Name and Surname**

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**Position in Nominating Body**

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**Title of the motion, amendment, nomination**

**B.2 CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP point B.2.2 removal**

**Topics concerned**

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

**Proposal**

*You can widen this box if needed*

The Italian Class would like to propose to remove the B.2.2. rule - *When required by the Notice of Race, any crew member competing in a Melges 24 event that has been categorized as a Group 3 sailor must be a current full member of their NCA or, where there is no NCA in their country, a member of ICA or an NCA nominated by ICA.*

**Reason**

The rationale for proposing the removal of the Class B.2.2 rule stems from the challenges faced by numerous Italian and non-Italian crews in paying the additional fee required for participation in the World and European Championships. For instance, only six Italian boats are present at the European Championship in Split. Furthermore, it is important to note that Group 3 includes not only sailors but also professionals working in the maritime sector, who may not necessarily be competitive sailors. Ultimately, we believe that to restore the class to its previous participation levels, it is essential to eliminate such limitations.

Should the removal of the rule and the consequent obligation to pay the €100 association fee for each Group 3 member to the international class not be feasible, an alternative could be to allow each class to determine its own fee, potentially setting it at €0.