

IRC Congress - 2021

IRC RULE

Submission – To allow boats to hold one additional valid certificate for an alternate configuration

A submission from Australian Sailing

Proposal & Recommendations

Amend IRC Rule 8.2

A **boat** shall hold a current IRC certificate valid in the country in which it is *racing*. A **boat** shall not hold more than one valid IRC rating certificate at any time except as permitted by Rules 8.2.1 ~~and~~, 8.2.2 and 8.2.4.

Add IRC Rule 8.2.4

8.2.4

A **boat** may have one additional certificate allowing an alternate configuration. The certificate in use shall be declared to the Organising Authority prior to the commencement of the race.

Current Position

IRC Rule 8.2

A **boat** shall hold a current IRC certificate valid in the country in which it is *racing*. A **boat** shall not hold more than one valid IRC rating certificate at any time except as permitted by Rules 8.2.1 and 8.2.2.

Reason for Proposal

This amendment and addition are proposed to allow fully-crewed boats to alter their configuration between Offshore and Inshore / Regatta racing without having to apply to RORC for an Amendment each time.

An alternative which could be considered is a boat can have two IRC certificates registered with the Rule Authority. The boat shall advise the Rule Authority prior to racing which IRC configuration they are competing under. The Rule Authority can authorise the alternative configuration upon request, without applying to RORC for an Amendment. This will allow more rapid transition from inshore to offshore configurations (or vice versa) when events are held in succession.