

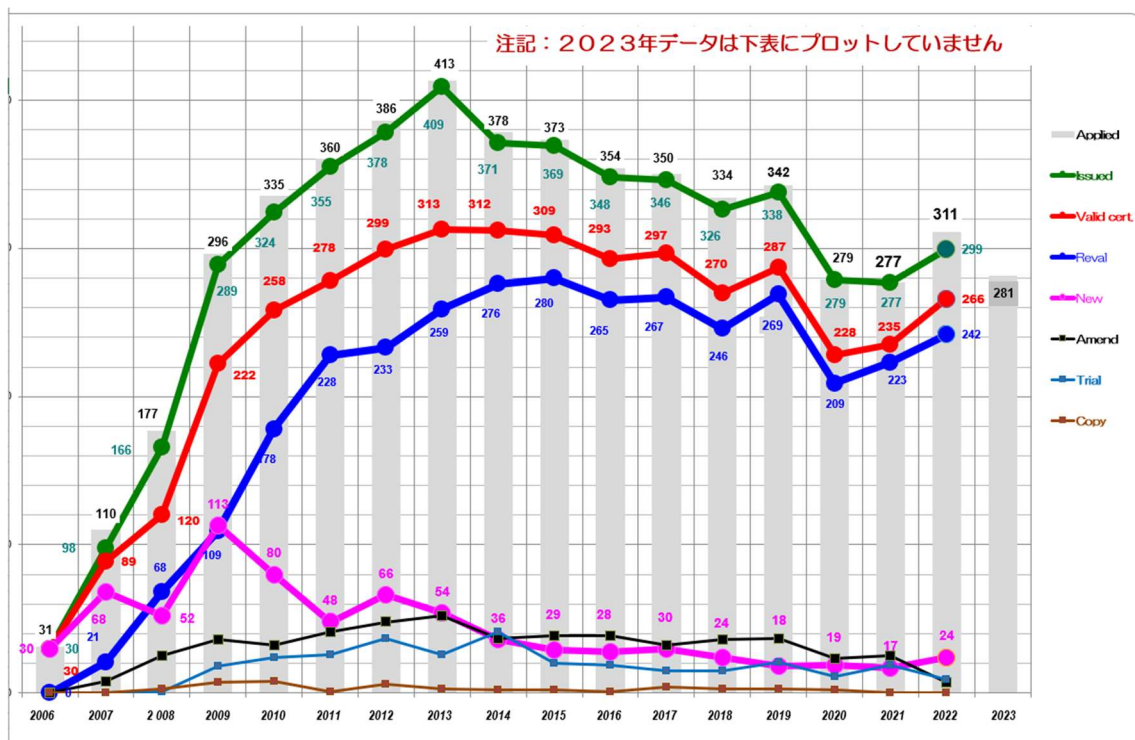
Japan Rule Authority Report to the IRC Congress 2023

- Valid IRC certificates at the end of 2022: **266** (+31 from 2021)
- Valid IRC certificates as of 31/08/2023: **245** (+3 from 2022)
- New applications as of 31/08/2023 : **19 (8%)** (-1 from 2022)
- Re-validations as of 31/08/2023: **226** (+4 from 2022)
- Endorsed certificates as of 31/08/2023: **142 (58%)** (+9 from 2022)

Comments:

While the pandemic still affects the sailing activities in Japan, sailors get used to it and sailing events are held in the same way as before. Unfortunately, some yacht owners gave up racing and sold their boats, this makes the size of racing fleet became somewhat smaller now. It looks shorthand racing is getting popular slowly.

There is no issue regarding 2023 IRC rules and its applying process.



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