



ROWING CANADA AVIRON
Semi-Annual Meeting
Calgary, Alberta
January 27, 2019

TO: RCA MEMBERS
FROM: RCA SECRETARY
SUBJECT: BYLAW AMENDMENTS - MOTIONS FOR RATIFICATION

By-Law Amendment – Paragraph 1.1

Para 1.1 Definitions: Good Standing

- In prior years, members were required to sign their declaration form and the forms were collected via email, fax or post. To simplify this process and improve records management, an online system for collecting the forms was created.

As a result, in accordance with Section 25 of the CARA Bylaws, the RCA Board of Directors has by Special Resolution passed the following motion that changes Paragraph 1.1, and this motion is provided for ratification by the RCA membership at the 2019 Semi-Annual Meeting:

MOTION: [Para 1.1 Definitions: Good Standing](#)

Moved: [Ian Gordon](#) **Seconded:** [Tom Hawker](#)

[That, Para 1.1 Definitions Good Standing, of the CARA By-Laws be amended,](#)

from:

1.1 Definitions “Good Standing”

“Good Standing” – shall mean a member of CARA:

- a. whose membership dues and any debts to CARA are not overdue;
- b. who is not subject to a disciplinary investigation or action by the Corporation;
- c. who has fulfilled all terms and conditions of any disciplinary action to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors; and
- d. who has signed an annual declaration that it has collected and remitted the required Participation Fees for all its participants in accordance with paragraph 7.5.

to

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- c. who has fulfilled all terms and conditions of any disciplinary action to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors; and
- d. who has ~~signed~~ **executed** an annual declaration **form confirming** that it has collected and remitted the required Participation Fees for all its participants in accordance with paragraph 7.5.

CARRIED

Para 7.5 Submission of Participation Fees and Annual Declaration

- Changes to the language in the By-laws were required regarding the signature on the declaration form.

As a result, in accordance with Section 25 of the CARA Bylaws, the RCA Board of Directors has by Special Resolution passed the following motion that changes Paragraph 7.5 and this motion is provided for ratification by the RCA membership at the 2019 Semi-Annual Meeting:

MOTION: 7.5 Submission of Participation Fees and Annual Declaration

Moved: Tom Hawker Seconded: Ian Gordon

That Para 7.5 Submission of Participation Fees and Annual Declaration of the RCA By-laws be amended

from:

7.5 Submission of Participation Fees and Annual Declaration

Members are responsible for the collection and submission of Fees payable by their Registered Participants as established under Section 8. Members shall be required to sign an annual declaration that they have collected and remitted the required Participation Fees for all their participants.

to:

Members are responsible for the collection and submission of Fees payable by their Registered Participants as established under Section 8. Members shall be required to ~~sign~~ **execute** an annual declaration **form confirming** that they have collected and remitted the required Participation Fees for all their participants.

CARRIED

By-Law Amendment – Paragraph 20.2 Rules of Racing

It was noted that an amendment to the RCA Rules of Racing, *Para 1.10 Amendments to the Rules of Racing* (noted below), as approved by the members at the 2018 RCA Semi-Annual Meeting, was inconsistent with the CARA By-laws: *Para 20.2 Amendments to the Rules of Racing*.

(RCA Rules of Racing, Para 1.10. Amendments to the Rules of Racing

The Rules of Racing, including Appendices may be amended once during the quadrennial following the Summer Olympic Games. In addition, if required for reasons of safety and fairness, extraordinary amendments may be made by the RCA Board of Directors, subject to approval by RCA Members at the next meeting of the Membership.)

As a result, in accordance with Section 25 of the CARA Bylaws, the RCA Board of Directors has by Special Resolution passed the following motion that changes Paragraph 20.2 and this motion is provided for ratification by the RCA membership at the 2019 Semi-Annual Meeting:

MOTION: Para 20.2 Rules of Racing

Moved: Jennifer Walinga Seconded: Ian Gordon

That Para 20.2 of the RCA By-laws be amended

from:

20.1 Prescribed by the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors may, from time to time, prescribe such rules and regulations consistent with the by-laws relating to the management and operation of CARA and to the sanctioning of regattas and participation in events sanctioned in accordance with Section 21, including all rules relating to the registration of Registered Participants.

20.2 Rules of Racing

The above paragraph shall not apply to the RCA Rules of Racing which shall only be amended by Ordinary Resolution of the members at a Semi-Annual meeting of the members following a comprehensive review. The Board of Directors shall appoint a working group to conduct such a review every four years to take account of any changes made by FISA to its Rules of Racing in the year following the Olympic Summer Games. In cases of force majeure the Board of Directors may make an alteration to the Rules of Racing to take effect until the next Semi-Annual Meeting of members at which the alteration will be confirmed or changed.

to:

20.1 Prescribed by the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors may, from time to time, prescribe such rules and regulations consistent with the by-laws relating to the management and operation of CARA and to the sanctioning of regattas and participation in events sanctioned in accordance with Section 21, including all rules relating to the registration of Registered Participants.

20.2 Rules of Racing

Section 20.1 ~~The above paragraph~~ shall not apply to the RCA Rules of Racing, **including the Rules of Racing Appendices**, which shall only be amended **once during the quadrennial following the Summer Olympic Games** by Ordinary Resolution of the members at a Semi-Annual meeting of the members following a comprehensive review. The Board of Directors shall appoint a working group to conduct such a review every four years to take account of any changes made by FISA to its Rules of Racing in the year following the Summer Olympic Games. In cases of force majeure, **including but not limited to reasons of safety or fairness**, the Board of Directors may make an

alteration to the Rules of Racing to take **immediate full force and** effect until the next Meeting of members at which the alteration will be repealed, confirmed or ~~changed~~ amended.

CARRIED
