

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017
Saturday, 4 November 2017

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 ISAF 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 2017 AGM is **September 8th, 2017**. 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

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Title of the motion, amendment, nomination	Class Rule – permanent bow numbers

Topics concerned

	Constitution		Events
X	Class Rules		Technical issues
	Regatta Regulations		General policies
	Nomination		

Proposal <i>You can widen this box if needed</i>	<p>Add the following clause to class rule C.4.1:</p> <p>(a) The class specified permanent bow number graphic shall remain affixed to the port and starboard bow area for all class sanctioned events as detailed in the diagram contained in Section H.</p> <p>And insert the forthcoming diagram at the end of Section H.2</p>
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Reason

The move to permanent numbers eliminates the wasteful practice of single use numbers. Providing single use numbers at regattas, typically for competitors to apply, leads to many issues including inconsistent placement of numbers (even when placement diagrams are provided), poor surface preparation/application leading to many of the numbers peeling off (polluting the very environment we race in) and typically a complete lack of coordination with the boat's sail/hull number. Also, the cost for the throw away numbers must be borne by each event in increased regatta entry fees.

In addition to eliminating problems associated with single use numbers another benefit of the permanent numbers is improved class branding by providing a consistent and sharp looking graphic. Many other classes are adopting permanent bow numbers for these very reasons including the Melges 20, Melges 32 and Melges 40 among others.

The permanent bow numbers look sharp and professional and allow space below for optional Tour/Series identifiers/sponsors and behind for optional Event identifiers/sponsors.

Having numbers which match the boat's hull/sail number are also inherently safer when racing in the calling of crossings etc.