

Appendix UF Working Party 2021 Report

Introduction:

This WP was appointed in February with the task to produce an Appendix for Umpired Fleet Races (UF) for events other than Medal Races.

Current version of the UF was approved by Racing Rules Committee (RRC) in May.

Utilization:

This appendix was used in a lot of different events from very established, like the TP52 circuit, to new (either new to umpiring or with new formats) like the Star Sailors League or Swan Nations League.

At these events, Appendix UF is used in order to provide a good service to their sailors.

The variety of events using UF show us the importance of the umpired fleet racing on the modern one design world.

Reports:

Due to Covid situation, most of the events start their seasons a bit later and are extending it until the end of the year.

We believe that is why we only started to get reports from events very recently (late September or early October).

To cope with those reports we are setting up a system to analyse those feedbacks and to identify what are the most common questions.

Future:

Based on that and on our own personal experiences using it, we will be preparing a new version to be presented to the RRC with some developments already identified and others that can arise from the reports.

Resume:

We believe that the introduction of this appendix was very well received both by organisers and sailors.

It's being successfully used by all levels of events and it seems to be growing around the World.

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