WASZP INTERNATIONAL CLASS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

1. NAME, JURISDICTION & LANGUAGE

1.1. The official name of the class association is the **WASZP International Class Association** (**"WICA")**.

1.2. WICA is a non-profit sports association resident in Victoria, Australia.

1.3. The official language of the class and all its publications is English.

1.4. In this Constitution, the word "shall" is mandatory and the word "may" is permissive.

1.5. The Rights Holder is **McDougall Creations Pty Ltd,** a company registered in **Victoria** with registration number 77152753583, having its registered address at 11 / 91-95 Tulip St, Cheltenham 3192 Victoria, Australia (**"Rights Holder"**)

2. DEFINITIONS

Class means the WASZP class.

Class Association or **Association** means WICA.

Class Logo means the logo of WICA.

Class Rules means the WASZP Class Rules as published on the official class website.

Full Member means any paid-up NCA sanctioned by WICA in accordance with Appendix 1.

Individual Member means any paid-up individual resident in a country without an NCA.

NCA means WASZP National Class Association.

RaceHub means the online WASZP class, events, and community management system (www.racehub.waszp.com).

WICA means the WASZP International Class Association.

3. OBJECTIVES OF WICA

3.1. To encourage, promote and develop WASZP sailing and competition globally.

3.2. Maintain the strict one-design nature and design philosophy of WASZP.

3.3. Champion and protect the WASZP culture, aligning decision-making with the WASZP Core Values.

3.4. Organise International, Continental and World Championship events.

3.5. Manage class activities.

3.6. Represent the interests of WICA members.

3.7. Support the use and development of RaceHub as the central platform for event management and community engagement.

3.8. Support the 2026 WASZP Equipment Plan (Appendix 2) until its fulfilment or expiry.

4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1. WICA is an association of its Members, who shall either be Full or Individual Members.

4.2. Full Membership may be granted to a WICA-sanctioned NCA. Only WICA Full Members are entitled to vote as part of the General Assembly.

4.3. Except as set out in 4.4, WICA Individual Membership is a requirement for participation in any WASZP Tier 1, 2 or 3 competition. WICA Individual Membership will be granted to individuals who:

4.3.1. Are currently a member of a Full Member; by paying the Annual Sailor Membership fee

4.3.2. Are not represented by a Full Member (i.e. no WICA-sanctioned NCA in their country of residence); by paying the Annual Direct Membership fee

4.4. Sailors without WICA Individual Membership may be given the option to partipate in a single WASZP Teir 3 event by purchasing a T3 Event Pass which will be valid for that event only (and will not confir any other rights of membership to WICA or any right of membership to any NCA).

5. MEMBERSHIP FEES

5.1. The fees from the following sources will be set by the General Assembly (2027 fees are set out in brackets):

5.1.1. Annual Sailor Membership (ASM) fee (AUD65).

5.1.2. Annual Direct Membership fee (double the ASM fee).

5.1.3. T3 Event Pass (50% of the relevant Individual Membership fee)

5.1.4. A portion of all RaceHub payments made by WASZP sailors (1.9%).

5.2. Individual members of WICA shall be granted their associated rights for 365 days from the date of payment of their WICA Indivdual Membership fee.

6. ORGANISATION

6.1. WICA is governed by its Full Members through its General Assembly.

6.2. The General Assembly transmits the general management and day-to-day business of the Association to the Executive Committee, or other bodies as it deems fit.

6.3. The Executive Committee is responsible for all matters not delegated to other bodies by the General Assembly, except that decisions on the following items may only be made by the General Assembly:

6.3.1. amendments of the Constitution;

6.3.2. changes to the class rules;

6.3.3. termination of membership of an NCA;

6.3.4. amendments to or withdrawal from the World Sailing agreement.

6.4. WICA shall use RaceHub registration and entry payments for world and continental championships.

7. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, MEETINGS AND VOTES

7.1. The General Assembly shall consist of representatives (usually the Chair or President) of Full Members.

7.1.1. Each Full Member shall appoint a maximum of two representatives, which may change from time to time.

7.1.2. Two representatives from the same Full Member shall speak with one voice.

7.2. Ordinary meetings of the General Assembly shall be held annually between 31 December (financial year end) and 31 May, as decided by the Executive Committee, and may be held online.

7.3. An extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly shall be held within 60 days of receipt of a written request of at least one third of its Full Members, or at the request of the Executive Committee.

7.4. At any time, the Executive Committee may raise any issue with the General Assembly and, where a decision is required, may require a vote of the General Assembly, provided that the Executive Committee gives notice of the vote and sufficient details of the issue to be voted on at least 14 days in advance.

7.5. General Assembly meetings will be chaired by the Executive Committee Chair. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair will preside. In the absence of both the Chair and Vice Chair, the representatives present may elect an alternative by simple majority.

7.6. All meetings of the General Assembly shall be minuted. Minutes shall be published on the official class website within 14 days of the meeting.

7.7. The agenda for ordinary meetings of the General Assembly shall include:

7.7.1. Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting and any extraordinary meetings since the last ordinary meeting;

7.7.2. Submission of reports from the Executive Committee, including the Chair's report;

7.7.3. Submission of reports from the Rights Holder,

7.7.4. Submission of reports from the Rights Holder on progress against the 2026 WASZP Equipment Plan;

7.7.5. Presentation of Financial Statements, including the previous year's accounts and current budget;

7.7.6. Future events plan;

7.7.7. Submissions from Full Members and the Executive Committee;

7.7.8. Election of the Executive Committee Chair, where relevant;

7.7.9. Election of the Executive Committee, where relevant.

7.8. Votes may be cast in person or electronically.

7.9. Each Full Member has at least one vote. Alternatively, Full Members may submit their vote by email. Proxy mandates and email votes shall be received by the Executive Committee at least 48 hours before the scheduled date and time of the General Assembly or vote, as posted on the official class website, and shall be signed by the Chair and Secretary of the Full Member.

7.10. Full Member votes are allocated according to the following table. The number of active WASZP sailors will be ascertained from the WASZP Global Rankings on 31 December of the previous year. A Full Member with more than one vote may divide its votes.

Number of active WASZP sailors	Number of votes
<15	1
15-39	2
40-79	3
80-139	4
140+	5

7.11. The decisions of the General Assembly shall be made by a simple majority of votes cast. In the event of a tie in votes, the Chair of the Executive Committee shall have a casting vote for which 7.1.2 does not apply. However, decisions on the following items require a 2/3 (two-thirds) majority:

7.11.1. amendments of the Constitution;

7.11.2. changes to the Class Rules;

7.11.3. termination of membership of an NCA;

7.11.4. amendments to or withdrawal from the World Sailing agreement.

7.12 The Quorum of a General Assembly shall be delegates and email/proxy votes, together representing at least half of the Full Members.

7.13 At least 45 days' notice of a General Assembly shall be given by email. Such notice will include the initial agenda proposed by the Executive Committee, as well as the number of votes per Full Member.

7.14 Full Members shall inform the Executive Committee or, where appointed, the Class Manager, by email, at least 30 days before a meeting of the General Assembly of:

7.14.1 Any items, including submissions, that they wish to include in the agenda;

7.14.2 Where elections are to be held, the names of any nominated candidates.

7.15 The Executive Committee, or where appointed, the Class Manager, shall publish the full agenda, including any received nominations and submissions, no later than 15 days before the date of a General Assembly meeting.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

8.1. The Executive Committee shall report its activities to the General Assembly.

8.2. The Executive Committee shall be composed according to the following:

8.2.1. Table of numbers (excluding the Class Manager):

Stage of recognition status	Maximum number of Rights Holder representatives	Maximum number of other delegates
Where WASZP is not a World Sailing Class (as voted at a World Sailing Annual Conference)	3	5
Where WASZP is a World Sailing Class and prior to the first WICA Annual General Meeting as a World Sailing Class	3	5
From the first to the second Annual General Meeting as a World Sailing Class	2	6
From the second Annual General Meeting as a World Sailing Class	1	7

8.2.2. The Executive Committee shall include delegates from at least three continents.

8.2.3. Each Full Member may nominate a candidate for election.

8.2.4. The delegates, including the Chair, of the Executive Committee shall be elected by the General Assembly for a 4-year term, except where a candidate declares to stand for a 2-year term before the vote of the election. A delegate may stand for re-election at the end of their term.

8.2.5. The Chair of the Executive Committee shall be a Full Member representative.

8.2.6. The Rights Holder may nominate Rights Holder representatives in accordance with 8.2.1, who may vary from time to time.

8.2.7. The Executive Committee will appoint the following positions from its members: Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Youth Lead, and Women's Lead.

8.2.8. Where a vacancy arises, the Executive Committee may co-opt any candidate, subject to clause 8.2.2, until an election is held at the next general assembly.

8.2.9. In 2026, the delegate positions on the Executive Committee will be offered to the five largest WASZP nations by participation from the 2025 calendar year, with representatives from at least three continents.

8.3 Meetings of the Executive Committee may be held online. Votes may be cast in person or electronically.

8.4 At least five members are required for a quorum of the Executive Committee.

8.5 Decisions of the Executive Committee shall be made by a simple majority of votes, with each member having one vote. In the event of a tie in votes, the Chair of the meeting shall have a casting vote.

8.6 The Executive Committee may contract its duties to third parties.

8.7 Where authorisation to execute legal documents is granted by the General Assembly or the Constitution, the Chair of the Executive Committee shall be the signatory of WICA.

8.8 The Executive Committee may suspend or remove an NCA representative from the General Assembly for misconduct. The NCA may nominate a replacement representative.

8.8.1 Misconduct includes but is not limited to:

(a) Engaging in conduct that brings WICA, the sport, or its reputation into disrepute.

(b) Engaging in behaviour that is dishonest, offensive, abusive, threatening, discriminatory, or otherwise harmful to the interests of WICA and/or its sailors.

(c) Being charged with a criminal offence or being convicted of a criminal offence.

9. CLASS MANAGER

9.1. The Executive Committee may contract a WICA Class Manager for such time, at such remuneration, upon such conditions and responsibilities as it may think fit.

9.2. The Class Manager shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Committee.

10. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

10.1. The WICA Technical Committee shall consist of four to six voting members representing at least two continents, including:

10.1.1. The Class Manager, where appointed;

10.1.2. A Rights Holder representative; and

10.1.3. Appointees of the Executive Committee.

10.2. The Executive Committee shall appoint the Chair of the Technical Committee.

10.3. The Technical Committee shall act on specific mandates issued by the Executive Committee relating to race management, Class Rules, measurement and equipment inspection, and race officials. Unless otherwise specified by the Executive Committee in the mandate, the decision of the Technical Committee shall be binding.

10.4. Decisions of the Technical Committee shall be made by a simple majority of votes. In the event of a tie in votes, the Chair of the Technical Committee shall have a casting vote.

10.5. At least 50% of members are required for a quorum of the Technical Committee.

11. RIGHTS HOLDER

11.1. The Rights Holder may transfer any of its rights to a third party for a specified term by written notice to WICA.

11.2. The Rights Holder grants to the Class Association a non-exclusive, royalty-free, non-transferable licence to use the WASZP Logo for use in the Class Logo, Class marketing and Class events.

11.3. The Rights Holder may implement equipment changes and new equipment developments in line with the 2026 WASZP Equipment Plan.

11.4. The Rights Holder may submit proposals for equipment changes and new equipment developments to the Executive Committee for approval.

11.4.1. The Executive Committee may approve the changes by a three-fifths majority without a vote of the General Assembly. If the submission is not voted on within 60 days, it is assumed to be approved.

11.4.2. Where a change is not approved but at least half of the members vote in favour, the Executive Committee shall refer the change to a vote of the General Assembly.

11.5. Where testing is required, new or changed equipment shall be tested by sailors nominated by the Technical Committee.

11.6. The Rights Holder shall have the right to block WICA from entering sponsorship or partnership agreements with third parties that conflict with a WASZP manufacturer or any supplier associated with the manufacturer of the WASZP and its parts.

12. SPENT OR INOPERATIVE PROVISIONS

12.1. The Executive Committee may, without approval of the General Assembly, remove any provision from this constitution which:

12.1.1. has expired by reference to a specified date, time period, action or outcome; or

12.1.2. is no longer capable of operation or enforcement due solely to the passage of time or completion of its purpose.

12.2. The Executive Committee shall report any amendments made under this clause to the membership at the next meeting of the General Assembly, and shall circulate an updated version of the constitution accordingly.

13. DISSOLUTION

13.1. Dissolution of WICA shall take place by a resolution of the General Assembly, passed by a three-quarters majority of those voting.

13.2. Upon the dissolution of WICA and after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, any remaining property and net assets shall be transferred to a sailing charity voted for by the General Assembly.

14. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

14.1. Disputes arising between any of the Rights Holder, WICA or its Members:

14.1.1. until recognition as a World Sailing Class, will be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of Victoria, Australia.

14.1.2. upon recognition as a World Sailing Class, the rules and judicial bodies established by World Sailing will apply.

Appendix 1

Awarding, suspending or withdrawing NCA status

1. Awarding NCA Status

To be awarded the status of WASZP National Class Association, organisations shall:

1.1 Provide evidence of official recognition as a National Class Association from a World Sailing Member National Authority; or

1.2 Meet the following requirements in the preceding calendar year:

1.2.1 Have an elected committee that governs the Class in that country.

1.2.2 Have a minimum of 10 members who have participated in organised WASZP activity (usually indicated by the WASZP Global Rankings).

1.2.3 Hosted a minimum of three events in their country, including:

- A national championship (official or otherwise);
- A minimum of one training weekend.

1.2.4 Use RaceHub as its primary membership and event registration platform, unless otherwise agreed by the Executive Committee.

1.2.5 1.2.3 and 1.2.4 are not required for 2026.

2. Suspending or withdrawing NCA Status

The Executive Committee may make a recommendation to the General Assembly to suspend or withdraw WASZP National Class Association status:

2.1 Where neither condition 1.1 nor 1.2 is met in two out of three calendar years.

2.2 Where an NCA fails to list fee-paying events or memberships on RaceHub, or fails to settle its debts within a reasonable timeframe agreed by the Executive Committee;

2.3 Where the NCA engages in conduct that brings the WASZP International Class Association, the sport, or its reputation into disrepute.

2.4 Where the actions of the NCA do not sufficiently meet the WICA objectives.

3. Notice

Before the Executive Committee acts under condition 2 above, it shall give written notice to the NCA of the reasons for its intended actions and shall grant the NCA an opportunity to rectify and / or respond.

Appendix 2

2026 WASZP Equipment Plan

The table below sets out the major equipment changes planned by the Rights Holder.

Equipment Development	Description	Materials limitation	Price limitation % of new boat	Availability deadline
Adjustable wand	New wand assembly with adjustable lengths, capable of adjustment when stationary. No change above the wand gearing screw.		<2%	2027
Gantry fairing	Replacement gantry or casing affixed to existing gantry.		<6%	2028
V2 front foil	Improved efficiency front foil for earlier take off and better glide. Minimal top speed increase.	Aluminium sections with plastic tips	<11%	2029
Upgraded 8.2 sail	As required to match the performance characteristics of the v2 front foil.	X-ply	<10%	2030