SAILOR CATEGORIZATION CODE

Sailor Categorization Commission Annual Report
Thomas Rinda, Chairman

November 2019 Annual Conference Regulation 22 Name Change from Sailor Classification to Sailor Categorization

The following is a synopsis of significant actions during 2020:

- Sailor Classification/Categorization system was scheduled to be “shut down (on server) and replaced with a temporary system” through/ until 2021 when World Sailing will launch a new system. A timetable for this work remains unspecified.
- Online application automated process was suspended in June 2020. A new manual Application process is in place and is based on a manual form which is available online on the Sailor Classification web portal.
- Frequently Asked Questions (F.A.Q.’s) have been updated to reflect the Regulation changes from 2018 and 2019 Annual Conference will ultimately be published on Sailor ID Home Page. A link to the current regulation22 and the updated F.A.Q.’s is included in this online form.
- The programming is scheduled to be administered by Mr. Paul Deacon and programming will be accomplished by SOTIC. The reason for this is due to an ongoing large programming project that will move the archival function from our old server system of which we are the sole remaining client to a newer cloud based archive framework that SOTIC has adopted for all of their other clients and business network.
- Details of this temporary system and future program implementation remain forthcoming.

COVID 19 and Classification/Categorization

- Sailor ID applications for Classification/Categorization have been reduced to a mere fraction of their usual volume due to an almost total dearth of regatta and scheduled event activity that we are experiencing due to the worldwide lockdown of almost every country and region on the planet.
- In light of this situation, the changeover in Sailor ID Database programming timing is perhaps the one silver lining to an otherwise bleak situation we are currently operating under.
Pursuant to these developments, our intention is to have a full Commission meeting whenever practicable, hopefully in 2021 subject to travel and budget constraints. My hope is to remain as Chairman, subject to the consideration and approval of the incoming Board and President, to help implement this new programming and then step down upon the naming of my successor as Commission Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Rinda