

iFoil: The Beginning of a New Era?



At Starboard we are extremely excited to share the news that after the Sea Trials at Lake Garda, our Olympic Tender proposal the [iFoil](#) has been officially recommended by the Paris 2024 Windsurfer Evaluation Working Party of World Sailing. To quickly find out more about the details of our Olympic proposal you can [watch our explanatory video here](#). If you like our proposal and want to help to change the future of Olympic Windsurfing, modernise the sport we all love and make it more exciting for spectators and competitors alike, you can share this newsletter with friends and family or also voice your opinion online.

[Watch our Proposal Video Now](#)



20 Sailors from 18 nations were invited by World Sailing to conduct an Equipment Trial of the 5 proposed Olympic tenders for 2024. Amidst 3 foiling and 2 planing tenders, Starboard's iFoil proposal convinced not only the sailors with its performance on the water but also the working group who was evaluating the equipment based on factors such as:

- An affordable package option for all MNA's
- Competition in different formats from 5 knots to 35 knots
- Easy transport to competitions and training venues
- Proven quality products and supply chain management
- Support for emerging nations
- Equipment that will reward skill and tactical knowledge
- Youth appeal and complement to the existing pathways

- Supports a unique signature event that will attract media coverage with the possibility of dynamic formats and short competition timelines
- Impressive sustainability program in place today and a future commitment to our oceans.

Our iFoil Proposal:

iFoil - Description

The Starboard iFoil offers One Design equipment where most components are the same for both genders. The proposed equipment presents different rig size, (sail and mast) for different genders.

The equipment was developed to accommodate men from 65kg to 85kg and women from 55kg to 70kg.



The board is lighter and more compact than the current Olympic equipment. All the equipment fits in two bags that can be brought to regattas or training venues as passenger's excess baggage.

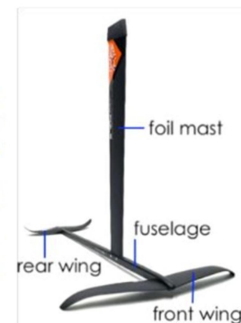
At an event a sailor will register:

- one Board,
- one Foil,
- one Fin,
- one Sail, Women = 8m², Men = 9m²
- one Mast,
- one Boom.

The foil package is composed of:

- one foil mast,
- two fuselages,
- one front and rear wings.
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The two fuselage lengths are used to accommodate a wider range of physiques in a wider range of wind and sea state conditions. The option to replace the foil with a fin offers an alternative for extreme sailing conditions.



The iFoil Boards

Fin or foil, from 5 knots to 35 knots, the iFoil package delivers the ultimate in windsurfing racing performance with just one board, one foil, one fin, one sail. To find out all the details about our iFoil concept and the proposal including pricing structure, racing formats, youth pathways and sustainability you can read the [full proposal here](#).



The iFoil Boards at a Glance

iFOIL 95: Our most high-performance 100% foil racing board that is capable of upwind/downwind racing on a fin if the conditions get really tough.

iFOIL 95 Youth: Our youth model is based on the iFoil95 but has a more durable construction and is now even more affordable.

THE FIN

Starboard Drake Race.

THE FOIL

Starboard Foil's Race foil – the reigning double World-Champion PWA Racing Foil with a proven two year track record, supplied with an additional 95cm fuselage to enable exciting racing formats that include GPS, Point-to-point

THE SAIL

Men: Severne HGO (Hyper Glide Olympic) 9.0 m2

Women and youth: HGO 8.0m2

[Head to our Webpage to explore the iFoil.](#)



"The iFoil boards are just amazing. With one board, one foil, two fuselages, one rig and one fin you can cover 5 to 35 knots - no matter the sea conditions - you will race! "

Starboard R&D Team

Foiling: The Silent Revolution



At Starboard we are extremely excited about the prospect of having foiling at the Olympics. We believe that the biggest evolution and progression in windsurfing of the last years has been in developing this new equipment allowing us to showcase the excitement of our sport even in very light winds. A great team effort has gone into the development of our proposal and we would like to thank everyone who has believed in foiling for the Olympics so far. The next step will be that the Equipment Committee will review the recommendation at the Annual Conference in Bermuda and then make their own to World Sailing's Council, who will make a decision on the equipment that will be adopted in Paris 2024 and hereafter. We hope that with a continued team effort we will be able to climb this last hurdle and make foil windsurfing an Olympic discipline.

Message from Svein Rasmussen:

"Thanks to World Sailing for organizing a very well executed Sea trials at Garda. All 3 foil tenders worked together, Formula Foil limited, Windfoil and iFoil. It's all about creating more fun and engagement in the racing scene and it was amazing to see how foiling was delivering in very light winds. Special thanks to Blanca Alabau, Remi Vila and Gonzalo Costa Hoevel on their iFoil support. Antonio Cozzolino, Dorian van Rijsselberghe, Aaron McIntosh and Kieran Badloe on Windfoil, and Ceri Williams on Formula foil limited."