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UIM to follow IOC position for participation of Athletes holding Russian or Belarusian Passport

At their first meeting of the year 2024, held in Amsterdam, the UIM Council decided to follow the guidance of the International Olympic Committee and adopted the same criteria to govern the participation of Russian and Belarusian Athletes in international Powerboating Events as decided by the IOC Executive Board on 8th Dec. 2023 to apply for participation in the Olympic Games in Paris 2024.

Drivers holding a Russian or Belarusian passport may apply to the UIM for participating as *Individual Neutral Athletes ("AIN's")* in international powerboating events organized under the auspices of the Union Internationale Motonautique.

Teams of athletes with a Russian or Belarusian Passport shall not be considered. Athletes who actively support the war and/or who are contracted to the Russian or Belarusian military or national security agencies will not be entered. The same conditions apply for support personnel, holding a Russian or Belarusian passport.

The sanctions against those responsible for the war, the Russian and Belarusian states and governments, remain in place for all UIM recognized Events. This means, in particular, that **no flag, anthem, colours or any other identifications whatsoever of Russia** or Belarus **will be displayed at UIM Events in any official venue or any official function, and no Russian** or Belarusian **government or state officials will be invited to or accredited for UIM Events**.

The sanction remains in place to ban all Officials holding a Russian or Belarusian passport from being involved in any UIM competitions until further notice.

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About the Union Internationale Motonautique. The UIM is the world governing body for all Powerboating activities. It is fully recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), and it is a member of the Association of the IOC Recognized International Sports Federations (ARISF), for which UIM President, Dr. Raffaele Chiulli also serves as President (ARISF). The UIM has 65 affiliated National Federations. Circuit, Offshore, Pleasure Navigation, Aquabike and MotoSurf are the main disciplines. The UIM has signed a Cooperation Agreement with the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) to further its range of environmental initiatives, share expertise and work together for "greening" the Sport