

BY-LAWS OF REGION 10 A.P.B.A.

Approved by A P B.A. Council

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ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Region shall consist of two classes, namely

- A. All yacht clubs or boating associations which are members of the American Power Boat Association in good standing, located within the Region..
- B. All individual members of the Association residing within the Region boundaries

ARTICLE II MEETINGS

- Section 1. There shall be a Region Annual Meeting and a Winter General Meeting, with the Region Annual Meeting held before November 5th. Notice of the date, time and place of this meeting and a Region election ballot shall be mailed to all Region members in good standing as of SEPTEMBER 1st, of the current year, not less than fourteen (14) days before the day of the meeting. The Winter General Meeting will be held within 30 days following the APBA annual meeting, in such a place and on such date and time as designated by the Region Chairman or Acting Region Chairman.
- Section 2. At the regular Region Annual Meeting, reports of operations of the Region shall be made; results of the Regional elections announced, and the newly elected officers shall be installed
- Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the Region Chairman at any time and shall be called by him within ten (10) days after written request of any two directors or of any five percent (5%) of the membership, provided that the business to be considered at any such Special General Meeting is announced in the Notice of Special General Meeting, which notice of the date, time and place and purpose shall be mailed not less than 10 days prior to said meeting, and further provided that no other business not so announced in the notice shall be considered.
- Section 4. The Board of Directors shall meet on the call of the Region Chairman. Special meetings shall be called by him within ten (10) days after written request of two (2) or more Directors. At special meetings, the business transacted shall be limited to subjects announced in the notice, unless all Directors then holding office are present.
- Section 5. At any meeting of the Region, five percent (5%) of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business. The vote of a majority present and entitled to vote shall prevail. Region members shall

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have the right to vote in person only at all general or special Region meetings, provided they are a member of a region 10 club and a member in good standing. Membership card may be required as proof voting entitlements.

Section 6. At any meeting of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors holding office at the time of the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business the vote of the majority of those present shall prevail. It is the Region Chairman's responsibility to get directors and commodore's notices out in a timely manner, so that they might notify their respective clubs.

ARTICLE III REGIONAL DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors of the Region shall consist of:

- A. Region Officers elected annually by the members within the Region.
- B. Each A P B A. affiliated organization within the Region shall have one Director of its own selection.
- C. Immediate Past Regional Chairman, whose directorship shall be automatic but shall be counted as an elected Director in determining the total number of permissible Regional Directors.

Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Region is charged with the responsibility of directing the affairs of the Region so as to carry out the objects and purposes of the Association, and shall perform all of the duties and discharge all of the responsibilities generally imposed upon the directors of the corporation

Section 3. The Region Chairman automatically shall become the Chairman of the Region Board of Directors upon his election to office.

ARTICLE IV REGIONAL ELECTIONS

Section 1. On or before JULY 15th, the Region Chairman, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint one member of the Board of Directors to act or assist as the Chairman or Co-Chairman of the Nominating Committee. The Chairperson may, at his/her option, appoint a second person as Co-Chair to act in concert with the Chairperson to gather the nominations and prepare the ballot.

Section 2. A letter shall be sent *IN THE FIRST WEEK OF AUGUST* from the Nominations Chairman to each Board of Directors asking for the nominations for the region offices Included with this letter there will be a form listing the offices with appropriate space for nominations to be written. Clubs may vote for Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, as well as activity chairmen for the categories that they sponsored that racing year. Region Officers may vote for the top four elective offices and the office for which they hold (Stock Outboard Activity Chairman would vote for Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and Stock Activity position) The Region Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer shall be able to

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nominate for all positions on the ballot These nominations shall be turned in to the Chairman of the Nominations Committee by *Sept. 8th*

- Section 3. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall contact people that have been nominated and get their personal approval for the nomination for the particular region office. With the approvals in hand, the Chairman of the Nominating Committee will meet with the *Co Chairperson* or Region Secretary and with the supervision of the Region Chairman, shall tally the nominations and prepare a mail ballot which shall include candidates for each of the regional elective offices and a blank position for write-in candidates.
- Section 4. The Region Secretary shall get mailing labels **or database list** from the National Headquarters, and with the co-operation of the nomination chairperson shall mail to each member in good standing residing within the Region as of *September 1st*. Each member will be eligible to vote for Region Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition, each member may vote for the Region Activity Chairman for the activity or activities in which they are registered as a racing or non-racing member Racing organizations will be permitted to vote provided that the ballot is presented to each organization's general membership for its vote. The ballots shall be received by the Region Secretary not later than 3 days prior to the Region Meeting or delivered in person to the meeting before the start of the general business meeting. The ballots must be signed on the envelope and have **the member's racing category(s)** an APBA **membership** number on the document when returning the ballot.
- Section 5. All returned ballots should be retained, unopened, by the Region Secretary until the Regional Annual Meeting. The Region Chairman at the Region Annual Meeting shall appoint a Ballot Committee to open, tally and report the results of the voting to the general membership. Ballots may be returned by mail, or may be delivered in person and will be accepted no later than the scheduled time for the call to order of the Annual General Meeting

ARTICLE V REGION OFFICERS

The elective offices of the Region shall consist of the following:

- A. Region Chairman
Act as head of region, conduct meetings, check sanctions, help clubs with problems, and follow the APBA written guidelines for the Chairman's position, per the APBA by laws, and shall be responsible for Region owned equipment **to include, but not limited to, training safety capsules, straightaway timing equipment, fire suppression equipment, race timing equipment, and other region owned equipment** as necessary.
- B. Region Vice-Chairman
Organize and chair the Kilo event, replace the Chairman if necessary, and other duties as assigned by the Chairman.
- C. Region Secretary
Record minutes of each region meeting, keep records of Region business, tally points per Region guidelines for region trophies, and other duties as

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assigned by the Chairman.

- D. Region Treasurer
Prepare region budget report, tally various region funds, and keep region checkbook and other duties as assigned by the Chairman.
- E. Region Activity Vice-Chairman for each active racing Division
Be able to report on region business within their respective categories, collect and get engraved region trophies, and award them at the region banquet, and other duties as assigned by the Chairman.
- F. Members of the Board of Directors, each of whom shall be elected or appointed by each organization member (club) of this Region.
- G. Region Officers (other than the Members of the Board of Directors, elected or appointed by each club or organization) will serve for a term of two (2) years. Officers may serve for a maximum of two consecutive two year terms in their particular position. Past Region officers may run again for their previously held position after a minimum of a one term hiatus.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS

- Section 1. The Region Board of Directors shall have the power to adopt such rules and regulations for its own government and for the governing of its officers and committees, as it sees fit and to amend the Region By-Laws provided that such rules and regulations and amendments are not inconsistent with the Articles and By-Laws of the APBA.
- Section 2. The members of the Region may also amend the Region By-Laws in the same manner that amendments are made to the By-Laws of the APBA.
- Section 3. Any member of the Region wishing to submit a change to the Region By-Laws must submit the written proposal to be received by the Region Chairman and Region Directors in attendance at one of the two regularly scheduled Region Meetings. These by-law changes must be presented and discussed, and then sent to all of the Region Directors who will communicate the proposed change to their respective club(s). The proposed By-Law Change will then be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting: proposals made at the Annual Region Meeting will be voted on at the Winter General Meeting, and proposals made at the Winter General Meeting will be voted on at the following Annual Region Meeting. Final approval of any Region By-law amendments is subject to the approval of the APBA Board of Directors.
- Section 4. Rules and regulations established by the Region from time to time shall be listed on an attached page to these By-Laws, for the recording and reference, giving the essence of the rule of regulation, the date it was so adopted, the racing category affected, if any, but shall not necessarily require an amendment to these By-Laws. Any such rules and regulations established by the Region, which require a vote of the membership in order to provide a fair and equitable representation may only be voted upon by

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the members of the racing division which is directly or indirectly affected by such rules or regulations.

ARTICLE VII DUES

Section 1. Members in good standing of APBA will not be required to pay dues to be a member of the Region organization, but must be a member in good standing of a Region 10 club as part of your APBA membership.

ARTICLE VIII ACTIVITIES FUND

Section 1. (All divisions) Activities Fund: Each racing organization requesting a reserved race date shall submit \$20.00 reservation fee at the time of request for each racing day, excluding days set aside for testing and qualifications, which shall be paid by no later than the scheduled Winter General Meeting of each year to the Region Treasurer. Such funds shall be deposited by the Region Treasurer into a special bank account established for the purpose of accountability and disbursements.

- A. The \$20 fee will be refunded if the event is not held and provided that the required 60-day cancellation notice is given in writing to the Region Chairman.
- B. The \$20 fee will become the prepaid sanction fee for Region 10 if the event is not canceled.
- C. The Sanction fee shall be retained if the race is not cancelled 30 days prior to the race date.

The Region Chairman can waive this penalty for extenuating circumstances if the Chair so desires.

Section 2. The activities fund will be used for the expenses of the Region other than those normally falling to the Region Chairman. These include, but are not limited to:

- A. Attendance at regional, national and club meetings by Regional Activities Vice-Chairmen in connection with the duties of their offices.
- B. Long distance telephone and mailing expenses incurred by the Region Activities Vice Chairman in connection with the duties of their offices.
- C. Engraving of winner's names on Region Perpetual trophies.
- D. Mailing and long distance phone expenses incurred by the Region Secretary in connection with the duties of that office.
- E. Maintenance of Regional timing and safety equipment.
- F. Expenses in connection with Race Management Seminars held within the region

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- Section 3. Fines: The Region Chairman, as approved by the Board of Directors, may assess fines to the member organizations for the untimely presentation of Sanction Applications and Summary Sheets, or for any other purpose deemed appropriate by the Directors, including but not limited to
- A. Summary Sheets shall be received by the Region Secretary (and National Headquarters of APBA) within ten (10) days after each event held in Region 10. If not received within such period, the organization shall be subject to a fine of up to \$25 for each late filing.
 - B. Such fines shall be paid promptly by the member organization, and shall be placed in the Regional Activities Fund, to be used to conduct the business of the organization.
- Section 4. The Region Chairman will, at the winter meeting following the APBA annual meeting, and no later than one (1) month following the APBA meeting, propose a budget for the Activities Fund to be voted on and approved by the Board of Directors. The budget will provide an estimate of income and an allocation of the funds to the various activities. Unused funds at the end of the racing year will be carried forward to the next year's Activities Fund
- Section 5. Kilo Funding: An assessment of \$1.00 per day, per family, all categories, shall be collected by the race committee and forwarded to the Region Treasurer to help subsidize the Region Kilo. The Region Treasurer shall receive the funds and a recap sheet within thirty (30) days of the event. A \$50.00 fine will be assessed the sponsoring club by the Region Chairman for failure to submit the funds and recap sheet within the specified time. (1/27/2000) All income earned from rental of Region 10 Kilo equipment will be used to offset the deficient, if any, of Region 10 Kilos. Rental fee of Kilo equipment has been set at \$300.00 each weekend for rental outside Region 10. (1/25/97) This equipment shall be accompanied by a representative of the Region approved by the Region Chairman. The expense of this person shall be the expense of the person or group wanting to use the Kilo equipment.
- Section 6. Region 10 Banquet Fund: An assessment of \$1.00 per sanctioned day, per family, all categories, **including vintage**, shall be collected by the race committee and forwarded to the Region Treasurer to help subsidize the region banquet. The funds and a recap sheet shall be received by the Region Treasurer within thirty (30) days of the event. A \$50.00 fine will be assessed the sponsoring club by the Region Chairman for failure to submit the funds and recap sheet within the specified time (Passed 2/5/83) All excess funds for each prior year need to be placed back in the fund. *Fifty percent (50%)* profit goes to the region; *fifty percent (50%)* goes to the hosting club. **The conducting club of the region banquet shall receive only the funds collected in that calendar year.**
- Section 7. **Inboard Promo Fund—The fund shall be used to pay the Region 10 Inboard website expenses, inboard trailer license tabs and trailer insurance, inboard scale certification, inspection equipment repairs and maintenance.** The Inboard category shall collect a fee of \$3.00 per day per hull, but shall not exceed \$6.00 per weekend, and shall be collected

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by the race committee and forwarded to the Region Treasurer. The Region Treasurer shall receive the funds and a recap sheet within thirty (30) days of the event. A \$50.00 fine may be assessed to the sponsoring club by the Region Chairman for failure to submit the recap sheet and the funds within the specified time.

SO, MOD, PRO, J Outboards are excluded from this fund, and will collect in the future if desired.

Funds collected by host category (Inboard, Outboard, OPC) will remain under the control of their respective categories as they see fit. Categories may combine for collaborative promotional efforts, so long as all categories involved in such efforts are in mutual agreement to do so.

The monies collected may be used for items such as Region 10 activities as mall shows, promotions, insurance, printing, and any other items approved by the publicity committee. This publicity committee is comprised of one member from each of the 3 participating inboard clubs, and will be chaired by the Region 10 Chairman.

- Section 8. Each Professional series and/or organization requesting a race date in Region 10 shall pay \$100.00 as a region race day fee per event. Payment will be due 30 days prior to the event. Fees shall be paid to the Region Treasurer.

ARTICLE IX REGION AWARDS

- Section 1. Awards will be presented each year at the Annual Region Meeting to those boat owners (Inboard) and drivers (Stock, Mod, PRO, OPC and J Classes) registered within the boundaries of the Region and attaining the highest point total, based on the point system of the APBA in the respective categories and classes during the current racing season. Points for Inboard, **Inboard Endurance, Vintage,** Stock Outboard, Modified Outboard and Professional Outboard, Outboard Performance Craft, J Classes regional high point champion will be tallied from points scored of races with a minimum of three (3) boats crossing the starting line. Perpetual trophies will be received and retained by the winning member until 30 days prior to the next Annual Meeting. Trophies will then be returned, in good condition and at no expense, to the Region Activity Vice-Chairman, who will cause them to be prepared and engraved for the next year's presentation.
- Section 2. National points attained at racing events only within the boundaries of Region 10 will be counted towards Region High Point Awards. The other championship events held outside of the region shall not count for Region points.
- Section 3. In the event a category of racing fails to compete during a racing season, the Perpetual Trophy for that category will be returned as provided above, and retained by the Region Secretary, or her designate until such time as the racing category again becomes active or is dissolved by the APBA. Trophy descriptions will be modified from time to time, consistent with the changes in class designations.
- Section 4. Region High Points trophies and awards will be provided at no expense to

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the Region It shall be the responsibility of the Region Activities Vice-Chairman of each racing division to encourage and otherwise provide for sponsorship of trophies and awards for their respective divisions, consistent with the current size and type.

Section 5. All region trophies shall be awarded on a non-retiring perpetual basis

Section 6. Outstanding Rescue Person of the Year will be a non-retiring perpetual trophy given: each year by the following criteria:

1. Outstanding Service
2. Dedication to the Sport
3. Attitude
4. Commitment

Each club can nominate an individual. This should be done in the same manner that we currently use to nominate our officers. When those nominees come in, the names presented shall be counted, and the popular vote receives the award. In the event of a tie, the four Region officers will come to a determination.

ARTICLE X ITEMS NOT COVERED

Any matters not covered specifically by these By-Laws shall be handled in accordance with A.P.B A By-Laws, Article XVII "Regions"

ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. Each club in the Region must, within 10 days of its annual election of officers, notify the Region Secretary of its Officers' and Directors' names addresses, home and work telephone numbers

Section 2. Notices and correspondence from the Region to its member clubs shall be sent to the following:

- A. Region Director at his or her last known address
- B. Club Secretary at his or her last Known address

2/22/2014 Certified by Denise Johnson Region 10 Secretary

The foregoing By-Laws of Region 10, as amended were duly approved by the APBA Board of Directors on January 21st, 2015.