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2022 Inboard Rule Change Proposal

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Note: Proposals must be submitted to the Inboard Office by December 1, 2021 to be considered.

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General Safety Rule

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Stock Class Technical Rule *

Modified Class Technical Rule *

Affected Class(es): JSS

Specific Rule Information: [Note: All fields must be completed for consideration.]

Author's VERY BRIEF Summary of Proposed Action: Change wording

Affected Rule: 54.1.4

Proposed rule: "Electric Bilge pumps may be used along with automatic drains installed in the transom"

Reason for change: During slow idle speed time coming up to the score up marker skiffs create large waves. When another boat approaches another during this time boats can be swamped with an excess of 20 + gallons of water. Along with that, going through the turns racing closely together the outside boat is being thrown water at them like a fire hose also pumping large amounts of water in the boat, sometimes levels in the boat can exceed 6" + deep. This can be a safety hazard due to the engine's flywheel throwing the water around inside the engine compartment causing the engine to falter and sometime stall. This can cause unsafe course conditions based upon where the boat is sitting dead in the water and can cause a heat stoppage, delaying the event. A bilge pump can evacuate water in the boat much quicker than the automatic drains can and will help reduce a potential safety hazard. There is no additional racing advantage for this.