

REGION 6 BY LAWS

1. Notices

Notices of all meetings of the Association shall be sent to members of record and in good standing. Notices of special meetings shall state the purpose for which they are called, and no other business shall be in order at such meetings.

2. Rules of Order

1. The order of business at the Annual Meeting shall be:
 - a) Reading and correction of minutes of the last meeting
 - b) Reports of Committees
 - c) Old Business
 - d) Elections
 - e) New Business
 - f) Adjournment
2. All questions of parliamentary practice not herein provided shall be determined in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

3. Membership

Membership shall consist of members of the American Power Boat Association in good standing residing within the boundaries of Region 6.

4. Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of nineteen (19) members including the Region Chairman.
2. Two (2) members each from the following Divisions within the Region:
 - Stock Outboard
 - Inboard
 - Pro
 - Officiating
 - Outboard Performance Craft
 - Club
 - Modified
 - Offshore
 - Super Light Tunnels
3. Directors shall be elected for a one year term.
4. 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 in addition shall perform all of the duties and discharge all of the responsibilities generally imposed upon directors of a corporation.
5. A quorum for any meeting of the Board of Directors shall consist of seven (7) members or more.
6. The Board of Directors may fill any vacancies in their body. Election of the new Board Members shall be by a majority vote, and selected from the same division in which the vacancy occurs.

5. Meetings

1. There shall be two Region Membership Meetings held each year:
 - a) The "Annual Meeting" (Fall) shall be held prior to October 31st.
 - b) The "Spring Meeting" (Spring) shall be called by the Region Chairman, prior to March 1, for the allocation of race dates.
2. Special Region Meetings may be called by the Region Chairman.
3. No proxy votes shall be allowed.

6. Elections

Each division shall elect prior to the Annual Meeting two (2) members of their division, to represent their division on the Board of Directors, plus one (1) alternate. The new Board of Directors elected at the Annual Meeting shall be nominating committee to nominate the Region Chairman. The new Board of Directors elected at the Annual Meeting shall be the committee to elect the Region Chairman. The term of office for the Region Chairman shall not exceed three 1-year terms in succession.

7. Amendments

Any member of Region 6, in good standing, may propose an amendment to the Region by-laws. Any such amendment must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors at least 24 hours prior to the fall or spring meeting, and shall be presented to the membership for a majority vote. Any such proposed amendment shall not conflict in any way with any other division of racing, or with the Articles and By-laws of the Association.

8. Sanctions

1. The assignment of race dates shall be made at the "Spring Meeting" by the elected Racing Divisional Officers and their committees.
2. If the sponsor/site of a race in a particular racing division wishes to sponsor a race in a different division, or, if the sponsor/site wishes to change from one club to another club within the same division; the following sequence of events shall occur:
 - a). If the currently sanctioned club agrees to release the sponsor/site they may do so. The Commodore or other authorized party will inform the Region Chairperson in writing. No further Region action will be required.
 - b). If the currently sanctioned club does not agree to release said sponsor/site, a mutually acceptable agreement will be reached between ALL affected parties. The Region Chairperson will moderate these proceedings.
 - c). If no agreement can be reached before the sanctioning period, the Region Board of Directors may vote to approve the race. A special meeting may be called by the Region Chairman **or a ballot taken by phone or mail, or email.**
 - d). Exclusivity of a sponsor/site will expire eighteen months from the date of the last sanctioned race. After that period has expired, the sponsor/site will be considered open to any club or division.

9. Divisional By-Laws

Each division of racing may have their own by-laws to be passed on by the division as it concerns. These by-laws to be effective must be sent to the Region Chairman who will place them on file with the National Office.