

## REGION 2 BYLAWS

Updated November 2010 Fall Meeting

*Approved  
1/26/11  
Board Meeting*

Region 2 of the American Power Boat Association will adopt and operate under the by-laws set up by the American Power Boat Association. Region 2 will adopt a set of minutes and resolutions to be updated annually. These resolutions are to be organized and filed by the Secretary with the American Power Boat Association governing Council prior to November of each year. These resolutions may include procedural as well as category business. All Safety Rules as established by The American Power Boat Association will supersede any Club of Region Safety Rules at APBA Sanctioned events in Region 2.

## REGION 2 RESOLUTIONS

- (1) That the annual Fall Meeting be held no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> of October.
- (2) That the directors' meeting be held open to the general membership. The general membership shall have no vote, but will be allowed to speak if recognized by the chairperson.
- (3) That the region chairperson be required to submit a financial report at the Annual Fall Meeting.
- (4) That as many races as possible be scheduled for the following season at the fall meeting.
- (5) That all Region 2 clubs be authorized to collect from all racing categories, a safety equipment fee designated by the clubs, per driver, per regatta and that when sufficient funds are obtained in this manner, the required equipment is purchased by the safety committee of the clubs in each geographical area. Activity reports shall be made at the annual fall meeting. The amount of the safety fund fee to be charged must be stated on the race circular mailed to each driver.
- (6) That Region 2 Safety Rules will be governed by the Rules as established by the American Power Boat Association as printed in the current year's rule book by category.
- (7) That a trophy committee be formed consisting of region chairperson, region secretary, and all activity vice chairpersons. That the following awards and trophies be presented annually at the Fall Meeting and Banquet:
- (8) Nominations and awards for the Bob Wannamaker Rookie of the Year Award will be made at the Fall Meeting after all nominations have been submitted to the Category Chairperson. Rookie of the Year will be awarded to the first year driver with the highest point total of all possible rookies. Multiple winners may be selected if deemed appropriate.
- (9) Al Hahn Award - This award is to be made to an active Region 2 APBA member, who by vote of the directors of Region 2, contributed the most to the Region 2 program of racing. The award is to be made at the Fall Meeting.
- (9A) Region 2 High Point Awards - Will be calculated by totaling the points awarded to each driver who participated in a Region race. The driver with the highest point total per class will be awarded the high point for that class.

(10) **The election of officers will be as follows:**

1. The region chairperson shall appoint a nominating committee.
2. The nominating committee shall accept nominations 60 days prior to annual fall meeting. Should there be no nominations for opening chairs or seats, then the Region Chairperson at the annual fall meeting will open the floor to nominations for each listed chair. Write-in or faxed nominations will be accepted, if accompanied by a current APBA member number and member signature.
3. It is the intent to send all nominations for seats out with the Region 2 Meeting notice in the form of a ballot to be collected and counted at the Annual Fall Meeting.
4. All ballots will be collected by the committee chair on or before the Annual Fall Meeting. Ballots must include current member's membership number and signature.
5. Nominating committee will count the ballots during the fall meeting and present results to attending members.
6. Results will be entered into the Region 2 minutes and the meeting will be closed. The officers will be welcomed, and new meeting and new business will be conducted by the newly elected officials.
7. All members shall be able to vote for all directors, regardless of the classification of their membership.  
Members will vote for the activity Chairperson of their category only.
8. The total number of directors shall be twelve (12). The following region officers will be included as officers:

Region Chairperson	Pro Activity Chairperson
Secretary/Treasurer	Modified Outboard Activity Chairperson
Stock Outboard Activity Chairperson	Drag Activity Chairperson
Inboard Activity Chairperson	Safety Activity Chairperson
Offshore Activity Chairperson	J Class Activity Chairperson

That the following organization plan and duties of officers be enacted:

Region 2 Chairperson

Activity Chairperson	Region 2
I, O, SO, OPC,	Secretary
SE, SO, MO, S&Q	Treasurer

Region Clubs	Region Members	B.O.D. Membership	Local Clubs	Local Members
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(11) Duties of Officers

Duties of Region Chairperson

- a. Manage the Region 2 budget
- b. Head all committees (ex officio)
- c. Preside over Board of Directors and General Meetings
- d. Appoint nominating committee for annual elections
- e. Represent Region 2 at the National APBA level
- f. Get approval from National Activity Vice Presidents for Region 2 referees and inspectors
- g. See that two Region 2 meetings are held; one in the Fall, and one in the Spring, and that meeting notices are sent to Region 2 members
- h. Examine and approve all Region 2 sanction applications

#### Duties of Secretary/Treasurer

- a. Keep a record of all Region 2 meetings
- b. Handle correspondence for all region level affairs (to club members)
- c. Preside over any Region 2 meeting that the region chairperson is unable to attend
- d. Prepare for each Region 2 meeting a list of current Region 2 motions and/or resolutions for review by the Board of Directors and category Chairperson
- e. Publish and distribute minutes of all Region 2 annual meetings to all directors 30 days following the spring and fall meetings and have extra copies available for interested persons
- f. Prepare notification to Region 2 clubs of annual dues and be responsible for collection of these dues

#### Duties of Activity Chairperson

- a. Coordinate all activity business and activity
- b. Compile a record of high points for Region High Point Awards
- c. Present Region 2 High Point Awards at general meeting
- d. Coordinate all race dates in category (send forms to clubs and sponsors requesting dates) and report to region chairperson no later than one month prior to spring meeting
- e. Act as custodian of all funds collected for category activity and make annual report at fall meeting
- f. Compile a list of Region 2 referees and inspectors (for each category) and submit to the chairperson no later than November 30<sup>th</sup> of each year
- g. Make semi-annual reports at spring and fall meeting

#### Duties of Safety and Officiating Chairpersons

- a. Coordinate all category activity business
- b. Conduct instruction seminars for Region 2 officials (referees, inspectors, scorers, registrars, timers, pit crews, starters, etc.)
- c. Prepare and conduct examination required by National Commissions or Region policy to certify any officials
- d. Oversee safety conditions that exist and safety practices used at Region 2 regattas. (It is suggested that each club elect or appoint a safety Chairperson and submit his/her name to the safety and officiating Chairperson)
- e. Make a semi-annual report at spring and fall meeting
- f. Appoint a person from each active category to coordinate safety and officiating activities in that category
- g. Accept and review applications for any category safety fund requests
- h. Coordinate cooperative agreement between The Fishers Landing Racing Club and The Schenectady Outboard Racing Club to insure the proper number of rescue boats in at every Stock Mod, Pro, and J event hosted by aforementioned kneel down clubs.

#### Duties of Board of Directors

- a. Attend semi-annual meetings in the spring and fall
- b. Formulate and enforce Region 2 policy relating to business administration and the conduct of regattas
- c. Inform local Region 2 members of all new developments in Region policy
- d. Help and guide local clubs in conducting regattas
- e. Make recommendations and nominations of recipients of special Region awards not covered by a specific method

- (12) That the following are Inboard Category Resolutions:
1. A man in the water immediately stops a race
  2. Each turn boat will be equipped with a full set of flags (excluding the checkered flag)
  3. The judges' stand and each turn boat will be equipped with a flare gun
  4. The following officials must be qualified by the following number of approved, card signed, race training days:

Referee	6 days (under at least two different referees)
Inspector	4 days
Scorers & Timers	2 days
New Non-Driving Turn Judges	4 days

- (13) That the following are Category Resolutions;
1. Duties of Region 2 Category Chairperson are as follows:
    - a. Remind previous high point winners to send the trophies to the spring meeting
    - b. Promote membership, new race sites and new clubs
- (14) A.P.B.A. Banners must be displayed at all Region 2 events, in all categories. Categories will be responsible to supply all banners to the region. Banners must be displayed in a prominent, visible area.