



PROPOSAL #22-001

The following PROCEDURE SECTION Proposal is before the membership for vote. Ballot on page 16.

A Board of Directors majority is recommending passage of this proposal.

If passed, this rule change will become an official part of the Rule Book beginning with the 2023 season.

ELIMINATE 300-MILE RADIUS RULE

PURPOSE:

The proposed change to eliminate the 300-mile radius rule that restricts scheduling of other events the weekend prior to, and weekend(s) of a US-1 format event, will benefit the IMPBA and its membership by allowing District Directors to determine if they need to schedule around a US-1 Internats event, as they do for all other National stye events (there is no such restriction for those events).

Multiple power sources are offered and run at other events, and the impact on a National or Internats is minimal, however, restricting (up to) 3 weekends out of a District schedule can have a huge impact on that District's ability to offer events to the membership who were not planning to attend a large National or Internats event.

Our organization's mission is to promote the hobby and allow our members multiple opportunities to enjoy the hobby. Participants may choose to attend an event or not – limiting scheduling of other races does not “force” or “encourage” members to attend one or the other.

Relevant Sections (Refer to pages E-2 & E-3 in IMPBA Rule Book):

This proposal would strike the language in:

Section E, Article II (D) (6) and Section E, Article III (C) and change item D. to C. as shown on these pages.

SECTION E- IMPBA PROCEDURES

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II – SANCTIONED REGATTAS (RACES and RECORD TRIALS)

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D. Restrictions

1. All sanction requests and fees must be submitted to the IMPBA office to be included on the Master Schedule.
2. Sanctions will only be granted to clubs officially registered with IMPBA, who have paid the Club Registration fee and obtained an IMPBA insurance certificate covering the water for the calendar year the race is to be sanctioned in.
3. All Sanction requests require the approval of the District Director who has the responsibility of coordinating all activities in his or her district. Record Trials also require approval of the Records Director.
4. Contest Directors listed on sanction form must have successfully completed the CD test.
5. Sanctions will not be granted for events within such dates or distance of each other where the sanctioning officials have reason to believe that success of either event might be jeopardized.
6. **No IMPBA sanctions will be granted the weekend prior to, or the weekend of an International Regatta, within a 300-mile radius of the host site. Sanctions that do not offer any US - 1 classes will be exempt from the radius restriction.**

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BOD reviewed at February 15, 2022 meeting.

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NOTE: This proposal would strike the language as shown. Current paragraph D. becomes C. (The remaining paragraphs will then be designated D through J and are unchanged.)

SECTION E- IMPBA PROCEDURES

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III - ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL and NATIONAL REGATTAS

A. Definitions

"International Regatta (Internats)" and "National Regatta (Nationals or Nats)" shall be defined as a premier sanctioned event which may be held annually for each power division (Nitro, LSG, FE) where an approved "Internats US-1" or "Nationals" championship format is followed. Depending upon format chosen and number of entries, these events will take from 3 to 8 days not including open water.

B. Requirements

An IMPBA International Regatta (Internats) or National Regatta (Nationals) will be awarded on a rotational basis between the various districts and held annually during June, July or August. Any deviation from the June - August time frame must be approved by the IMPBA Board of Directors.

1. An IMPBA International Regatta will consist of three events: 1/16 mile straightaway (SAW) trophy trials; 1/3 mile oval trophy trials; and multi-boat racing using one of the approved US-1 formats.
 - a. US-1 eligible classes are listed in each respective power section: Nitro, LSG, Fast Electric.
 - b. A minimum of 8 contestants per class must present a boat to run in all three events for that class to be considered US-1 eligible.
 - c. Optional special events may be run after completion of all US-1 events.
 - d. At the International Regatta, the winner of any class scheduled by the host club and approved by the Board will be awarded "US-1 International Champion". Classes that do not make US-1 status may be run and awarded "National Champion". Special events winners will be awarded First, Second, Third Place.
2. An IMPBA National Regatta will consist of multi-boat heat racing run using one of the approved Nationals formats.
 - a. Established IMPBA engine classifications will be offered for National Champion status.
 - b. Optional special events may be offered.
 - c. A minimum of 6 boats per class must be presented for racing.
 - d. The winners at an IMPBA National Regatta will be awarded "National Champion". Special events winners will be awarded First, Second, Third Place.

G. Restrictions

~~No IMPBA sanctions will be granted the weekend prior to, or the weekend of an International Regatta, within a 300-mile radius of the host site of the International Regatta. Sanctions that do not offer any US - 1 classes will be exempt from the radius restriction.~~

C. Applying and Acceptance

Clubs will bid to hold Nationals or International Regatta events. Bids should be submitted to the National Nitro, LSG, or Fast Electric Director. The President will review and make recommendations to the District Directors. Bid approval requires a majority vote of the Executive Board.

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PROPOSAL #22-002

The following CONSTITUTION SECTION Proposal is before the membership for vote. Ballot on page 16.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends passage of this proposal.

If passed, this rule change will become an official part of the Rule Book beginning with the 2023 season.

ESTABLISHING DISTRICT VOTE POWER

PURPOSE:

It is hereby proposed that the section of the Constitution that explains how vote power is tallied be amended. Family (spouse) members are recognized for voting and toward club membership totals, so should be consistently counted. Furthermore, it is proposed to clearly state that Junior memberships do not have voting rights and do not count toward district membership totals.

Relevant Sections (Refer to page B-2 in IMPBA 2022 Rule Book):

Language to be replaced in Article V, Section 3, paragraph D. Proposed changes are red & highlighted in yellow.

SECTION B- IMPBA CONSTITUTION / V – OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD / SECTION 3

Current Language:

- D. The elected Director must represent a minimum of 15 primary IMPBA memberships (family and junior memberships do not count). Members within an ineligible district may elect a Director; however, he will have no voting rights until his district has the required number (15) of primary members. He will handle the passing on of proposed changes and the funneling of information of the district members the same as a full voting member. Voting rights of each District Director shall be based on the number of members in their district. District Directors with 15 to 100 members will have one vote; Directors with 101 to 200 members will have 2 votes. Directors with 201 to 300 members will have 3 votes. Their total votes will continue to increase by one with the addition of each 100 memberships in their district. The membership count will be based on total membership at year-end.

Proposed Language:

- D. The elected Director must represent a minimum of 15 **voting-eligible** IMPBA memberships **(Primary and Family memberships). Junior members have no voting rights and do not count toward Vote Power district tally.** Members within an ineligible district may elect a Director; however, he will have no **board** voting rights until his district has the required number (15) of **voting-eligible** members. He will handle the passing on of proposed changes and the funneling of information of the district members the same as a full voting member. Voting rights of each District Director shall be based on the number of **voting-eligible** members in their district **at year-end.** District Directors with 15 to 100 members will have one vote; Directors with 101 to 200 members will have 2 votes. Directors with 201 to 300 members will have 3 votes. Their total votes will continue to increase by one with the addition of each 100 memberships in their district.

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PROPOSAL #22-003

The following CONSTITUTION SECTION Proposal is before the membership for vote. Ballot on page 16.

The Board of Directors unanimously recommends passage of this proposal.

If passed, this rule change will become an official part of the Rule Book beginning with the 2023 season.

TREASURER APPOINTMENT AMENDMENT

PURPOSE:

It is hereby proposed to amend the section of the Constitution that states how appointment of a treasurer is handled. It is proposed to update the rule to reflect the ability to choose a candidate from outside the current Executive board, past Directors or officers. This allows the board the ability to choose from many qualified persons, and eliminates the issue of having a board member doing "double duty". The treasurer is a non-voting board position.

Relevant Sections (Refer to page B-3 in IMPBA 2022 Rule Book):

Language to be replaced in Article V, Section 5, paragraph B. Proposed changes are red & highlighted in yellow.

SECTION B- IMPBA CONSTITUTION / V – OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD / SECTION 5

Current Language:

- B. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Executive Board from within, or a past elected Director or officer.

Proposed Language:

- B. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Executive Board from within, or a past elected Director or officer. **If no one can be found within the Executive Board, or a past Director or officer, then the Board may appoint a qualified person from the general membership.**

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