CD/Referee Test

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This test is conducted to ensure that people who run our races are qualified by their knowledge of the rules.
<u>This is an open-book test.</u> Please use the online rule book for most current version of rules.

You may complete this test on your computer using Adobe Reader.
Save and send as an email attachment to: **herzogc66@gmail.com**
or print and mail to: **Chris Herzog, 110 Eagle Road, Covington, LA 70435**

Name: _____ ***IMPBA #*** _____ ***Date***_____

Address: _____

City: _____ ***State/Prov:*** _____ ***Zip:*** _____

Phone _____ ***Email:*** _____

1. What are the penalties for a club allowing a non-IMPBA contestant to race?
List first, second, and third offense.

1.) _____
2.) _____
3.) _____

2. What are the penalties for entering an IMPBA event without an IMPBA membership?
List both penalties

1.) _____
2.) _____

3. How many times can a racer from another boating organization pay the $15 single-event fee to race at an IMPBA event?

☐ Once per season ☐ 1 time ☐ As many times as needed in a season

4. How wide is a lane?

☐ 1 boat width ☐ 2 boat widths ☐ 3 boat widths

5. How long is pit time?

☐ 30 seconds ☐ 2 minutes ☐ 2 minutes and 30 seconds

6. When may a boat be launched during clock time?

_____

7. Can a race be restarted under normal conditions?

☐ Yes ☐ No

8. A contestant may protest which of the following?

☐ Racing rules and calls by the CD ☐ Equipment ☐ Both

9. What is the penalty for cutting a buoy?
☐ 50 point deduction ☐ 100 point deduction ☐ 25 point deduction

10. Are slow boats required to run on the outside lane of the race course?
☐ Yes ☐ No

11. What is the penalty for cutting all three end buoys?
☐ 150 point deduction ☐ 1 lap penalty ☐ 25 point deduction and a 1 lap penalty

12. What is the penalty for cutting the entrance buoy and the first two corner buoys?
☐ 150 point deduction ☐ 1 lap penalty ☐ 25 point deduction and a 1 lap penalty

13. Is passing allowed in the corners?
☐ Yes ☐ No

14. If passing a boat on your inside and the passed boat must change course to avoid a collision, the penalty will be:
☐ Disqualification ☐ 1 lap penalty ☐ 50 point deduction

15. Hitting a "dead boat" will result in:
☐ Disqualification ☐ a heartfelt apology ☐ both

16. Two disqualifications in the same class by the same driver will result in:
☐ Removal from that class for entire race ☐ Removal from that class for entire year

17. Three race infractions (disqualifications and/or lap penalties) by the same driver in a single day results in:
☐ a $100 fine ☐ Disqualification of all points from the entire race ☐ a 30 day suspension

18. What hulls are legal to run in open offshore class?

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19. What type of start may be used in open offshore?
☐ Clock start ☐ LeMans start ☐ either

20. Who may run an Unlimited Scale Boat?

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21. What is the maximum cubic inch displacement for a Nitro 1/8th Scale boat?
☐ 1.830 CID ☐ 0.458 CID ☐ 0.670 CID

22. Cutting a buoy in a 1/8 Scale Unlimited Nitro or FE race will result in what penalty?
☐ No penalty ☐ 1 lap penalty ☐ 50 point deduction

23. Touching a buoy in an Unlimited Scale (Nitro, Gas or FE) race will result in what penalty?
☐ No penalty ☐ 1 lap penalty ☐ 50 point deduction

24. What is the penalty for cutting an offshore buoy?
☐ 100 point deduction ☐ 1 lap penalty ☐ 25 point deduction and a 1 lap penalty

25. Are power boosting additives allowed in LSG?
☐ Yes ☐ No

26. What hulls are legal to run in the LSG Open Hydro class?

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27. May LSG-27 bump up to LSG-36?

☐ Yes ☐ No

28. What is the maximum displacement for each cylinder in Twin LSG class?

_____

29. May an LSG Sport Hydro have rear ride pads?

☐ Yes ☐ No

30. What is the maximum allowable noise level at an IMPBA sanctioned race?

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31. Is a racing number in addition to a sponsor name required on an LSG Sport Hydro?

☐ Yes ☐ No

32. Are spectators allowed in the pit area?

☐ Yes ☐ No

33. Who is allowed to get in the water without the permission of contest officials?

☐ the retrieve boat operator ☐ pit men ☐ no one

34. How far back should the spectators be kept from operating model boats?

☐ a minimum of 25 feet ☐ 35 feet ☐ 50 feet

35. Should a contestant and his pit man's membership status be checked prior to entering the pits or operating a boat during open water?

☐ Yes ☐ No

36. Who is allowed to smoke in the pits or drivers stand?

☐ Pit boss ☐ CD ☐ No one

37. If a referee/CD feels a boat cannot complete the required laps within the 5 minutes allowed, may he/she order the boat off of the course?

☐ Yes ☐ No

38. Are rules covering infractions mandatory?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ it's up to the discretion of the CD/Referee.

39. What is the maximum allowed hull length in the IMPBA?

☐ 60" ☐ 55" ☐ 72"

40. What is the maximum allowed boat weight in the IMPBA?

☐ 30 lbs. ☐ 25 lbs. ☐ 20 lbs.

41. Does the maximum allowed boat weight include fuel?

☐ Yes ☐ No

42. Does a boat have to be protested in order for its weight and/or length to be checked?

☐ Yes ☐ No

43. Safety netting must be placed on all sides of the pond exposed to spectators and contestants.

☐ Yes ☐ No

44. How many feet apart should net supports be?

☐ No more than 10 feet ☐ No more than 15 feet

45. Should any area that is not covered by safety nets be kept free of all people and animals during the event with signs and/or ropes or barriers of some kind?

☐ Yes ☐ No

46. Is a spotter required when running a boat during open water?

☐ Yes ☐ No

47. What is the maximum hull length allowed in Sport 40

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48. What is the maximum voltage for a Fast Electric P Class boat?

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49. What is the maximum hull length allowed for a Fast Electric Q Catamaran?

☐ 34" ☐ 40" ☐ 60"

50. Are back-up boats allowed at sanctioned races?

☐ Yes ☐ No

51. Where do you get Report of Accident forms?

☐ IMPBA Secretary ☐ District Director ☐ IMPBA Website

52. What is the fee for making a protest?

☐ $5 dollars ☐ $10 dollars. ☐ $15 dollars

53. Are offenses for illegal equipment cumulative in a calendar year?

☐ Yes ☐ No

54. The IMPBA President and/or the District Director may override the decision of a contest director regarding racing infractions under what circumstances?

☐ They don't like a call ☐ A safety issue arises ☐ There is a formal protest of equipment

55. Is the use of wristbands or other means to easily identify IMPBA members who should be in restricted areas during sanctioned events mandatory?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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