



THE AUSTRALIAN MODEL POWER BOATING ASSOCIATION INC.

AMPBA BY-LAWS

1. The Middleton Trophy is a perpetual trophy awarded at the National Championships by the following rules:

For each official National event, a competitor will score points equal to the number of entered for the event, divided by his own position. Thus First place in an event with 24 entered and 20 running gaining, 24 points, and a fifth place in the same event would gain 4.8 points. The scores from the competitor's best four events are added together to determine the winner.
2. Each year a National calendar should be compiled from information from the States. State Championships and proposed Sanctioned Record events should be included.
3. National Record Claims submitted by a competitor or Association/Club will be accompanied by a fee of \$5.00 for official recognition and acceptance.
4. Every club affiliated to an AMPBA affiliated State Association must pay an annual fee to the AMPBA for registration in the manual, enabling direct communication to the club from the AMPBA. The fee will be that agreed upon between the AMPBA and the State Associations, and shall cover the costs of direct correspondence.
5. Motions for changes to sections of the AMPBA constitution and official rule book shall only be accepted by the AMPBA Secretary up to 3 months prior to the date fixed for the AMPBA AGM each year, for distribution and voting.
6. Race Sanction applications.
 - 1/ Race Sanctions are required for all State Titles and Speed Events as described in the AMPBA Competition Rule Book.
 - 2/ Affiliated clubs must apply for race sanctions to the AMPBA Secretary and be received at least three (3) months before the date of the proposed event.
 - 3/ Upon approval, notification (or entry form) of the event must be sent to all Clubs at least two (2) months prior to the date of the event.
7. AMPBA Membership.
 - 1/ Persons applying for AMPBA membership must do so by completing the official AMPBA Membership Application Form through a club affiliated to the AMPBA. Applications will not be accepted unless the official AMPBA application form is signed, witnessed and accompanied with the prescribed membership fee.

- 2/ It is the responsibility of the affiliated clubs secretary to supply the applicant's full details including contact telephone number and e-mail address, if available, when forwarding the application form to the AMPBA Secretary for processing.
8. Permanent changes to the AMPBA Constitution and Competition Rules.
- 1/ Permanent changes to the AMPBA Constitution and Competition Rules must only be made by an Affiliated AMPBA Association or Executive Committee, and proposals must be forwarded to the AMPBA Secretary at least three (3) months before the date of the proposed AMPBA meeting, who distributes the proposals to the secretary's of all affiliated Associations.
- 2/ The affiliated Association must hold a general/special general meeting for all its members to vote on the constitution or competition rule change proposals. Only financial AMPBA members are allowed to vote and must include their AMPBA membership number and signature on the voting form.
- 3/ If a member is not able to attend the affiliated Association general/special general meeting a postal vote form will be accepted by the Association secretary. It is the responsibility of the Affiliated Associations secretary to mail the proposals to its financial members for voting. The returned form must include the members AMPBA membership number and signature .
- 4/ It is the affiliated Association secretary's responsibility to collate the voting forms and return them to the AMPBA secretary at least one (1) month prior to the AMPBA meeting.
- 5/ The AMPBA secretary will collate the valid voting forms, making sure all AMPBA numbers and signatures are clearly marked on the voting forms, and announce the outcome of the voting at the AMPBA meeting.
- 6/ Should a rule change be carried, it shall not take effect for three (3) months from the date of the AMPBA meeting. The rule change must apply for a minimum of twelve (12) months.
- Definition: "Association" means an Association or Club that is incorporated under the Associations Incorporations ACT and formed for any lawful purpose that has not less than five (5) members. (The Associations Incorporations ACT 1981)*
9. Club Affiliation to the AMPBA Inc.
- 1/ All clubs must be Incorporated to be affiliated with the AMPBA Inc.
- 2/ All affiliated clubs must supply a copy of their current Certificate of Incorporation and Constitution to the AMPBA Secretary. If any changes are made to the Incorporation or Constitution, a revised copy must be sent the AMPBA Secretary within 30 days of Lodgment with Business Affairs in their State.
10. Committee of Affiliated Clubs.
- 1/ Affiliated clubs must supply complete contact details of their officer bearers to the AMPBA Secretary together with the Club Affiliation Fee paid each year.
- 2/ If office bearers change within the year, details of the changes must be sent to the AMPBA Secretary within 30 days of the changes.