

# NAMBA DISTRICT 19 RULES

January 2010

## General Rules

- 2-80 A District Awards Banquet and Meeting will be held on the first or second Saturday of December, assuming facilities are available. November 1<sup>st</sup> will be the cutoff date for the years District Points contests.
- 4-80 Dropping of heats is NOT allowed. (i.e. best 4 out of five)
- 8-80 Maximum allowable noise limit shall be 92 dB measured by the District dB meter placed 50 ft. back from the shoreline.
- 1-82 There will be a fund to pay the District Director for all reasonable expenses incurred. This will include postage, telephone, and other necessary expenses.
- 1-83 Any individual entering a race and not paying the entry fees will NOT be allowed to enter, race or receive District points at ANY event until the entries are paid.
- 1-86 Transmitters must conform to FCC, AMA, and NAMBA rules. No vision obstructing flags may be attached to antennas. Frequency ID must be attached to the transmitter body or antenna base.
- 6-86 For safety purposes only, a pit person may momentarily assume driving responsibilities during a race if the driver becomes incapacitated. If the driver cannot resume his position within 1 lap, the boat shall be brought in and 0/25 points awarded as earned.
- 7-86 A heat may be restarted prior to the start of the 30 second clock should a safety or course obstruction be present. No records may be set on the restart.
- 1-89 All Sanctioned race applications must be signed by the District Director no later than December 15 of the preceding year. An exception can be allowed with the approval of a majority of the year's host clubs and a minimum of 30 days notice.
- 3-89 Any boat hitting a safety net or going ashore out of control at ANY TIME during a race, CANNOT be re-launched and will only receive 0/25 points as earned.
- 8-89 Any driver or pit person drinking alcoholic beverages before he is finished participating for the day, shall be disqualified with loss of all points earned for the day. There shall be no alcohol in the PIT AREA prior to the awards ceremony.
- 4-90 B Rookie class will be offered at all Inboard and Outboard races. You may run Inboard Mono, Outboard Mono or tunnel hulls, but not cats or hydros.
- 3-91 Brushing or touching of buoys will result in a lap penalty.
- 4-91 Sanctioned District Points races shall start no sooner than the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of February.
- 1-93 In determining District points, contestants shall receive the total points they earn for the day, instead of points for the place they finished for the day.
- 1-94 Number of boats run per heat will be determined by the CD with the lake size in mind.
- 3-94 The District Treasury will be used only for expenses incurred by the District for awards, newsletter and expenses by the District Director as written in the District by-laws. The Treasury will not be used to cover expenses or be a loaning Institution for race sites. Those expenses will be the responsibility of the CD of those sites, whether prepaid in advance or due upon race day.
- 5-94 All sanctioned events shall have at least one restroom facility available, whether permanent or portable. Facilities must be clean. Failure to provide a facility will result in being denied a sanction for the following year.
- 6-94 No gas powered boats shall be allowed to run in the same heat as nitro powered boats at sanctioned events.
- 3-95 TEAM ENTRIES AT DISTRICT RACES
- A) A team may be composed of as little as one person and may contain as many members as desired.
- B) The exact team name, as well as the names of all members who will actually be participating as drivers at any time during the season must be provided to the district scorekeeper, in writing before the first heat of the first race in which the team competes as an entity. Members of the team who will only be competing in a pitting capacity need not be named.
- C) All racing points earned by the team during the season will be kept under the team name. It is the team's responsibility to enter a race as the team in order for the team to earn points at the event. It is also the team's responsibility to make sure that the entry is correctly designated on the day's heat sheets and master score sheets. It will not be permissible to alter the name under which the points were earned after the start of the day's racing.
- D) No driving members may be added or deleted from the team after the first time the team competes as an entity. Any Change in team makeup constitutes a new team which will earn racing points entirely separate from the original team.
- E) All driving members must be present at each race in which the team competes as an entity. If the team is not participating in a particular event, the individual team members may participate as an individual or as another team. Points so earned will be kept under that name and may not be combined with those earned at other events by the original team. When a team is participating in an event, any driving member, whether driving that day or not, is not permitted to participate as an individual driver or as a member of another team in the same class.
- F) There shall be no changing of driving members within a particular heat.
- G) It is not imperative that all team members originally designated as driving members actually drive at some time during the season, as long as Part E above is adhered to.
- H) Any team meeting all of the above criteria will be permitted to compete and earn racing points and year-end awards. Only one appropriate year-end award will be supplied by the District. Should the team desire duplicate awards for each of the members, it is the team's responsibility to provide and pay for these additional awards.

- 2-96 All District Heat and Outboard races will use a half course mill, with all boat launches and relaunched initially going around turn one.
- 3-96 All engine upgrades and / or changes by the manufacturer must be available to the general public for 60 days before the changes become legal.
- 4-96 One trophy/award shall be presented for each five boats in a class, with a minimum of one award/trophy per class.
- 2-98 In determining District points, a contestant must finish at least 1 heat at a race to be eligible. This does not apply to the "Rookie" classes.
- 3-98 Rubber bands will allowed on transmitters to hold the throttle down in the " off " position only.
- 4-98 Each year one District Inboard, one District Outboard, and one District Gas race will be called the "District 19 Race". All income, excluding expenses for conducting the race will go to the District treasury. The selected race site will be mutually selected by the District Director and the Contest Director.
- 6-98 All classes excluding "Rookie" classes must have at least a total of 25 paid entries at the year's events to be eligible for the District Championship awards.
- 7-98 If it is discovered that a boater raced without current NAMBA membership at a sanctioned event, that boater will not be allowed to participate in any District 19 sanctioned events for one year from the date of discovery.
- 1-01 A set of equivalent Annual Awards shall be presented at the District Banquet to Juniors in both the Inboard, Outboard, and Gas series. Juniors may earn Junior Points for each boat competed in a season, with only the highest scoring boat counted at year end.
- 4-01 District 19 entries shall be \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for Juniors. \$3.00 per entry goes to the NAMBA District 19 fund. At a Double Points Race the entry fee shall be \$12.00 for adults, \$5.00 for Juniors, with \$3.25 per entry to District 19.
- 5-01 In case of a point tie upon completion of 4 rounds, the 1<sup>st</sup> place tied boaters will run a 5<sup>th</sup> round (runoff) to determine a winner. Any runoffs will be determined according to heat racing rules. There will be no points awarded for the runoff.
- 1-02 Boaters that have been called to the start tables will not be allowed to pre-start their motors prior to the start of the race. If a heat race is in progress, boats not participating in the heat, or boats that did not get started in the time provided, will not be allowed to start their motors while on the start table.
- 9-02 The District 19 Newsletter will be published quarterly (four times per year). Issues will be sent in January, April, August, and November. The newsletter will be posted on our web site at Namba19.com for viewing the day it goes to copy. All district members that have Internet access would be urged to retrieve their newsletter off our web site, and the balance would be sent regular postage. The newsletter will be limited to five double-sided pages. The newsletter will contain a "coming events" calendar that will include all races and contact numbers for that quarter. Entry forms will be eliminated from the newsletter completely.
- 5-03 Unless advertised otherwise, the accepted deadline for entering a District Inboard, Outboard, or Gas race will be 9:00 PM Monday preceeding the race. All entries received after this deadline will be accepted as late entries with an additional fee of \$5.00 per boat entered. The additional collected fee will go to the host club.
- 2-06 At any sanctioned Heat Race, should there be a point after the start of a heat where only 1 boat is remaining, the remaining boat shall receive a Default Win and Will Not be compelled to complete remaining laps.
- 4-06 A boat that is under power and has been taken out as the result of a called DQ by the offending boat, will receive 4th place points (169 points).
- 5-06 Allow the use of spectrum radios, 2.4 Ghz, at all district events
- 10-06 If a scheduled event is postponed for any reason, the CD of the rescheduled event will determine whether or not new entries will be allowed, and whether or not to refund entry fees for those not able to attend the rescheduled event.
- 2-07 At all Heat races, A B C X Mono, Sport 21, Sport 60, A and B Rookie shall be offered on Saturday. A B C X Hydro, Sport 40-1, Sport 40-2 and Scale Unlimited will be offered on Sunday.
- 6-07 The person that fills out and signs a Sanctioned Event Form is also responsible for receiving and paying District fees collected at their Sanctioned Race Event. Said fees must be paid to the NAMBA District 19 Treasurer within a 2 week period after the sanctioned race event occurs.  
If the person responsible for filling out and signing the Sanctioned Event Form does not pay District fees to the District Treasurer within the 2 week time period of the Sanctioned Event, that person will not be able to race in any District Sanctioned Events or receive any District points until the District fees have been paid.
- 01-10 In the interest of running the most popular classes and completing four rounds of racing at an event, by the entry deadline date there must be a minimum of five entries on compatible frequencies to make a class and/or race.

### **Inboard Heat Racing**

- 3-02 Engine specification changes for Sport 40 Hydroplane Division 1. Change paragraph B.1. To read: 5.74 to 6.56 cc (.35 to .40 cu") front intake side exhaust, no full wave tuned pipes. Speed control must be by rotating barrel carburetors. Carburetor bore diameter is limited to 7.67 mm (.302") for all engines except for non-schneurle ported engines which may use rotating barrel carburetors of up to .312 bore diameter. All carburetors must have needle valve and or fuel discharge nozzle extending into carburetor bore for a total of .120" (3.04 mm), minimum.

### **Outboard Heat Racing**

- 4-85 No legal OPC Tunnel may compete in the Outboard Hydro class. Removal of the driver does not change the hull.
- 6-91 OUTBOARD COMMITTEE- The District 19 Outboard Chairman shall be responsible for engine inspections at all District 19 OPC races. It will be his duty to appoint an Outboard Committee consisting of 6 to 8 members plus himself, who have extensive knowledge in this area, to conduct inspections and make decisions regarding the legality of any boat or engine. The Outboard Committee will decide the details of the inspection procedures. The Outboard Chairman shall make sure at least 2 inspectors from this group attend each race. The inspectors will notify the contestant of an illegal boat or engine and will inform the Contest Director of their decisions.
- 7-91 OPC INSPECTION- If a driver is found to have illegal components a second time in the same class in the same racing season, that driver shall be disqualified and zero points given for that class. In addition, that drivers total year-to-date points shall be reset to zero.
- 8-91 Every driver participating in the OPC Stock Class shall be responsible for the construction and dimensional fit of his/her motors, to ensure that each engine does not exceed the allowable maximum tolerances for each class.
- 9-91 Teardowns shall be mandatory at all OPC events. Teardowns shall affect finished positions 1 through 3.
- 3-97 A maximum hull length of 40 inches will be allowed in 11 OPC Tunnel.
- 1-98 A, B, C OPC Tunnel, A, B, C Modified Tunnel, A and B Outboard Mono, A and B Outboard Hydro and A Rookie classes must be offered at all Outboard series races. Outboard Monos will run on Saturday. Modified Tunnel will be run on Sunday. Host clubs may offer additional classes if they list them on the entry form.

## Gas Heat Racing

- 2-97 Each registered participant at the Gas Series races will be required to own, and have on hand in their compound area a Class BC dry chemical fire extinguisher. The host club will also insure that an additional fire extinguisher of the same rating will be located in the hot pit area.
- 8-02 General Engine Rules for the (G) classes. These engines must maintain a recoil starter.
- 2-03 Water injection into pipes for performance enhancement shall not be allowed in G Classes.
- 6-03 Engines that are legal for G class must have a continuous cylinder head design. A continuous cylinder head is one that consists of a single piece cylinder. I.e.: the cylinder sleeve & head must all be one part. Secondary parts such as water jackets, nose cones, drive components, carburetors, headers and pipes do not have to be part of the original engine. Major components such as cranks, connecting rods, cases, cylinder heads, ignition system, and flywheel do fall under the rule and must be parts of the original engine. Pistons must be from the original engine manufacturer.
- 1-04 At District 19 Gas Championship Points races, the following classes will be offered: G-1, G-2, GX-1 and GX-2. All G classes run on Saturday. All GX classes plus Rookie and Exhibition classes run on Sunday.
- 2-08 **Classic Thunderboat**  
Boat maybe of wood or fiberglass construction.  
48-56 inches in length and a minimum of 24 inches in width. The transom shall be a minimum of 10" in width.  
Hull designs: Round Nose, Step Deck, Chisel Nose **ONLY**.  
ENGINES will be a PUM 26cc Zenoah. Engine may run a stock 257 carburetor. No internal modification allowed. All replacement parts must be from the original manufacturer, and the same type engine (Zenoah 260 to Zenoah 260) no parts swapping.  
Any pipe combo may be used. The pipe and muffler must be inside the boat and exit through the transom.  
Nothing may be further than 5 1/4" behind the transom.  
Boat must have a sponsored paint scheme with sponsored IDs and U numbers on the boat.  
Boat must have a driver in a front or rear cockpit. Driver scale of 1/8 to 1/6 in relationship to the size of the boat.  
Boat must run with an engine cowling or dummy engine to cover as much of the boats engine as possible.
- 3-08 **Classic Thunderboat Race Format**  
At the discretion of the Contest Director, races will be run either under the NAMBA Heat Racing Format or the "Love Plan" which is run as follows:  
The event must consist of four preliminary rounds of heats and one final round of concluding heats. The concluding round of heats must consist of one Final heat and a Consolation heat. The maximum number of boats in the Final heat is six. The top five boats with the highest points after the four preliminary rounds will be eligible for the Final heat. If a frequency conflict exists between two or more boats eligible for the Final heat, preference goes to the boat that has accumulated the most points in the Preliminary rounds, or to the boat with the fastest time should a tie in points occur, the other boat will have the option to change to any other available frequency.  
After the Final heat field has been set, boats accumulating points in the four preliminary rounds after the fifth position will be used to fill the Consolation heat. The winner of this heat will be used to fill the six boat Final heat.  
The outcome of the Consolation heat will not affect the overall standings or points for the day.  
Final race standings will be determined by order of finish in the Final.
- 6-08 Rookie class may use a Mono or Catamaran hull only. Any engine from 15 to 26cc maybe used. No GX Motors allowed. Tuned pipes or canister mufflers may be used. Engines may be either air or water cooled.
- 7-08 **Open Offshore**  
This is an OPEN CLASS open to any legal NAMBA gas hull/engine combo.  
When possible, course should always be set with (2) left hand turns using outside buoys to create an "M" and using the interior of oval course and the start/finish buoy for the 2nd left. When this course is not possible a "lazy 8" course should be utilized. It is the goal in offshore to create a more difficult course with left turns, a drivers course per se...  
Standard District 19 Mill Pattern will be run. Cutting the start/finish buoy during the mill is a one lap penalty.  
6 lap race running the offshore course.
- 7-09 Open Class will be on Sundays and include all legal NAMBA boats regardless of power.

## Scale Heat Racing

- 2-04 Unlimited Lights will be offered at all Scale Unlimited races when Scale Unlimited racing is the only class offered on race day. Refer to NAMBA Sport 40 Rules for Unlimited Lights.