Three issues below were brought forward to the SORC for an email vote on February 27, 2014 after the APBA Board of Directors approved all three for the J classes. The vote concluded after one week and below are the results.

Jeff Brewster, Stock Outboard Chair

Rule one: Approved Effective: 4-10-14

CURRENT RULE (insert rule below)

17.2.B. The engine shall be operated with the production upper and lower motor covers installed and supplied by the manufacturer. Air inlets into cowlings must remain closed as in original factory condition, either with plugs or with tape.

PROPOSED NEW RULE (insert rule below)

. Add the following sentence: Any year OEM motor cover may be used, i.e. Johnson or Evinrude for OMC motors, Mercury/Mariner covers for Mercury motors.

Rule two: Approved Effective: 4-10-14

CURRENT RULE (insert rule below)

17.2.P.5: It is permissible to remove the thermostat and to restrict the water in any manner within the thermostat housing.

PROPOSED NEW RULE (insert rule below)

17.2.P.5: It is permissible to remove the thermostat and to restrict the water in any manner within the thermostat housing. Water may be restricted at the 1/8" diameter tuner pipe cooling hole in the powerhead adapter plate.

REASON/INTENT (Briefly explain why the change)

To eliminate the overheating of internal parts causing premature wear and damage to the motor.