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2023 Inboard Rule Change Proposal

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General Safety Rule	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Affected Class(es): **All Inboard Classes**

Specific Rule Information:

Author's VERY BRIEF Summary of Proposed Action:

As we continue to face hard times for Inboard Racing with dwindling boat counts and race sites potentially falling by the wayside, we need something to stimulate interest in race participation in all Regions. In the past, one avenue to increased attendance was participation in the High Point races in each class. As the current High Points race is structured however, any single bad race result is very difficult to overcome and the racer may not have any interest in continuing the quest for class High Point Champion

Affected Rule:

23.7 The owner of the boat accumulating the highest number of points with their best fifteen (15) races will be awarded No. 1 registration of that class for the following season. In the event of a tie, the boat that attends the most regattas will be the National Champion. The class letter and No. 1 (or his present racing number) may also be painted on the hull

Proposed rule:

Have the High Points winner for each class determined by the racers best 6 races. Since many racers may attend more than 6 races, they will use their best results and drop out the poor ones. If the racers have a tie in points after the best of 6 races, then the High Points winner would be determined by their best of 7 races. If a tie still remains, then the number of races counted with the best results will be incremented by 1 until a High Point winner is determined for each class. The class winners will be awarded No.1 registration of that class for the following year. The class letter and No.1 (or his present racing number) may also be painted on the hull.

Reason for change:

This rule proposal is designed to encourage more racers to participate in the High Point contest. If a racer has a poor performance at the beginning of the season, he may determine that he has no shot at the High Point Title and may only participate in a small number of local races for the rest of the year. If however, he knows that he can substitute a good performance for a past bad performance after just 6 races, he may choose to continue his quest. I would expect more contenders and tight High Point's battles at year end!