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2022 Inboard Rule Change Proposal

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<u>Check all that apply:</u>	
General Safety Rule	
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Affected Class(es): JSS

Specific Rule Information: [Note: All fields must be completed for consideration.]

Author's VERY BRIEF Summary of Proposed Action: Freeze Current Racing Records

Affected Rule: 54.1.13

Proposed rule: "All Competition and straightaway records set prior to the end of the calendar racing year 2021 will be permanently frozen. Starting in 2022 new records will be able to be recorded "

<u>Reason for change:</u> In the early '90's when the cages were mandated in the skiff class it changed the whole aero-dynamic of the boats. This rule should have been put into effect at the same time the cage rule went into effect but it was not. As a result no competition records have been broken since the early '90's and it took almost 30 years to up the kilo record. The IRC has said on numerous occasions over the last 15 years that even if a new motor program is introduce into the skiff class they do not want skiffs going any faster than they currently are, so how are the records ever to be broken? In EVERY other class in inboard racing new engines, weights of boats, new hull designs, ect have been allowed for the sole purpose of going faster and keeping up closer to todays technology allowing records to be broken. This is NOT the case in the skiff class. What incentive is there to try to brake a record that is not achievable based upon the current class rules and the IRC saying that they don't want skiffs going any faster? BTW Skiffs are one of the most consistent and strongest year to year boat count classes in inboard racing over the last 25 years!