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## 2022 Inboard Rule Change Proposal

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Note: Proposals must be submitted to the Inboard Office by December 1, 2021 to be considered.

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Check all that apply:

General Safety Rule

General Racing Rule

Stock Class Technical Rule \*

Modified Class Technical Rule \*

Affected Class(es): All Classes

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

**Author's VERY BRIEF Summary of Proposed Action: Change wording on how and where to establish lanes**

**Affected Rule: 16.2.9.1**

**Proposed rule: "All boats will establish their lane at the start/finish line prior to the score up buoy that is located in the middle of the backstretch, score up time will be determined at the drivers meeting. After lanes are established, all boats must maintain that lane until the start/finish line at the official start of the race, at which time the overlap rule will take effect."**

**Reason for change: This change will make it easier for the officials to see what boat is in what lane directly in front of them making it easier to make lane infraction calls prior to the start. This will also eliminate people cutting through the course at the last minute and potentially impeding on boats that are coming down the frontstretch taking timing runs. This can also cut down on the "leap frogging" and other "BS" antics that cause boats to hit one another in the stock classes in areas on the course that are sometimes very difficult for the officials on the starting line to see clearly. This will also make for a much better "Flying Start" for the fans.**