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Update process for obtaining membership to reflect current process, passed by BOD in Feb 2018.

2 - District Organization

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Reflect increase in promotional reimbursement per district, passed by BOD in Jan 2018.

A - History

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A. NAME AND DEDICATION

1. This association will be known as the North American Model Boat Association International hereinafter called NAMBA International.
2. NAMBA will be dedicated to the progress and expansion of model boating and the aid and development of youth and youth activities through fellowship, sportsmanship, and competition.

B. CLUBS

1. A group of members may register to become a NAMBA club by completing the appropriate form, and sending it with the applicable fee to the NAMBA office.
2. The Secretary and the President of a NAMBA club must be members of NAMBA.

C. MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership will consist of clubs and individuals interested in the advancement and enjoyment of model boating through test running, sport running, and/or racing at organized club, district, or national events.
2. Each member will automatically become a member of the district in which they reside.
3. Membership in NAMBA will be obtained online via the Membership Portal or via paper by completing the Membership Application form and mailing it to the NAMBA office. The member will not be insured until all needed information has been provided and applicable fees paid to NAMBA.
4. In order to retain the same NAMBA number each year, the member must renew before January 1 of the following year. After January 1, all numbers are declared open and may be re-issued.
5. Membership in NAMBA is proof of a right to enter any NAMBA sanctioned contest.
6. The current membership fee will be paid per calendar year and will not be prorated for a portion of a year.
7. Dues will include insurance under the auspices of the current NAMBA insurance plan.
8. Changes in dues will be included in renewal notices each year and will not necessitate a constitutional amendment.
9. Single Event Membership

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- a. This special membership is offered for non-NAMBA members attending a NAMBA event.
- b. The boater desiring this membership will apply for it online via the Membership Portal providing the needed member and event information and paying the applicable single event fee. This will need to be completed prior to the start of the event.
- c. Single event insurance is valid for the dates of the event only and only on the site indicated.
- d. Single event insurance may only be used once in any calendar year by a specific individual. Should that individual desire to participate in a second event in a calendar year, a full membership will be required.
- e. The single event fee paid at one event will be credited to the price of the full membership should that membership be consummated within the same calendar year.


D. MEMBER CONDUCT

1. GENERAL

- a. NAMBA activities are intended to be enjoyed with conduct from its members that displays proper consideration for fairness, ethics, respect, and a sense of fellowship among the participants and spectators. The purpose of this section is to define terms used in the NAMBA Official Rule Book relating to member conduct, as well as list the specific actions that will be taken when violations occur.

2. DEFINITIONS

- a. **Unsportsmanlike Conduct:** Conduct that is not fair, respectful, and polite toward other NAMBA members or the public when attending an Event. Examples include, but are not limited to: vulgarity; use of language that is disparaging to race, religion, gender, or sexuality; verbal abuse; physical abuse; and taunting.
- b. **Conduct Unbecoming a NAMBA Official:** Conduct on the part of an elected NAMBA Official that is detrimental or contrary to the best interests of NAMBA, or which may harm his or her standing as a NAMBA Official in the eyes of its members or members of the public in the execution of his or her duties.
- c. **Event:** Any NAMBA National, District, or Club organized activity.
- d. **Offense:** Disqualification from an Event as a result of Unsportsmanlike Conduct.

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A. GENERAL

1. Districts are generally organized along state and/or geographical lines. (see Table A and map at the end of this section for current district breakdown)
2. District lines may be altered by the Board of Directors after due notice to the members in districts affected by the change. The Board may elect to have district membership vote on any such changes.
3. A district must have at least one club before it can have its Director seated on the Board of Directors.

B. FINANCES

1. Nothing in this document will prohibit any district from raising and maintaining their own funds.
2. Fee schedules for events will be set by the district and will be uniform throughout the district.
3. Districts are allowed a maximum of \$500.00 reimbursement per calendar year for the promotion of model boating and NAMBA to the general public, in their district. Examples include: ads in publications, trade shows, district web pages, flyers, etc. Use of funds for parties, banquets, and normal district expenses is prohibited. Expenses must be approved by the district director prior to use. Receipts for reimbursement must be submitted to the NAMBA Secretary, thru the district director, in the same calendar year as the expense was incurred.

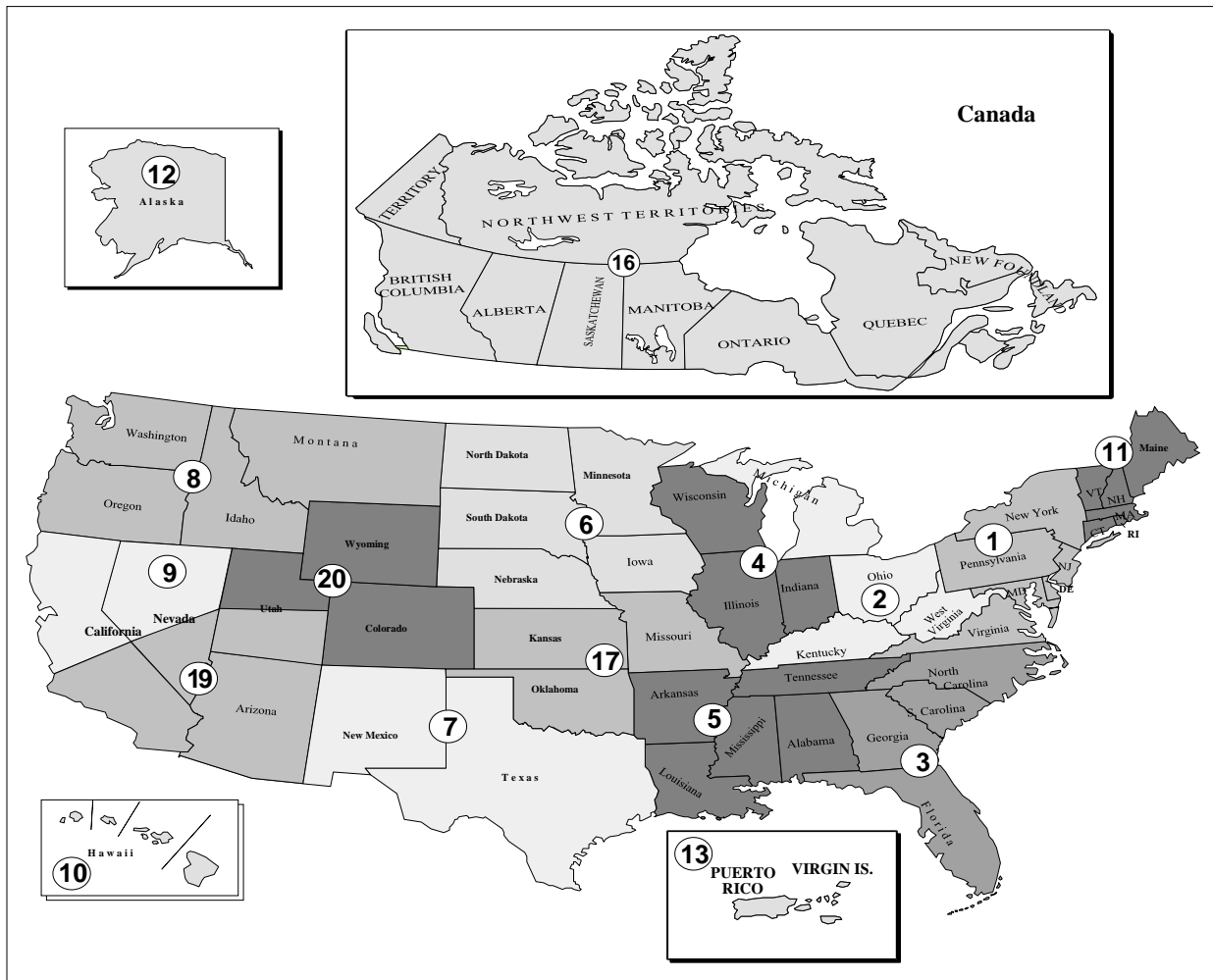
C. MEETINGS

1. Each club having a minimum of five NAMBA members will have two votes at a district meeting, to be cast by the club's secretary and/or delegate in person. A representative can only represent one club and cannot be counted as a member of other clubs for membership minimums.
2. Each district will hold at least one annual meeting of its members for the purpose of transacting business pertaining to its district and/or NAMBA organization.
3. At the district meeting, agenda items will take precedence over business presented from the floor.
4. Classes and events will be approved at the district meeting held the prior year.
5. Points received at district points races may, at the option of the district, be doubled.

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Table A

District 1 Delaware Maryland New Jersey New York Pennsylvania Virginia Washington D.C.	District 3 Florida Georgia North Carolina South Carolina	District 6 Iowa Minnesota Nebraska North Dakota South Dakota	District 9 No. California No. Nevada	District 12 Alaska	District 19 Arizona So. California So. Nevada So. Utah
District 2 Kentucky Michigan Ohio West Virginia	District 4 Illinois Indiana Wisconsin	District 7 New Mexico Texas	District 10 Hawaii	District 13 Puerto Rico Virgin Islands	District 20 Colorado No. Utah Wyoming
	District 5 Alabama Arkansas Louisiana Mississippi Tennessee	District 8 Idaho Montana Oregon Washington	District 11 Connecticut Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont	District 16 Canada	District 17 Kansas Missouri Oklahoma





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B. NATIONALS LOCATIONS

Year	Nitro/Gas	Electric
1972	Los Angeles, CA	
1973	Seattle, WA	
1974	San Diego, CA	
1975	Tulsa, OK	
1976	Baltimore, MD	
1977	Reno, NV	
1978	Naples, FL	
1979	Seaside, CA	
1980	Tacoma, WA	
1981	Amarillo, TX	
1982	Los Angeles, CA	
1983	Vancouver, British Columbia, CAN	
1984	Newark, NJ	
1985	Reno, NV	
1986	Fort Worth, TX	
1987	San Diego, CA	
1988	Wichita, KS	
1989	Camarillo, CA	
1990	Springfield, VA	
1991	Los Angeles, CA	
1992	Sacramento, CA	
1993	Bristol, PA	Bristol, PA
1994	San Diego, CA	
1995	Camarillo, CA	
1996	Los Angeles, CA	Randolph, NJ
1997	Manteca, CA	Tacoma, WA
1998	Springfield, OR	Los Angeles, CA
1999	Sayerville, NJ	Kissimee, FL
2000	Greeley, CO	Randolph, NJ
2001	Manteca, CA	Anchorage, AK
2002	Springfield, OR	Seattle, WA
2003	Carlsbad, NM	Fremont, CA
2004	Los Angeles, CA	Sanford, FL
2005	Rollingsford, NH	Milford, MI
2006	Fort Lauderdale, FL	Randolph, NJ
2007	San Jose, CA	Munroe, WA
2008	Greeley, CO	Nicolaus, CA
2009	Marysville, WA	Brighton, MI
2010	Reserve, LA	Greeley, CO
2011	Los Angeles, CA	Fort Pierce, FL
2012	Rollingsford, NH	Los Angeles, CA
2013	Salt Lake City, UT	Nicolaus, CA
2014	Marysville, WA	Leonard, MI
2015	Nicolaus, CA	Greeley, CO
2016	Wichita, KS	Marysville, WA
2017	Las Vegas, NV	<i>*combined with Nitro/Gas</i>

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	<p>Mark Grim - Inducted 2007 Mark started in model boating in 1972 as a young boy. In the mid 1980's he started helping out as a contest director at district races and continues to do so to this day. You cannot say "NAMBA Records" without thinking of Mark. Not only has he held numerous records himself, but he has also directed many straight-line and two-lap oval record events in District 19. Mark has attended many NAMBA Nationals and was on the committee that organized the 2004 Nationals in Los Angeles. Mark is viewed as an expert in engine and prop modification, and has helped many model boaters get their boats running more competitively.</p>
	<p>Roger Newton - Inducted 2009 Roger started in model boating in 1973 when he ran a 1/8th Scale Unlimited in C Hydro. Scale was not yet an official NAMBA class, but in the years that followed, he and others worked tirelessly to make it the prestigious class it is today. Roger, lovingly known as The Czar, traveled all over the country racing in and promoting his favorite class. While he set many records, he may be best known for his extensive library of scale hydro plans, used by scale boaters worldwide to accurately build their boats. Roger passed away in 2008, but his legacy in 1/8th Scale Unlimited will live on.</p>
	<p>Doug Twaits, Jr. - Inducted 2010 Doug Twaits, Jr. has been a prominent racer and innovator in the NAMBA Fast Electric classes over many years. Not only has he helped to develop the boats being used, he has set and holds many Fast Electric oval and straightaway records since 1991. He was the first to use piano wire drives to break some of these records. He has served twice as the Fast Electric Nationals Contest Director and has been on many Nationals committees. He has also served as the District One Fast Electric Chairman.</p>
	<p>Lohring Miller - Inducted 2011 Lohring Miller has been actively involved in model boating for over 20 years. He has served as president of the Emerald RC Boaters. Lohring has also served several terms as District Eight Director and was the overall Contest Director for two NAMBA Nationals. He is a regular contributor of technical articles to the NAMBA newsletter. He has also spent some time helping out with a full sized hydroplane. Lohring can always be counted on to lend help and enthusiasm to any event he attends.</p>

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	<p>Lenny Blake - Inducted 2012 Lenny Blake has been a NAMBA member since before 1986. Lenny's commonly known as Rum Racing or part of the Hey Mon Race Team in Team Marathon. Lenny won his first NAMBA Nationals Championship in 1992 and has continued to do so in both Nitro and Gas in the 20 plus Nationals that he has attended. Lenny has been the Contest Director/Race Announcer for numerous races in his district and at various Nationals. Not only has Lenny participated in many events, he has also supported them as a manufacturer of model boat hulls, hardware, and class and product sponsorships.</p>
	<p>Robert Holland – Inducted 2013 From being a nine year old spectator at the 1974 Nationals to being the President of NAMBA, Robert has been actively committed to the future of NAMBA. Robert has held the offices of District Director, NAMBA Vice President, and Contest Director of NAMBA Nationals for Nitro, Gas, and Fast Electric. Robert's love and dedication for the sport, loyalty to local clubs, district, and generous support to other boaters make him a recognized leader. He blends sportsmanship with family values making friendships while promoting model boating.</p>
	<p>Jerry Wright – Inducted 2016 Jerry has been a NAMBA member in District 7 since 1978. Jerry has been involved in model boating as a successful racer at district and national levels. Over the years Jerry has held every position available at the club and district level, currently serving as the NAMBA District 7 Director promoting model boating in New Mexico and Texas. He has organized large district and national events, including some where they were able to donate funds to various charitable groups in the area. He routinely makes time to travel to other districts in NAMBA as well promoting our hobby.</p>
	<p>Karl Morse – Inducted 2017 Karl has been an influence in model boating in the Tucson AZ area since 1969, and was instrumental in obtaining a model boat pond there. He is one of the founders of the Tucson Model Boat Club and has served as its president. He organizes their club/district races, as well as being the club's statistician and organizes their end of year awards' meetings. He has won NAMBA National Championships in nitro and gas classes. He is always willing to share his knowledge with new and veteran boaters, helping to repair damaged boats and keeps parts, hardware, and engines on hand to support model boating.</p>