

## **Eppie's Great Race®**

### **Policy for establishing, modifying, combining or eliminating**

### **Eppie's Great Race Divisions**

Any change in Division for Eppie's Great Race will be determined by a majority vote of the Eppie's Great Race Executive Committee. Generally such proposals and decisions will be made during the fall season while changes to race rules are being considered.

#### **New Divisions:**

For new divisions, proponents will be expected to provide a written justification and a check for \$500 as an assurance that at least ten entries will be entered in the coming year's race. The \$500 will be fully refundable if there are 10 entries in the new Division, but no part will be refunded until ten entries are received. The Executive Committee will be briefed on the feasibility of the implementation of the request by the Eppie's Great Race Director. The Director will include in his briefing the advice of the Watercraft Advisory Committee.

The Executive Committee will consider the following in their deliberations:

- What is the demand for this Division?
- Will this Division likely result in new participants in the race rather than just transferring participants from an existing Division or will it solve an existing problem with current Divisions?
- Will this Division result in increased revenue?
- Is it feasible to implement the new Division without undue logistical difficulties or safety issues?
- Is there new equipment that should be accommodated?

#### **Modification of Divisions:**

The Eppie's Great Race Executive Committee will receive an annual briefing from the Director regarding any issues with or changes needed to existing Divisions. This review will include an discussion of all Divisions with less than ten entries in the prior year's race. Certain Divisions may be retained even if participation is below the ten entry level. These might include but not necessarily be limited to:

- Divisions related to Therapeutic Leisure Services
- Divisions historically retained because they are remnants caused by rule changes over the years.
- Recently created Divisions that are making progress toward reaching the minimum level
- Divisions created for gender equity