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Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 101.02 OTHER MEETINGS 9	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Alec Cavallero Contact email: alec@f1h2o.com

Current text

101.02 - OTHER MEETINGS

The UIM Sport Calendar also lists the registered international ordinary meetings. It is forbidden to organise national championships for series and classes which are in the programme of a UIM titled meeting taking place the same day. The calendar of national or local events is not to be submitted to the UIM. The interested National Authorities take responsibility for their own calendar. No UIM national authority in the same continent shall have an International race on its calendar of the same class, as a UIM World or Continental Championship on the same date, based upon dates sanctioned at the UIM General Assembly.

Proposed text

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Justification

Grant autonomy to national authorities, maintaining a preferential but non-binding nature, since it is right that national authorities follow their own path, assuming their own responsibilities.

Advice

UIM Executive Committee (will examine the rule change proposal)

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
Implementation date: 1st January 2026

 Proposal n°	<h1 style="color: red; font-size: 48px;">2</h1>	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: GUIGNARD Gilles Contact email: contact@ffmotonautique.com
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 203.02.01 Entries and UIM Daily Licence 18	FRANCE	No Support Required

Current text

203.02.01 - SUPERLICENCE CONDITIONS

The World Superlicence or the Continental Superlicence is to be requested 4 weeks before the first Event with a photograph.

Superlicence will be issued through the UIM Secretariat only. The pilot must have a valid licence delivered by a National Authority recognized by the UIM and following the UIM activities in aquabike racing.

The holder of a World or Continental Superlicence cannot be refused by the organising National Authority except in case of serious fault during the season.

Proposed text

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Direct correspondence between the Organising Committee and foreign drivers is permitted but no entries or accordance of daily UIM licences are to be accepted unless approved by the driver's National Authority. The National Authorities must ratify in writing any entry for drivers wishing to race abroad.

The holder of a World or Continental Superlicence cannot be refused by the organising National Authority except in case of serious fault during the season.


Justification

That is a competence of N/A to allowed a driver to participate at international race.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	3	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Author of the rule change proposal
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject	Aquabike 300 Sport Rules	SWEDEN	Name/Surname: Pernilla Ingvarsson (supported by Norway NA, Per Christian Skoglund) Contact email: Pillan29@gmail.com
2025 Rulebook page	16		

Current text

300 - SPORT RULES

The UIM Aquabike rules are applicable when the rider and his/her team enter the paddock until the moment they leave at the end of the race. Once entered and registered, no AB shall leave the paddock until the end of the last moto and last technical inspection.

The free practice and training are similar to the races and where not differently specified the same rules are applicable.

The rider can test with the machine during the hours and in the area specified in the program and with the authorization of the race direction.

In every country there are areas where it is forbidden to navigate or where the speed is limited. These areas must be strictly mentioned in the riders briefing.

During prize presentations and ceremonies at UIM titled events, the UIM medals shall be presented by the highest ranking UIM representative(s) in attendance at the event.

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Justification

It's important for the new drivers to feel appreciated and to experience standing in front of an audience. The cost for some extra prizes are small.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
Implementation date: 1st January 2026

 Proposal n°	4	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: Ottar Eide Contact email: ottar.eide@nmfsport.no
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 302.01 Categories 24	NORWAY	No Support Required

Current text

302.01 - UIM CATEGORIES

Categories		2 Strokes	4 Strokes	Comments
Ski Future Electric	SFE			*Age 5 - 7 years
Ski Juniors	GP3.2	Max 800 cc		*Age 10 - 12 years
Ski Juniors	GP3.3	Max 800 cc		*Age13 - 15 years
<i>Ski Juniors</i>	<i>GP4</i>		<i>Max 1100 cc</i>	<i>*Age13 - 15 years</i>
Ski Division	GP4		Max 1100 cc	
Ski Division	GP3	Max 800 cc		
Ski Division	GP2	Max 850 cc	Max 1620 cc	
Ski Division	GP1	Max 1300 cc	Max 1620 cc	
Runabout Juniors	GP4		Max 950 cc	*Age 13-15 years
Runabout	GP4		Max 950cc	
Runabout	GP3	Max 1300 cc	Max 2000 cc	
Runabout	GP2	Max 2600 cc	Max 2600 cc	
Runabout	GP1	Max 2600 cc	Max 2600 cc	
Freestyle	Free			
Freestyle	Amateur	Max 800 cc	Allowed only for International Ordinary Race	

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<i>Ski Juniors</i>	<i>GP4</i>		<i>Max 1100 cc</i>	<i>*Age13 - 15 years</i>
Ski Division	GP4		Max 1100 cc	
Ski Division	GP3	Max 800 cc		
Ski Division	GP2	Max 850 cc	Max 1620 cc	
Ski Division	GP1	Max 1300 cc	Max 1620 cc	
Runabout Juniors	GP4		Max 950 cc	*Age 13-15 years
Runabout	GP4		Max 950cc	
Runabout	GP3	Max 1300 cc	Max 2000 cc	
Runabout	GP2	Max 2600 cc	Max 2600 cc	
Runabout	GP1	Max 2600 cc	Max 2600 cc	
Freestyle	Free			
Freestyle	Amateur	Max 800 cc	Allowed only for International Ordinary Race	

*It is considered the age of the rider on the 31st December of the relevant year. *It is not possible for a pilot to drive junior and senior in the same class at the same event.*


Justification

This is so that all athletes can compete under equal conditions. Weight and physique are of great importance to young athletes. The goal is to keep the athlete in the age group they belong to at the right level.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	5	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 305.02 Mandatory Training 32	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Marco Pietrini Contact email: marco@f1h2o.com

Current text

305.02 - MANDATORY TRAINING

To take the departure of the moto, the pilot must have participated in one training of at least 3 laps during free practice, qualification, or, only in case of mechanical problems during the free practice, during pole position. A rider that will not participate in the mandatory training will also lose the right to be shown on the race results.

Proposed text


305.02 - MANDATORY TRAINING

To take the departure of the moto, the pilot must **participate** ~~have participated~~ in one training of at least 3 laps during free practice, qualification, ~~or, only in case of mechanical problems during the free practice, during pole position~~ or other training sessions. A rider that will not ~~participate in the mandatory training will also lose the right to be shown on the race results.~~ **complete 3 laps in any of these sessions will not be allowed participate in the moto.**

Justification

Clarification – the rider should not be allowed to race if the circuit is not tested for at least 3 laps – adapting the rule to current practice.

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 Proposal n°	<h1 style="color: red; font-size: 48px;">6</h1>	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: GUIGNARD Gilles Contact email: contact@ffmotonautique.com
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 308.03 Points 39	FRANCE	No Support Required

Current text

308.03 - UIM POINTS

The assignment of the points for every moto will be according to following scale:

1st 25 pts	6th 15 pts	11th 10 pts	16th 5 pts
2nd 22 pts	7th 14 pts	12th 9 pts	17th 4 pts
3rd 20 pts	8th 13 pts	13th 8 pts	18th 3 pts
4th 18 pts	9th 12 pts	14th 7 pts	19th 2 pts
5th 16 pts	10th 11 pts	15th 6 pts	20th 1 pt

Proposed text

308.03 - UIM POINTS

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1st 25 pts	6th 15 pts	11th 10 pts	16th 5 pts
2nd 22 pts	7th 14 pts	12th 9 pts	17th 4 pts
3rd 20 pts	8th 13 pts	13th 8 pts	18th 3 pts
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3rd 16 pts	8th 8 pts	13th 3 pts
4th 13 pts	9th 7 pts	14th 2 pts
5th 11 pts	10th 6 pts	15th 1 pt


Justification

Clarify the rules for the competitions and not all driver will be according the point.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	7	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: Jose Miguel Martinez Castejon - Spain Contact email: info@rfem.es
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 308.06 Final Classification 39	SPAIN	No support Required

Current text

308.06 - FINAL CLASSIFICATION

To be classified in the final standings of a World or Continental Championship, a rider must participate in at least one round of the said Championship.

Proposed text

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~~To be classified in the final standings of a World or Continental Championship, a rider must participate in at least one round of the said Championship.~~


Justification

For obvious reasons. It's not possible for a driver to appear in a final classification if he or she hasn't participated in any races.

Committee Advice

Aquabike Committee

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	8	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 310.01.02 Race Penalties 40	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Marco Pietrini Contact email: Marco@f1h2o.com

Current text

310.01.02 - RACE PENALTIES

Missing a buoy penalty buoy to be taken on same lap	
Not respecting penalty buoy	1 Lap
Cutting the course	2 laps
Invading alternate course	2 laps
Not respecting safety demarcation buoys	2 laps
Unsportsmanlike driving	1 Lap or Disqualified*
Dangerous driving	1 Lap or Disqualified*
Ignoring signals	1 Lap or Disqualified*
Disobeying Race Control orders	1 Lap or Disqualified*

*Penalty given according to the Fault

Any of the above penalties may be associated with one or more yellow cards if deemed to be dangerous driving.

Proposed text

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Cutting the course	2 laps
Invading alternate course	2 laps
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Unsportsmanlike driving	1 Lap or Disqualified*
Dangerous driving	Yellow Card and/or 1 Lap or Disqualified*
Ignoring signals	1 Lap or Disqualified*
Disobeying Race Control orders	1 Lap or Disqualified*


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Any of the above penalties may be associated with one or more yellow cards if deemed to be dangerous driving.

Justification

Allowing yellow cards to be issued without racing penalization

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	9	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 310.01.03 Practice and Pole Position Penalties 40	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Marco Pietrini Contact email: marco@f1h2o.com

Current text

310.01.03 - PRACTICE AND POLE POSITION PENALTIES

Missing a buoy	Current lap cancelled
Cutting the course	Current and Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Unsportsmanlike driving	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Dangerous driving	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Ignoring signals/obstructing riders	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Disobeying Race Control orders	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*

*Penalty given according to the *Fault*

Any of the above penalties may be associated with one or more yellow cards if deemed to be dangerous driving.

Proposed text

310.01.03 - PRACTICE AND POLE POSITION PENALTIES

Missing a buoy	Current lap cancelled
Cutting the course	Current and Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Unsportsmanlike driving	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Dangerous driving session*	Yellow card and/or Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Ignoring signals/obstructing riders	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*
Disobeying Race Control orders	Best lap cancelled or disqualified from the session*


*Penalty given according to the *Fault*

Any of the above penalties may be associated with one or more yellow cards if deemed to be dangerous driving.

Justification

Allowing yellow cards to be issued without racing penalization

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	10	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject	Aquabike 310.01.04 RACE START PENALTIES STOP AND GO/TIME PENALTY	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Lars Magne Drange Contact email: lars.magne@dinvest.no
2025 Rulebook page	40		

Current text

310.01.04 - RACE START PENALTIES STOP AND GO/TIME PENALTY

In case of anticipated start the race direction may decide to apply a "STOP AND GO" penalty. The rider receiving a "STOP AND GO" penalty will be informed by the race direction, his/her racing number will be shown together with yellow and black flags. The rider has 2 laps to complete his/her "STOP AND GO" once the penalty has been issued. If the "STOP AND GO" penalty will not be respected a 1 lap penalty will be imposed.

The procedure for the drive through will be different race by race and will be instructed during the riders Briefing. When needed, the race direction or protest judge may apply a Time penalty (calculated on the basis of the duration of "STOP AND GO") at the end of the race.

"STOP AND GO" or Time penalty may apply for the following:

- Anticipated start
- Not respecting position at the start
- Not maintaining the lane
- Missing hole shot

RESTART (only applicable on beach/dock start)

If a rider and his/her AB moves during 1' board shown before the start is given a "false start" will be implemented. The start chute will be stopped by showing a red flag and the riders will return to their positions on the start gate. The rider(s) that jumped the start must restart with a dead engine. The rider(s) must remove the lanyard from the kill switch and hold it overhead until the start is given. There will be no holder for ski class and only one holder for runabout class unless surf or rough conditions.

When this procedure is applied, the rider(s) not maintaining the lane until the designated point or not respecting position at the start will incur in a 30 seconds penalty after the race. When necessary, if decided by the race committee, the rider may be penalized with a 4 position loss. If this procedure is applied, this has to be announced at riders briefing.

Proposed text

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"STOP AND GO" or Time penalty may apply for the following:

- Anticipated start (**only for rolling start**)
- Not respecting position at the start
- Not maintaining the lane
- Missing hole shot

RESTART (only applicable on beach/dock start)

If a rider and his/her AB moves during 1' board shown before the start is given a "false start, **anticipated start**" will be implemented.

The start chute will be stopped by showing a red flag and the riders will return to their positions on the start gate. The rider(s) that jumped the start must restart with a dead engine. The rider(s) must remove the lanyard from the kill switch and hold it overhead until the start is given. There will be no holder for ski class **in beach start** and only one holder for

runabout class unless surf or rough conditions.


When this procedure is applied, the rider(s) not maintaining the lane until the designated point or not respecting position at the start will incur in a 30 seconds penalty after the race. When necessary, if decided by the race committee, the rider may be penalized with a 4 position loss. If this procedure is applied, this has to be announced at riders briefing.

Justification

This is so that the athlete gets a fair start. By someone running the start for others, it means that some get advantages that others don't. This about the start is the fair way to facilitate equal conditions for all athletes. If one athlete gets a penalty, it doesn't make everyone else suffer the same disadvantage.

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025

Implementation date: 1st January 2026

 Proposal n°	<h1>11</h1>	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject	Aquabike 316.02 Continental Championship Rights of inscription	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Marco Pietrini Contact email: marco@f1h2o.com
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Current text

316.02 - RIGHTS OF INSCRIPTION

For the Continental Championship the rider will have paid a right of inscription as below. No other fees are allowed.

- 1) 200 € for each race and for each category it engages.
- 2) For the Freestyle rider's engagement is free.

Proposed text

316.02 - RIGHTS OF INSCRIPTION

For the Continental Championship the rider will have paid a right of inscription as below. ~~No other fees are allowed.~~


- 1) 200 € for each race and for each category it engages.
- 2) For the Freestyle **and junior riders** rider's engagement is free.

Extra service fees might be added when required by the local organizer. These must be published on the advance notice.

Justification

Support local organizer to face local extra costs that might occur in the organization of races.

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 Proposal n°	<h1>12</h1>	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 501.01.04 AIR/FUEL DELIVERY 4 STROKES 64	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Paolo Caredda Contact email: careddapaolo@alice.it

Current text

501.01.04 - AIR/FUEL DELIVERY 4 STROKES

Equivalent aftermarket air filters available on the market are allowed.

The ducting between the flame arrester and throttle body/ intake manifold inlet may be modified or aftermarket.

Proposed text

501.01.04 - AIR/FUEL DELIVERY 4 STROKES

01) Equivalent aftermarket air filters available on the market are allowed.


02) The ducting between the flame arrester and throttle body/ intake manifold inlet may be modified or aftermarket.

03) *The Use of an aftermarket crankcase vent catch-can is allowed. Excess oil/fuel exiting the catch- can must be caught and not spill into the engine compartment.*

Justification

Clarification and alignment of rules in the 4-stroke engine

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	13	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: Ottar Eide Contact email: ottar.eide@nmfsport.no
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 501.04.01 Categories 73	NORWAY	No Support Required

Current text

501.04 - SKI DIVISION CATEGORY GP1

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Aquabike competing in the Ski Division GP1 category must conform to the following criteria:

01) The maximum engine cubic capacity:

- a) Atmospheric 2 Strokes 1300 cc
- b) Atmospheric 4 Strokes 1620 cc
- c) Turbo 4 Strokes 1000 cc

Proposed text

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01) The maximum engine cubic capacity:

- a) Atmospheric 2 Strokes 1300 cc
- b) Atmospheric 4 Strokes ~~1620~~ **1630** cc
- c) Turbo 4 Strokes 1000 cc


Justification

By doing this, we will move from one engine supplier to two. Seedo has an engine that originally has this cc. This will develop the spot and lower the price of engines and parts. Today, it is difficult to obtain Kawasaki parts. As a sport, we have no advantage in having Kawasaki as the sole supplier of engines and parts.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee

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 Proposal n°	<div>14</div>	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: Commission Contact email: r.ripamonti@fimconi.it
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 502.01.02 Runabout GP4 - Seat 76	ITALY	No Support Required

Current text

502.01 - RUNABOUT CATEGORY GP4

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13) Original equipment seat for that model and type must be used. Seat cover may be changed.
If original seat is equipped - Back rest height must not exceed 18cm when rider seated.

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Proposed text

502.01 - RUNABOUT CATEGORY GP4

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13) Original equipment seat for that model and type must be used. Seat cover may be changed, **including the possibility to cover both parts of the seat together (seat and backrest) as a single piece, provided that shape and dimensions are not altered.**

If original seat is equipped - Back rest height must not exceed 18cm when rider seated.

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Justification


This modification is primarily for safety reasons. On the latest RXP models, the seat and backrest are separate elements, connected only by a plastic latch which is not sufficiently strong for competitive use. In multiple cases, this latch has broken during the race, causing the rider to lose the back part of the seat and, in some instances, fall off the watercraft.

Allowing the seat cover to also include and secure the backrest as a single unit does not affect the performance of the watercraft in any way and significantly increases rider safety.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	<h1>15</h1>	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 502.01.04 AIR/FUEL DELIVERY 4 STROKES 76	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Paolo Caredda Contact email: careddapaolo@alice.it

Current text

502.01.04 - AIR/FUEL DELIVERY 4 STROKES

- 01) Equivalent aftermarket air filters/ flame arresters available on the market are allowed.
- 02) The ducting between the flame arrester and throttle body/ intake manifold inlet may be modified or aftermarket.
- 03) Flame arrestor / Air restrictor downstream throttle body may be removed

Proposed text

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- 02) The ducting between the flame arrester and throttle body/ intake manifold inlet may be modified or aftermarket.
- 03) The Use of an aftermarket crankcase vent catch-can is allowed. Excess oil/fuel exiting the catch- can must be caught and not spill into the engine compartment.**
- 04)** ~~03)~~ Flame arrestor / Air restrictor downstream throttle body may be removed

Justification

Clarification and alignment of rules in the 4-stroke engine

Rule change to be voted by UIM Council on 10th October 2025
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 Proposal n°	<div>16</div>	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: GUIGNARD Gilles Contact email: contact@ffmotonautique.com
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 502.04.01 Runabout GP1 - ECU 86	FRANCE	No Support Required

Current text

502.04.01 - MAIN CRITERIA

Aquabike competing in the Runabout GP1 category must conform to the following criteria:

- 01) The maximum engine cubic capacity:
- a) Atmospheric 2 Strokes 2600 cc
 - b) Atmospheric 4 Strokes 2600 cc
 - c) Turbocharged/Supercharged 4 Strokes 2000 cc
- 02) Dry weight must be greater than 300 kg
- 03) Overall length cannot exceed 360 cm
- 04) Overall width cannot exceed 127 cm
- 05) For Endurance only, the overall length cannot exceed 394 cm

Proposed text

502.04.01 - MAIN CRITERIA

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- 01) The maximum engine cubic capacity:
- a) Atmospheric 2 Strokes 2600 cc
 - b) Atmospheric 4 Strokes 2600 cc
 - c) Turbocharged/Supercharged 4 Strokes 2000 cc
- 02) Dry weight must be greater than 300 kg
- 03) Overall length cannot exceed 360 cm
- 04) Overall width cannot exceed 127 cm
- 05) For Endurance only, the overall length cannot exceed 394 cm
- 06) ECU may be reprogrammed. All sensors and actuators must be original. Original equipment charging system must be used. And no additional ECU box or other box not OEM with electronic ignition system.**


Justification

For safety for all riders and drivers. And stop increasing expenses for teams and the decrease in the reliability of aquabikes.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee, COMINTECH

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 Proposal n°	17	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 502.04.03 Runabout GP1 - SEAT 86	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Paolo Caredda Contact email: careddapaolo@alice.it

Current text

502.04.03 - SEAT

Any aftermarket, modified or prototype seat must respect structure and measurements of those available on the market for pleasure navigation homologated PWC. Padding may be added or removed; seat height may be modified up to 10% from the original model. Back rest height must not exceed 18cm when rider seated.

Proposed text


502.04.03 - SEAT

Any aftermarket, modified or prototype seat must respect structure and measurements of those available on the market for pleasure navigation homologated PWC. ***In particular, for the safety of the rider, the base must be well consolidated as it is the divider between the engine compartment and the seat,*** Padding may be added or removed; seat height may be modified up to 10% from the original model. Back rest height must not exceed 18cm when rider seated.

Justification

Clarification for pilot's safety

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 Proposal n°	<h1>18</h1>	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 506 PERSONAL EQUIPMENT 88	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Lars Magne Drange Contact email: lars.magne@dinvest.no

Current text

506 - PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

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05) It is required that all jackets have a minimum of two buckle→ type straps across closures.
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Proposed text

506 - PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

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05) It is required that all jackets have a minimum of two buckle→ type straps across closures. *Or full zipper in front, one strap across closures and handle on the bout side.*
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Justification

Riders life jacket under EN ISO 12402-5:2020 . West with this designation has several ways to be attached. This type of fastening ensures that the vest is in the right position and is suitable in connection with rescue. New and better products have come onto the market since this rule was written.

Commission Advice

COMINSAFE

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 Proposal n°	<h1 style="color: red; margin: 0;">19</h1>	NATIONAL AUTHORITY	Name/Surname: Ottar Eide Contact email: ottar.eide@nmfsport.no
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike 506 Personal Equipment 88	NORWAY	No Support Required

Current text

506 - PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

01) A properly fitting helmet that meets the current N.A. standards or current Snell standard or current FIA standards or ECE 2206 standards is required to be worn by all pilots in Competition. Mountain bike helmets are not allowed. An helmet is mandatory, Freestyle excepted. It is further recommended that any helmet involved in an accident be returned to the appropriate manufacturer for inspection. At least 2/3 of the helmet must be of bright orange, bright red, bright yellow or bright international orange color. It is highly recommended that these colors are fluorescent, so they can be clearly visible in the water. All crash helmets must comply with SNELL or FIA or ECE 2206 specifications on the UIM website. Helmets must be replaced every 5 (five) years from manufacture date, or after an accident and if for any reason the helmet fails to pass the technical scrutineering.

Proposed text

506 - PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

01) A properly fitting helmet that meets the current N.A. standards or current Snell standard or current FIA standards or ECE 2206 standards is required to be worn by all pilots in Competition. Mountain bike helmets are not allowed. An helmet is mandatory, Freestyle excepted. It is further recommended that any helmet involved in an accident be returned to the appropriate manufacturer for inspection. At least 2/3 of the helmet must be of bright orange, bright red, bright yellow or bright international orange color **during use on the water**. It is highly recommended that these colors are fluorescent, so they can be clearly visible in the water. All crash helmets must comply with SNELL or FIA or ECE 2206 specifications on the UIM website. Helmets must be replaced every 5 (five) years from manufacture date, or after an accident and if for any reason the helmet fails to pass the technical scrutineering.

Justification


This is for the visibility and safety of the pilot.

If you put a 6cm wide black goggle strap around the helmet or use (black / white) tape to secure the goggles, this will ruin a lot of visibility.

Commission advice

Aquabike Committee, COMINSAFE

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 Proposal n°	20	COMMITTEE	AQUABIKE COMMITTEE
Discipline Rule article n° Article subject 2025 Rulebook page	Aquabike Glossary Anticipated Start 109	Author of the Rule change proposal	Name/Surname: Marco Pietrini Contact email: Marco@f1h2o.com

Current text

New Text

Proposed text

ANTICIPATED START – An Anticipated start (or jumped start – or false start) is defined as a continuous movement by the rider and his AB in the direction of the race that results in the athlete crossing the starting line (whether real or imaginary) prior to the official starting signal.

Justification

Clarification

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