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FORMATION OF ZONES AND ZONE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Rules of Incorporation of AOCRA Inc. and for the purpose of orderly management and control of outrigger canoe racing in Australia, a geographical Zone structure has been defined. This structure will be reviewed annually by AOCRA management committee to ensure optimal on-going operational and promotional effectiveness of outrigger canoeing across Australia.
 - (a) The following zones are established and operating:

NORTH QUEENSLAND ZONE - All those affiliated clubs geographically situated in Queensland from Tannum Sands north, including Tannum Sands and within the Northern Territory.

SOUTH QUEENSLAND ZONE - All those affiliated clubs geographically situated in Queensland south of Tannum Sands.

NEW SOUTH WALES ZONE - All those affiliated clubs geographically situated in New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA ZONE - All those affiliated clubs geographically situated in Western Australia.

VICTORIAN ZONE – All those affiliated clubs geographically situated in Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania.
 - (b) However if an affiliated club is based or has a training location that is closer to an adjoining Zone's main area of competition in comparison to its own geographical Zone's main area of competition, then the affiliated club may apply to AOCRA to affiliate with the adjoining Zone, in lieu of its geographical Zone. AOCRA may approve or decline the application at its discretion. Each request will be considered on a case by case basis, with any preceding requests by other affiliated clubs having no bearing on subsequent applications.
2. A Zone shall consist of sufficient active clubs affiliated with AOCRA in a designated region, with all clubs having such number of members to enable that Zone to be independently incorporated.
3. A Management Committee for each Zone shall be formed in accordance with the AOCRA Rules of Incorporation. That Committee shall be appointed as a Sub-Committee of AOCRA and shall adopt, so far as is applicable, all the powers of the AOCRA Management Committee as contained in the Constitution of AOCRA.
4. The Rules of Incorporation of AOCRA shall apply as far as is relevant to a Zone Management Committee.
5. Only a member of an affiliated club who is also a recognised member of AOCRA may be a

member of the Zone Management Committee.

6. The Committee shall consist of not less than five (5) persons elected in accordance with the Rules of Incorporation of AOCRA by delegates of affiliated clubs within the relevant Zone.
7. The Secretary of a Zone Management Committee shall keep records of all meetings. A copy of Minutes of all meetings shall be sent to the Secretary of AOCRA and affiliated clubs in the Zone within fourteen days of a meeting.
8. The Zone Management Committee shall meet at least once every four months to exercise its functions in accordance with Clause 67 of AOCRA's Constitution. A majority of members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
9. The Zone Management Committee shall establish a bank account, which shall be operated by the Committee for administration and other working expenses. The Treasurer shall keep a record of all income and expenditure in accordance with these rules. The funds contained in the Zone's bank account shall remain the property of AOCRA, unless otherwise directed by the Management Committee of AOCRA.
10. A decision, rule, motion or resolution of a Zone Management Committee contrary to any decision, rule, motion or resolution of the Management Committee of AOCRA shall be of no effect.
11. During each race year, the Zone Management Committees shall conduct a series of Regattas. The Zone Management Committee shall determine whether marathon and /or sprint events shall be held at such regattas.
12. Subject to final approval from AOCRA, the Zone Management Committees shall have the right to grant naming rights by way of sponsorship to the "Grand Prix Circuit."
13. The AOCRA Regatta & Training Rules as amended from time to time, shall apply to all paddling activities conducted in Australia.
14. Zone Management Committees may make application to AOCRA to implement supplementary rules (which AOCRA may at its absolute discretion approve or decline) to the AOCRA Regatta & Training Rules. Any approved supplementary rules will apply onto to that specific zone, and will not apply to any National Title events held within that Zone.

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