



**AJSBA/IJSBA Rider Classification Alignment**

AJSBA Rider Classification	IJSBA Rider Classification	Racing Classes
<p><b><u>Novice</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Novice Level competitor has raced between one to five times in closed course during the past 2 seasons</li> </ul>	<p><b>10.2 BEGINNER</b></p> <p>10.2.1 The Beginner class is provided as an entry-level class for new riders who wish to experience the fun of racing. It is open to all Novice competitors (see Section 10.3) who have competed in three or fewer races. In the case of a series, riders may compete in the entire series prior to moving to the Novice class. Otherwise, in a rider’s fourth race, he/she must compete in the Novice class.</p> <p>Beginner-class competitors may race Stock or Limited watercraft.</p>	
<p><b><u>Amateur</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An Amateur level competitor has raced at least three times in closed course racing during the past season on the same type of watercraft {Ski or Runabout} and has not won more than 2 championships in the last 2 years. Entry at this level is finally at the discretion of the AJSBA</li> </ul>	<p><b>10.3 NOVICE</b></p> <p>10.3.1 Novice competitors are those with minimal racing experience. First-time competitors must participate in the Novice or Beginner class.</p> <p><b>NOVICES MAY NOT COMPETE IN OPEN/MODIFIED/GP CLASSES WHERE SUPERCHARGED OR TURBOCHARGED RUNABOUTS ARE ALLOWED.</b></p> <p>10.3.2 Novice-class riders may reclassify themselves as Expert at their own discretion. Novice-class riders may also be reclassified as Expert-class riders at the discretion of the IJSBA or IJSBA International Affiliate.</p>	<p>Novice = Beginners and Novice riders</p>
<p><b><u>Professional</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Pro level competitor has raced at least three times in closed course during the past season on the same type of watercraft {Ski or runabout} and has won 2 or more closed course championship titles in the past. Entry at this level is at the discretion of the AJSBA.</li> </ul>	<p><b>10.4 EXPERT</b></p> <p>10.4.1 Expert-class riders are those who demonstrate a skill level that has exceeded beyond that of a Novice-class rider.</p> <p>10.4.2 An Expert competitor may request to be reclassified as a Pro by submitting a Change of Classification Form to the IJSBA or IJSBA International Affiliate. The IJSBA and IJSBA International Affiliates have the authority to move an Expert competitor to Pro if he/she displays skills that are superior to others in that class.</p> <p>10.4.3 An Expert competitor may request to be reclassified as an Novice by submitting a Change of Classification to the IJSBA or IJSBA International Affiliate.</p> <p>10.4.4 An Expert competitor may be moved back to Novice if it is determined by the IJSBA or IJSBA International Affiliate that his/her riding skill is not Expert-class level.</p>	<p>Amateur = Expert &amp; Novice riders</p>



	<p><b>10.6 PRO</b></p> <p>10.6.1 Pro riders are those who have substantial racing experience and have advanced competition skills.</p> <p>10.6.2 A Pro competitor may request to be reclassified as an Expert by submitting a Change of Classification Form to the IJSBA or IJSBA International Affiliate.</p> <p>10.6.3 A Pro rider may be moved back to Expert if it is determined by the IJSBA or IJSBA International Affiliate that his/her riding skill is not Pro-class level.</p>	
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