



## **RULE BOOK**

(Revised November 2018 for 2019 race season)

AMSA Offroad is a non-profit Society and is the governing body of the series. It is comprised of a board of Directors which are bound by the AMSA by-laws. This group of volunteers is responsible for the administration of the series. We work with Clubs/Individual Promoters who host each race under our series banner and rulebook.

### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

**To ensure that all participants, promoters, and spectators follow the rules that are set out by the AMSA, to protect the environment and ensure the safety of all riders. To promote off-road racing in a positive way; that sets the highest standard in regards to our public lands and the use of those lands.**

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### PRO CLASS CHANGE

This class will now be open and the competition committee will have the ability to approve Pro Status. Payout will remain capped at \$500

### BONUS POINTS FORMAT

There will not be any bonus points round moving forward.

### THROW AWAY RACES

There will be NO dropped races for the PRO Class Championship. All other A/B classes will stay as outlined further in the rule book, with the amount of drop rounds corresponding with the amount of races scheduled for the 2019 season.

### ENTRY FEES

As a compromise to balance increasing costs to promoters we will be increasing the race entry fees by \$5. We will be encouraging everyone to Pre-Enter Events online via [www.mototally.com/amsa](http://www.mototally.com/amsa) where the entry fee will be \$50 Saturday / \$35 Sunday. If you chose to wait and pay onsite on race day the fees will increase to \$55 Saturday / \$40 Sunday.

### NEW PEEWEE CLASS STRUCTURE

Our little-est racers are steadily increasing and it has become apparent we need to accommodate a wider range of skill sets for safety and fun factor.

**Peewee Expert** - advanced skill set with racing experience, max 50cc 2T/ 110cc 4T automatic clutch minibikes

**Peewee Intermediate** - some riding experience, max 50cc 2T/ 110cc 4T automatic clutch minibikes

**Peewee Beginner** - new racers with limited riding experience, **10" wheel size restriction**. They will race on a separate course appropriate for learning and bike size

### B CLASS START

30 B will now start ahead of 40B.

There will be a 10-15 minute delay between the last A class and the first B class (50+) start. This is to better space the classes and give a clear track to the faster B racers. All A classes will have a 2.5HR cutoff time based on the Pro class start time. All B classes will have a 2.0HR cutoff time based off the 50+ start time.

### WORKER POINTS

These points will change from an automatic 25 points, to your best race result for the season, plus add one position.

### GOOD SAMARITAN POINTS

Any racer that forfeits their own race to help a severely injured racer will be given 25 points. This is not to be abused and meant for emergencies and will be at the discretion of the competition committee.

### DEAD CHECKS

Abolish dead checks. If promoters need a check, it will now have to be a Live Check - manned by 2 volunteers.

## RACE NUMBERS

Racers must have the correct badging for their bike so that racers and promoters can identify riders for passing, scoring, safety, etc. AMSA has purchased coloured class stickers and are printing temporary numbers for new racers so that everyone can be identified. Anyone participating in the series needs to comply, and there is zero excuse to line up at the start without the appropriate badging. Any racer who does so, will have a penalty of starting sitting backwards on the bike.

## COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The Competition Committee shall have the authority to review infractions and apply their agreed upon interpretation of the Rule Book on a case by case basis.

## SAFETY

Dogs must be on leash at ALL EVENTS.

## TWO MOTO FORMAT

For two-moto format on closed courses, each moto will be up to one hour.

For two moto format, Olympic scoring will be utilized. Positions will be added together with second moto position as the tie-breaker.

## CONDUCT

Promoters are expected to deliver Sunday races in a timely manner according to the standards laid out in the Rule Book. Penalties for failing to deliver races according to these guidelines can result in financial penalties up to \$500, according to the discretion of the Competition Committee and the AMSA Board of Directors.

## **ALL RACERS MUST READ THE RULEBOOK.**

**Everyone must read the 2019 rulebook and sign off in acknowledgment of the rules before being approved for a license.**

# 1.0 GENERAL RULES & GUIDELINES

## 1.1 Definitions

1.1.2 Cross-country (XC): A long-distance Off-road race on a course consisting of one or more loops of minimum 35 km length. Various courses may be used in combination or separately to match the skill level of the different race classes. These loops will be completed only once.

1.1.3 Hare-Scramble (HS): An Off-road race held on a closed course of 5 to 25 km in length and the rider completes as many laps as possible in the specific class cut off time (see class description for cut off times).

1.1.4 Endurocross (EX): An obstacle race held on a closed course, 3 to 6 km in length.

1.1.5 Competition Committee: The committee is a panel of 7 people formed at the AMSA Off-road Annual General Meeting. The Competition Committee will rule, by vote, on any disputes concerning hosting club or promoters, their events and rider issues. In the event of a tie vote, an appointed representative of the hosting club will cast a tie breaking vote. The Competition Committee shall have the authority to review infractions and apply their agreed upon interpretation of the Rule Book on a case by case basis.

## 1.2 Championship

The AMSA Off-Road Championship will be decided based on total accumulated points in all rounds of the series, minus the allowed number of throwaways. **Pros are not eligible for throwaway races regardless of season length.**

1.2.1 Throwaways will be applied according to the number of races scheduled for each race season.

1-6 Races - No throwaways apply

7- 8 races - One throwaway will apply

9 or more races - Two throwaways will apply.

## 1.3 Championship Points

Points towards the AMSA Off-road Provincial Series Championship are awarded to the first twenty finishers in each class, as shown in Table 3, below. A finisher is a rider who crossed the finish line with the machine they started on. Results shall be based on the number of full laps completed. Where two or more riders have completed an equal number of laps, the results will be based on the order in which they completed the final lap.

Table 3: Championship Points.

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1	25	8	13	15	6
2	22	9	12	16	5
3	20	10	11	17	4
4	18	11	10	18	3
5	16	12	9	19	2
6	15	13	8	20	1
7	14	14	7	21+	0

### **1.3.1 Worker Points**

Event organizers have the option of riding in their own event or receiving worker points. A maximum of 3 organizers for Hare Scramble events and 5 for Cross Country events can receive points. Points will be awarded based on the riders best season result plus one position. (ex. Best finish is 3rd, they will receive 2nd place equivalent worker points.)

1.3.1.1 The following criteria must be met:

- Must be a true organizer. An organizer is a person who applies for the event insurance, TFA's from the forestry, GPS and flag a course, ordering trophies, ordering T-shirts, prizes, helping the day of the event with office set up, sign in, staging area, check points, medical staff on site, and in general are the go to people of the event.
- Must be on site for both days of their event.
- Must be able to compete at the time of the event.
- 5 days PRIOR TO EVENT notice of who wants to receive their points must be submitted to the Off-Road Administrator. A form will be sent out in each Promoter package and must be faxed or emailed back to the Off-Road Administrator.
- Points are not transferable to anyone else.
- You cannot win a Provincial title with only promoter points.

### **1.3.2 Ties**

Ties will be broken by comparing the number of first, second, third, etc. place finishes until the ties are resolved. If there is still a tie then the rider who finished ahead of the other more often will receive the higher placing. 1.2.6 If there is still a tie after using the methods described in 1.2.5 then the rider who finished ahead in the last race of the season that they both participated in will finish ahead in the points standings. If the two riders did not compete against each other during the series, the rider who rode the most events in the series will be the winner

### **1.4 Awards and Prize Money**

Trophies must be awarded to each official class, for the top 3 finishers. In addition, minor merchandise prizes may also be given. The Sportsman class does not receive trophies as this is not a championship class. The PRO class will receive a \$500 payout, to be divided by the top 5 racers. Additional cash or merchandise prizes may be given at the promoter's discretion.

1.4.1 AMSA Provincial Championship series trophies will be awarded to First through Fifth place at the year end party.

1.4.2 AMSA Provincial Championship series riders placing First through Fifth will receive a rider prize purchased from a rider levy charged to Promoters.

### **1.5 Licensing and Fees**

All racers must hold in good standing an AMSA Off-road competition license valid for the current race season to be eligible for participation in race events. These can be purchased online [www.amsaoffroad.ca](http://www.amsaoffroad.ca) or at the race location during sign-in hours.

1.5.1 Race Entry Fees as follows:

Pre-Enter Online via [www.mototally.com/amsa](http://www.mototally.com/amsa) \$50 Saturday / \$35 Sunday

Pay onsite on race day the fees will increase to \$55 Saturday / \$40 Sunday.

1.5.2 All racers and spectators must sign the onsite Insurance waiver.

1.5.3 The event organizer may charge a higher fee for late entries, but is under no obligation to accept late entries.

1.5.4 Other than a maximum \$10 per person per event gate fee, the event organizer must ensure that there are no involuntary charges collected directly from riders and pit crew other than those mandated above, and there shall be no restriction on the size or constituency of the pit crew.

## **1.6 Bike Requirements**

Bikes are required to be registered and insured with a spark arrestor as per the Alberta Traffic Safety Act. This applies for Events on public land only. The only exception is to the headlight and tail light requirement during the race. Outside of the event they will be required on the bike.

1.6.1 Any rider from out of Province are required to be in compliance with their jurisdiction of residence.

1.6.1.2 Each rider must use the same motorcycle for the entire length of the race.

1.6.1.3 Motorcycles must be in good working order with no loose parts or leaks. Motorcycles may be disqualified from competition for safety or environmental considerations at the discretion of the Competition Committee.

### **1.6.2 Sound Testing**

All exhaust systems must comply with the Alberta Traffic Safety Act - Off Highway Vehicle Regulation. Additionally, mufflers are required to limit sound output to 96 dB (decibels) or less, as measured using methods approved, from time to time, by the Competition Committee. Please self-regulate and AMSA will have sound testing equipment onsite. Let's show our consideration of shared land use zones and keep the noise down.

## **1.7 Protective Equipment**

The following are the minimum requirements to compete; additional safety gear is recommended. **Proper selection of helmet and safety apparel is the rider's sole responsibility.**

1.7.1 A Helmet must be worn at all times when operating a motorcycle during an event and in the pits. Helmets must be certified by the manufacturer as meeting one or more of the following standards, and must have the official certification label(s) affixed and clearly visible (not painted over):

D.O.T. FMVSS 218 Manufactured in 1989 or later. The original label indicating the month and year of manufacture must be affixed to the helmet.

Snell M85 or M90 or updates.

CSA 3D230M85 or updates.

1.7.2 Eye protection in the form of shatterproof goggles or safety glasses is MANDATORY. Tear Offs are NOT allowed, as they are considered to be litter on public land. Roll-offs are permitted.

1.7.3 Full length protective motocross or off-road riding pants are MANDATORY and knee guards are highly recommended.

1.7.4 Long sleeved shirt, jersey, and/or jacket. Chest protector and elbow guards recommended.

1.7.5 Protective boots that are at least 8" high for adults. Pee Wee and Kids riders must have a minimum of leather or similar protective material "high top" boots completely covering the ankle and lower shin. Mandatory.

## **1.8 Rider Code of Conduct**

Riders, their guests, pit crew, etc. are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner.

1.8.1 Slower riders are required to allow faster riders to pass. The slower rider moves to the right when possible to be passed on the left. The slower rider must take the first opportunity to allow the faster rider to pass. This requirement does not apply when both riders are competing in the same class.

### 1.8.1.1 TREAD LIGHTLY

“**T**”ravel responsibly on designated trails in permitted areas.

“**R**”espect the right of others including private property, recreational trail users, and campers.

“**E**”ducate yourself by obtaining maps and regulations from public agencies.

“**A**”void sensitive areas such as meadows, lakeshores, wetlands, and streams, unless on designated routes.

“**D**”o your part by leaving the area better than you found it, and join a local club of enthusiasts

### 1.8.2 Conduct- Clubs/Promoters/Organizers

Promoters are expected to deliver races in a timely manner in accordance with the standards laid out in the Rule Book and the Promoter pack. Penalties for failing to deliver races according to these standards can result in financial penalties of up to \$500, at the discretion of the Competition Committee and the AMSA Board of Directors.

1.8.2.2 Hosting club and or promoters are responsible for unflagging the course after their event and removal of old ribbon.

### 1.8.3 Zero Abuse Policy

Threats or violence toward event organizers, amsa officials, or riders anywhere on the premises prior to, during or after an AMSA Sanctioned race may result in disqualification from the remainder of the series, retroactive loss of all accumulated series points, and further disciplinary action by the competition committee. There is “**ZERO TOLERANCE**” for bullying, and the behaviour of you, your family, and friends matter! You are responsible for anyone associated with you at any AMSA sanctioned event.

## 2.0 CLASSES

Below is a description of all the classes offered; it is the riders responsibility to choose the best suited class for their skill set and age.

Class	General Description	Age Min	Age Max	Number Plate Colors
<b>PRO</b>	Elite class with the highest skilled racers. This class will now be open and the competition committee will have the ability to approve Pro Status.	<b>13</b>		White on Red
<b>EXPERT</b>	Expert racers working towards Pro.	<b>13</b>		Black on Orange
<b>VET MASTER</b>	This is speed based class, meant for our fastest and highest level of skilled vets. This is the class that EX Pro and Expert races can move to and still be competitive.	<b>30</b>		White on Black with an “A”
<b>+30A</b>	Advanced skilled veteran aged riders that have not formerly competed in Expert or Pro.	<b>30</b>		White on Green with an “A”.
<b>+40A</b>	Advanced skilled veteran aged riders that have not formerly competed in Expert or Pro.	<b>40</b>		Black on White, with an “A”.
<b>INTERMEDIATE</b>	High skill level, working to advance to Expert.	<b>13</b>		Black on Yellow

<b>LADIES EXPERT</b>	Restricted to females with advanced skills. Racers must first ride in the Ladies Intermediate class in order to advance.	<b>13</b>		White on Blue with an "E"
<b>+50</b>	Our legend Riders who are 50+.	<b>50</b>		White on Black
<b>+30B</b>	Veteran aged riders with experience, that have not formerly competed in Pro, Expert, or Vetmaster.	<b>40</b>		White on Green with a "B"
<b>+40B</b>	Veteran aged riders with experience, that have not formerly competed in Pro, Expert, or Vetmaster.	<b>30</b>		Black on White with a "B"
<b>LADIES INTERMEDIATE</b>	Restricted to female riders with experience or those advancing from the ladies Junior class.	<b>13</b>		White on Blue with an "I"
<b>JUNIOR</b>	Medium skill set with some race experience. Racers working towards intermediate.	<b>13</b>		Red on White
<b>BEGINNER</b>	New racers only with limited experience. Current and former Kids Expert class racers are <b>NOT</b> eligible. Minimum 85cc bike.	<b>13</b>		Red on White
<b>KIDS EXPERT</b>	This class is for experienced pre-teen racers working towards racing on the Adult day. Anyone 17 years on January 1st is no longer eligible.		<b>16</b>	Red on White with an "E"
<b>SPORTSMAN</b>	An introductory class for the new racer who is not comfortable with the B loop. It will be on the kids expert loop, This is not a trophy class and will not be included in the championship. The Sportsman Class is meant to be a <i>stepping stone</i> to move to the Saturday races and not a permanent place.	<b>16</b>		
<b>KIDS INTERMEDIATE</b>	65cc and up. Kids who are ready to try more difficult terrain.		<b>16</b>	Red on White with an "I"
<b>LADIES JUNIOR</b>	Restricted to female riders who have some experience. Can cross over with Ladies Intermediate for one season before advancement to the higher class.	<b>13</b>		White on Blue with an "I"

<b>LADIES BEGINNER</b>	Restricted to beginner female riders.	<b>13</b>		White on Blue with a "B"
<b>KIDS JUNIOR</b>	65cc and up. Kids who have racing experience. Will be limited to 19"-16" tires, No full size bikes allowed in this class.		<b>16</b>	Red on White with a "J"
<b>KIDS BEGINNER</b>	First time clutch users and first times racers. Manual clutch bike must be used. Will be limited to 19"-16" tires, No full size bikes allowed in this class.		<b>16</b>	Red on White with a "B"
<b>PEEWEE EXPERT</b>	Maximum 50cc 2-stroke and 100cc 4-stroke, automatic clutch minibikes.		<b>12</b>	Red on White with an "E"
<b>PEEWEE INTERMEDIATE</b>	Some riding experience, max 50cc 2T/ 110cc 4T automatic clutch mini bikes		<b>12</b>	Red on White with a "I"
<b>PEEWEE BEGINNER</b>	New racers with limited riding skill set 10" wheel size restriction. They will race on a separate course appropriate for learning and bike size		<b>12</b>	Red on White with a "B"

2.1 Kids Expert riders that also meet the requirements of an adult class may race in both classes (subject to the race schedule, which will not be rearranged to accommodate dual class riders). Advancement points will be accumulated for these riders that enter an adult class. Once advance the rider is no longer eligible for the kids classes.

2.1.1 Pee Wee and Kids classes are mainly based on skill level, the discretion of the parent or guardian, and the competition committee. The series winners in the Pee Wee and Kids classes will automatically advance to the next class, subject to any class rules (i.e. age restrictions).

## 2.2 Rider Numbers

Riders apply for their numbers when registering for their competition license. The deadline to retain your 2018 race number is **February 28, 2019** by purchasing a 2019 license. After this deadline all number that have not been retained will be open for other riders to apply for. Once assigned a number by AMSA Off-road this number must be properly color coded by class and must be visible on all three number plates. The event organizer must use AMSA Off-road assigned numbers for sign in and event scoring.

2.2.1 Pro Numbers will be reserved first and take precedence over other requests.

## 2.3 Number plates

The proper colors and race numbers must be displayed on all 3 sides of the bike. Please refer to Class descriptions, above for number plate colours. Racers must have the correct badging for their bike so racers and promoters can identify riders for passing, scoring, safety, etc.

2.3.1 AMSA has purchased coloured class stickers and are printing temporary numbers for new racers so that everyone can be identified.

2.3.2 AMSA has coloured helmet stickers to place on the back so riders can be identified by class. These are given free to each racer and need to be worn.

2.3.3 The penalty for a racer who does not comply with badging, will be starting the race sitting backwards on the bike.

## 2.4 Advancement

Over the course of a series the class advancement points are summed to determine if a rider has accumulated points equal to or greater than the threshold for advancement.. Riders that meet or exceed the threshold for advancement are required to advance to the next class after the series in which they earned their advancement points.

Class advancement points are assigned for each race as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place = **4** advancement points.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place = **3** advancement points.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place = **2** advancement points.
- 4<sup>th</sup> place = **1** advancement point.

2.4.1 A rider may voluntarily advance to the next class provided there are no objections from the Competition Committee or event organizers. A voluntary advancement has **two events** to try the new class and on the third event the advancement becomes permanent.

2.4.2 Except as allowed in (2.4.1), all class advancements are permanent. A rider may downgrade their class only with written permission from the Competition Committee.

2.4.3 Advancement from Ladies Junior to Ladies Intermediate can be a transitional year, where a Ladies Junior rider can race both days in the women's classes; but for one year only. Competition Committee will decide if the advancement is permanent or not.

2.4.4 The Competition Committee will facilitate the automatic class advancement rules and any exceptions.

### The threshold for class advancement is:

Beginner to Junior	1.0 x number of races finishing in top 20
Junior to Intermediate	1.5 x number of races finishing in top 20
Ladies Intermediate to Ladies Expert	2.0 x number of races finishing in top 20
Intermediate to Expert	2.0 x number of races finishing in top 20
+30B to +30A	2.0 x number of races finishing in top 20
+40B to +40A	2.0 x number of races finishing in top 20
Expert to Pro	Anyone can apply to the competition committee for PRO status.

**Example:** A Junior rider competes in four races and finishes 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 18th. The rider's advancement points are  $3 + 2 + 1 = 6$ . This rider's threshold for advancement is  $1.5 \times 4 = 6.0$  This rider will advance from Junior to Intermediate.

## 3.0 RACE PROCEDURE

### 3.1 Notice of Race

The Notice of Race should be in the form of a poster on the AMSA website at least fourteen (14) days prior to the event. The Notice of Race must specify sound testing, sign in times, gate fees (if any, which must also be specified on the race calendar). The Notice of Race should include the logo of the official Title and Gold sponsors, relevant dates and times, travel directions, and entry fees.

**3.1.1 4. Except as allowed for a parade lap, riders may not practice riding on the adult course five (5) days leading up to and on the day of the race. Penalty up to DSQ based on the competition committee's discretion.**

### 3.2 Course Marking

The race course is to be marked with ribbon as written below. Additional markings, such as direction arrows may be used to further clarify the race course.

- A. **Pink** on straight sections, preferably on the right-hand side of the trail.
- B. **Pink** and **blue** together for turns, to the side of the trail to which the rider is to turn. Easy or low speed turns will have one **pink/blue** marking. High-speed turns will have three, evenly spaced **pink/blue** markings.
- C. Hazards and wrong ways will be marked in **yellow** ribbon and wrong ways may also be marked with a "W".

3.2.2 Distance markers (such as pie plates) will be prominently displayed on the course, with no more than 5-10 km between markers. These will be used to report the location of an injured rider.

3.2.3 The starting line must be wide enough to fairly accommodate the number of riders in each class and there must be adequate width from the starting line to the first obstacle to accommodate safe passing. Promoters must mark class rows with stakes and pie plates for ease of use.

3.2.4 Riders must remain on the marked race course at all times. Where markings exist on both sides of the trail, the rider must pass between the two markings.

3.2.5 Riders must exercise due care and control to avoid damaging course markings. Only event organizers may authorize changes to markings.

3.2.6 In the event of a severe traffic jam at an obstacle, a rider may exit the course only as far as necessary to clear the traffic jam. The race course will extend a maximum of 10 meters to the left or right of any single marking. The rider must re-enter the course at the point immediately following the traffic jam, or as near to it as is reasonably possible. On subsequent laps, the original course must be followed.

3.2.7 Where a motocross track forms parts of the race course or where motocross style course markings are in use (rope, banners, berms etc.), riders may not leave the race course. If a rider does leave the course in said areas, he or she must re-enter the course at or behind the point of exit, pit lane area excepted. Penalty for infraction: 5 positions in the event results.

3.2.8 Remote checkpoints may be incorporated into the race course. These must be "LIVE Checks" manned with minimum two volunteers.

3.2.9 Riders must come to a complete stop for their check person at all "Live Checks." Riders must take care to exit "Live Checks" safely and without wheel spin.

3.2.10 The finish line is considered a "Live Check" with scoring lanes. No passing is allowed in the scoring lanes.

3.2.11 Event organizers must take reasonable precautions to prevent both accidental and intentional course cutting.

3.2.12 The goal of the AMSA is to have rider friendly courses with the intention of having the largest number of finishers as possible. It is up to the promoter to take this into consideration when creating a

course. Promoters should test the adult course by having a “B” rider complete the loop in a reasonable time to test the difficulty level.

3.2.13. Pee Wee courses need to consider the length of course appropriate for bike size, terrain, and FUN FACTOR. The goal is to avoid excessive lap counts and still have the riders finish and building skill.

### **3.3 Start Procedure**

A Mandatory Rider’s Meeting will be held prior to the race to explain the race course markings, fueling area, and hazards. The start of the rider’s meeting will be signaled using a horn or megaphone. As announced at sign in, Rider’s meetings will be located either on the starting line 10 minutes prior to the race starting time or at a designated area 20 minutes prior to the race starting time.

3.3.1 Though not required, event organizers may lead a “parade lap” of the race course or any portion thereof prior to the start of the race. No passing of the leader is permitted.

3.3.2 Riders are to assemble at the start line at the appointed time with dead engines.

3.3.3 Starts are DEAD ENGINE with Hands on Bars; at the discretion of the promoter.

3.3.4 Riders must ensure they are starting in their correct class. Riders starting in advance of their proper class will be penalized one lap.

3.3.5 The start for each class shall be indicated by an air horn, a shotgun blast, or similar means. The time clock for all classes will begin counting when the first class (PRO) leaves the starting line. Each class will have its own, separate start with a minimum of 30 second intervals between each start.

3.3.6 An event’s Cut-off Time(s) may be reduced to address environmental or safety concerns.

3.3.7 If a rider is having mechanical issues on the start line and cannot remedy within 30 seconds of his/her class starting, they will be asked to move to the sidelines to avoid disrupting the start of the next class.

3.3.8 The event organizers may elect to run an event in two separate competitions. For example, Pro/Expert, +30A, +40A, Intermediate, and Ladies Expert classes during one time period and the balance of the classes during a different time.

### **3.4 Stopping & Restarting the Race**

3.4.1 A false start occurs when a rider leaves the starting line prior to the signal. The penalty for a false start shall be one lap in the results.

3.4.2 If an accident should occur on the start, where a rider cannot be moved in time to start the next class and there is not room to route the riders safely around, the remaining classes will not start until it is safe to do so. The remaining classes will have their start time adjusted to compensate for the delay.

3.4.3 The only person authorized to stop a race is the race Promoter or their delegate.

### 3.5 Start Order

Starting Order is given in the Table below:

#### *Saturday Classes*

<b>ORDER</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Cut-off Time</b>
1	PRO	2.5 Hours
2	EXPERT	2.5 Hours
3	VET MASTER	2.5 Hours
4	30A	2.5 Hours
5	40A	2.5 Hours
6	INTERMEDIATE	2.5 Hours
7	LADIES EXPERT	2.5 Hours
8	50+	2.0 Hours
9	30B	2.0 Hours
10	40B	2.0 Hours
11	LADIES INTERMEDIATE	2.0 Hours
12	JUNIOR	2.0 Hours
13	BEGINNER	2.0 Hours

#### *Sunday Classes*

<b>Order</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Cut-off Time</b>	
		<b>HS</b>	<b>XC</b>
1	Pee Wee Beginner	30 Min	30 min
2	Pee Wee Expert	45 Minutes	60 Minutes
3	Pee Wee Intermediate	45 Minutes	60 minutes
4	Ladies Beginner	1.0 Hours	1.5 Hours
5	Kids Junior	1.0 Hours	1.5 Hours
6	Kids Beginner	45 Minutes	60 Minutes
7	Kids Expert	1.5 Hours	2.0 Hours
8	Sportsman	1.5 Hours	2.0 Hours
9	Kids Intermediate	1.25 Hours	1.5 Hours
10	Ladies Junior	1.25 Hours	1.5 Hours

### **3.6 Two Moto Format**

For a two-moto format event on closed courses, each moto will run up to a max of one hour. Olympic scoring will be utilized. Positions will be added together with the second moto position as the tie-breaker.

3.6.1 Where a race is stopped, the positions of the riders at the last check over the finish line previous to the stop signal shall be considered the finishing positions; with the rider(s) responsible for the stoppage being moved to last place in the results.

3.6.2 If the race is restarted, the rider(s) shall start consecutively in the order set in (3.6.1). Riders that did not complete a scoring lap will restart after the other riders.

3.6.3 If a race is stopped due to injury or apparent injury of a rider, said rider may not restart.

### **3.7 Safety**

Promoters will have an ERP (emergency response plan) in place prior to the event. A vehicle equipped for first aid treatment and trained personnel must be on hand for the duration of the race.

3.7.1 The course must be "swept" completely during the race and at the conclusion of the event to confirm everyone has returned. The guidelines for sweeping are as follows:

Sweepers:

Do not interfere with the race. Avoid passing riders, except in an emergency. If you must pass a rider, do so safely. Do not only follow your friend or family member; sweep everyone. Stay with an injured rider until help comes. Will be paired with partner at meeting . Check function of INREACH radio with organizer. Pull over if racers are approaching. Park off the trail. Do not block the race course! Check in with lap scorers each lap. Remember, you are sweeping, not joyriding! Meet with organizer for a sweeper meeting .Wear safety vest, carry tools, and water. Send sweepers out in intervals after classes. Return all vests to the race office.

### **3.5 FINISHING THE RACE**

Event organizers will have a defined finish line and announce to each rider when they are finished the race. Riders that elect to stop participating in an event prior to being told they are finished must inform the scoring team that they are done and off the course. Failure of a rider to inform the finishing line personnel that they are dropping out of the race will result in a suspension of one race for the rider.

### **3.6 Suggested Schedule**

3.6.1 Hare-scrambles

Saturday

Sign in: 8:30-10:00 am

Riders meeting: 10:15 am

Race Starts: 11:00 am

Sunday

Sign-In: 8:30-9:30a.m

Riders Meeting:10a.m

Race Starts: 10:15a.m

3.6.2 Cross-Country

Saturday

Sign In: 8:00-10:00 am

Riders Meeting: 10:30 am

Race Starts: 10:45 am

Sunday

Sign In: 8:30 - 9:45a.m

Riders Meeting: 10:15a.m

Race Starts: 10:30a.m

## **4.0 PENALTIES**

### **4.1 Penalties- General**

Except as otherwise stated in these rules, the penalty for a rules infraction is disqualification of the rider from the event. The Competition Committee may rule for a lesser penalty providing there is no reasonable objection from an affected rider.

4.1.1 The Competition Committee will rule, by vote, on any disputes concerning hosting club or promoters, their events, and rider issues. In the event of a tie vote, an appointed representative of the hosting club will cast a tie breaking vote.

### **4.2 Protests**

Any entrant may protest a decision of the Promoter regarding matters connected with the running of the event, provided they are directly involved. No protest at racing events will be accepted against a statement of fact that has been personally observed by the Referee or the Official (i.e. False starts/course cutting/dangerous riding, inappropriate entry to or use of the course, etc....)

4.2.1 Protests must be in writing, submitted, signed and delivered by the rider lodging the protest and handed to the competition committee with fee.

- A. Scoring questions – within 30 minutes of the posting of the race in question (no fee necessary)
- B. Rule infraction – within 30 minutes of the completion of the race in question \$100 FEE.
- C. Machine legality at the end of the race \$100 FEE.

4.2.2 Fees will be refunded if the protest is upheld . When a protest is not upheld regarding Machine legality, all fees will be given to the owner of the machine.