



# Rules and Regulations- 2009

## **DISCLAIMER:**

The following rules of Competition are intended solely as a guide to provide a uniform and fair competition at Sierra Motocross Racing Association (SMRA) events. All participants are responsible for assessing the track, facilities, and existing conditions thereof and all other matters relating to safety and must rely on their own judgment and assume all risks in choosing to participate in said competition.

These rules and regulations shall be used at all events sanctioned by SMRA. Sometimes circumstances and conditions may require modifications of some rules. Such modifications are at the sole discretion of SMRA race officials. Modifications and rule changes will be posted and announced at future races and will be posted on the SMRA website until new rulebooks are published.

It will be assumed that any rider accepting the SMRA card will be familiar with the rules within these pages and will abide by them. The license does not in any way guarantee insurance of any kind. The board of directors and promoter's board will not be held liable for any person's safety at any track. All participants at a SMRA sanctioned event are required to be licensed by SMRA and must have in their possession their current SMRA competition card.

Your SMRA card is provided to each individual rider at no cost. Riders applying for a SMRA card must sign up in their highest classification held in any recognized motorcycling organization. SMRA has the right to refuse any rider a membership card.

## **PARTICIPANT CONDUCT:**

The following regulations shall be enforced at all SMRA sanctioned events. Additional regulations of conduct may be discussed and explained at a mandatory riders meeting prior to each race event.

1. All riders are responsible for the conduct of their parents and/or pit crew. Suspension up to six (6) months may be levied against any rider or guest of the rider for showing bad conduct on or off the course at any SMRA sanctioned event.
2. No consumption of alcohol or drugs will be permitted by competitors at SMRA events.
3. No pit riding. Pit riding rules vary from track to track and it is the rider's responsibility to know these rules, and penalties.
4. The SMRA referee may disqualify any rider who in the referee's opinion is guilty of any rough, dangerous, foul, or unfair riding.
5. Anyone participating on the course without first being entered for the meet will be subject to disqualification and/or suspension.
6. Riders entering the course at any point other than the starting area for or during a race or practice session are subject to disqualification from the day's event.
7. No rider or spectator will be allowed to interfere with the lap checkers on the track.

## **CLASSES:**

5 Riders constitute a class. A promoter may choose to make a class of less than 5 riders for a trophy, however, the amount of advancement or series points will be left to the discretion of the SMRA Board of Directors.

All classes are as follows:

<b><u>50cc</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate 50cc Open (NO BEGINNERS)	<b><u>250/450F Class</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate Master Professional
<b><u>65cc</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate 65cc Open (NO BEGINNERS)	<b><u>Open Sportsman / Schoolboy</u></b>	125cc-450cc Juniors & Intermediates only. NO BEGINNERS Thru 19 years old
<b><u>85cc</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate Super Mini / Open (NO BEGINNERS) 85-112cc and Big Wheel	<b><u>Women</u></b>	All Women. No ability classification.
		<b><u>20+ Class</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate
<b><u>125/250F Class</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate Master Professional	<b><u>30+ Class</u></b>	Beginner Junior Intermediate Expert Professional
125cc 2 stroke and 250cc 4 stroke		<b><u>40+</u></b>	Junior Intermediate Expert

**ATV and other classes** - At promoter's discretion (NO SERIES or ADVANCEMENT POINTS)

## **EQUIPMENT:**

1. 4-stroke motorcycles will run as follows:
  - 50cc-90cc w/10" rear wheel will race in PeeWee class
  - 65cc-125cc w/12" rear wheel will race in the 65cc class
  - 80cc-150cc will race in the 85cc class
  - 151cc-250cc will race in the 125cc class
  - 251cc and over will race in the 250cc class
2. 250cc 4-strokes may not compete in the 250/450F class except in the case of the Professional class.
3. No kickstands or training wheels will be allowed on the track. Any bike considered unsafe by SMRA or the race promoter must be removed from the track

## **FLAGS:**

All flag signals must be obeyed immediately by all involved, including riders, pit crew, parents, and/or spectators. A rider who disregards any flag signal may be disqualified from the event, incur position penalty, or suspension for an indefinite period of time by the SMRA referee.

GREEN -----START/ALL CLEAR

YELLOW-----DANGER, CAUTION, **NO PASSING, NO JUMPING**

RED-----STOP, RETURN TO STARTING AREA

BLACK-----RIDER DISQUALIFIED REPORT TO REFEREE

BLUE-----MOVE OVER BEING LAPPED BY LEADERS

WHITE W/RED CROSS-----AMBULANCE ON TRACK

WHITE-----COURTESY FLAG. ONE LAP TO GO

CHECKERED--END OF RACE, ALL RIDERS MUST EXIT TRACK REGARDLESS OF LAPS COMPLETED

## **NUMBERS AND NUMBER PLATES:**

1. There must be three (3) readable number plates on each machine. One plate on the front and one on each side. Plates and numbers must be as large as possible.
2. Plates and numbers must be of contrasting colors and must be clearly visible from a distance.
3. All SMRA riders must run issued numbers and letters at all sanctioned events.

## **FEES:**

Your SMRA card is FREE. YOU MUST BRING YOUR CARDS TO SIGN-UP ALONG WITH YOUR ENTRY. There will be a \$5.00 charge for lost or forgotten cards. Number changes will also require a \$5.00 fee. There is no charge for riders that are bumped to the next class or for address changes or card corrections.

## **METHOD OF STARTING:**

A method of starting will be at the discretion of the race track race director and determined at the beginning of the event.

1. No practice starts will be permitted.
2. All persons, mechanics, and parents must step away from the rider and bike when the starting board goes up.
3. Riders jumping the start may be docked a lap.
4. There will be no gate saving.

## **PRACTICE SESSIONS:**

1. If any rider is found riding in a practice other than that which he/she is signed up for they will be docked one (1) lap in one (1) moto of each class they are entered in that day.
2. Under no circumstances will a sportsman rider be allowed on the track for practice with Minibikes, +30, or a +40 rider.
3. All riders must have the entries for that day's event turned in to sign-up prior to the start of practice.

## **PROTESTS:**

1. All protests regarding rider classification, conduct on the track, and scoring must be submitted to the scoring trailer and/or race coordinator no later than twenty (20) minutes after the results have been posted. The tracks race coordinator has the right to request that such protests be put in writing.
2. Technical protests (illegal modifications) become official once payment of \$300.00 cash and a written protest is signed by the rider protesting said event. If rider is unable to lodge the protest a family member or pit personnel may file the protest on behalf of the rider in the event that the rider has had to leave the track. If the protest is found to be valid, the fee will be returned minus a fee of fifty (\$50) to SMRA. If it is determined the protest is invalid, the fee is forfeited to the protested rider minus the fee of fifty (\$50) to SMRA.
3. Protests may only be made by a rider or entrant of a machine in the same class as the protested machine or rider. Protested machines will not be dismantled until the completion of the race program.

## **SCORING AND POINTS:**

### **Obvious misclassification of a rider may result in reclassification by the SMRA Board.**

- Riders will be advanced to the next highest class as follows:

Beginner to Junior	15 points
Junior to Intermediate	50 points
Intermediate to Master	70 points
- Once a sportsman Intermediate rider has earned the required amount of bump points he will no longer be allowed to ride as an intermediate and accumulate bump points. He may choose to ride as a Master and ride with the Intermediate class and must win overall for a trophy, or he may choose to ride as a Professional and race for purse money. Once a rider has decided to race as a Professional, he will no longer be allowed to race in the Master class.  
NO RIDER UNDER THE AGE OF 16 WILL BE ALLOWED TO RACE AS A PROFESSIONAL.
- 30+ and 40+ riders (except Pros) may drop down a class. Example - a 30+ intermediate may drop to a Sportsman Junior providing they have not been bumped from that class. No rider may ever drop to a Beginner class.
- Any 85 cc Rider moving up to a Sportsman class may start as a Beginner until reaching the required bump points.
- Points are earned in relation to the amount of trophies given in that class (30%). Only trophy winners receive advancement points.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place – 2 Points plus 1 point for every trophy given in that class.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Points equal the amount of trophies given in that class.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place - 1 Point less than the amount of trophies given in that class.
  - 4<sup>th</sup> place - 2 points less than the amount of trophies given in that class.
  - 5<sup>th</sup> place - 3 points less than the amount given in that class.Points will continue in that order until the last trophy winner gets two (2) points.
- All ties will be broken by the best finish in the last moto.
- Riders that do not receive the checkered flag, but have completed at least one lap will be given a DNF (did not finish) and will receive last place plus 2 points
- If a race is Red Flagged and half the laps have been completed, the rider will be scored with the position held at the red flag. If less than half the laps have been completed, there will be a restart. Restart gate choices remain the same.
- Any rider that does not start a moto or does not complete one (1) lap will be given a DNS (did not start). He will receive no points for that moto.
- Riders may be advanced to a higher class as soon as they have earned the required amount of points.
- Points accumulate from the time they are earned until rider advances to the next class.
- Rider reclassification will be subject to approval by SMRA with formal written request. Such requests will be reviewed at the next scheduled SMRA meeting.
- A rider may change motorcycles, if they remain in the same engine class, between moto's but they may not change motorcycles during a moto. Any changes must be reported to sign-up before the start of the next moto.

**Please direct all of your questions regarding scoring and points to [jaja@phonewave.net](mailto:jaja@phonewave.net) or Call 775-423-8226.**

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