



2018 GENERAL RULES FOR ALL DIVISIONS

****CHANGES will be in blue.**

RULE BOOK DISCLAIMER

The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. These rules shall govern the condition of all events, and by participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules.

NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM PUBLICATIONS OF OR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES AND OR REGULATIONS.

They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a participant, spectator or official. The race director shall be empowered to permit reasonable and appropriate deviation from any of the specifications herein or impose any further restrictions that in his opinion does not alter the minimum acceptable requirements.

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Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. Their decision is final. The management of East Alabama Motor Speedway.

SECTION A - GENERAL RULES

1. EAMS reserves the right to determine the type of racing program, distance of races, method of starting, number of cars to be entered and/or readjust prize money.
2. Prize money may be adjusted in ANY class that has less than 8 participants.
3. Interpretation of rules and decisions of speedway officials will be final in all causes and not subject to protest.
4. Printed rules and regulations governing car owners and drivers are available at all times. Ignorance of these rules will not be accepted as an excuse of their violation.
5. The signing of all release and registration forms is agreement by drivers, car owners, and crew members to abide by these rules.
6. The management reserves the right to refuse entry to any car or person without question.
7. Any driver, car owner, mechanic, or crew member who encourages or takes part in adverse demonstration on the track or surrounding premises before, during, or after a racing event shall be subject to ejection from premises, monetary fine, immediate suspension, and/or all prize money and championship points earned to be forfeited.
8. Any driver, car owner, mechanic, or crew member who shall commit assault or threaten to do bodily harm to any speedway official or other person under their orders, shall be barred from competition at AMS and/or subject to prosecution and immediate ejection from premises.
9. The conduct of any driver, car owner, or crewmember that is considered unsportsmanlike or detrimental to the continuance of an event, shall be subject to a fine, loss of championship points, immediate ejection from premises, and/or barred from further competition at EAMS.
10. ANY persons entering the pit area MUST sign ALL track release forms, secure and display official pit pass for each racing event.



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11. Only tow vehicles with racecars attached or vehicles designated by speedway officials will be permitted through pit gate. NO others allowed. NO vehicles in the pit or infield area will be covered by insurance.
12. The driver alone will be held responsible for the conduct and personal appearance of their pit crewmembers. The driver alone shall be the sole spokesman for their car owner in any and all matters pertaining to the race and must talk with officials in charge.
13. Open drinking of intoxicants in the pit area or on track property by participants will not be tolerated. Offenders will be subject to immediate ejection from the premises.
14. Any car owner, or crew member who fails to properly sign all release and registration forms will be disqualified and any prize money and/or championship points earned by driver in that event shall be forfeited.
15. Any prize money earned in any racing event will be payable directly to the driver or authorized representative. Prize money must be picked up on the day of the event.
16. No disorderly conduct will be allowed at the pay-off window. Violators will be subject to, ejection from premises, suspension, fine, and/or forfeiture of winnings.
17. When a racing event is halted due to adverse weather conditions or other unfavorable circumstances and rain checks are issued, prize money will be paid only to drivers in those events completed prior to postponement.
18. When a racing event is halted due to adverse weather conditions or other unfavorable circumstances and rain checks are not issued, those events not completed will be run as part of a double feature at a later date.
19. Speedway officials may stop any race if and when they deem track conditions unsafe or unduly hazardous.
20. Drivers may not switch from one division to another without the permission of officials. Drivers are not allowed to switch from a higher division to a lower one without permission.
21. First time competitors at EAMS may be eligible to run one (1) race without meeting all track rules except safety (Section D). However, cars and drivers competing under this rule are not eligible for the track championship program. Division to be determined by Chief Technical Inspector.
22. Speedway officials reserve the right to temporarily change racecar numbers to avoid duplication. All numbers must be registered with EAMS.
23. Anyone under 18 years of age must have a notarized release of liability statement and written permission from their parents or guardian to be allowed to race.
24. Children must be supervised in the pits at all times. Any child without proper supervision will be escorted to the grandstands or may be asked to leave. This is a safety issue and there will be NO exceptions.
25. Any fines, suspensions, and/or protests must be settled with speedway officials before a driver, car owner, or crewmember will be allowed to participate in another event at EAMS.
26. The Race Director will act upon any situation not specifically covered by this rulebook and his/her decision will be final.
27. Attendance by drivers at all driver's meetings is mandatory. Failure to attend the driver's meeting could result in the loss of right to protest and technical procedural or scoring matter following an event.
28. AMS reserves the right to move a driver from one division to another based on type of car and driving performance.

SECTION B - FLAG RULES:

NOTE: Specific flag rules and special situations will be covered at the drivers meeting. However, the following flag rules are general policy at all times.

1. GREEN - Start the race - Go - Track clear.
2. YELLOW - Caution - Wreck or danger on the track - SLOW DOWN - follow the car you were behind on the last complete green flag lap; No passing; DO NOT RACE BACK TO THE START/FINISH LINE ON A YELLOW FLAG!
3. RED - Emergency - Stop as quickly as possible on the front straight away by the flag stand. Failure to stop on a red flag will result in a lap penalty or disqualification. Cars will again be lined up as they were running on the last green flag lap. Drivers must remain in their cars. NO WORKING ON CARS.



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4. **BLUE / YELLOW** (move over flag) - You are about to be lapped - move to the **OUTSIDE** immediately. Failure to obey the move over flag will result in a 1 lap penalty.
5. **CROSSED FLAGS** - Halfway signal.
6. **BLACK** - Consultation flag - Immediately pull to the pit area for consultation. A car receiving a consultation flag will no longer be scored.
7. **WHITE** - One lap to go.
8. **CHECKERED FLAG** - End of race - Reduce speed and pull off the track. Failure to pull off the track after the checkered flag or stopping for anything other than mechanical reasons will result in disqualification. The race winner will cross the scales and immediately pull to the victory lane area.
9. The meaning of the track signal lights will be the same as the flag rules.
10. All flag rules and track signal lights will be obeyed at all times, including during practice. Failure to follow these rules will result in penalties, disqualification, and/or suspension.

SECTION C – PROTEST & CLAIMS ALL DIVISIONS:

1. A protest shall be brought to the attention of speedway officials in writing by a driver or car owner participating in said race **ONLY**.
 - a. Technical and visual protests will be brought to the attention of the Chief Technical Inspector.
 - b. Scoring protests will be brought to the attention of the Chief Scorer.
 - c. Other safety or rule violations will be brought to the attention of the Chief Pit Steward and/or the Race Director.
2. Visual protests shall be made in writing prior to the start of the first heat race for that division. **ANY** visual protest made after the start of the first heat race shall be **VOID**.
3. A visual protest shall be interpreted to mean any components or equipment which is outwardly visible, including that located underneath hoods or other covered areas that is accessible to observations without the use of tools. AMS has sole discretion in interpretation of what constitutes a visual protest. AMS has the right to inspect cars for visual violation of the rules at any time.
4. Technical protests (to include Fuel, Tire or Clutch protests) will be made in writing ten (10) minutes following the completion of the racing event.
5. Reverse protesting is allowed, if counter protest is filed, first place car will tear down first, if found illegal, then counter protest is voided, and all protest monies will be refunded. If first place car tears down, and is found legal, then second place car must tear down. Only 1 member from each crew is allowed inside fence area. Protested car may have 2 additional persons to help with teardown. Any misconduct from either team may result in disqualification or forfeiture of protest.
6. Any driver found illegal or refusing to teardown three times in one season will not be allowed to race until proving legality by tearing down. Driver will not receive compensation for the teardown.
7. If deemed necessary, track may require teardown of any car to prove legality. Track will provide gasket set.
8. Scoring protests must be made within ten (10) minutes after the official finish has been posted. Only a participant in said event may file a protest or have the official scoring checked. Scoring protests will only be done in an orderly manner. **NO ARGUING!** Any disorderly conduct will result in disqualification and/or suspension.
9. Impounding of an engine or race car, for a later inspection date will be at race tracks sole discretion. All protest fees will be held by management until inspection is completed. Date and time of inspection will be agreed on by all parties or protest will be void. Refusal of impound or inspection, will result in disqualification.
10. **ALL** protests must be paid in cash.
11. **ANY** car protested **MUST** be ready for inspection within thirty (30) minutes from the time the protest is brought to the attention of officials (**UNLESS** it is a Fuel or Tire protest and that will be conducted immediately) or the car **WILL** be disqualified.



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12. Drivers found illegal during protest or refusing to tear down WILL result in disqualification, forfeiture of all prize money, and points won for the event.
13. Must finish in top 3 to be eligible to protest.
14. Must protest top end to protest bottom end.
15. Engine Protest Fee \$500: Track Retains \$250 (MINI STOCK DIVISION)
16. Engine Protest: (ENDURO DIVISION)
 - a. Top End \$350: Track Retains \$125
 - b. Top and Bottom \$800: Track Retains \$400
17. Built Engine Protest:
 - a. Top End \$350: Track Retains \$125
 - b. Top and Bottom \$800: Track Retains \$400
18. Crate Engine protest:
 - a. Top End \$400: Track Retains \$200
 - b. Top and Bottom \$900: Track Retains \$450
19. Visual Protest: \$50 retained by Track
20. Fuel Protest: \$100 retained by Track
21. Tire Protest: \$250 (per tire) retained by Track
22. Clutch Protest: \$150 retained by Track (HOBBY & ROAD WARRIOR DIVISION)

CLAIMS:

ROAD WARRIOR DIVISION:

1. \$85 claimer on shocks per shock. Lead lap finishing cars may claim forward only. Must be done within 10 minutes of completion of the racing event.
2. Shock Claim: \$85 (per shock)

HOT SHOT DIVISION: does not apply to Junior Hot Shots

1. Complete car claim \$1,500.
2. The fee MUST be paid in cash to the Chief Technical Inspector.
3. Claim will be made in writing ten (10) minutes following the completion of the racing event.
4. Must run in the top 3 to claim.
5. Claim does NOT include any safety equipment: seat, seatbelts, window net or fire extinguisher.
6. NO claiming for others or group claims (pooling money together).
7. A claim will not be accepted should officials determine that the claim is made on someone else's behalf or the fee is from more than one party.

602 LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN DIVISION:

1. Engine may be claimed for:
 - a. Current price of new engine \$3,850 (for the 2018 season)
 - b. \$100 fee to the Driver
 - c. \$100 fee to the Track
 - d. The fee MUST be paid in cash to the Chief Technical Inspector.
2. Claim will be made in writing ten (10) minutes following the completion of the racing event.
3. Must run in the top 3 to claim.
4. The driver having their engine claimed MUST finish the race AHEAD of the driver claiming the engine.
5. A driver can ONLY claim ONE engine per racing event.
6. Engine claim does NOT include: carburetor, water pump & pulleys, water neck, motor mounts, fuel pump, fuel pump rod & over and flywheel assembly.



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7. NO claiming for others or group claims (pooling money together).
8. A claim will not be accepted should officials determine that the claim is made on someone else's behalf or the fee is from more than one party.
9. Failure to pull a claimed engine will result in the driver forfeiting ALL money for the event. The driver will be required to pay a fine of \$250 before they are allowed to compete again.

HOBBY DIVISION:

1. Intake Claim/Swap: \$250.
2. Must run in top 3 to claim.

SECTION D - SAFETY ALL DIVISIONS:

1. Steel roll over bars are mandatory and must be approved. Aluminum and other soft materials are not permitted. Front and rear roll bars must be connected at top (cage type) and bottom of both sides at seat height. Side roll bars are mandatory and must extend into door panels, (minimum of three (3) on left side and two (2) on right side with additional support on the back of the roll bar. All bars must be welded and not less than 1 ½-inch O.D. steel tubing. No pipe fittings allowed.
2. A quick release safety belt of no less than three (3) inch wide material is mandatory and must be fastened to roll bars with bolts and not less than 3/8-inch in diameter. Shoulder harness mandatory 3-inch minimum. Seat belts can be no more than 3 years old.
3. Only approved full face helmets will be allowed. Must have Snell rating of SA2010.
4. All drivers in all divisions will be required to wear a complete fire resistant driver's suit. Fire resistant gloves, underwear and shoes are highly recommended.
5. All cars will be equipped with their own fully charged 2 lb. minimum fire extinguisher in good working order and installed within easy reach of the driver. On board fire extinguisher systems recommended.
6. Battery must be securely mounted in the trunk area of all cars. No batteries allowed in the driver's compartment.
7. Safety type racing fuel cell with steel outer covers are mandatory in all divisions, All fuel tanks and cells must be mounted with a minimum of 2-inch x 1/8-inch steel safety straps that completely surround tank. No gas cans or beer kegs allowed. No fuel cooling devices allowed.
8. All cars and drivers will be required to meet all safety regulations prior to competition. No Exceptions!
9. Center top of steering post must be padded with at least 2-inch of soft material.
10. Drivers must be able to exit car from either side.
11. Racing seats mandatory. They must be securely bolted within the roll cage area of the car with 3/8" minimum bolts.
12. No one will be permitted to cross the track at any time unless instructed to do so by a speedway official. Violators will be subject to ejection from pit area.
13. No racecar shall be allowed on the track unless the official starter is in his position and the track has been declared officially open.
14. All drivers, car owners, or crewmembers when running a car around the track at any time must wear approved helmet, safety belt and full fire resistant suit.
15. All cars must have front and rear tow hook or provisions for hooking up to a wrecker. Wrecker crew and speedway officials will not be responsible for damage done to cars without provisions.
16. All weights must be painted white and securely bolted inside or on the frame of the car with 3/8-inch minimum bolts.
17. All roll bars close to driver's head, arms and legs must be fully padded.
18. Kill switch is required within easy reach of driver.
19. All drive shafts must be painted white.
20. RaceCeivers are mandatory for ALL drivers in ALL classes.



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21. EAMS reserves the right to change, omit and/or enforce any rules necessary to maintain a safe program.

SECTION E - RACE PROCEDURES:

1. It will be the driver's responsibility to be lined up prior to the start of a race. Line-ups will be posted on the board located on the pit building wall.
2. Initial start of race will be between the two markers in turn 4. The inside pole car sets a moderate pace and can start the race anywhere between the two markers. The front row should be side by side with no crowding. Restarts after one completed lap will be between the two markers in turn 4. On single file restarts **NO PULLING UP OR PASSING ON THE INSIDE UNTIL AFTER YOU HAVE PASSED THE FLAG STAND**. Pulling up or passing on the outside permitted after the leader fires and the green flag is presented. No anticipating. Penalty will be number of spots gained and will be assessed at the next caution or after completion of race.
3. Any car entering the pit area before one lap is completed will restart in original position. After one lap is completed car will restart on the rear.
4. Anytime a driver thinks he has been lined up in an improper position, the driver is to report it to the pit steward station in an orderly manner, and if an error has been made, it will be corrected.
5. Any problem/issue - pull to the top of turn two. Pit steward will check it out.
6. No repair work will be done on racecars on the track. All repair work must be done in pit area exiting turn two. Drivers and car owners are responsible to insure that their crew members remain in the pit area at all times, especially during an accident.
7. All cars must exit the pits by the pit steward's station exiting turn four. Exiting the pits at any other location will result in a penalty unless the pit lane is completely blocked.
8. Any driver spinning their tires and/or entering or exiting the pits excessively fast or in an unsafe manner will be subject to a fine and/or suspension.
9. Spin-out rule: If you purposely spin the car in front of you, you will be put to the rear and the car spun will go back to his original position. The Race Director's decision will be final!
10. Any car, which causes a yellow flag to be displayed, will restart on the rear. Race Director's decision will be final!
11. The Chief Technical Inspector will determine which cars are to cross the scales, in which order, and in what condition. Failure to cross the scales as instructed before or after an event will result in disqualification.
12. AMS officials reserve the right to conduct technical and safety inspections of any car prior to, during, or after a racing event to determine their eligibility.
13. Any car in any division is subject to P&G and compression check on any race night.
14. To be the official leader of any race, you must have led the last completed green flag lap.
15. A race will be considered complete once the leader is given the checkered flag and crosses the start/finish line. Should an incident occur after the leader has been given the white flag, the caution flag will be displayed and the race will be restarted based on the last completed green flag lap. If an incident occurs after the leader has crossed the start/finish line and has been given the checkered flag, the remaining cars will be scored in the order that they cross the start/finish line.
16. Failure to follow the instructions of any track official before, during, or after an event, will result in disqualification, penalties, and/or suspension from the speedway.
17. The only time that anyone is allowed in the scoring tower is after the conclusion of the racing program. One representative per car allowed. Any driver, car owner, crewmember, or wife not abiding by this rule may disqualify driver and cause loss of money and points earned in that event.
18. No radio communication equipment allowed in any division. RaceCeivers are mandatory in all classes.



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SECTION F - TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP:

1. To be eligible for the Track Championship Program, a driver must meet all of the following requirements:
 - a) Join by paying a \$50 one-time membership fee.
 - b) Display an EAMS decal on both sides of the car in a highly visible area.
 - c) Participate in 75% of the Weekly Racing Series Events.
2. In the event a driver who is participating in the Track Championship Program should change car owners or race teams, please note that the points will follow the driver and NOT the car owner or race team.
3. EAMS reserves the right to determine which events shall or shall not be Championship Program events.

POINTS BREAK DOWN:

1. Points will be awarded for each division of cars competing at each racing event.
2. Each driver receives points for their final race position.
3. Points are awarded to the driver who starts the feature event. No substitute drivers.
4. Points are calculated as follows:
 - 1st – 50 points
 - 2nd – 48 points
 - 3rd – 47 points
 - 4th – 46 points
 - 5th – 45 points
 - 6th – 44 points
 - 7th – 43 points
 - 8th – 42 points
 - 9th – 41 points
 - 10th – 40 points
 - 11th thru 24th – deduct one point per position through remaining field
 - Driver's attempting to qualify, but not starting the feature (qualify or heat race) will be awarded 25 points
5. Drivers will be allowed one "dropped" points race per season.
6. Drivers are eligible to race more than one class, however cannot earn points in more than one division. Entry fee for second class equivalent to pit pass.