

# 2024 GENERAL RULES AND TECHNICAL STANDARDS

## GENERAL RULES

The general rules apply to each and every driver, mechanic, and/or pit personnel. Some items may not apply to each class –. If you are uncertain, please ask a track official.

#### YOU ARE EXPECTED TO KNOW THE RULES.

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 agree to comply with these rules. NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM PUBLICATION 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.

EAMS officials shall be empowered to permit minor deviation from any of the specifications herein, or impose any further restrictions that, in their opinion, do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM SUCH ALTERATION OF SPECIFICATIONS. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. All decisions are final.

EAMS is private property. Any person on this property without permission of EAMS is guilty of trespass and subject to the penalties prescribed by law. Through your registration or association, you have been given the authority to be on the property in conjunction with racing activities. However, EAMS management reserves the right to make or cancel this authority at any time if your presence or conduct is not in the best interest of the sport of auto racing, your fellow competitors, the fans, management and/or the employees of the raceway.

#### **TRACK REGISTRATION**

- 1. Cars may not race in more than one class per race night, exception: 2 drivers may use the same car in 602 Late Model Sportsman and 602 Charger.
- 2. Drivers may not race in more than one local class per race night. If a non-EAMS class is competing, drivers may compete in both the Sanctioned Event Race and local class when competing with a different car.
- 3. It will be the responsibility of all drivers/teams to sign in and pay their entry fees PRIOR to the drivers' meeting. Sign in will be conducted at a designated location. ONLY a driver or crew representative shall be allowed to sign in the car that is at the track prior to cut off. EAMS officials may draw for drivers/teams not

present at the track under exceptional circumstances beyond the control of EAMS officials or the drivers/teams being signed in. The pill draw will be closed once the drivers' meeting has started. Each driver must read and decide if he or she is going to sign the tax registration form and the competition and enforcement portion of the registration form to be eligible to compete in a EAMS event. By doing so, the driver understands that the rules, enforcement calls, and decisions of EAMS are final.

- 4. PLEASE NOTE: By Entering, Qualifying and/or Racing in a EAMS event, you are accepting these rules as those under which you are prepared to race.
- 5. It is a condition of entry that the Driver's Registration Form is completed and handed in prior to the driver's first race of the season. If a driver changes cars or teams during the season, it is his/her responsibility to re-register. It is also the responsibility of the driver/team to fill out a Sponsorship Registration Card upon sign in. These cards will be used for the announcement and publication of sponsors throughout the season. If there is a change in sponsorship, it is the driver's/ team's responsibility to notify EAMS Raceway Officials.

### **RAIN-OUT POLICY**

- Once a feature event is completed within any division after any qualifying has been completed, the racing program will be considered a complete show. Divisions not completing a feature event that evening will run a double feature program the following week, or as EAMS officials determine the best scenario to make up.
  - a. The first feature will be run according to the line-up for the rain date or at the point the feature was halted.
  - b. The second feature will be run according to the blind draw held at the pit window prior to the new night's event start.
  - c. There will not be any qualifying events on double feature nights for the division running two features. Points and prize money will be issued for both features.
  - d. There will be NO REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES DUE TO RAINOUTS.
  - e. In the event that the following week is a scheduled special event, changes may be made to this policy to accommodate different sponsors and situations beyond our control.

#### PROMOTIONAL RELEASE

Fans, drivers, crews, or anyone attending or competing in any race event or promotional event shall consent to the use of their name, as well as pictures and/or video of themselves and/or their race car. This shall include, but not be limited to, publicity, advertising, sales, and endorsements, both before and after the events, and relinquishes any rights to photos or videos taken in connection with said events.

## TRACK SAFETY

- 1. Every driver should inspect the racing surface, and the race track, to learn any defects, obstructions, or anything which, in their opinion, may be unsafe, and report any such condition to EAMS officials in writing, if found.
- 2. All drivers participating in any racing events are believed to have inspected the track and found all conditions satisfactory. If not, they should not race.
- 3. The participant further acknowledges that he/she is cognizant of the inherent risks associated with auto racing and assumes such risk with full knowledge and understanding.

## ACCIDENT CLAIM AND/OR INJURY INFORMATION

- 1. All injuries must be immediately communicated to EAMS officials for proper reporting.
- 2. If you are physically unable to provide necessary information to complete the reporting, a crewmember or other responsible parties shall provide all necessary information so proper insurance guidelines may be followed.
- 3. No claims will be considered unless reported prior to leaving EAMS property that day.

# MINORS – Parent/Guardian Release REQUIRED for Competition and Pit Areas

- No one under the age of 18 will be allowed to drive, warm-up, or race a car unless they are able to furnish a minor release from their parents or legal guardians. Drivers under the age of 16 must have special permission from EAMS management.
- 2. Due to insurance regulations anyone under the age of 18 entering the pit area, must have the proper parent/guardian release forms on file within the raceway.

## **RESERVED PIT SPACES FOR WEEKLY EVENTS**

- 1. Pit spaces are reserved for race vehicles and their hauler/trailer. All vehicles, except the truck pulling the trailer, must be parked outside the pit areas.
- 2. EAMS assumes no responsibility for any vehicles, trailers, race cars, equipment, parts or contents of vehicles while they are parked on raceway property.

#### CAR IDENTIFICATION

1. Car numbers must be no less than eighteen (18) inches high with a three (3) inch wide stroke. All numbers must be easy to read from the scoring tower. Numbers on the roof must face the tower.

## RACE EVENT PROCEDURES

- 1. Track officials' decisions will be final.
- 2. Track officials reserve the right to issue penalty including suspension, fine, probation or any combination thereof.
- 3. Anyone entering EAMS must purchase a ticket. If you enter the property without purchasing a ticket, you may be banned from EAMS indefinitely.
- 4. All children under the age of 14 in the pit area must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Failure to follow this rule could result in being removed from the pits and/or track. All pit entrants under the age of 18, must have parental consent/minor's release form on file with the raceway. See above.
- 5. No one will be allowed in the tower.
- 6. Drivers caught drinking, using marijuana, or other controlled substances may, at the track's sole discretion, be suspended for a MINIMUM of one race following the violation. All drivers may be subject to a Breathalyzer test. Any driver found to be drinking alcoholic beverages during a race will automatically be disqualified for that event and will not be eligible for any purse or points. No refunds will be issued by the track for any fees paid, including passes or registration fees for the driver and/or their crew.
- 7. No fighting allowed.
- 8. Any driver or crewmember that enters another driver's pit area will be considered the aggressor. If the incident happens away from either driver's pit area, both drivers and pit crew may be considered aggressors. All participants will be subject to penalty. Drivers are responsible for the crew members.
- 9. Anyone using obscene language or gestures that can be seen/heard by fans in the main grandstands will be subject to penalty. Drivers are responsible for crewmembers.
- 10. Anyone that curses, threatens, or places their hands on any EAMS official will lose pit access privileges for the remainder of the racing season. Repeated incidents or overly aggressive acts toward an EAMS official will result in removal from the property.
- 11. Anyone driving in the pits must do so in a slow and responsible manner. Anyone that drives reckless or out-of-control as determined by officials could face penalties.
- 12. Drivers are responsible for their own draw. It is the responsibility of the driver to draw for the correct class and use his or her correct name.
- 13. In the event of a low car count in a division, EAMS reserves the right to amend, reschedule, postpone, or delete the division.
- 14. EAMS reserves the right to add weight to any car in order to offset any minor rule violation. Official's discretion will be utilized. All cars need to have 100 lbs of lead that is painted white, pre-drilled with half-inch (1/2") bolts and large washers readily available to be added to the car in the event of a rules violation.
- 15. If a driver must use a backup vehicle after running a heat race or qualifying race, they will relinquish any position earned and must start behind all of the qualifying vehicles in the feature.
- 16. All drivers must have a RACEceiver at ALL times while on the track. It is

the driver's responsibility to have a RACEceiver in working order.

- 17. No two-way radios allowed.
- 18. All cars are subject to inspection by track officials at any time.
- 19. Teams may either make the appropriate change(s) necessary to comply with track rules or add lead as instructed by track officials to be eligible to race that night.
- 20. Track reserves the right to adjust weight in ALL classes at any time in the interest of competition for everyone.
- 21. If directed, cars must be lined up in their starting position in the staging area before completion of the previous race. If you are not lined up in position before the completion of the previous race, you are considered late and you will start at the rear of the field. There will be a Pit Official in the staging area to make this decision.
- 22. The initial green flag starts the race (see Race Starts/Double File Restarts below for more details).
- 23. To be the official leader of the race, the leader plus 2 must have crossed the start/finish line.
- 24. When the caution flag has been displayed and/or announced on RaceCeiver, cars that did not pass the start/finish line will be lined up according to the previous green flag lap.
- 25. At the discretion of the track officials, any car causing a caution or any car involved in the cause of the caution will be placed at the rear of the field for the restart.
- 26. Any car that purposely brings out the caution may be disqualified.
- 27. Any car that brings out the caution two times in the race will be disqualified from the event.
- 28. If a car sustains any damage on the racetrack that requires repair, the car must go to the pits for the necessary repairs.
- 29. Any car going to the pits while under caution or red flag must go to the rear of the field for the restart.
- 30. Work on race cars must be done in the pit area. No work is to be done to the cars on the track.
- 31. Any driver going to the pit area from the raceway under green must enter the pits using the middle entrance on the back straightaway. Any driver going to the pit area from the raceway under yellow or red must enter the pits at the safest location.
- 32. Any driver getting out of his/her car while on the track under caution or red flag condition will be sent to the pits. The only time this rule will be waived is for safety reasons.
- 33. Absolutely no crewmembers or observers are allowed on the track for any reason, unless directed by a track official. Doing so will result in immediate disqualification, loss of points, and prize money, and removal from the facility.
- 34. Observers must remain behind all barriers during the race. Observers in the pit area WILL NOT stand or sit on any barriers, equipment, or other elevated platforms. Doing so can result in removal from the track.

- 35. Any unnecessary roughness on the track will result in the race being stopped and the person or persons responsible being parked and disqualified from the event.
- 36. Any driver who intentionally hits another car under caution, or after the race has ended, will be disqualified, lose all points and money awarded for the event, and be suspended for two races.
- 37. After the race is complete, the top 3 finishers in all divisions must go directly to the scales to weigh in. All others must exit the track and return to their respective pit area.
- 38. The 1 pound per lap burn off is for green flag laps completed, not scheduled.
- 39. If you are deemed to be light at the scales after the feature, you will receive last place position prize money and points.
- 40. Any car found to be illegal will result in the loss of any posted points or money for that race.
- 41. Drivers refusing to tear down while being protested will lose all posted points and prize money for that night and be placed on probation for two months. The second refusal will result in the loss of all posted points and prize money for the night and suspension for the remainder of the season.
- 42. No used tires shall be left on EAMS property.
- 43. We do not hold prize money for anyone. It must be picked up the night of the race or arrangements need to be made the night of the race.
- 44. If necessary, during a caution, EAMS staff on the front straightaway will attempt to pull sheet metal off of tires (only.)

#### **FLAG RULES**

- Green: start of race
- □ Yellow: Caution wreck or debris on track. Slow down; follow the car you were behind on the last lap. DO NOT race back to the start/finish line.
- Red: Emergency STOP as quickly and safely as possible. Do not pass the flag stand when this flag is displayed. Failure to stop when the red flag is displayed will result in a one lap penalty or disqualification.
- Blue/Yellow: you are about to be lapped; move to the outside immediately.
- Black: Consultations pull into the pits to receive instruction from an official.
- U White: one lap to go
- Checkered: The race is over. Safely return to the pit area.

#### QUALIFYING

- 1. Group Qualifying
  - a. Amount of cars on the racetrack during each qualifying group is determined by car count and track officials.
  - b. Two (2) green flag laps will be counted for each car.
  - c. Fastest of 2 laps will determine the fastest qualifier and race positions.

- d. Failure to exit the track after completion of qualifying laps will result in loss of your fastest lap. Your fastest lap will be used for line ups.
- 2. Car count will determine the need for Heat Races and/or Consolation Races.

## **RACE STARTS**

- 1. The initial green flag starts the race. Drivers are expected to remain in nose to tail, side-by-side formation until the drop of the green flag, as determined by the raceway starter. Jumping the start (moving out of line before the flag) will be considered a penalty and the offending driver or drivers will be penalized.
- 2. In the event of a caution before the first lap is completed, the field will be lined up for a complete restart in the original grid order, provided there are no penalties to be assessed.
- 3. No jack rabbit starts or laying back.

## **DOUBLE FILE RESTARTS**

- 1. All divisions, unless otherwise noted, will use double file restarts.
- 2. When a caution flag occurs after the first lap is complete, the cars will line back up single file. Once officials determine all cars are in the proper position, the signal will be given to the field and the leader will move to the front row alone. The car in 2nd place will have 5 seconds to "choose" inside vs outside. The following cars will line up opposite the car in front of them, i.e., 3rd out, 4th in, 5th out, etc.
- 3. On double file restarts, the leader starts the race in the start box anywhere that is determined by race director. Cars may not lay back in an attempt to get a run on the cars in front of them.
- 4. Any car that is judged to be jumping the start will be penalized two spots from where they were originally placed for the restart. If the same car is judged to be jumping a second time in the same race it will be sent to the rear of the field.

## FUEL

- 1. Pump gas or racing fuel only. (RACING FUEL AVAILABLE AT TRACK)
  - a. Pump gas may contain up to 10% ethanol as allowed by law.
  - b. Gas must pass an acid test.
- 2. E85 Fuel is allowed.
  - a. Fuel must check within 1% at any time checked (MIN 84% Ethanol MAX86%)
- 3. No alcohol, methanol, nitrous oxide, or chemical additives including, but not limited to, propylene oxide, nitromethane, nitro propane, or any nitrate additives.

## PROTESTS

- All protests and claims must be filed by the driver or a member of driver's team in writing with the tech inspector within five (5) minutes of the race winner crossing the scales. The protest must include the proper protest fee (CASH ONLY.) Failure to present a written protest AND the protest fee within the time allotted will invalidate the protest.
- Any driver wishing to protest must finish in the top three and be on the lead lap to protest. Any car in the top three that is found illegal at the scales or during the track's regular tech may not protest. You may only protest the car finishing in front of you. 3rd may NOT protest 1st unless you protest 1st AND 2<sup>nd</sup>. No back protests will be allowed.
- 3. A refusal to teardown will result in disqualification and a forfeit of all prize money and points for that race.
- 4. Any rules violations found during teardown will result in disqualification and a forfeit all prize money and points for that race. The driver will be placed on probation for the remainder of the season. Any driver failing an inspection twice in one season will be banned from participating in ANY competition for the remainder of the season.
- 5. Teardown time: 2 hours maximum from the time the inspector gives permission to start. If more than one item is protested, an inspector may allow extra time for teardown. A failure of a driver or team to begin the teardown within five (5) minutes of being directed by the inspector or his designate will result in a disqualification.
- 6. The protested car may have up to three (3) people in the pen at teardown: two to tear down and a tech man. The protesting driver may have one representative in the pen. All persons in the pen will conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner. The Technical Inspector can call off the protest, disqualify the car, or bar persons from the pen based on improper behavior. Fans or other team members who refuse to remove themselves from the pen area will be removed from the track. Anyone not directly involved in the teardown must stay at least 10 feet away from any protested car.
- 7. If the driver refuses to teardown, the driver that filed the protest will be refunded one hundred percent of his or her money.
- 8. Inspectors' discretion will be utilized in determining cars legality. Any decision by the inspector and/or the track will be FINAL.
- During teardown, all oil and antifreeze must be drained into an approved container located in the center of pits. Drivers are responsible for disposal of all fluids. Anyone caught dumping oil or antifreeze on the ground will be suspended.

## **PROTEST FEES**

- 1. V-8 ENGINES
  - a. \$600 for one head and two valves (Track retains \$100).
  - b. \$600 for oil pan (Track retains \$100).
- 2. CRATE ENGINE

- a. \$1200 (Track retains \$200)
- 3. ALL CLASSES
  - a. \$150 flywheel and clutch (Track retains \$25).
  - b. \$50 for carburetor (Track retains \$25)
  - c. \$50 to check wheelbase (Track retains \$25)
  - d. \$150 for rear end (Track retains \$50)
  - e. \$175 tire analysis fee (Track retains all and pays for test)
  - f. \$100 valve spring check of free length and install height (Track retains \$50)

#### **TRACTION CONTROL DEVICES**

- 1. All electronic and/or computerized wheel spin and/or ignition retardation and/or acceleration limiting and/or traction control devices of any type will not be permitted.
- 2. Adjustable ping control devices, dial-a-chip controls, timing controls and/or automated throttle controls, or similar devices will not be permitted.
- 3. Adjustable restrictor plates will not be permitted.
- 4. Remote control components of any type will not be permitted.
- 5. Radios and/or devices for transmitting the voice and/or data will not be permitted.
- 6. Data acquisition systems and/or electronic or digital timing devices will not be permitted.

#### **MASTER CUTOFF SWITCH**

 All cars in all classes must have a cutoff switch directly behind the driver's seat that can be accessed from the driver's side of the car by track personnel, if necessary. The cutoff switch must remove all electric power from the battery and alternator (except any installed fire suppression system must remain powered). The engine must stop running when the switch is turned to the "Off" position.

## SEASON POINTS

It is required that all drivers must register with the raceway and give full information including: Name, Social Security/Tax Identification number that you wish for your earnings reported under, address, and a current phone number. If this information is not provided, no racing.

#### Points for Feature Races will be awarded as follows (all divisions)

FINISHING SPOT:

1. 100	13. 68
2. 95	14. 66
3. 91	15. 64
4. 88	16. 62
5. 85	17.60
6. 82	18. 58
7. 80	19. 56
8. 78	20. 54
9. 76	21. 54
10. 74	22. 52
11.72	23. 51
12. 70	24. 50

\*25th finishing spot and lower will be minus 1 point per position.

\*40 points will be awarded for attempting to qualify/heat race.

# DRIVERS MUST COMPETE IN 80% OF POINTS QUALIFYING RACES TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE SEASON POINTS REWARD.

**NOTE:** Points are awarded to the driver, not the car.