

2007 National Short Sheet



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Based on the outcome of the voting of the RCPs and motions from the floor, the following is being distributed to the general membership of QMA to be **effective April 1, 2007 unless otherwise noted**. If any member has specific questions regarding the process, they must **first** contact their Club President and if necessary then their Regional Director who will then contact a National Board of Director member. All regions were represented at the meeting. The approved changes are listed below with any addendums or motions to clarify wording included.

Rule Change Proposal's (RCPs) and including any changes from the annual meeting are to be incorporated into the existing QMA Racing Rules and Administrative Guidelines.

RCP CHANGES:

RCP #6

In quarter midget classes, the age limit is 17 years old (you may not participate AFTER your 17th birthday). Addendum - **Effective immediately.**

RCP # 9

All **new** QMA tracks must have an **approved** soft wall design that absorbs and dissipates energy when struck by a car beginning January, 2008. The soft wall specification will be developed and supplied by a committee appointed by the QMA President and will be made available by December 1, 2007. The specification will include all of the currently in use soft wall designs that have been shown to be effective in use and thus tracks who have already implemented an effective soft will not be required to change them. The committee will be formed immediately.

RCP'S FROM THE FLOOR:

Spec Tires

Committee comprising of 3 Regional Directors and 2 members of the National Board will submit a proposal to any tire manufacturer which can commit to tire availability, set pricing, factory support and testing. Bid proposals will be sent out as needed by April 1st. Bid packages must be sent back to the committee by June 1st. The committee will notify the manufacturer selected for testing by July 1st. The ultimate goal will be to secure a spec tire manufacturer on a contractual basis. To be **implemented January, 2008.** (committee formed immediately).

AA & Half Classes

All AA & Half races shall be given **NO MORE than 2 fuel stops after the initial green flag** at any QMA sanctioned event (Qualifier, States or Grands). Maximum fuel tank size 140 ounces.

Graduated Novice running WF, AA, B or 160

In order to run WF, AA, B or 160, driver must run one 12 month period upon graduation from the novice classes (not including the novice year) in a lower class or combination of lower classes or obtain the unanimous approval of the Novice Committee **with the final approval from the Regional Director before competing in these classes.**

Line Up Procedure

On the initial green only, after initial warm up period has elapsed (use of the clock or air horn), all cars on the track and past the designated line, will be lined up as follows: odd numbered cars on the inside from lowest number to highest and even numbered cars on the outside from lowest number to highest. All others will start at the back of their respective inside or outside line in the order they enter the race track. In other words, all cars will move straight up to fill positions left by cars going to the tail. Except AA and Half classes which are re-fueled after initial warm-up. After the initial green, in case of a yellow occurring prior to the first completed scored lap, you will refer back to the QMA scoring procedures straight up line up 1 through 10 with cars not present in the original line up to the rear of the field. **Implementation has been tabled to allow for a scoring committee to be formed, which will be headed by the National Secretary, to try to come up with guidelines and new procedures.**

SAFETY ISSUES

- All aluminum fuel tanks will have a minimum wall thickness of **0.050"**
- All data acquisition and measuring devices shall be mounted securely within the roll cage or down tubes and the read out display shall not be operated by nor be in the sight of the driver.
- Driver gloves require a SFI 3.3/5 rating or greater.
- Neck Collar made of Nomex or equivalent is mandatory with a recommended rating of SFI 3.3
- A full brake pedal or positive heel stop is mandatory to prevent the foot from pushing through the pedal.
- All cars must have double tube front bumpers with two connecting tubes welded in place. All **bumpers (front and rear) must not extend beyond three inches past the side main frame rail**. Any design that does not meet this spec must be approved by the National Tech and Safety Directors. The bumper tubes (front and rear) shall be mounted over each other with **a maximum of 15 degrees rake as measured from the horizontal**. They shall have at least two inches radius bend on the ends and be mounted to the frame of the car in order to prevent hooking or lifting. **First offense, warning (48 hours to fix), 2nd offense DQ from class.**
- All driver suits or jackets must have a minimum **SFI rating of 3.2A/1. Effective 1/1/08.**
- No decorative or distractive lights on any QMA race car. 1st offense – warning. 2nd offense – DQ from the race.

TECH ISSUES

- **Any alteration to Jr or Sr Novice Restrictor Plates** – 1st Offense automatic 30 day suspension. 2nd offense will be 1 year suspension.
- Any Novice with a deco will still use the old plate as there are no new ones with the QMA logo on them for this class.
- If handler wants a second opinion on a tech DQ, **all shipping and handling charges will be paid for by the protesting party.**
- The new Tier III GX120 & GX160 motors will **NOT be allowed to be used this year**. If found, 6 month suspension.
 - **Can** use the new heads (GX120 part # 12210-ZH7-416 & GX 160 part # 12210-ZH8-416).
 - **Can NOT** use the new piston and rings
- Serial #'s that are NOT allowed in the GX120 & GX160 classes are:
 - GX 120 GCAHK-1085093 and up
 - GX 160 GCACK-1120414 and up
- World Formula: **Optional** new head gasket and heat disperser. The old head can be drilled out with a 25/64 drill bit and then tapped with a 7/16 tap and then install the heat disperser.
- World Formula: **Mandatory** that the new PVL ignition coil system and aluminum flywheel be used. They are sold as a kit.
- Jr Stock: A restrictor plate on the exhaust side will be added and is mandatory. The plates are available from the QMA National Office.
- Jr & Sr Stock: The rule on timing has been eliminated.
- Fuel Tester: **Add another approved test for fuel:** "The Precision Fuel Testing System". The Digitron DT-15 or DT-47FT is still an approved meter. You can use both or one.
- Oil Sniffer: **Add another approved meter: CPS Model LS790B** (used on Sensitivity 2, mandatory). The Snap On Model EELD 101 is still an approved meter.
- **No Plastic/nylon Brake Lines**
- Tire treatment: It is **PROHIBITED to apply tire treatment or chemicals** (except cleaning with water). First offense 30 day suspension, 2nd offense 1 year suspension and 3rd offense lifetime suspension.
- Tire Treatment Tester: Approved tester will be the "Portable Tire Prep Monitor, JTR Eagle".
- Weights: Sr Stock, Lt 160, Lt Mod, Lt B and Lt AA will go up 10 pounds combined weight to:
 - **Sr Stock 275**
 - **Lt 160 270**
 - **Lt Mod 270**
 - **Lt B 270**
 - **Lt AA 270**
- Driver Weight: Drivers in the **heavy classes** must be a minimum of **100 pounds**
- Per the guidelines of the rulebook, page 16, Section 2, 10.G(7), the approval of the tech committee and through the normal RCP process – the Heavy Honda class will be a 160 platform motor labeling it Heavy Honda. The Heavy 160 division will be done away with and replaced with the Heavy 200. Minimum driver weight being 100 lb and combined weight being 325 lb with a minimum age of 9 years old. No effective date.

Heavy Honda Age

The age for Heavy Honda has been lowered from 9 to 8 years old. **New Age bracket for Heavy Honda is now 8-16 years old.**

Axles

All rear axles will be made out of aluminum or steel only (For the purposes of QMA specifications, the definitions of aluminum does not include titanium). **Effective 1/1/08**

Grands Parking

Clubs making proposals to National to host a Grands Event, will also provide the amounts they plan on charging for all support contracts and motor home parking in their proposal beginning with the proposals for the 2009 Grands.

Membership

Add to page 9, Article 2, Section 7, 1/A: A regular membership is defined as husband, wife **or couple cohabitating** and all drivers under the age of 18 years old of that immediate family that live in the same household. Effective immediately and not retro-active.

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Hall of Fame

Publicity Director will create a committee comprising of an RD/Asst RD from the East, an RD/Asst RD from the West and 3 members At Large appointed by the National President; all of whom will determine the Hall of Fame inductee(s) to be presented at the National Meeting as the last agenda item.

One-Way Communication

No radios and/or radio communication with the drivers is allowed during a race or event practice **EXCEPT the one-way RACEceiver Model W1600 ONLY which is to be used by a designated track official to drivers.** DQ for event.

States Race Fees

Beginning with the 2008 States Races, the fees will be increased \$5 per car for a total of \$11 payable to QMA. In addition, the clubs can increase the registration fees by \$5 beginning with the 2008 States Races.

Dirt Grands Rotation Order

Beginning with the 2009 Dirt Grands Proposals: The Dirt Grands will be bid on a rotation schedule alternating between the East and West beginning with the East in 2009 and the West in 2010 etc... If no bids are received from the Regions in the East or the West in their respective year by the deadline of 10/15, then it will be opened up to the other Regions and the proposals can be presented at the National meeting by the Regional Director. You will lose your turn if no one puts a bid in and it will be opened up to the other Regions. The rotation will NOT change. The RD's from the West will vote when it's in the West and the RD's from the East will vote when it's in the East. All RD's will vote when it's opened up to all Regions.

Congratulations to the 2008 Grands Host Clubs

Dirt Grands – Christian County Quarter Midget Association, Taylorville IL Region 5

Eastern Grands – Silver City Quarter Midget Club, Meriden, CT Region 1

Western Grands – American Quarter Midget Association, Rancho Cordova, CA, Region 10