

# SASKATCHEWAN MOTOSPORT ASSOCIATION

PROVINCIAL MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

# RULEBOOK

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# **Document Revision Control**

Whenever the rulebook is updated, the following table is updated so changes can be tracked clearly.

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1.2	Notes added to clarify ladies classes. Transponders & scoring section & moto drops section added. Notes about 50cc transponders.	B.L	April, 2024

### 1 - About the rulebook

This is a supplemental rulebook and is to be used in conjunction with the MRC amateur rulebook. Although the SMA does follow the MRC rulebook, there are slight variations that are listed here. Not all rules in this book are necessarily deviations from the MRC rules. Any rules that may be duplicates of what you will find in the MRC rules, are rules that are frequently asked about and are listed here as a quick reference.

This rulebook should be referred to first and then the MRC rulebook should be referred to for any information that is not listed in this rulebook. This rulebook overrules any conflicting information about the same subject from the MRC rulebook.

### 2 - Class Criteria & Number Colours

**50cc (Ages 4-6)** (0cc - 50cc 2 stroke / 0cc - 73cc 4 stroke / KTM SX-E, Husqvarna EE 5, GasGas Electric) *Red number / White background* 

**50cc (Ages 7-8)** (0cc - 50cc 2 stroke / 0cc - 73cc 4 stroke / KTM SX-E, Husqvarna EE 5, GasGas Electric) *Black number / White background* 

**50cc (Open)** (0cc - 50cc 2 stroke / 0cc - 73cc 4 stroke / KTM SX-E, Husqvarna EE 5, GasGas Electric)

**65cc (Ages 7-9)** (60cc – 65 cc 2 stroke / 0cc – 80cc 4 stroke) *Red number / White background* 

**65cc (Ages 10-11)** (60cc – 65 cc 2 stroke / 0cc – 80cc 4 stroke) *Black number / White background* 

**85cc (Ages 7-11)** (60cc – 85cc 2 stroke / 60cc – 100cc 4 stroke) Max wheel size 17" front / 14" rear *Red number / White background* 

**85cc (Ages 12-16)** (60cc – 85cc 2 stroke / 60cc – 150cc 4 stroke) Max wheel size 17" front / 14" rear *Black number / White background* 

**Supermini (Ages 9-16)** (85cc – 112cc 2 stroke / 100cc – 150cc 4 stroke)

**250cc (MX2)** (100 – 250 2 stroke / 100cc – 250cc 4 stroke)

**450cc (MX1)** (253cc – 285cc 2 stroke / 300cc – 450cc 4 stroke) Minimum wheel size 21" front / 18" rear

Open Class (MX3) (125cc – 550cc 2 stroke / 100cc – 650cc 4 stroke)

Ladies A (Ages 12+) (85cc +) White number / Blue background

### Ladies B (Ages 9+) (65cc +) White number / Blue background

Ladies Class Rules - New racers should start in Ladies B unless directed otherwise by the SMA Race Director. For racers that aren't sure where they fit, Ladies B is the equivalent of Beginner and Ladies A is for Junior and above level racers. Advancement from B to A is detailed on the following page. Please reach out for guidance if you're unsure of which ladies class you should be in.

All Beginner and Junior classes are Red number / White background

All Intermediate classes are Black number / Yellow background

Professional Classes (Age 14+ years) MX1 Black number / White Background, MX2 White number / Black background, MX3 use appropriate MX1 or MX2 colours.

**Vet Classes / Supermini** use colour combinations in which you are classified. (i.e. 40+ / Int would run Black number / Yellow background.

**Age restrictions -** Minimum - as of the date of the event. Maximum - as of January 1st of the current year.

### 3 - Advancement

- a) Riders riding in more than one class will have upgrade points combined for both classes.
- b) Beginner to Junior, 10 points.
- c) Junior to Intermediate, 20 points.
- d) Intermediate to Professional, 40 points.
- e) Ladies B to Ladies A, 10 points.
- f) Full points are awarded in classes of six or more riders. In classes of less than six riders, the winner will receive 3 points and second place will receive 1 point only.

### Upgrade points:

- 1st overall receives 5 points
- 2nd overall receives 3 points
- 3rd overall receives 2 points
- 4th overall receives 1 point
- g) All upgrade points are dropped by riders accumulating fewer than these totals so that the new season is started with zero upgrade points.
- h) All riders earning sufficient upgrade points while participating in an MRC series may remain in the same class until completion of the series at which time the license must be remitted for upgrade.
- i) The Open Beginner classes are considered to be PROGRESSIVE classes and are NOT recognized as National Championship classes. Upgrade points will be awarded to Beginner riders on the day of a Regional/Provincial event, but series points will not be tabulated.
- j) No upgrade points are awarded for Arenacross or Supercross events.
- k) The top THREE finishers from all Junior and Intermediate classes at the Grand National Amateur National Championship will be automatically upgraded to a higher class the following year. Intermediates may stay if they fall under rule chapter 1(B)(1) or they don't have enough upgrade points and their appeal is granted. If they win a championship they may not compete in that class again at the Amateur Grand National Championship.
- I) Any rider competing in the 250 Pro/Am East/West national series that earns a national number will be automatically upgraded to the Pro ranks regardless of their total upgrade points earned at regional events in the Intermediate class, however, an appeal may be granted. If the rider falls under rule chapter 1(B)(1) he may use this option.

### 4 - Transponders & Scoring

All classes with the exception of the 50cc age classes will be required to use a transponder. That said, generally the 50cc age class entrants will race in the 50cc open class also, so they have a transponder on their bike for that class. So when possible, at tracks that run the age classes on the main track, the 50cc age classes will also be scored using transponders. At tracks that run on a 50cc track with no transponder line, manual scoring will be used. An announcement will be made at the riders meeting to clarify the scoring method for the day.

### General transponder & scoring rules

- Transponders must be worn at all times during practice and races. You will be flagged at the end of practice or moto if your transponder is not working.
- It's the rider's responsibility to ensure the transponder is fully charged, working and on the bike.
- If you forget to put your transponder on your bike or if it falls off during your moto and you're not scored, you will have 30 minutes following the results posting to inform the referee of the situation.
- If the lap counters have an accurate account of the race, you will be scored accordingly.
- If there is a problem with the manual lap count, you will be scored with a DNF.
- Anyone who finishes the race without a transponder and does not inform the referee within 30 minutes, will be scored with a DNF.

### 5 - Moto Drops

We all have commitments outside of racing motocross and we can't always make it every round of the race season. To try and accommodate this, the SMA uses a moto drop system where your worst moto or worst two motos, depending on how many races are in the season, are dropped from overall series points.

- For race seasons with 10 or more rounds, two motos are dropped.
- For race seasons with less than 10 rounds, only one moto will be dropped.
- If two motos are dropped, they don't have to be from the same race weekend. Just your two worst motos. This includes a missed race where zero points are scored.

This way if a racer needs to miss a round or has a mechanical failure, it won't have a big effect on series points. Bear in mind, if you decide to sit out a round, this will by default be your moto drop. So if you have a DNF or bad moto in another race, that low score will be counted towards your series standing if you have already missed a round.

# 6 - MRC Licencing

All persons participating in a MRC sanctioned event must possess a valid MRC competition licence (membership). If proof of licence cannot be verified, the rider in question must fill out a current MRC licence application, sign it and provide payment of \$50 to be held until verification, the licence can be produced.

### 7 - Pit Riding & Pit Bikes

Pit riding may only consist of a rider riding to and from the start gate or designated race officials with quads and side by sides. First gear only through the pits at walking speed. Any rider or person caught pit riding or travelling in a dangerous manner will be subject to consequences.

It is up to the hosting club whether pit bikes are to be allowed. If the clubs allow pit bikes, all riders must wear a helmet and follow the rules above.

### 8 - Helmets

Helmets must be worn at all times when on a motorcycle, electric scooter or pit bike. Please note the following regarding the use of helmets;

- Referees are not required to wear helmets, this includes while operating side-by-sides or quads.
- Medics are not required to wear helmets.
- Flaggers are not required to wear helmets.

### 9 - Trophies & Payouts

Trophies/plaques are awarded for 1st-5th place in all 50cc, 65cc, 85cc, Ladies and Junior classes. There are also 5 additional participant trophies for all 50cc classes.

Trophies for 1st-3rd place are awarded in Vet Jr, Vet Master, 40+ and 50+.

### MX1 Intermediate Payout

- 1st place = \$75.00
- 2nd place = \$50.00
- 3rd place = \$25.00

### MX2 Intermediate Payout

- 1st place = \$75.00
- 2nd place = \$50.00
- 3rd place = \$25.00

### GP Pro/AM Payout

- 1st place = \$100.00
- 2nd place = \$75.00
- 3rd place = \$50.00

### MX3 Pro / MX3 Intermediate Payout

 MX3 Pro payout is calculated based on the total number of entries from both MX3 Pro and MX3 Intermediate

### 10 - Cancellation Policy

This policy is in place for the procedures to determine cancellation of a race and the procedures for refund. Race cancellations are unfortunate for clubs and competitors; this policy will provide the clubs and competitors a clear understanding of refund entitlement.

### CONDITIONS CAUSING A CANCELLATION

- Extreme weather, if the track is not a safe rideable condition for all skill levels and ages determined by the head referee.
- There is no ambulance on site or no head referee available.
- Any other unsafe conditions that can put spectators and/or riders in immediate danger as determined from the head referee.
- If a race is cancelled by the Head Referee on race day, a Rider Meeting will be called so that riders in attendance can be notified. The purpose of the Riders Meeting will be for information only. The decision by the Head Referee to cancel the race will not be up for discussion.

The Club/Promoter will have a maximum of 14 days after the cancellation to reschedule the race. However, the rescheduled date does not have to fall within these 14 days.

### 11 - Refund Policy

- In the event of race cancellation a deferral of race entry will be implemented.
- If a rider has sufficient reason for not being to attend an event that they are registered for, a
  deferral of race entry will be implemented at the board's discretion.
- Cash refunds will only be done at the discretion of the board on a case by case basis.

## 12 - Riders Meetings

Riders meeting is held at 7:15am on race day. Attending riders meetings is compulsory. At the meeting, there may be a random attendance taken and you are not there, you will be starting your first moto backwards.

### 13 - Concussion Protocol

In the event of an on-track accident resulting in apparent indications of concussion or another undetermined head injury including temporary unconsciousness, headache, dizziness, nausea, or temporary memory loss, the involved rider is suspended from further competition for the remainder of the event.

The head referee has the final decision on whether a rider is fit to continue racing for the day.

In all head injury cases where riders have been temporarily suspended, it is recommended to refrain from further competition for a minimum of three weeks or seek medical approval to return prior to the recommended time period. If a doctor's note is required to return to racing, the note must indicate directly that the head is cleared to return to racing.

### 14 - Practice Day / Race Day Practice

Race day practice, one practice per rider only - regardless of how many classes you are racing. The penalty for riding more than one practice is being docked five positions in each class that you're registered in. Practice the morning of race day is mandatory, if you do not practice, you may not be allowed to race.

Note that all Juniors need to be staged and ready for group 1 practice. If there are not enough riders to run two practices, you will miss practice if you are not there and ready. If you miss practice due to wanting to be in the second group and there are not enough numbers to run a second group, you will not get to practice and may not be allowed to race.

Practice order - **Practice Days** (suggested practice order, clubs run practice days)

- 1. Pro / Intermediate
- 2. Junior / Beginner / Ladies (Group 1)
- 3. Junior / Beginner / Ladies (Group 2)
- 4. 65cc / 85cc
- 5. 50cc Open

Open practice on 50 track for 50cc 4-6 / 7-8

### Practice Order - Race Days

- 1. Pro / Intermediate
- 2. Junior / Beginner (Group 1)
- 3. Junior / Beginner (Group 2)
- 4. 85cc
- 5. Ladies A / B
- 6. 50cc 4-6
- 7. 50cc 7-8
- 8. 65cc 7-9 / 65cc 10-11
- 9. 50cc Open

### 14 - Protests

- Results Protests there are no fees Any rule Protest or Infraction Protest must be in writing and accompanied with \$100.00 win or lose
- You may not protest any rule infraction that was witnessed by a referee
- You may protest another riders bike, in writing to the head referee, with \$200.00 2 stroke or \$400.00 4 stroke
- You may Protest the Referee Decision to the Region in writing within 10 days of the event with \$100.00
- You may Protest the Region Decision to the MRC head office in writing within 10 days of the event with another \$100.00
- You may not Protest something that would have no solution but to re-run the race.

### 15 - Your Behaviour

- Riders will be accountable for all members in their party. This includes parents, family and spectators.
- If you are having problems with another rider, flagger or official, do not confront the individual personally. Contact the head or assistant referee to deal with it accordingly.
- There is a noise curfew at 11:00 pm at all tracks. Be respectful of your neighbours and if you must run a generator after that time, it must be of the campground noise approved types.

### 16 - Zero Tolerance

The following offence will be subject to disciplinary action by the Referee and/or the MRC. "An attack (physical or verbal) or threat on a MRC/SMA official and/or engaging in a fight. This includes, but is not limited to, any person who attacks or is involved in a confrontation anywhere on the premises prior to, during or after a MRC sanctioned race. There will be no maximum fine or suspension period for this offense. A verbal threat or physical attack on a MRC official by a mechanic/team manager will result in disqualification of their rider".

- The SMA is taking the stance of "ZERO TOLERANCE" for bullying, verbal or physical abuse towards ANYONE. Inappropriate comments or badgering of the SMA or its members in any capacity, whether in person or online, will not be tolerated. You are responsible for anyone associated with you at any MRC / SMA sanctioned event.
- An attack in any form on anyone will result in disqualification, no points, and no prizing. There
  are steps in the rulebook that you can take to get your point across without subjecting anyone
  to abuse.
- Under absolutely no circumstances are riders to be under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicants before or while riding.

### 17 - Miscellaneous

- The pitboard area will be the start corner after the gate drop.
- Pets must be leashed and not on any part of the track at any time.
- Must have long sleeve jerseys at all time no short sleeve jerseys are permitted.
- Cutting the track will not be permitted.
- Exhaust System Must be attached to the Frame of the bike If the exhaust dislodges from the bike, you will be black flagged and asked to exit the course at the designated exit area.