



## 2025 General Rules/Track Procedures

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/her opinion do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. NO EXPRESSED 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. Their decision is final.

1. IMPORTANT - Participants are not employees of I-96 Speedway but are independent contractors and assume all responsibility for all charges, premiums and taxes payable on any funds they may receive as a result of their participation in any events as drivers. Participants will be required to be registered by I-96 Speedway in order to compete. All registered drivers must read and understand the rules, both general and class specific, and agree by default to all the rules when the registration is turned in.

2. Drivers or car owners will be paid all monies and must furnish I-96 Speedway with their valid Social Security Number(SSN) or Federal Employer Identification Number(EIN). Furnishing an invalid or false SSN or EIN may result in not being paid, a fine and/or suspension.

3. There is a **10 MPH SPEED LIMIT IN THE PIT AREA** at all times. Drivers will only get one verbal warning. Extreme violations will result in penalties to be determined by I96 officials.

4. Personnel vehicles that are not towing a trailer will not be allowed in the pits. Following the races, no vehicles will be allowed to drive into the pits until 30 minutes after the last race.
5. If proof of driving ability of any applicant is deemed necessary, tests shall be conducted at the discretion of track officials and their decision shall be binding on the applicant. When it is deemed necessary, officials may insist on a physical examination of any driver.
6. Drivers under 18 years of age are required to submit to I-96 Speedway a parental consent form - signed by parents or legal guardians. Any driver without these documents will not be allowed to race.
7. I-96 Speedway and sponsors reserve the right to use photos of any car, driver, or hauler for promotional purposes.

### **General Rules**

1. All I-96 Speedway rules apply at all events. I-96 Speedway drivers agree to abide by the officials decision. OFFICIALS DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
2. Any rule amendments that are published on [www.i96speedway.com](http://www.i96speedway.com) or announced at a driver's meeting during the season will be considered a part of the rules and all personnel are responsible for carrying out these rules.
3. Track officials shall have responsibility for rules and regulation enforcement at race events. At discretion of track official(s) in charge, any competitor may be disqualified for rule violations, hazardous equipment or hazardous/dangerous actions. All disputes developing as a result of rules must be settled at the track.
4. All cars racing at I-96 Speedway for prize money will be required to register for the season for a point fund. Registration for each class will vary and is to be paid at time of driver registration at the drivers first event at I-96 Speedway in a given year.
5. No driver or crew member may enter the racing area until he/she has completed all releases, registrations and/or entry forms. No person will be allowed to sign release and waiver sheets for anyone other than themselves
6. Consumption of alcoholic beverages by a driver, a driver's associate or his/her crew in advance of a racing program, or while in the pit area during a racing program is strictly forbidden. Any driver, driver associate or crew member showing evidence of alcohol consumption will be required to leave the premises immediately and may be subject to an

indefinite suspension. Use of illegal drugs at any time shall be cause for immediate, indefinite suspension.

7. I-96 Speedway is private property and medical cards for marijuana are not valid at I-96 Speedway. You may not use marijuana on I-96 Speedway property. Any misuse of prescription drugs will not be allowed on I-96 Speedway property. If someone seems to be affected by any sort of drug, they may not be allowed on I-96 Speedway property. The evidence of drug use or abuse will result in leaving I-96 Speedway premises immediately and may be subject to an indefinite suspension.

8. The driver is qualified and receives points, not the race car. Drivers must compete in the race car they showed up with. No changing of race cars during the race night. Any driver allowing another driver to use his/her race car, or any driver changing cars forfeits any points and money earned in that event.

9. No driver, crew member or associate of a driver shall participate in any fight on the premises, or take part or participate in any action or activity considered detrimental to I-96 Speedway. These actions will result in disciplinary action.

10. No driver, crew member or associate of a driver shall subject officials or track employees to abuse or improper language. **These actions will result in disciplinary action. This is non-negotiable.**

11. Driver is sole spokesman for the car owner and pit crew in any and all matters pertaining to the race and only the driver shall take part in any arbitration with the officials.

12. Driver is responsible for the conduct and actions of their crew members and/or associates. Unsportsmanlike conduct by drivers, owners, pit crews and/or associates shall be grounds for disqualification and/or punitive action by I-96 Speedway.

13. I-96 Speedway reserves the right to inspect any race car at any time. They further reserve the right to disqualify any driver and race car from competition and confiscate any and all non-conforming parts. It is the responsibility of the driver and crew to disassemble race car for inspection when requested to do so. Refusal to comply will result in disqualification and forfeiture of prize money and points and may be subject to fine and/or suspension.

14. Approval of a race car by inspector shall mean only that it is approved for participation in a competitive event and shall not be construed in any way to mean that it is guaranteed mechanically sound, safe, or completely legal. I-96 Speedway and/or the inspector shall not be liable for any mechanical failure nor for any losses, injuries or death resulting from same.

15. Any car, under protest or claim, taken from premises without first clearing with official in charge will subject car and driver to disqualification and forfeiture of prize money and points accumulated for the entire season.

16. Any driver or race car under suspension may not participate in any event.

17. No driver, car owner, or mechanic shall have claim for damages, expenses or otherwise against I-96 Speedway or any officials, by reason of disqualification, confiscation, or damage to, either race car or driver or both. Car owners, drivers and mechanics agree the track is in safe condition if they take part in racing activities.

18. All drivers, car owners and mechanics assume full responsibility for any and all injuries sustained including death and property damage, at any time they are on the premises, or en route to or from the premises.

19. Under car/body cameras or electronics of any kind will not be permitted. On car cameras mounted to record in front of or behind the car is the only permitted camera allowed on the car.

**20. Negative social media in any form about I-96 Speedway, I-96 Speedway officials or other racers will not be tolerated. Depending on the severity of the incident, suspension and fines may occur. You are entitled to your opinion and we ask you immediately bring the issue directly to I-96 Speedway officials. Driver is responsible for family, friends, crew and associates.**

21. Westhold Transponders (yellow) are mandatory in every class including Mini Wedges(yellow or orange). If you don't have a transponder pouch or transponder holder you will be required to buy one before the driver can compete. Rentals will be available for \$25 a night.

22. The running order can change at any time so make sure you check the pit board often.

23. We will start 20 cars per division, we may start more depending on car count. Class car count under 18 Cars will be (1-2) heat races. 4 Cylinders with under 21 cars will be (1-2) heat races.

24. When track prep is underway no person shall be allowed on track except officials.

25. Fire extinguishers or fire suppression systems are mandatory in all cars except Mini Wedges! No zip ties or restraining items such as tape or rope may be used to hold a fire extinguisher in place. Each driver/team must have a minimum of 2A:10BC (5 LB) Fire extinguisher at each occupied pit area.

26. Belts are required to be up to date and not expired in all classes. UMP and IMCA both leave this up to the discretion of the track. Safety is the number one priority and safe belts are required!

27. Helmets are required to be SA2015, SA2020, or SA2025.

28. RACEceivers are required for every racing event. NO EXCEPTIONS. Channel is default.

## PROTESTS

1. Protest must be in writing and filed with the promoter within 15 minutes after feature race is completed, and must be specific in alleged violation to determine whether protest is allowed or rejected.
2. No protest of any type will be allowed after prize money has been paid. Only one item may be of protest per event. Drivers may not protest more than one car per event, another driver finishing in a position behind them, and may not protest the same driver more than once per calendar year.
3. All protests will be handled at track level and must be accompanied with a \$150 cash deposit. \$50 of the deposit goes to the track and will not be refunded, regardless of the outcome of the protest. If an item being protested is found legal, \$100 of deposit will be forfeited to the car being protested. If an item is found illegal, \$100 deposit will be refunded to the protester.
4. The party against whom a protest is made has a right to know the charge and have a written copy thereof so that they may adequately defend themselves against any action.

## **AUTOMATIC PENALTIES**

1. Electronic traction control device: Automatic disqualification and \$10,000 fine and may be barred from all MSPA tracks. If a driver is found with an electronic traction control device at any point during an event, the driver loses all points in all divisions and is suspended until fine is paid. Device may be confiscated and retained by I-96 Speedway.
2. I-96 Speedway reserves the right to test competitor's fuel. Fuel samples may be taken from any car at any time. Penalty for illegal fuel is disqualification from the event and \$250 fine - first offense. Disqualification, no points and no pay for the night, loss of points for the year, 2-week suspension and \$1,000 fine - second offense. WARNING - ethanol blended fuel may not pass fuel tests.
3. Use of non-stamped or softened tires in any division will result in a disqualification. Disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and \$250 fine - first offense. Disqualification, no points and no pay for the night, loss of points for the year, 2-week suspension and \$250 fine- second offense.
4. Fighting and/or physical assault: Penalties including fines, suspensions and points penalties to be at discretion of I-96 Speedway Promoter and officials. Penalties may be based on severity of incident. Applies to driver and or all crew members, family and/or associates. Minimum penalty is disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and 2 week suspension.

5. Unsportsmanlike conduct and/or verbal assault: Penalties including fines, suspensions and points penalties to be at discretion of I-96 Speedway Promoter and officials. Penalties may be based on severity of incident. Minimum penalty is disqualification, no points and no pay for the night.
6. Intentional rough driving: Penalties including fines, suspensions and points penalties to be at discretion of I-96 Speedway Promoter and officials. Penalties may be based on severity of incident. Minimum disqualification, no points and no pay for the night- first offense. Minimum disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and 2- week suspension - second offense.
7. Any driver intentionally using his/her vehicle in a malicious manner: Penalties including fines, suspensions and points penalties to be at discretion of I-96 Speedway Promoter and officials. Penalties may be based on severity of incident. Minimum disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and 2-week suspension - first offense. Minimum disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and one-year suspension - second offense.
8. Physical assault of a track official, or promoter: Penalties including fines, suspensions and points penalties to be at discretion of I-96 Speedway Promoter and officials. Penalties may be based on severity of incident. Minimum disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and indefinite suspension.
9. If you spin stones on the safety crew or any track personnel: Minimum disqualification, no points and possibly no pay for the night- first offense. Minimum disqualification, no points and no pay for the night and 2-week suspension - second offense.
10. If your raceceiver is not working: you will be asked to leave the track and may be scored as last place with points and pay - if leave track when asked to do so. Minimum disqualification, no points and possibly no pay for the night - if you hold up the show and do not leave the track when asked to do so.
11. Repeated violations of rules may result in permanent suspension.
12. Any fines occurred by the driver, crew or associates must be paid in full by cash or money order before that driver/ car is allowed to compete again.
13. All suspensions/violations may result in suspensions of all MSPA tracks.

## Race Procedure

1. The number of cars starting a race is determined by the track officials and depends on the type of event and condition of track.

2. Race car must display number. It must be clearly visible, on the sides, top, front and back of the car. **ALL NUMBERS MUST BE VISIBLE AND READABLE FROM THE SCORE TOWER!**

3. Any driver not ready to compete when called will be sent to the rear of the starting line-up. Once a race is started, the field is complete. If you don't make the start, you don't race.

4. Once a race is started on a preliminary line-up lap, disposition of cars not in position shall be at discretion of officials. If you need a push start more than one time you will start that race to the rear.

5. If a driver gets out of their car at any time during a race, even under a red flag (unless the safety crew determines the need for a driver to be removed from their car or you feel your life is in imminent danger). That driver getting out of their car will not be able to race and will go to the pits. That driver may also be disqualified for the night with no points and no pay. **Any driver that approaches another driver on the track after getting out of their car will be subject to disqualification and possible suspension.**

**6. No person shall be allowed on track during a race except officials. Anyone wanting to go to victory lane must use the flag stand entrance to go to victory lane at the clearance of an I-96 speedway race official.**

**7. All race restarts (unless race director determines otherwise) will be Delaware double file. Leader will be the only car on the front row and 2nd place may go high or low. The leader must cross the start / finish line first on a restart. By determination of only the race director, any racers jumping a restart and/or start and passing before the start / finish line may be docked positions. Docked positions will not assessed at the next caution or the end of the race, whichever comes first. Drivers are to attempt to stay as they were lined up as best as they can until they reach the start / finish line.**

8. Hot Pits: I-96 Speedway has a designated Hot Pit Area that is located off of turn one. Work to any race cars during their race (changing tires, checking spark plug wires, repairing raceceiver, etc.) must be done in the Hot Pit Area. Any car driving into the pits or doing work to their car outside the Hot Pit area will not be allowed to return to the track. If you do return to the track after taking the car outside the Hot Pit area, you will forfeit prize money. Any car rejoining the race after having entered the Hot Pit area will be allowed to rejoin the race at the rear of the field, you may only rejoin the race during a caution. Drivers will be given 2 laps during the caution. Once lights go out drivers may not enter the racing surface until the next caution.

9. During any race (heat or feature) if a racer brings out or causes 2 cautions they will go to the pit area. **Race Director makes the decision if and what car is the caution car.**

10. A race may be stopped at the discretion of officials at any time, if considered dangerous to continue, but only officials have the right to stop a race. No driver, car owner, pit man or mechanic may use starter's flags for the purpose of signaling competitors. All races will be timed based on the type of race and number of laps. The clock will run from the first green flag and continue through the race including cautions. The clock will stop during red flags for safety. Standard race times: Heats- 10 minutes, B-Mains- 15 minutes, A-Mains- 30 minutes. Times may be adjusted in certain races with a nonstandard amount of laps. If the time runs out, the drivers will be notified over the raceceiver. Official finish will be the last completed lap if the race is called for time at the discretion of the Race Director. If the race is not under a yellow flag then the next flag ends the race.

11. Raceceiver's are mandatory at all times on the track. You must be able to clearly hear the track officials and respond to their requests. Failure to do so will result in being sent off the track. Failure to leave the track will result in no points or pay for the night.

12. Top 5 finishers, in all feature races, must go directly over the scales in the infield(does not include Mini Wedge). Any car that goes to a pit stall before going to the scales will be disqualified. If the driver is not sure if they are in the top five, I-96 Speedway suggests that driver goes to the scales and gets weighed.

13. If a driver does not report to pre-race or post-race inspection, those drivers not reporting to the inspection area may be disqualified with no points and pay. Tech area is for the driver and/or car owner only.

14. No race is official until officials make a declaration of final scoring of positions. **Myracepass is not an official result provider and is subject to change.**

15. No race car is to receive assistance after white flag is displayed and all finishes must be made under the car's own power or momentum.

16. A dead heat may or may not be re-run at the discretion of officials. If dead heat is not re-run, prize money and points for both positions under contention shall be divided equally.

17. Transponders must be mounted based on what is written in your class rules and it is recommended to be in an orange transponder pouch or transponder holder. If your transponder falls off you may not be scored and you will be responsible for replacing the transponder. Any racer caught trying to modify or deliberately changing location of transponder will be disqualified.

18. All cars in the line-up and tech area must be "race ready". Car covers of any kind are not permitted outside your pit area.



19. Any car that flips/rolls over, the driver must be checked out by medical personnel and the car cleared to race by safety crew/tech.

20. If a car is disqualified with no points/pay, the positions behind that car may not move up

21. A car must attempt to start a race to receive start money. If a car makes it from the line-up and one revolution around the track during the parade lap it will be considered starting a race. Any registered cars who cannot start a race will receive tow money. Any car taking advantage of this rule will receive no money for the night.

22. Weekly drivers meetings will be mandatory every week. If you miss a drivers meeting you must check in at the pit booth to get your information.

23. All Rookies must have caution tape on their car for their first season in the class. Rookies must make it known on first night check in or with the track tech as to make track officials aware of the individual. High visibility color required! Track will provide caution tape through the season and it must be attached to the back of the car. Track tech will help place tape in the correct position. Driver is responsible to make sure it is maintained and notify staff when it needs to be replaced.

### **LINE-UP PROCEDURES**

**\*The following apply to all except IMCA Modifieds and UMP Late Models who follow their own line up procedures\* All follow 6/7.**

1. First night, all drivers draw for heats. Qualifiers redraw for starting positions. One heat - 5 redraw; two or five heats - 10 redraw; three, four or six heats - 12 redraw.

2. From the second night on all heats except Modifieds are lined up by electronic or chip pill draw at the time of check-in.

3. "B" mains are lined up straight up from heats with highest finishers to front.

4. Track may have programs or classes, other than on opening night, where a draw-redraw, system may be used for line up. Those classes or programs will be noted before the start of that race program.

5. All point events during the race season will be counted towards season championship total points. There will be no throw away "mulligan" nights. No drivers will be locked into season championship races.

6. If a car/driver continues to have handling problems and causes too many cautions (determined by the race director), that car/driver will be required to start at the rear of all races for the next 2 weeks to learn from fellow racers. If handling problems/cautions continue from

that car/driver, that car/driver may be required to start at the rear for the remainder of the season.

7. Races will start at the orange cone in turn 4 when the green flag is waved and the green light is on. Start the races smooth and clean or you may start at the rear of the field on the next restart.

### **Points Structure**

1. Weekly 'A' Feature win is 40 points, with each subsequent position worth one point less, with 24th position in feature worth 17 points. If more than 24 cars start the feature, all positions from 24th back receive 17 points. If the track runs a 'B' feature(s), the first non-transferring driver receives 16 points and each subsequent position, back to sixth position, receives one less point per position. Sixth position and back in 'B' feature(s) receive 11 points. Drivers must compete in heat races or feature to receive minimum 11 points – NO SHOW-UP POINTS. If no points are awarded, the event will not be figured into the driver's point average.

2. Should a driver qualify for 'B' feature or 'A' feature, and not be able to compete, they will be scored in last position and receive points accordingly. (Promoter's discretion whether the vacated position is filled in feature by next qualified driver.) In the event of a track running make-up features, if driver competes in first feature, but is unable to compete in second feature (crash, blown engine, etc.), driver will receive last position points in 'A' or 'B' feature, accordingly.

3. Heat races are qualifying races and will not be awarded points.

4. **Driver MUST participate at minimum 50% of weekly sanctioned point events at a track to be eligible for track point fund.**

5. TIE-BREAKER: Should two or more drivers have the same point totals at season end, feature wins will decide tie-breaker, then second-place finishes, etc.



All examples and punishments are subject to change based on management's decisions.  
If money is taken, all funds are forfeited.

#### Level 1 – "Verbal"

\*Loss of all money only for the night.

\*No time off

\*This would be the lesser of all violations, a 1<sup>st</sup> warning

- Examples
  - Getting out of the car for non-safety reason on the track and not listening to the safety crew to confront another person. Drivers that get out of their car on the track must go to the closest safety vehicle
  - Severity being considered, going to confront another driver outside their pits without an official (official being the pit steward or another manager of the track)

#### Level 2

\*Loss of money & points for the night

\*Keeping it simple, a 2<sup>nd</sup> warning, more severe violation than Level 1

- Examples
  - Repeating the same actions in the Level 1 category after being reprimanded with a Level 1 infraction

#### Level 3

\*Loss of points & money for the night

\*1 week off on a race night their class is scheduled to race, date T.B.D.

- Examples
  - Refusing to listen to a safety, security, or other track staff regarding on track or off-track issues
  - Repeating the same actions in the Level 2 category after being reprimanded with a Level 2 infraction

#### Level 4

\*Loss of points & money for the night

\*2 weeks off on a race night their class is scheduled to race, dates T.B.D.

\*On probation for the remainder of the season

- Examples
  - Spinning tires, kicking up gravel, or fish tailing through turns
  - Repeating the same actions in the Level 3 category after being reprimanded with a Level 3 infraction

#### Level 5 – "MOST SEVERE VIOLATION"

\*Loss of points & money for night

\*Time off T.B.D. I-96 speedway needs to make decision on Monday and call said person Tuesday morning with disciplinary action to be carried out.

- Examples
  - Getting into a physical altercation with any person
  - Sabotaging another driver's equipment
  - Damaging track equipment
  - Repeating the same actions in the Level 4 category after being reprimanded with a Level 4 infraction