

Nebraska State Motocross Series

Rules of Competition

These rules are to be used for all events held in conjunction with the Nebraska State Motocross Series (NSMS).

The Nebraska State Motocross Series follows the [AMA rule book](#). Below are supplemental rules that are recognized by the series that will govern those instances not covered in the AMA rule book.

Rules are subject to change at any time without notice.

NSMS and/or each individual track reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.

Please note: It is the responsibility of all entrants to familiarize themselves with, and fully understand these rules. If you cannot, please speak to a NSMS official and he/she will attempt to explain the rules in a way you can hopefully understand. You can also send your questions to us via email at admin@nebraskamx.com

Officials of the Nebraska State Motocross Series do not test the skill of individual participants. Participants are solely responsible for their safety.

1 - General Rules

- Every person who enters any area of a NSMS event **MUST** sign a Release and Waiver of Liability. Any person who fails or refuses to sign said waiver shall be considered to be trespassing at that event.
- In the state of Nebraska, no rider under the age of 18 may compete without the written consent (signature on liability releases and entry forms) of his/her parents or legal guardians present at the meet. An authorized adult acting on behalf of the parents or legal guardians must provide a notarized statement indicating they have been given the authority by the parent or legal guardian to be responsible for the minor during the meet. The parents, legal guardians or authorized adult must remain present while the rider he/she is responsible for is at the meet.
- All riders and other race personnel must assess for themselves the track, facilities, existing conditions and other matters relating to safety. All riders and race personnel must rely on their own judgment and assume all risks of participating in competition of any manner.
- Rider medical insurance is not provided by NSMS or participating tracks for **ANY** event.

- Officials will not be responsible for any two different riders competing in different classes on the same machine. It is up to the rider to notify the person working the starting gate of the situation as soon as possible. Time will be allowed (2 minutes max) for the riders to switch before starting the next race.
- Training wheels are **not** permitted.
- Rider can use a different machine for each moto but cannot use 2 different machines in the same moto. If switching machines between motos for the same class, the machine should retain the same number as the original machine. If the number is different, the rider **must** notify the scoring team prior to the start of the moto. An admin fee of \$5 may be assessed to change bike numbers. You will receive a DNS for the moto if you fail to notify the scoring team of the number change.

2 - Membership Cards and Race Day Sign Up

- Only riders holding a valid NSMS membership or valid single event permit are eligible to participate in NSMS events.
- Only riders who purchase a NSMS membership (\$35) are eligible to earn points towards the series. Only points earned after the purchase of the NSMS membership card will apply.
- Annual membership cards are valid for the assigned calendar year only and are available for purchase at the track.
- Single event permits are available for riders that do not have a membership. Single day permits are valid for the single event issued for and cost \$5 and may be purchased at the track the day of the event. *(If you are a member of another Nebraska Series and show your membership card, you do not need to pay the Single Event permit fee. Thank you for participating in a motocross series in the state of Nebraska!)*
- Your current NSMS membership card must be presented at sign up
- Riders must sign up before practice.
- A late fee of \$5 will be assessed for anyone who signs up after 10am.
- To ensure accuracy of scoring, duplicate numbers will not be allowed. If you are assigned a “/” or “X”, you must use it.
- All motorcycles must have legible numbers on all 3 number plates. Backgrounds must be of a contrasting color and be clearly readable from 100’ away. Bikes with no numbers or illegible numbers will not be scored.

- It is the riders responsibility to ensure all numbers are legible on the motorcycle. Please clean off number plates before each moto. If the scoring team cannot read your number, scoring errors will result.
- Riders must complete 9 of the 12 NSMS races to be eligible for year-end awards. Points from all 12 events are used to calculate year end results. There are no dropped races.

3 - Conduct

- Any verbal harassment of track officials will be grounds for permanent disqualification/or fines for the rider or party involved. Any physical abuse of NSMS officials, track workers, spectators, or fellow racers will be grounds for permanent disqualification and allow for notice to other tracks in the series to permanently ban said competitor.
- Each rider assumes the complete responsibility for their pit crew/family and friends. Any rules infraction committed by them will be reflected upon the racer and they will be penalized appropriately.
- Foul riding, unnecessary bumping, crowding, lack of caution, blocking, course cutting or other non-sportsmanlike conduct is grounds for disqualification or other penalty as determined by track officials.

4 - Age

- January 1st of the current event year determines the classes youth riders are eligible for. (example – A rider that is 6 years old on January 1, 2011, is eligible to ride as a 6 year old for the entire 2011 race season, regardless of their day of birth.) If you have questions about your child's age and which class they should ride, please [Contact Us](#).
- Riders participating in the Vet classes must be the required minimum age on the day of the event (example - you MUST be 30 years old or older the day of the race). Driver's license may be required at sign up.
- Proof of age (Birth Certificate or Driver's License) must be available upon request of the event staff or NSMS official. Failure to comply will result in immediate disqualification.

5 - Starting Line and Racing

- First moto gate pick is determined by either sign in order or random computer pick. 2nd moto gate pick is determined by the results of the first moto.
- No tools such as shovels/rakes are permitted at the starting line. No one other than track officials are allowed in front of the starting gate.
- Do not drop or pile dirt in the starting mechanism.
- No rider or rider representative will be allowed to hold or station themselves in a preferred position on the gate.
- Riders must be capable of holding their bikes up themselves. Starting blocks may be used. Riders may not be held up by fenders or any other part of their bike for the start.
- In the event there are more racers than gates, it is the track official's discretion to either run heats, or if there are only a handful of extra racers, they may be lined up along the edges of the gate. Special attention will be paid to those outside the gates to make sure there are no early starts.
- In the event of a starting gate malfunction, a restart will be at the sole discretion of the track official. Riders will be notified by a red flag on the track.
- If you are caught jumping the gate, the race will be red flagged and you will be required to start backwards on the restart. Refusal to abide by this rule will result in immediate disqualification.
- There will be no restarts unless determined by the race official that continuing the race will endanger the riders.
- If for any reason the race must be stopped it will be considered complete if the leading rider has completed over 50% of the laps. (example: 3 laps in a 5 lap race)
- Lapped riders must move over or be black flagged.
- Yellow flag situations – NO passing, NO double jumping, and NO tripling in the yellow flag area. NO improvement of position. Penalty is a minimum of one finishing position per infraction. Maximum penalty is disqualification. This will be the decision of the race official.
- The white flag is a courtesy flag. It is not necessary to display the white flag at the beginning of the final lap.

- In the event that a moto is red flagged due to one or more riders obstructing the progress and/or safety of that moto, the rider or riders that caused the stoppage may not be allowed to restart that moto unless allowed by the NSMS or track official.
- If a red flag is displayed during the race, all riders should return to the starting area to await further instructions.
- If during the riders meeting, it is stated that motos will be 5 laps and for some reason the race is not stopped until 6 or more laps are completed. The race will be considered over at the end of the 5th lap. Scorekeepers lap sheets will determine moto finish.
- Riders who are shown the black flag during a race should exit the track and report to the track official immediately.
- The checkered flag is displayed to riders to announce the end of the race.

6 - Scoring

- A rider must be on the starting line and complete one full lap **under their own power** in at least one moto before being scored for the day.
- NSMS officials and track personnel are not responsible for locating riders before their event.
- If the rider leaves the course for ANY reason, they must reenter the track at the safest possible point nearest their point of exit, but not at a point where they improve their position. Race officials will determine cutting the course going around a jump or obstacle. Penalty is 5 positions.
- Infractions are judged on a case by case basis.
- DNS – Did Not Start – A rider not coming to the starting gate and/or completing one full lap will receive a DNS for that moto. DNS results in no points earned for that moto toward the overall finish for the race and zero points toward the series for that moto.
- DNF – Did Not Finish – Riders will receive a DNF if they start the race and complete at least one lap, but do not take the checkered flag. A DNF results in last place points earned for that moto toward the series.
- DSQ – Disqualified – Disqualification of any kind will result in zero points earned during that moto.

- Series points will be based on **EACH MOTO** finish at each event. (Example – Rider gets 1st place in moto 1 and 10th place in moto 2, the rider will receive 39 pts towards the series.)

PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS
1 ST	25	14 TH	10
2 ND	23	15 TH	9
3 RD	21	16 TH	8
4 TH	20	17 TH	7
5 TH	19	18 TH	6
6 TH	18	19 TH	5
7 TH	17	20 TH	4
8 TH	16	21 ST	3
9 TH	15	22 ND	2
10 TH	14	23 RD	1
11 TH	13	24 TH	1
12 TH	12	25 TH	1
13 TH	11	26 TH AND ON	1

7 - Classes

- The following classes are offered:
 - **50cc multispeed**
 - 9 yrs old and under
 - This is a 4 stroke and 2 stroke oil injected class only
 - 0-51cc 2 and 4 stroke
 - Trophy 100% of class
 - 10 inch front wheel max
 - NO TRAINING WHEELS
 - **50cc Jr**
 - 4-6 yrs old
 - 0-51cc 2 and 4 stroke
 - Trophy 100% of class
 - 10 inch front wheel max
 - NO TRAINING WHEELS
 - **50cc Sr**
 - 7-8 yrs old
 - 0-51cc 2 and 4 stroke
 - Trophy 100% of class
 - 12 inch front wheel max
 - NO TRAINING WHEELS
 - **50cc Open**
 - 9 yrs old and under
 - 0-51cc 2 and 4 stroke
 - Trophy 100% of class
 - 12 inch front wheel max
 - NO TRAINING WHEELS
 - **65cc Jr**
 - 7-9 yrs old
 - 65cc 2 stroke and 110cc 4 stroke
 - **65cc Sr**
 - 10-11 yrs old
 - 65cc 2 stroke and 110cc 4 stroke
 - **65cc Open**
 - 11 yrs old and under
 - 65cc 2 stroke and 110cc 4 stroke
 - **85cc Jr**
 - 7-11 yrs old
 - 85cc 2 stroke and 150 4 stroke
 - 14 inch rear wheel max
 - **85cc Sr**
 - 12-15 yrs old
 - 85cc 2 stroke and 150cc 4 stroke
 - 16 inch rear wheel max

- **Supermini**
 - 15 yrs old and under
 - Max 112cc 2 stroke and 150cc 4 stroke
 - 16 inch rear wheel max
- **Womens**
 - All ages of women/girls are eligible
 - Open displacement 2 and 4 stroke
- **Schoolboy 1**
 - 86 – 125cc 2 stroke and 75 – 150cc 4 stroke
 - 12-16 year old
 - 16 inch rear wheel minimum
- **Schoolboy 2**
 - 122 – 150cc 2 stroke and 126 – 250cc 4 stroke
 - 13-16 year old
 - NO MINICYCLE/SUPERMINI
- **Collegeboy**
 - 122cc – Open 2 stroke and 4 stroke
 - 16 – 24 year old
 - No A/Pro Level Competitors
- **2 Stroke**
 - 100cc - 250cc 2 stroke motorcycle
 - 16 inch minimum rear wheel size
 - 16 years old and older
 - No A class/Pro Level Competitors
- **Open Outlaw**
 - No age restrictions
 - 125 and up 2 or 4 stroke
 - 100% payback to 50% of class
 - Riders under the age of 16 may opt to receive gift certificates to local dealership in lieu of payout
- **Lites A**
 - No age restrictions
 - 125-250cc 2 or 4 stroke
 - 150% payback to 50% of class
 - Riders under the age of 16 may opt to receive gift certificates to local dealership in lieu of payout
- **Lites B**
 - No age restrictions
 - 125-250cc 2 or 4 stroke
 - Intermediate Class
- **Lites C**
 - No age restrictions
 - 125-250cc 2 or 4 stroke
 - Novice Class
- **Open A**
 - No age restrictions

- 125 and up 2 or 4 stroke
- 150% payback to 50% of class
- Riders under the age of 16 may opt to receive gift certificates to local dealership in lieu of payout
- **Open B**
 - No age restrictions
 - 125 and up 2 or 4 stroke
 - Intermediate Class
- **Open C**
 - No age restrictions
 - 125 and up 2 or 4 stroke
 - Novice Class
- **Junior 25+**
 - Must be at least 25 years old on day of race (Proof of Age may be required)
 - Any size 2 or 4 stroke
 - 100% payback to 50% of the class
- **Vet 30+**
 - Must be at least 30 years old on day of race (Proof of Age may be required)
 - Any size 2 or 4 stroke
- **Vet 35+**
 - Must be at least 35 years old on day of race (Proof of Age may be required)
 - Any size 2 or 4 stroke
 - 50% payback to 50% of class
- **Senior 40+**
 - Must be at least 40 years old on day of race (Proof of Age may be required)
 - Any size 2 or 4 stroke
- **Senior 45+**
 - Must be at least 45 years old on day of race (Proof of Age may be required)
 - Any size 2 or 4 stroke
 - 50% payback to 50% of class
- **Masters 50+**
 - Must be at least 50 years old on day of race (Proof of Age may be required)
 - Any size 2 or 4 stroke