

Region 5 Point Series Guidelines

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The 2008 Region 5 point series will consist of 5 events, one at each of the region tracks (one of the events will be the States Race). Each event will consist of qualifying, and racing. Points will be awarded for signing-in, qualifying and racing. Unless specific notations are made.

The events are as follows:

I-70 QMA	April 26 & 27
MSLQMRA (State's Race)	May 17 & 18
CCQMA	June 7 & 8
ALQMA	August 23 & 24
THQMA	September 20 & 21

Sign-ins for each event will be Friday 6 – 8 pm and Saturday 7:30 – 8:30 am. On Friday and Saturday, if the hosting club has staff available sign ins and safety may start earlier. This will be handled at the hosting clubs discretion. Late sign ins will receive a no time and will not be allowed to qualify. No one will be allowed to sign in after all qualifying is over. Exception; if a late sign in calls in they must have an approved safety sheet on file to be signed in.

Handlers Meetings will be Saturday and Sunday at 9:00 am.

Safety inspections will be conducted by Region 5 Safety Director, Darrick Scott prior to the regionals (if possible). Safety ties will be used by Region 5 in lieu of individual safety inspections at each event and the original safety sheet will be kept on file and updated at each regional. A tie may be placed on a car anytime throughout the season after a car passes safety inspection. Cars that do not pass inspection initially will not be given a tie at that event and must be re-inspected at the next event. Only when a car passes the initial safety inspection of an event, will it qualify for a tie.

Note: Brake and arm restraint checks must be conducted prior to every race by the pit steward. All deficiencies must be corrected before a car will be allowed on the track. Races will not be held up to correct deficiencies. The Regional Safety Director may request a zip tie to be removed at any time deemed necessary.

QMA ID Badge

QMA ID badges will be mandatory this year to be in the hot chute or on the track. Armbands will only be used in particular situations as a last resort.

Bikes & Scooters are prohibited at all events. This includes motorized and non-motorized types. Violators are subject to disqualification from the event; leave them at home.

Golf Carts and ATV's may only be operated by persons with a valid driver's license. Violators are subject to disqualification from the event.

Gasoline will be supplied by the hosting club and must be used for qualification and racing. Methanol will not be supplied by the hosting club. It is up to each club to have either fueling at the trailers or at a fueling station.

Curfew for all races will be 10 pm. Racing may continue past 10 pm, however no race will start after 10 pm.

Notes: Racing on Saturday will continue up to the "A" mains or until 10 pm which ever comes first.

Regional Board meetings will be held Friday evening at 7:00 pm.

No practice before qualifications (cars packing the track will get 5 green flag laps; a maximum of 20 cars can pack the track).

Sealing of motors will be done on Friday night and Saturday morning. If your motor is not sealed before qualifying it will be the handler's responsibility to see that it is done and done correctly after qualifying before the car leaves the tech area.

Fuel tanks will not be sealed. The fuel will be tested.

Qualifying Order within a class will be determined by pill draw with the lowest number being the first to qualify and the highest being the last to qualify. Pill drawing shall be done at sign-in.

Qualification will be "hot out of the chute" and will consist of two green flag laps. Each qualifier will be on green the second time past the flagman, except for B, AA and 1/2's who will be given the green 3rd time past the flagman.

Race and Qualification Order will be as follows:

Jr. Novice	Sr. Novice	
Jr. Honda	Sr. Honda	Hvy. Honda
Jr. Stock	Sr. Stock	
Lt. Mod	Hvy. Mod	
World Formula		
Lt. B	Hvy. B	
Jr. Half		
Lt. AA	Hvy. AA	
Lt. 160	Hvy. 160	

(Changes in the race line-up are the regional boards decision if needed)

Note: Order of lower mains, "D" and lower, may vary slightly to prevent back-to-back racing in a class. This will be at the discretion of the Tower Director and will depend on the number of mains in specific classes (i.e., Jr Honda, Sr Honda, etc).

Warm ups will not be allowed for the lower mains. A-mains will be allowed a 2-minute warm up period where pitting is permissible without giving up starting position.

Points for 2008 Region 5 events will be awarded as follows:

- **Sign – in points** -- Each entrant will receive 33 points per regional event and 38 points for the states race.
- **Qualification Points** – Top 5 Sr.'s and top 4 Jr.'s will receive qualifying points. Top Sr. will receive 5 points, and then down one point for the next 4 places. The top Jr. will receive 4 points, and then down one point for the next 3 places. Any driver qualifying out of order will receive no points.
- **Novice Points** – There will be no points awarded for the Novice Class each driver participating in at least three Regional events will receive the equal awards at the Regional Banquet. The Novice Class is not considered a competitive class and is considered a learning class. This should encourage families to move up to the next class. If Drivers are 6 years old and 3 months they will be moved up unless they have a waiver signed off by the Novice Committee and the Regional Director.

Note: Those not making an attempt to qualify will get a No Time and receive 0 qualification points. All other "No Times" will receive points in accordance with the qualifying position. A car must be on the track with the signed in driver at the specified time to be considered an attempt to qualify.

- **Racing Points** – "A" main winners will receive 150 points. Points for each subsequent position down through the lowest main will be reduced by 3 with all participants receiving at least 1 point. Receiving a technical DQ or refusal to weigh will result in 0 points. You must be present and attempt to race to receive racing points.

Example: 1st – 150, 2nd – 147, 3rd - 144, 4th - 141, 5th -139, etc.

Year End Banquet Awards will be given to participants that have raced at least 3 or more races in a particular class.

Racing Line-ups will be based on the qualifying order. Fast time will start on the pole of the A-main. Second fast will start second and so forth. Main placement will be separated by 4 for Juniors and 5 for Seniors.

Examples:

- Top 4 Junior qualifiers will be in the A –main, next 4 in the B-main, etc.
- Top 5 Senior qualifiers will be in the A –main, next 5 in the B-main, etc.

Lower main transfers will include top 4 for Juniors & top 5 for Seniors to the next main and start in the order of their finish.

Examples:

- Jr. Classes - Winner C-main will start 5th in B-main, 2nd will start 6th, etc.
- Sr. Classes - Winner C-main will start 6th in B-main, 2nd will start 7th, etc.

Laps for Junior lower mains will be 20 and 25 for Seniors. A – mains will be 30 laps for Juniors and 40 for Seniors. Novice will run 15 laps for lower mains and 20 laps for A-mains.

Time limit for all races is 20 minutes (exclusive of red flag periods). The checkered flag will be given at the end of the time limit regardless of the laps completed. A race may end while under yellow flag conditions.

Special Notes

1. At times it may be necessary to run in a higher groove on dirt tracks. This will be done at the discretion of the local track committee with oversight by the Regional Board.
2. The Regional Board reserves the right to adjust any of the guidelines above as necessary to fit the situation at the track.
3. In all cases where the event is shortened or cancelled, points will be awarded for sign-ins, qualification (if entire class is complete), and racing for classes in which the A-main was completed.
4. The hosting track shall be closed on the day before the scheduled Regional or States Race. Additional days for track preparation will be at the discretion of the hosting club and Regional Board.
5. Unless otherwise noted above, all other QMA rules apply.
6. Lt. AA, Heavy AA, Half will not fuel after warm ups they will refuel after 80 laps including warm up laps.

7. In the event of inclement weather, if qualifying can not begin by 2:00 pm on Saturday, the line ups will automatically be changed to be run in order of point standings and racing will begin as soon as possible. Ex. top 5 Sr.'s and top 4 Jr.'s to the A-main, 2nd 5 Sr.'s and 2nd 4 Jr.'s to the B-main and so on. In the event that there is a rain delay at the first regional, line-ups will be prepared according to pill draw. Lower mains must be started by 10:00 am on Sunday. If A-mains are the only thing left they must be started by 12:00 pm on Sunday. If these time limits cannot be met the race will be cancelled. Exception #1: I-70 which will be allowed an extra hour; Exception #2: Qualifying is mandatory at the State's race.
8. There will be an 8:00 curfew on Sundays.

2008 REGIONAL OFFICERS

Regional Director:	Tony Verardi
Assistant RD:	Tom Davis
Secretary:	Karen Adams
Treasurer:	J R Van Gilder
Safety:	Darrick Scott
Tech:	Mike Graybeal
Publicity:	Rod Johnson

Regional Fees

\$33.00 regular Regionals	\$38.00 States Race
\$19.00 to Club	\$18.00 to Club
\$14.00 to Region	\$14.00 to Region
\$0.00 to National	\$6.00 to National