

# Track Rules

## 1. DISCLAIMER

- A. The rules and regulations set forth herein are designated to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish acceptable requirements for such events.
- B. These rules shall govern the condition of all events and by participation in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules.
- C. No expressed or implied warrant of safety shall result from publication 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 drivers, crew members, spectators, official or track employee.
- D. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the sole discretion of Larry Ramsey. His decision is final, without appeal.
- E. Natural Bridge Speedway, LLC assumes no responsibility for damage or loss of equipment, vehicle or any parts by any means whatsoever.

## 2. PROPERTY

- A. Natural Bridge Speedway is private property.
- B. Any person on this property without permission from management is guilty of trespassing and subject to penalties according to the laws of the State of Virginia.
- C. Natural Bridge Speedway reserves the right to bar, suspended, or remove anyone from its premises, should such be deemed necessary.

## 3. GENERAL RULES

- A. It is our goal to provide you with the safest, most competitive racing environment possible.
- B. It is up to the driver and registered car owner to assure that their team/crew/fans comply with all track rules. Failure to comply may result in suspension, disqualification, fines and/or penalties.
- C. There is a 5 MPH speed limit in the pit area at all times.
- D. No trailer or hauler is to leave their pit position until the last race is over, without expressed prior permission from NBS management.
- E. **IN THE EVENT THAT YOU ARE INJURED ON SPEEDWAY PROPERTY IT IS YOUR SOLE RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE A TRACK OFFICIAL BEFORE YOU LEAVE THE PREMISES. ANYONE WHO FAILS TO REPORT TO A SPEEDWAY OFFICIAL AND TO COMPLETE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS PERSCRIBED UNDER TRACK INSURANCE. ANYONE RETURNING TO COMPETITION OR USUAL OCCUPATION SHALL BE DEEMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE INSURANCE PLAN, TO BE PHYSICALLY FIT, AND FUTHER BENEFITS SHALL CEASE.**

- F. NBS reserves the right to modify or amend its rules at anytime.

## 4. PIT ADMITTANCE

- A. NBS reserves the right to accept or reject any entry for any event(s).
- B. All persons entering the pit must read and legibly sign the insurance release waiver. Printed name, signature, class and car # are required on the waiver sheets.
- C. Any person under the age of **14** must have special permission from NBS Management before entering the pit.
- D. Anyone under the age of 18 must have a minors release form signed by a parent or guardian, and provide proof of age. A birth certificate or valid driver's license are acceptable forms of proof of age.

## 5. REGISTRATION

- A. All drivers, car owners and car numbers must be registered prior to competing. A W-9/Driver Entry form must be completed. By entering into an event you are an independent contractor, and as such shall assume and take responsibility for all charges, premiums and taxes, if any, payable on any funds or prize money they may receive as a result of their participation in any speedway event.
- B. A car may be registered for only one feature event per night.
- C. A driver can only be registered for one division at a time. A driver may switch divisions during the race season but only to move up. Drivers wishing to move down a class must be approved by track management.
- D. Forms are available at [www.nbspeedway.com](http://www.nbspeedway.com) and at pit gate.
- E. Purse monies will be held until an entry form is accurately completed and signed.
- F. Drivers are required to notify the speedway immediately of any address changes during the race season.

## 6. NUMBERS

- A. A maximum of three digits will be used for scoring.
- B. Numbers must be on both doors and on the top/roof of the car. They must be a minimum of 20" in height. If we are unable to read your car number from the tower you will be asked to modify the number.
- C. Numbers must be on the front bumper/nose piece and on the rear bumper/fuel cell of each car. These numbers must be a minimum of 6" in height. This is to aid the pit stewards and track officials with line up.
- D. NBS reserves the right to not score your car if you fail to modify your car number so that it is clear from our scoring tower. Additionally any driver that fails to have a operating transponder on their car will not be scored. In the event that a transponder fails during a feature event the track reserves the right to manually score that car.
- E. Duplicate numbers within a class are discouraged however, will be allowed if you own your transponder.
- F. Numbers are registered on a first come first serve basis.

## 7. SAFETY

- A. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DRIVER/CAR OWNER, NOT NATURAL BRIDGE SPEEDWAY, LLC, TO INSURE THAT EQUIPMENT IS CORRECTLY INSTALLED, MAINTAINED AND PROPERLY USED.
- B. All cars must pass a safety inspection prior to participation. Safety Inspection stickers must be visible on the car. Items C-I will be inspected.
- C. Racing seat. No fiberglass.
- D. Crash helmet. Must be Snell 2000 or later approved.
- E. Seat belts - Three inch seat belt, shoulder harness and crotch strap required.
- F. Fireproof uniform - Requirements regarding fireproof uniforms for the driver can be found in the class rules. Minimum requirements vary by class. NBS strongly recommends fireproof suits (jacket and pants), shoes and gloves.
- G. Driver side window net. Must release from the top.
- H. All cars will carry a 2 ½ lb. fire extinguisher.
- I. Required muffler as detailed in class rules.
- J. The RaceCeiver Elite 1600 safety system (on the designated track frequency) will be mandatory for **all classes for the 2010 race season**. RaceCeivers are one-way communication devices. It allows the tower to communicate with the drivers regarding cautions, line ups, etc. No other radios or communication devices are allowed. **They may be purchased or rented from the track.**

## 8. OPENING CEREMONIES

- A. Before the first feature of the night all drivers must cut their car engines off for the racers prayer and the playing of our National Anthem.

## 9. RULES OF ENGAGEMENT OR RACE RULES

- A. Drives are required to answer the first call to roll in the track within a reasonable time (5 minutes). If you fail to assist with roll-in plan to start in the rear of your feature. If you have a mechanical problem that prevents you from complying with this rule please advise the track official at the scales.
- B. Drivers will be called no more than three (3) times to line up on Pit Road for hot laps, qualifying, heats and/or features. Running order and starting grids will be posted on the black board at the scales. It is the driver's responsibility to check the board and to pull onto the track in the correct order. An NBS track official will assist in lining up the cars on pit road. NBS reserves the right to put you in the rear of the field if you fail to report to pit road in a timely manner.
- C. Pills will be drawn at pit gate. All classes will draw. If your class is going to qualify for that night's event, pills will determine the qualifying order.
- D. NBS reserves the right to establish starting order. Example: Invert top six, start by points, etc.
- E. The winner from the last points event will start no better than sixth, regardless of draw, etc. If you draw a number higher than sixth (6<sup>th</sup>), you will start where you drew. NBS reserves the right to start any repeat winner further back.
- F. Any questions regarding the starting line up should be directed to the official at the scales.
- G. Failure to line up in a timely manner may result in loss of starting position.
- H. The race will start with a double file line up at a moderate speed.
- I. The car in the pole position starts the race at the starting line. No car shall pass another car prior to passing the starting line.
- J. Restarts will be single file, once one full lap has been completed by all cars.
- K. Restarts will start at the starting line/stripe by the race leader. However, the flagman determines when a race is restarted.
- L. If the race leader slows down to a speed less than a moderate rate of speed the green light will be turned on and the flagman will start the race. Any driver "brake checking" on the start or restart may be put to the rear of the field.
- M. Any car deemed to have jumped the start will be penalized two (2) laps. We will not stop and restart the race. Under the next caution you will be moved to the rear of the field and advised of the penalty.
- N. On a restart, line up will be determined by the last completed lap with the exception of the car(s) involved in the caution. A lap is complete if half of the field has crossed the flagman stand. You MUST cross in front of the flagman stand to be scored. Pit road does not count.
- O. Speedway officials will determine the car(s) that are considered to be directly involved in the accident. Those cars will restart the race in the rear of the field. If a caution has been displayed, and you are involved in an accident, it will be at the discretion of the NBS officials. We will make every effort to sort out an accident placing only those cars immediately involved in the accident to the rear of the field. NBS officials are positioned on the track and watch for contact between cars and cars that come to a halt on the track. Even if you do not come to a stop on the racing surface but are deemed to have been the cause of an accident you will be sent to the rear for restart.

- P. After the first lap has been completed, if you go into the pits you will go to the rear for the restart.
  - Q. If you must slow or stop to avoid a wreck, and DO NOT MAKE CONTACT with the other vehicles, you will not lose your last lap position.
  - R. PAY ATTENTION TO THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT ALL TIMES.
  - S. After a caution the yellow light will be turned off and the green light will be flashed to advise drivers of the restart.
  - T. Any car spinning out three (3) or more times may be black flagged.
  - U. Any car entering the pit area under caution will go to the rear of the field.
  - V. If a car is stopped on the track by a speedway official due to parts presenting danger, the competitor will return to his position. If the track official is unable to correct the problem within minutes the car will be directed into the pit area for the crew to fix.
  - W. Any car intentionally slowing or stopping to bring out a caution may be penalized.
  - X. ONLY NBS OFFICIALS WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE TRACK DURING A CAUTION OR RED LIGHT. If a member of your team comes on the track anytime after the start of the race, you will be sent to the rear of the field.**
  - Y. When returning to the track from the pit area, reentry should be made from pit road and turn one. The NBS official will advise you when it is safe to reenter. Reentry from turn two is acceptable once the track official signals you that it is safe. NO ENTRY FROM TURN 4.
  - Z. If you have "trouble" please use the first available entry to the pits. Turns 1, 2 and 4 have entries to the pit.
  - AA. You must pay attention to all flags. The following flags are used by NBS:
    - 1. Green = Go
    - 2. White = One lap to go
    - 3. Checkered = End of race
    - 4. Yellow = Caution
    - 5. Red = Stop
    - 6. Blue w/ Yellow Stripe = Move Over  
Competitors shown the move over flag should always move to the bottom of the race track.
    - 7. Black = Penalty Maybe Assessed/ Go to Pits.
  - BB. Any driver not obeying the flags may be penalized.
  - CC. Race to the flag only on the last lap.
  - DD. If a caution comes out with two laps to go, the flagman will give the green flag, followed by the white and then the checkered.
  - EE. NBS reserves the right to count caution laps at anytime without notice. We operate under a conditional use permit issued by Rockbridge County which has a curfew of 11 pm. All racing must be over by 11 pm.
  - FF. ROUGH DRIVING IS NOT PERMITTED. NBS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PENALIZE ANY DRIVER DEEMED TO BE UNSPORTSMANLIKE.
- 10. POST RACE INSPECTION**
- A. Cars placing first through third shall report directly to the scales after the race. Winners must scale before taking their victory lap. Additional cars may be directed to the scales at the discretion of track officials.
  - B. Any car refusing to tear down for inspections will be disqualified. No money or points for that event. Any car refusing to tear down will be subject to inspections prior to participation in future races and subject to fines.

- C. NBS reserves the right to inspect any car at anytime before, during or after any event.
- D. Any car found to be illegal will not receive prize money (position and contingency), points or the trophy for that event. Any driver not returning a trophy after a disqualification will be assessed a fee. This fee will be deducted from future winnings.
- E. Any part found illegal may be confiscated by NBS officials.
- F. If NBS pulls your cylinder head for inspection, it is not NBS's obligation to furnish the gaskets. If NBS pulls you cylinder head twice in the same season we will pay \$40 towards gaskets if the car is found to be legal.
- G. Only three (3) people per car will be allowed in the barn during inspections. No one else allowed in the barn. Infractions will mean automatic disqualification.

11. PROTEST

- A. A driver or car owner may protest a car finishing within three (3) positions of them.
- B. Protests must be in writing, signed and delivered to the track official at the scales, with the required protest fee, within fifteen (15) minutes after the race.
- C. Any visual protest must be made before the start of the race. Examples – spoiler height, wheels, tires.
- D. Protest Fees for Sportsman, Street Stock, Pure Stock and All American are as follows:
  - 1. \$100 – Carburetor and intake. Inspector takes \$50.
  - 2. \$150 – Carburetor, intake manifold, pull head checking bore and stroke. Check valve size, ports and runners in head. Inspector takes \$75.
  - 3. \$250 – Pull oil pan. Inspector takes \$100.
  - 4. \$400 – Pull oil pan and head. Check rods and crank. Inspector takes \$150.00
- E. For Late Model and Crate Late Model protest fees will be:
  - 1. \$100 – Carburetor. Inspector takes \$50
  - 2. \$800 – Complete tear down. Inspector/Track will receive \$200. All crate engines will be sent to a GM Crate Certified Inspector.
- F. The inspector shall receive his portion of the protest fee regardless of protest outcome.
- G. Any parts deemed to be illegal may be confiscated. **The Inspectors decision is final. As previously stated, interpretation of a rule belongs to NBS/Larry Ramsey. If you need clarification ASK don't ASSUME.**
- G. No protests will be allowed the final two (2) point races of the season.

12. SUSPENSION/ DISQUALIFICATION/ FINES/ PENALTIES

- A. Any person on Natural Bridge Speedway property is subject to disciplinary action. The following behaviors will result in disciplinary action:
  - 1. Unsportsmanlike conduct
  - 2. Profanity
  - 3. Fighting
  - 4. Use of alcohol or drugs
  - 5. Possession of a deadly weapon
  - 6. Anyone entering another driver's pit area with the intent of an altercation, verbal or physical.
  - 7. Violation of any other Natural Bridge Speedway rule.
- B. Drivers are responsible for their teams (car owner, crew and fans). Please make your team aware that their actions affect you.
- C. NBS reserves the right to impose disciplinary actions as management sees fit.

- D. Disciplinary actions that may be imposed include, but are not limited to, disqualification, loss of purse, loss of points, suspensions from competition, and fines.

### 13. SCORING/POINTS/PURSE/PAYOFF

- A. To receive point championship monies drivers must compete in no less than one-half of the scheduled point races. To receive point prize winnings the driver must attend the point banquet. Driver's choosing not to attend will forfeit prize money and only receive their trophy.
- B. Points are awarded to DRIVERS not cars. Points will be awarded in a tiered fashion. The winner will receive 30 points, second place 28 points, third place 27 points and so on.
- C. Drivers may only qualify one car per class.
- D. Once the race has officially started, regardless of a lap being completed or not, you can not change cars and receive points for driving the second car.
- E. Drivers needing to go to a backup car may only use a car from the same class and must run their transponder. If a driver must go to a backup car after hot laps and we have drawn for position or start by points, he will keep his starting position. After qualifying or heat races, he/she will start in the rear.
- F. Drivers who run practice/hot laps and make an honest effort to start their feature shall receive points. Those who are unable to start the feature will receive last place points for their division only. No PURSE.
- G. Any questions about scoring, purse or points should be addressed within one week of the occurrence to Karey Ramsey.
- H. Final point ties may be broken by the number of wins, then number of top five finishes and the top ten finishes.
- I. NBS reserves the right to modify its point system at anytime.
- J. Prize winnings will be available at the pit payoff window once all score sheets for every class have been reviewed. Drivers may elect to have their purse mailed each week. Please notify Karey if you wish to have your money mailed. You may also pick up your previous weeks purse at the payoff window each race day between approximately 5-6 pm.
- K. All cars must run an AMB TransX260 transponder. Transponders may be purchased or rented. To purchase a transponder please visit [www.amb-it.com](http://www.amb-it.com).

### 14. RAINOUT POLICY

- A. The show is considered complete if we finish the Late Model race and/or the third race of the evening. Natural Bridge Speedway reserves the right to shorten the third race in order to complete this event and thereby the show. If the third race is complete, there will be no rain checks. Points and purse money will be awarded to the classes completed. NBS will attempt to make up the races for the classes unable to compete due to rain. There are no guarantees, however we will make ever attempt. If the Late Model or third race of the night is not completed due to rain, the wrist bands for that night's event will be your rain check. They will be good for the current race season excluding special events. No point or purse money will be awarded on any night that rain checks are given.