

PENTICTON SPEEDWAY GENERAL RULES 2024

Interpretation of these rules will remain at the discretion of the Penticton Speedway. All decisions made by Penticton Speedway are final. The rules are designed to be restrictive. If you are unsure how to interpret a specific rule, please ask for clarification. Each Driver is responsible for knowing and understanding the General Rules in addition to the rules specific to his or her running class (or classes).

Transponders & Raceceivers:

- Transponders and Raceceivers are mandatory.
- All participating vehicles must have a working transponder attached to the vehicle during a race.
- Any vehicle found to not have an operation raceceiver will be subject to loss of points or disqualification from the race.
- Transponders should be mounted on the right rear frame rail 12" from the Axle centreline.
- All drivers who rent a transponder from Penticton Speedway must leave a credit card or driver's license at the back gate. The credit card or driver's license will be returned when the transponder is returned in good working condition.

Driver Safety:

- SFI 38.1 certified Head and Neck restraint is mandatory in all classes in 2024. Such as HANS, or Zamp.
- Full containment seats are recommended.
- Aluminum racing seats are required and must be mounted directly to the roll cage or chassis with a minimum of 6 3/8 steel bolts (four in the driver's seat area and 2 in the driver's shoulder area).
- SFI 16.1 / 5 or FIA 8853-2016, 5-point or 6-point race harness mandatory. 2" and 3" belts are permitted. Must be properly positioned and mounted using the factory seat belt bolts or min. 1/2" diameter grade 8 or better bolts, or it's highly recommended to wrap the belt directly to the crossbar. Seat belts must be dated within 2 years of manufacture expiry. Shoulder harness must be mounted on crossbar minimum 1 3/4" 0.083 wall round tubing, behind the seat, *level, or* slightly above driver's shoulders. The crossbar must be welded to the roll hoop and approved by tech.
- Window nets are mandatory, must be mounted properly to the roll cage, and must fill the window opening.
- Window net latches must have a metal-to-metal harness-style seat belt mechanism.
- Minimum single-layer Nomex driving suites are mandatory. <u>Double-layer suits and fireproof undergarments are highly</u>
 <u>recommended</u>.
- SFI-rated Fireproof racing shoes are mandatory.
- Steering wheel pads are mandatory.
- All fireproof clothing must be clean, free of solvents and contaminants, and in good condition with no rips or tears.
- Snell 2010 or new full-face helmets are required. <u>No motorcycle helmets</u>.
- Each vehicle must have a minimum of 2 lbs Dry Chemical Fire Extinguisher located in the driver compartment within reach of the driver, mounted with a quick-release metal bracket.
- All vehicles require an easily accessible tow hook.

Prohibition of Alcoholic Beverages, Illegal Drugs, and Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

- The consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in the pit area, infield, or any area other than the licensed beer gardens.
- Any individual who consumes intoxicating beverages or drugs before entering the pit area or while being present within it shall be expelled from the pits/infield and will face suspension.
- No participant involved in the racing events is permitted to race under the influence of intoxicating beverages or impairing drugs, regardless of whether they have a prescription or not.
- The driver holds responsibility for the actions of the team, including crew members, owners, family members, sponsors, and all others associated with or signed in on their car. Any team member who engages in unruly behavior or unsportsmanlike conduct with Speedway Officials or other teams is subject to immediate removal and will jeopardize their team's participation in future events.
- Only drivers are authorized to communicate with Track Officials, Track Management, or Race Directors regarding race operations. Exceptions to this rule are if a car owner lodges a protest or if a pit team member discusses tech or safety with tech and safety officials.

Pit Stalls:

- Drivers/Teams are responsible for the condition and cleanliness of their assigned pit stall.
- All garbage and recycling must be disposed of accordingly.
- Should a stall be left in disarray, the driver/team will be charged a \$40 cleaning fee. A picture will be taken and sent to the offending teams.

General Eligibility:

- Open to any person 16 years of age or older. Any person under the age of 18 must have a signed release form from their legal guardian.
- No crew members under the age of 16 years without consent.
- Any driver or associated pit crew member found to be under the influence of alcohol or any other recreational substance before, or during an event will automatically be disqualified and banned from all future events for the remainder of the season.
- All Drivers must be in good standing with Penticton Speedway.
- Driver and Car changes during an event are not allowed unless prior approval has been obtained by the Race Director.

Championship Eligibility:

- Single Drivers are allowed a maximum of 2 backup drivers per season.
- The use of a driver must be approved by Penticton Speedway with a valid reason for the replacement (i.e. health reasons or financial or family commitments)
- Extenuating circumstances beyond what is outlined will remain at the discretion of Penticton Speedway.
- Multi-driver teams are not permitted.
- Sharing a car is permitted but points are awarded to the driver and car not to the team.
- Once a driver and car have competed in the first points event of the day (qualifying or first Heat race) they must race that car for the duration of the race day.
- Class sponsor contingency decals must be displayed on both sides of the car, no less than 6" up from the bottom of the body and between 4-10" back from the front wheel opening.

Measured from the bottom and leading edge of the supplied decal

Violation of any of these rules may result in loss of daily points, trophies, and monies. Serious or continued violations may result in the suspension of racing privileges for a period to be determined by the Track Executive.

For questions regarding technical issues please email techquestions@pentictonspeedway.com

Penticton Speedway Participant Code of Conduct

At Penticton Speedway, we value sportsmanship, safety, and respect among our drivers. To ensure a positive and enjoyable racing environment for everyone, we expect all drivers, pit crew and anyone in the infield to adhere to the following code of conduct:

1. Sportsmanship and Respect:

Treat fellow drivers, crew members, officials, and spectators with respect and courtesy.

Avoid aggressive or reckless driving that may cause harm to others on or off the track.

2. Compliance with Rules:

Familiarize yourself with and adhere to all rules and regulations set forth by Penticton Speedway.

Cooperate fully with track officials during inspections, races, and any other track activities.

3. Safety First

Prioritize safety at all times. Follow all safety guidelines and procedures.

Use safety equipment, including helmets and seat belts, properly and ensure they are in good condition.

4. Fair Competition:

Compete fairly and ethically, avoiding any form of cheating, manipulation, or unfair advantage.

Accept race outcomes gracefully and without dispute.

5. Behavior in the Pit Area:

Maintain a professional demeanor in the pit area. Refrain from using offensive language or engaging in aggressive behavior. Assist in creating a positive and respectful atmosphere among all participants.

6. Respect for Property:

Respect the property of Penticton Speedway and fellow participants. Do not damage or vandalize any facilities or equipment.

7. Alcohol and Substance Use:

Refrain from the use of alcohol or illegal substances before or during racing events.

Stay in optimal physical and mental condition while participating in races.

8. Communication:

Communicate concerns or disagreements with officials in a respectful and appropriate manner.

Address disputes through proper channels, avoiding public confrontations or aggressive behavior.

9. Compliance with Local Laws:

Abide by all applicable local, regional, and national laws and regulations while participating in racing events.

10. Role Model Behavior:

Recognize the influence you have as a public figure in the racing community. Be a positive role model for fans and aspiring racers.

By participating in events at Penticton Speedway, you agree to uphold this code of conduct. Failure to comply may result in penalties, suspension, or expulsion from racing events at the discretion of track officials. Drivers are held responsible for the actions of the pit crew and guests.

Process for Addressing Breaches of the Penticton Speedway Participant Code of Conduct:

1. Incident Report:

Anyone witnessing a breach of the code of conduct should promptly report the incident to the Race Director or another track official.

The report should include detailed information about the incident, including date, time, individuals involved, and specific behaviors observed. *Please note that the driver of the team is responsible for the conduct or breaches of for his pit crew and guests.

2. Initial Investigation:

The Race Director or designated official will conduct a thorough investigation into the reported incident.

Interviews with witnesses, involved parties, and any available video evidence will be conducted to gather comprehensive information.

3. Decision Making:

The Race Director, in consultation with other track officials if necessary, will evaluate the gathered information.

The severity of the breach and the circumstances surrounding it will be considered in determining appropriate action.

4. Penalties and Actions:

First Offense:

The driver involved will receive a written warning, outlining the nature of the breach and the expected behavior going forward.

Second Offense:

A second breach will result in a more severe penalty, such as suspension from one or more races and a points reduction.

Third Offense:

A third breach may lead to a season suspension, with the possibility of reinstatement contingent on demonstrated changes in behavior and attitude.

*Please note that any consequences for breaches of conduct are levied against the driver of the team.

5. Communication of Decision:

The decision and the corresponding penalty will be communicated in writing to the driver of the team involved.

The driver will be informed of the reasons for the penalty and the steps necessary for reinstatement if applicable.

6. Appeals Process:

Drivers have the right to appeal the decision within a specified timeframe after receiving the penalty notice.

Appeals will be reviewed by an independent appeals committee, ensuring fairness and impartiality in the process.

7. Resolution and Follow-Up:

Once the appeals process, if initiated, is concluded, the decision is final.

The driver is expected to comply with the imposed penalty and demonstrate improved behavior upon returning to the Speedway.

8. Continuous Monitoring:

Track officials will monitor the behavior of the driver closely upon their return to ensure ongoing adherence to the code of conduct.

Repeat offenses after reinstatement may lead to more severe and permanent consequences, including expulsion from Penticton Speedway events.