



DTRA UK Flat Track Nationals 2023 Sporting Regulations

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 The series will be staged over a pre-determined number of rounds in the UK on appropriate circuits.
- 1.2 Riders wishing to compete in the series must be members of the organising club or an invited club and must register for the classes they wish to compete in. Registration forms are available on the series website and registration fees are payable as set out on the website.
- 1.3 Riders must enter all meetings prior to the published closing date. Entries on the day will be accepted only at the organiser's sole discretion and will be subject to late entry fees.
- 1.4 Entry fees are payable for each meeting as set out on the entry forms and must be paid prior to the meeting. Except in case of medical exception, accompanied by a valid doctor's note, the DTRA will not issue refunds for riders who fail to attend.
- 1.5 The series will be organised and run using the [NORA code of Practice](#).
- 1.6 The series will be organised and run using the [NORA Flat Track Regulations](#).

2 LICENCES

- 2.1 Each rider must hold a current NORA Licence. Please see the series website for information concerning application for NORA licences.
- 2.2 "One Event" NORA licences will be available on the day at the current NORA daily fee

3 INSURANCE, LIABILITY & RIDER SAFETY

- 3.1 The series organisers will maintain valid event insurance cover for the series in such limit as they consider reasonable and shall ensure that there is appropriate medical cover at each meeting as per NORA Flattrack regulations.
- 3.2 There is no Personal Accident Insurance for riders. Riders are therefore strongly advised to purchase specific motorsport personal accident insurance cover. Fully Licenced NORA members may have cover at the level as per specified on their licence.
- 3.3 **Riders and their machines are not insured and participation is at the sole risk of the rider.** The series organisers will not be held liable for any accident injury or loss how so ever arising, save for any personal injury which is due to the negligence or misfeasance of the series organisers or any appointed representatives acting on their behalf.

- 3.4 **All liability for all and any loss damage or personal injury on behalf of the series organisers is excluded to the full extent that the law allows.**
- 3.5 Whilst the series organisers shall do what is reasonable to ensure the safety of riders, motorsport is dangerous and all **riders must be responsible for their own personal safety and that of others around them.** Dangerous or reckless riding may result in exclusion from the series. **Riders must ensure that their equipment and machines are safe and of suitable standard to be capable of safe use in an off-road competition environment.** Unsafe machines may be excluded.
- 3.6 Riders must comply with the NORA technical regulations for Flattrack and must ensure that their machines are safe and in good working order. Failure to do so may lead to exclusion from any race meeting. The series organisers reserve the right to verify compliance.
- 3.7 **Riders are responsible for their own personal safety and equipment.** The organisers require that all riders wear good quality leather motorcycle boots, gloves suitable for off road competition, approved and certified eye-protection suitable for off road competition, 1-piece leather suit or a 20piece leather suit with the jacket securely connected to the trousers or moto-cross clothing and an approved helmet or approved and recognised equivalent suitable for off-road competition. Back protectors and body armour is advised but is not compulsory. **Equipment must comply with the NORA Flattrack Regulations**

4 RACE FORMAT & PRACTICE

- 4.1 The practice session at the beginning of the meeting is compulsory for all riders. Any rider failing to complete at least 2 practice laps for each class in which they have entered will not be allowed to start in the class for which practice was missed.
- 4.2 The length of heat races for all classes will be determined in advance by the Series Organisers, depending on the overall track length. Junior classes may consist of fewer laps, depending on track length.
- 4.3 Qualification and heat races will be approximately six laps, but may vary as per article 4.2.
- 4.4 Finals in the Pro class will be at least 12 laps.
- 4.5 Finals in the Junior classes will be of a length determined by the Series Organisers depending on the overall track length.
- 4.6 Finals (save those specified in 4.4 & 4.5 above) will be at least 8 laps.
- 4.7 Two different race formats will be used, and riders will be advised which is in operation at the time of entry. In all categories aside from Pro and Intermediate, the format will consist of three heat races from which the top twelve riders progress to a Final where Championship points are scored. An alternative format may be used for Pro and Intermediate, in which qualifying to the race programme is required, and are eliminated through qualification races to establish a classification.
- 4.8 In the case of classes other than Pro & Intermediate, a 'B Final' may be used to determine ranking positions 13 to 24 in the classification, at the discretion of the series organisers.

5 POINTS TO BE AWARDED FOR HEAT RACES

- 5.1 Riders will score points for each heat race depending on their finishing position set out below.
- 5.2 To score points in heat races riders must cross the finishing line on their machine with the machine in working order.
- 5.3 In the case of a tie on points at the end of the heats, the rider with the highest finishing position in the last round of heats will finish higher overall.

Points Table for Heat Races

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
15	12	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

6 POINTS TO BE AWARDED FOR THE SERIES

- 6.1 In the case of the heat format, the following points distributions will apply to Finals:

Points Table for A Finals

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
20	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4

Points Table for B Finals

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Points Table for Last Chance Qualifier (Pro Only)

1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
N/A	N/A	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

- 6.2 In the case of riders being involved in a tie for the series, the best placed rider in the last round of the series will finish higher overall.
- 6.3 No championship points will be awarded to any riders have not registered for a class with the series organisers and are riding on a day licence or have entered any meeting as a one-off event or guest rider. They will count in classification of results but shall receive no series championship points.

7 STARTING POSITIONS

- 7.1 Grid places will be evenly distributed during the heat stages to ensure each rider completes one race from the front row of the grid, one race from the middle row of the grid and one race from the back row of the grid. In the case of Pro & Intermediate classes, qualification may be utilised to determine an alternative grid pattern.
- 7.2 For all Finals the start grid positions will be determined by the classification of each rider after the heats or in the Semi Finals, depending on the race format, and subsequent selection of starting positions made by the riders in order of their ranking. (i.e. The best-classified rider will have first choice of which row and gate they wish to start from, the second highest rider will have second choice of which row and gate etc)

8 INFRINGEMENTS

The following infringements may be recorded and penalised as appropriate by the referee:

- 8.1 Riders not ready at the start line within 2 minutes of being called will be disqualified from the race.
- 8.2 If a rider jumps the start, the referee will place them on a penalty line, 25 metres back from the standard start line. The referee may alternatively choose to disqualify the rider from the race if they have already committed this offence during the current season.
- 8.3 Riders exceeding track limits with both wheels simultaneously (crossing the white line) of the track during racing will be excluded from that race, unless in the referee's opinion it was to avoid another rider.
- 8.4 A rider overtaking under a yellow flag will be demoted the number of places deemed appropriate by the referee.
- 8.5 The referee has the right to disqualify a rider from a race if they are deemed to be riding dangerously, whether a stoppage has been caused or not.

9 RACE STOPPAGE

- 9.1 Races will be stopped by the referee in the event that it is unsafe to continue. The signal for a stoppage is a red flag being waived by trackside marshals and red lights being shown around the circuit.
- 9.2 In the case of a race stoppage, the procedure for determining a result will depend on the number of laps completed as follows:
- 9.3 If less than a third of the race distance had been completed, a complete re-start using the original grid positions will be staged.
- 9.4 If more than two thirds of the race distance had been completed, the race may be declared.
- 9.5 In other cases, a line-out will be used to stagger the starting positions, and a re-start comprising the laps that remained for completion at the time of the stoppage will be staged. Riders will start in a staggered line starting from the outside of the circuit, in order as per the last "full completed lap" prior to the stoppage, as determined by the Referee / Clerk of the Course at their discretion
- 9.6 In this case, a "full completed lap" refers to the last lap on which all riders actively contesting the race crossed the start/finish line to complete the same number of laps as all other competing riders.
- 9.6 Any competitor who is deemed to have caused a race to be stopped will go to the back of the line-out or be placed 25m from the back of the grid in the event of a complete re-start.
- 9.7 Any competitor who had crashed out of the race, was not mounted on their machine or whose machine was not working prior to the stoppage may be excluded from the restart.

- 9.8 Any competitor who was involved in the incident, may restart if they and their machine are fit to do so.
- 9.9 Riders entitled to restart after a stoppage have 2 minutes to carry out any repair works to their machines during a stoppage in heat races. This time may be extended to 4 minutes during a stoppage in the Final. Any rider failing to report to the starting grid to take their place within the allotted time will be excluded from the restart.

10 FLAGS AND LIGHT SIGNALS

- 10.1 Riders must obey all signals given to them on the track.
- 10.2 Chequered Flag - The finish of the race or practice session.
- 10.3 Yellow Flag & Yellow lights - Danger on this section of the track, overtaking is forbidden.
- 10.4 Red Flag & Red Lights - The practice or race is being interrupted. Riders must slow down and await further instructions from the clerk of the course.
- 10.5 Yellow Flag With Black Cross – last lap of the race or practice session.
- 10.6 Union Jack – start flag used in the event of start tapes or lights not being available.
- 10.7 Races will be started using either starting tapes or starting lights (if available)

11 DISPLAYING YOUR RIDING NUMBER

- 11.1 Each competitor's rider number must be displayed on the front of their machine as black numbers of a white background and (if applicable) on two side number boards as set out and detailed in the relevant technical regulations for each of the classes.
- 11.2 Your riding number should also be clearly visible on the back of your shirt / leathers.

13 PROVISION OF MARSHALLS & RACE MEETING STAFF

- 13.1 Each full-time rider, not being a rider entering under a day licence, must provide a marshall or other race meeting staff at least once during the season or, as an alternative, pay £20 towards the costs of the series organisers arranging volunteers and medical cover. Any rider failing to do so will be deducted their series championship points for one round (which shall be chosen by the series organisers at their sole discretion).

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 All Classes will be awarded trophy boards down to 3rd place

15. SERIES ORGANISERS

- 15.1 The series organisers are Dirt Track Riders Association Limited, a company registered in England & Wales (company number 08302879) whose registered office is situated at 8 Parliament Street, Hull, HU1 2BB

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Rider Numbers

Each rider may apply for a race number during registration at the beginning of the series. Existing members will have priority, and numbers from previous seasons will be retained until the end of February. After this date, all remaining numbers will be made available for other club members.

Rain-Offs

DTRA will reserve the right to cancel an event if the weather is not suitable or safe for racing to take place. In the event of a cancellation, the event may be rescheduled on a designated rain date, but never at short notice.

Official decisions about scheduled meetings will be available on the club's social media before the event.

Championship Points

The overall rankings in each class will be established on the basis of Championship points accrued the season, with each rider's lowest score deducted from their total. A zero point score or non-attendance of one of the Rounds may be used as this lowest score. If, due to cancellation, five Rounds are fewer are completed, all Rounds will count towards the Championship.

Supply a Marshal

Please help keep our sport alive by supplying someone to help us as often as possible but at least once per year (***Please read the Series rules about supply of marshals, especially if you are contesting a championship!***)

Enter on Time

Please enter on time; there will be no way of bypassing a late entry fee. (See Series rules for further info)

Tidy Up

Please leave no litter at our Tracks.

Quiet Please

Observe the rules concerning noise levels please.

GUEST RIDERS

Riders who have not registered with the DTRA 2021 Championship will still be welcome to ride with the DTRA however should note the following:

Preference for entry will be given to club members first.

Tyres

All 19" Flat track tyres may be used.