

Region Seven Champion Series

Racing Rules and Regulations 2009

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Section I General

1. The tracks included in Region 7 are located in Elko, Minnesota, and Topeka, Kansas.
2. Region 7 will follow the QMA Racing Rules and Regulations unless otherwise stipulated in the following rules.
3. All Region 7 club Presidents will receive a copy annually of the current Region Seven Championship Rules and Regulations (Championship) prior to the start of the racing season.
4. No changes will be made during the race year to the Championship Rules and Regulations unless otherwise stated in this document or the National QMA Rulebook. The Regional Board can implement emergency changes due to an extreme oversight or safety issue. These emergency changes must be sent to the regional members within 7 days of implementation.
5. **Championship Rule Change Proposals (CRCP's)** will be sent to the Regional Director by November 30, 2009.
 - a. CRCP's must be accepted by a majority vote at a club meeting for which a quorum is present from a Region 7 club before being sent to the Region Director.
 - b. Any CRCP's received by November 30, 2009, will be voted upon for acceptance by the Region Seven Board of Directors by December 31, 2009 and be effective for the 2010 series if approved by the Board.
6. **Championship Race format** shall be two two-event weekends scheduled at each region 7 club. The first race of each two-event weekend shall be the Trophy Race and the second race of these weekends will be a Winner-Takes-All Race.
7. **Championship Race dates** will be a two-race weekend. In years ending in odd numbers TKQMA will host the Memorial Day weekend race. On even years MQMRA will host the Memorial Day weekend race. The club not hosting the Memorial Day weekend shall host the Labor Day weekend race. Any changes to this schedule must be submitted in writing to the Regional Director for action by the Region 7 Board.
8. The Saturday race of the Memorial Day weekend race will be the Region 7 States race. The Region 7 States race shall be completed before any other racing is attempted.

9. **Pit Fees** will be as follows.

States/Championship Race Memorial Day weekend: \$60 for the weekend per car. \$20 shall go to Region 7 per car. \$11 shall go to QMA per car.

Championship Race Labor Day weekend: \$50 for the weekend per car. \$20 shall go to Region 7 per car.

In the event of only a single car entered in a class the fee shall be \$15 for that car.

10. It will be mandatory to sign in for both race events scheduled for a Championship Race weekend. Participants will not be able to opt out of the States Race fees.

11. To allow every driver to be awarded a trophy for the Trophy Race at each two-event race weekend, the guest club shall provide a “pre-registration” recap to the host club no later than two weeks prior to the event to accommodate the ordering of trophies.

12. Region Championship Races will be held over two days. The schedule will be determined by the host club and will be published at least 30 days prior to the event.

13. **Novice Jr. /Sr. Division** – Novices graduating to Jr. or Sr. division, before the third race, can transfer points as follows:

- a. A driver who participated in the first Championship race weekend as a novice and the second Championship weekend in a competitive class may receive championship points for the event raced as a novice equal to the competitive class qualifying points and the lowest race points from the two-event race weekend for which they participated in the competitive class.

14. **In case of a Championship Race rainout**, which cannot be called until 12:00 PM, the following shall govern:

- a. If the rain-out event is a qualifying event and all cars for a class have qualified before the day’s race is rained out, the completed qualifying will be scored for points.
- b. If the qualifying event is rained-out and the second race event of the weekend is not rained out, the qualifying session shall be added to the second race event.
- c. Regardless of rainouts, three races and two qualifying sessions will be scored for the region Championship. These may include zero point events in the case of multiple rainouts.

15. Each club is to supply the Host Club Race Director with a list of qualified judges and scorers that will be available to judge and score the Championship Races. The Host Club will operate the tower and run the race. If the Host Club needs help from the Region, notify the Region 7 Director prior to the race. All of the Region Championship Race lap sheets and one set of qualifying records must be turned over to the Region 7 Secretary or Region 7 Director following the race event. Plus a check for all Regions 7’s portion of the race pit fees.

16. The Host Club is to provide security for two evenings from practice until the races are completed. The Host Club does not assume responsibility for stolen items.

Section II

Racing

1. All tracks will use their own scales and set-up boards. These scales will be provided at practice.
2. Fuels: The Host Club shall furnish an 89-octane gasoline and alcohol fuel for all qualifying and racing.
3. Sealing: The Host Club shall seal engines and fuel systems.
4. Each club will designate a line in the hot chute area that constitutes a moving car.
5. Each Host Club will use the Grand's Format for Qualifying and Championship Races.
6. When registering for the Championship events, each participant will pill draw for qualifying position. Lowest pill number qualifies last for each class.
7. Late Arrival Definition: A late arrival sign-in will be accepted up to the start of qualifying or the first lower main. Late arrival sign-ins will be allowed to qualify if they take the qualifying green flag without delay to the event; however, they will start last in the lowest main regardless of time.
8. The qualifying segment from the first Championship Race of each two-event weekend will be used to establish the qualifying points and line up for the both Championship Races of each two-event weekend.
9. There will be no alternates for line ups. (No X car except during the States Race per QMA rules) The drivers must qualify for the Main Feature by B Feature or timing. If for some reason a car is unable to make the Main Feature, the cars in that race will move up and there will be an empty place in the line up.
10. Five courtesy laps will be given for all classes (to a car in the pits) during a yellow flag condition of a race once the tower has posted the line-up and the cars on the track are in race order. A car shall only receive courtesy laps for one yellow flag pit stop per race.
11. In the Championship Race in junior classes, if there are only nine cars, all nine cars are to run in that race. If there are more than nine cars signed in at this event in this class, there will only be eight cars to run per race. A "B" feature will be required. In all other classes, if only eleven cars signed into this class, all eleven cars will be allowed in on race. If there are more than eleven cars signed in for this race, a "B" feature will be required.

Section III

Novice

1. Novices will participate in the controlled practices.
2. Novice races will have a time limit of 30 minutes. If a red flag falls for injury or track repair, the clock will stop and not be started again until the green flag falls for the restart of the race.
3. Regional Championship awards will not be awarded for the Novice class. Novice drivers are racing for event awards and the ability to score move-up points.

Section IV

Scoring

1. Points System

Timing – 50 points, decreasing 1 point after awarding fast time (e.g. 50, 49, etc.)

Feature – 150 points, decreasing by 2 points from a maximum of 150.

A Two-Event Race Weekend has a perfect score of 350 points for a class.

2. Following the closing of registration of each Regional event, for any class that has only one car registered, the Championship race for that class will be cancelled. That car will be awarded the maximum points available from that event for the class but will not be given any event trophies. The car may qualify in the qualifying session. They will also receive a green, white and checkered flag for any sanctioned race but also receive no trophy. The driver may weight up or down in the class or move to an entirely different class and race for a trophy; starting scratch (last) if the car did not qualify for that class. This car will not be awarded points for the race they participate in and position points will be awarded as if the car was not in the event. This car will be eligible for Fast Time or Track Record awards presented by either the Clubs or the Region and will be eligible for Region Awards if signed in for both race weekends.
3. Two car fields for the classes that have weight distinctions: when only two cars have registered for an event in a particular weighted class, those two cars will race with the other cars in that class. They will be scored and trophied as two separate races, the others would not have their points affected by the two. The two cars will start at the back of the race according to how they qualified. Exception to two car rule would be when the other class already has enough cars for a full field (8/10) or their addition would add consolation race to the class. In these instances, the two cars would have their own race.
4. Attempt to Qualify Defined: Any car taking the racing surface will receive qualifying points. If the engine does not fire, the driver will still receive last place points (DNQ). QMA rulebook defines end of starting effort.

5. Should a car be unable to start or to finish a Championship race due to an accident or mechanical failure, a driver will still be awarded race points for last place of that main for their class for DNS or DNF (this includes three DOTs). No points will be given for the Championship race for a driver scored as DQ. If more than one DNS in a class scoring order will be determined as follows – did not grid (last), crashed in warm-up or lineup (second to last) if two cars in same class have identical scoring qualifying order shall be tie breaker for race points.
6. Each driver that participates in the same class for all four Championship events will be able to drop one race. The three highest event totals and qualifying points will be scored as the Final Championship points. All others will total points on the events attended.

Section V Tech

1. All tech will be done at the discretion of the host club's Tech Director and the Region 7 Tech Director.
2. If disqualified from the Tech tear down, the driver will lose all points for qualifying and the Championship race. The Host club is responsible for tech with assistance from the Region 7 Tech Director. Standard QMA Tech sheets will be used for all tear downs. Tech tear down will be done according to QMA rules and Tech sheets will be filled out per QMA rules.

Section VI Awards

1. Awards will be given out in both Championship races for each two-event weekend according to finish order of the race and not according to accumulated points.
2. **Qualifying:** The Host Club shall provide Fast Time awards in all classes with more than one car qualifying. The Host Club shall provide a plaque for all new track records.
3. **Trophy Race:** The First Championship Race of each two-race event will be a trophy race. The Host Club shall provide trophies for finishing positions First, Second, and Third for all classes. Participation or Finishing Position trophies shall be provide to all other participants
4. **Winner-Takes-All Race:** The Second Championship Race of each two-race event will be a winner-takes-all race. The Host Club shall provide trophies for only the winners of each class scheduled.
5. **Region Seven Championship Awards** will be given for First, Second, and Third Place in each class according to the total points earned in that class. All drivers participating in both legs of the Championship Series shall receive Championship Series participation awards. In the event of a tie at the end of the year for First Place, the drivers would be tied for First Place will each be given a First Place Trophy. In case of a tie for Second Place or Third Place each of those drivers will also receive a Second Place trophy and or a Third Place trophy whichever it may be. A driver is required to sign-in at both two-race event weekends to eligible for an award in each class.