



Meeting Agenda

Medical/Safety Commission

2023 Spring Meeting

May 23, 2023

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Meeting Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting

- a. Comments by the AMA Representative – Mike Burkeen
- b. Comments by the Commission Chair – Dr. Paul Reiman
- c. Attendance

Name	Present	Absent With Notice	Absent Without Notice
Hub Brennan			
James Buskirk			
Dean DeBroekert			
Michael Quinn			
Paul Reiman			
Bruce Richardson			
Chris Ulrich			
Michael Utz			

- 2. Introductions of New/Returning Members**
- 3. Nominations for Commission Chair**
- 4. Vote for Commission Chair**
- 5. Proposals – N/A**
- 6. New Discussion/Agenda Items**
- 7. Closing of Meeting**

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Page: 156 Section: 3.2 Chapter: D.5

TOPIC

Rule 3.2.D.5. on page 156: This rule is very vague and leaves a lot of room for interpretation. It has created quite a difference of opinion within the flat track and speedway disciplines. Why has only road racing granted an exemption for leathers? Several disciplines outside of road racing wear leathers. Flat Track, Speedway, Supermoto, Land Speed Racing, etc. The leathers in most of those disciplines do not typically have spine protection (although road racing leathers typically do). Is there a reason that external protection is not permitted with leathers? From an enforcement standpoint, identifying if a rider is wearing leathers or a motocross jersey is easy, but determining whether the leathers have internal chest and spine protection or not is not as easy. Also, this rule is targeted to youth racers, yet getting leathers to fit correctly on growing kids is already expensive, and now we need those leathers to also allow a spine and/or chest protector on the inside. Do leathers with padded chest areas satisfy the intention of this rule for chest protection? AMA Racing says it does, but the rule does not state this clearly. The cost of updating a set of leathers is very expensive, and most flat track and speedway leathers do not have spine protection built in. AMA Racing has told me (and my commission) that leathers and/or inflatable safety vests satisfy the intent of this rule for flat track racing and speedway, but that opinion is not currently in the language of the rule. Leathers certainly provide more protection than a Motocross jersey does. They may not, on their own, prevent a puncture injury but it is unclear if the intention of the rule is to prevent a specific type of injury or simply to insist on more than just a motocross jersey.

REASON

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SUBMISSION: Bert Sumner

DISCUSSION

MOTIONS Made: _____ Second: _____
VOTE For: _____ Against: _____ Abstain: _____
DECISION Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____ Tabled: _____



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Page: 80 Section: 2.2 Chapter: D.6 (current helmet rule for Trials Competition)

TOPIC

Use of Mountain Bike Helmets in Trials Competition.

REASON

Requests from AMA members.

SUBMISSION: Paul Reiman

DISCUSSION

MOTIONS Made: _____ Second: _____
VOTE For: _____ Against: _____ Abstain: _____
DECISION Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____ Tabled: _____



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Page/Section/Chapter: See below for locations of the current rule

TOPIC

Pediatric Helmets – Chin Strap fixation – Tradition versus snap buckle.

Helmet rules are found on:

MX: page 29, Section 1.2.F.7

OR: page 80, Section 2.2.D.6

Track: page 156, Section 3.2.D.7

Speedway: pages 230-231, Section 3.9

Land Speed: pages 296-297, Section 3.12

REASON

Requests from AMA members.

SUBMISSION: Paul Reiman

DISCUSSION

MOTIONS Made: _____ Second: _____
VOTE For: _____ Against: _____ Abstain: _____
DECISION Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____ Tabled: _____