2025 AMA Supercross Championship Rulebook

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PREFACE

AMA SANCTIONED EVENTS

An AMA Sanction Agreement is issued only by AMA Headquarters in Pickerington, OH. An AMA-sanctioned Event is a competitive motorcycle racing Event which is intended to be conducted and officiated in accordance with this Rule Book. All changes relating to an Event, including Qualifying, must be approved in advance by AMA. This Rule Book may be amended from time to time. Supplementary Rules and Regulations may be issued by AMA specifically for the Event and any applicable agreements to which AMA is a party may also apply. The AMA Rule Book is designed to provide for the orderly conduct of AMA-sanctioned Events. It is the responsibility of each Credentialed Participant to address any complaint they might have regarding officiating to AMA. It is ultimately the obligation of each participant to ensure that their conduct and equipment comply with all applicable rules, as they may be amended from time to time. EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL NOT RESULT FROM THE PUBLICATION OF, OR COMPLIANCE WITH, THESE RULES. These rules are intended as a guide for the conduct of professional motorcycle racing and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to participants, spectators, or others.

DISCLOSURE:

THE AMA STRIVES TO REGULATE THE SPORT OF PROFESSIONAL MOTORCYCLE RACING IN THE FAIREST POSSIBLE MANNER. ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE AMA SUPERCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP ARE EXPECTED TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER, RESPECTING AT ALL TIMES THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS. THE RULES FOR COMPETITION ARE INTENDED ONLY AS A GUIDE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE SPORT PURSUANT TO THE UNIFORM RULES. RULES DIRECTED OR RELATED TO SAFETY ARE PROMULGATED TO MAKE ALL PERSONS CONCERNED WITH SAFETY, BUT THE AMA NEITHER WARRANTS SAFETY IF THE RULES ARE FOLLOWED NOR COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF RULES. MOREOVER, EACH PARTICIPANT IN COMPETITION HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSESS THE SAFETY ASPECTS OF FACILITIES AND CONDITIONS AND MUST ASSUME THE RISK OF COMPETITION.

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AMA Supercross Championship

INTRODUCTION

This rulebook contains the sporting rules, technical requirements, administrative regulations, and a summary of offenses and penalties pertaining to rule violations which govern all AMA-sanctioned competition at events which are conducted as part of the AMA Supercross Championship.

The AMA Supercross Championship is sanctioned by AMA. The AMA Supercross Championship is comprised of the following classes:

450: The premier class of the AMA Supercross Championship, featuring production-based 450cc single-cylinder motorcycles homologated and approved by AMA.

250: A production-based class featuring 250cc single-cylinder motorcycles homologated and approved by AMA.

Supercross is conducted within a stadium-type facility on a specially constructed racetrack. The racetrack generally should be 20 feet in width at its narrowest point, except where narrower sections are a benefit to traffic flow, such as dual line turns, etc. These sections must be approved by Race Direction prior to the meet. The length of the course is contingent upon the track design and the size of the area of the facility used.

Supercross Starting Area Dimensions:

- Starting gate minimum width: 80 feet
- Minimum length of the starting area: 120 feet
- Minimum width: 20 feet at the point the start area enters the track.

AMA Supercross and specific event information can also be found at: americanmotorcyclist.com

Should you have questions regarding these rules or regarding competition as affected by these rules, contact:

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SECTION 1 - SPORTING REGULATIONS

1.1 THE AMA RULES

1.1.1 APPLICABILITY

a. AMA issues various Rule Books, each of which includes in its title reference to a particular AMA-sanctioned Discipline. The AMA Rules in each such Rule Book are applicable to the series set forth in the title of that Rule Book.

1.1.2 EFFECTIVE DATE

a. The AMA Rules, including any Amendments thereto, are effective upon the Date of Issuance by AMA, regardless of when an AMA credentialed participant receives actual notice.

b. "Date of Issuance" of the AMA Rules, or any amendments thereto, is the earliest of:

1. Electronic posting date of an AMA Bulletin on the AMA Competitor Information website.
2. Mailing, emailing, or other timely distribution of notice of the AMA Bulletin to credentialed participants.
3. AMA's written or verbal announcement or distribution of an AMA Bulletin to the industry of an immediate change (i.e. Rider's meeting announcement, etc.).

1.1.3 AMENDMENTS

a. The AMA Rules may be amended by issuance of Technical Bulletins, Competitor Bulletins and/or Supplementary Regulations for the purpose of implementing, interpreting and enforcing Rules and will be deemed to be part of these Rules.

b. Once published, Bulletins shall take precedence over the applicable portion of these Rules.

c. Amendments to the AMA Rules are effective immediately upon the Date of Issuance by AMA, regardless of when an AMA Member receives actual notice, unless otherwise set forth in the AMA Bulletin.

d. All Rules, Bulletins and Supplementary Regulations are available in the Rule and Bulletins section at: americanmotorcyclist.com

1.1.4 SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

a. Supplementary Regulations may be made by AMA for an Event. Such Supplementary Regulations shall apply to the conduct of that Event if they are issued or announced prior to or during the Event by means of a Bulletin, newsletter, fax, electronic or internet posting, Pre-Race meeting, or communication over the radio from Race Direction.

1.1.5 PRINCIPLE RULE OF INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

a. The AMA Rules are intended to ensure that AMA-sanctioned Events are conducted in a manner that is as fair as possible for all Competitors, consistent with prompt finality in competition results.

b. On occasion, circumstances will be presented that are either unforeseen or are otherwise extraordinary, in which strict application of the AMA Rules may not achieve this goal. In such rare circumstances, the Race Officials, as a practical matter, may make a determination regarding the conduct of an Event, the eligibility of a Competitor, or similar matters that are not contemplated by or are inconsistent with the AMA Rules, in order to achieve this goal.

1.1.6 INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

a. AMA's intent of a specific rule will override a competitor's interpretation of a rule. If there is a disagreement or dispute regarding the meaning or application of the AMA Rules, the interpretation and application by AMA shall prevail. If any rule is unclear to an entrant or competitor, the competitor is advised to get written approval prior to any modifications. Any prior verbal approval from AMA staff or officials without a written statement regarding the interpretation of a rule or procedure will be deemed invalid.

b. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision in the Rule Book, Race Officials at an Event may review, adjust, modify, and/or supersede an interpretation or application of the AMA Rules when the Race Officials deem such action to be appropriate, such as instructions given by Race Direction at an Event's Rider briefing.

c. While every effort has been made to write these rules in a clear and unambiguous fashion, it is impossible to anticipate every circumstance. It will be Race Direction's responsibility to make decisions regarding rules enforcement.

d. The current electronic version of the Rule Book, including any Amendments by AMA Bulletin prior to the disputed incident, shall govern.

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e. Any and all print or paper copies of the AMA Rules represent the status of the AMA Rules as of the print date only. AMA does not guarantee or represent that any print or paper copy of the AMA Rules is correct or up to date. It is the responsibility of each Credentialed Participant to remain informed of and operate in accordance with the current electronic version of the AMA Rules at all times, as may be amended from time to time. Please contact Race Direction with any questions or concerns on the current status of the AMA Rules.

1.1.7 FINALITY OF INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

a. The interpretation and application of the AMA Rules by the Race Officials at the Event pursuant to Section 1.1.6: Interpretation and Application, shall be final and non-appealable, except as provided in Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action and Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals.

b. In order to promote motorcycle racing, to achieve prompt finality in competition results, and in consideration of receiving the numerous benefits available to them, ALL CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANTS EXPRESSLY AGREE THAT DETERMINATIONS BY RACE OFFICIALS AS TO THE APPLICATION AND INTERPRETATION OF THE AMA RULES ARE NON-LITIGABLE, AND THEY COVENANT THAT THEY WILL NOT INITIATE OR MAINTAIN LITIGATION OF ANY KIND AGAINST AMA, OR ANYONE ACTING ON BEHALF OF AMA, WITH RESPECT TO SUCH DETERMINATIONS OR TO RECOVER DAMAGES OR TO SEEK ANY OTHER KIND OF RELIEF AS A RESULT OF SUCH DETERMINATIONS, UNLESS THE RACE OFFICIALS MADE SUCH DETERMINATIONS FOR NO PURPOSE OTHER THAN A BAD-FAITH INTENT TO HARM OR CAUSE ECONOMIC LOSS TO THE CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT. IF A CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT INITIATES OR MAINTAINS LITIGATION IN VIOLATION OF THIS COVENANT, THAT CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT AGREES TO REIMBURSE AMA FOR THE COSTS OF SUCH LITIGATION, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES. EACH CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT FURTHER COVENANTS THAT IN ANY LITIGATION BROUGHT AGAINST AMA FOR ANY REASON, IF THE LITIGATION IS NOT DISMISSED PURSUANT TO THIS COVENANT, THE MATTER WILL BE TRIED BEFORE A JUDGE OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION AND HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN SUCH ACTION. AMA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION HEREUNDER, INCLUDING SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF CREDENTIALS AND/OR LICENSES, FOR VIOLATION OF THE COVENANT NOT TO SUE.

1.1.8 FINALITY OF DECISIONS

a. AMA is the sole and final authority for the development, maintenance, and distribution of AMA championship Point Funds, the awarding of AMA championship Points, the naming of manufacturer, Series-sponsored, and other AMA champions, the scheduling of AMA- sanctioned Events, determinations regarding the suitability of a racing facility, control over all aspects of Competition during AMA-sanctioned Events, and the governance, interpretation, and implementation of the AMA Rules, including but not limited to, AMA Credentials and Licenses, entries, disciplinary action, the AMA Substance Abuse Policy, Sports Gambling Policy, and the determination of Rider eligibility, in the manner set forth in the AMA Rules.

b. Notwithstanding that a particular Event may be listed on the FIM calendar, AMA reserves sole authority to finally settle any dispute that may arise during such AMA Event.

c. Any and all protests stemming from AMA-sanctioned Events shall be resolved solely via Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals.

d. Any and all appeals stemming from AMA-sanctioned Events and/or appealable AMA determinations regarding an AMA Credential or an AMA License shall be resolved solely via Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals.

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1.2 LICENSES AND CREDENTIALS

1.2.1 PARTICIPATION IN SANCTIONED EVENTS

a. Credentialed Participants must hold a valid and current AMA Credential and License, which has not been suspended or revoked, to participate in AMA-sanctioned Events.

1.2.2 APPLICATION PROCESS

a. Credential and License application and/or renewal forms must be fully executed, signed by the applicant, and accompanied by the requisite fees.

b. All License applications can be submitted online at: americanmotorcyclist.com. Applications may not be printed, faxed or emailed.

c. AMA's receipt of an AMA Credential and License application and/or renewal form and fee(s) and the depositing of accompanying fees by AMA does not constitute the issuance of or approval by AMA of such an application for an AMA Credential and License.

d. Upon completion, credential and License application and/or renewal forms must be submitted to AMA Headquarters, which is the only AMA office authorized to approve and issue AMA Credentials and Licenses.

e. Applicants will be issued an AMA Hard Card when their application for an AMA License has been approved.

1.2.3 LICENSES REQUIRED

a. Every Credentialed Participant who desires to participate in an AMA-sanctioned Event as a Team Owner, Team Manager, Rider, Crew, Promoter, Manufacturer, Sponsor, Support Industry Representative, or other approved position, must apply for, receive, and possess a valid, current AMA License that has not been suspended or revoked, authorizing participation in that capacity.

b. AMA may specify, limit, or restrict the types of racing Series, motorcycles, or racetracks in which a Licensed Credentialed Participant may participate.

c. Licensed Credentialed Participants must present proof of their AMA License or Credential to any Race Official or Promoter Event Official, at any time, upon request.

1.2.4 ACCEPTANCE OF A LICENSE

a. AMA may, but is not required to, accept as an AMA-Licensed Credentialed Participant any individual or business entity interested in motorcycle racing, so long as the individual or business entity has met the following requirements:

1. Properly and truthfully completed and filed an AMA License application.
2. Agreed to abide by the AMA Rules.
3. Paid the fees prescribed for the AMA License.
4. Meets the required qualifications for the AMA License being applied for, as set forth in Section 1.2: Licenses and Credentials, and as may be otherwise required by AMA.

1.2.5 REJECTION OF A LICENSE

a. AMA is dedicated to the highest degree of professionalism, sportsmanship, and integrity in motorcycle racing. For that reason, AMA may reject the License application of an otherwise qualified applicant in the interest of motorcycle racing or AMA, in AMA's sole discretion.

b. Among other things, participation or involvement by a person or business entity (including, in the case of a business entity, involvement by any stockholder, director, officer, employee, partner or agent thereof) in conduct detrimental to motorcycle racing or to AMA, whether in the course of competition or not, and whether the person or business entity was a Licensed participant or applicant at the time of such conduct, may result in rejection of a License application by AMA.

c. Any person or business entity whose Credential and License application has been rejected by AMA may not appeal the rejection.

1.2.6 INTERIM REVIEW OF A LICENSE

a. AMA, in its sole discretion, may review the qualifications of a Licensed participant at any time after issuance of an AMA License.

b. AMA may require a Licensed participant to submit to and pass additional physical examinations by a qualified physician; and may take such other action or require the Licensed participant to take such other action, as AMA may deem appropriate, to determine whether the Licensed participant continues to qualify for an AMA License under Section 1.2: Licenses and Credentials. In addition, AMA may also require a Competitor to submit a resume, or an updated resume, to include Competitor information and record of competition and/or to pass additional Rider ability tests in order to be eligible for an AMA competition License.

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1.2.7 LICENSE STATUS

a. A Credentialed Participant, including a Credentialed Participant who has been issued an AMA License, is not an agent or employee of AMA by virtue of such Credential or License.

b. With respect to any AMA-related activities in which a Credentialed Participant engages, unless the Credentialed Participant is also an employee of AMA, the Credentialed Participant shall act as and be deemed to be either an independent contractor or an employee of a person or entity other than AMA, and not an agent or employee of AMA.

c. Each such Credentialed Participant or the Credentialed Participant's employer:

1. Is obligated to furnish any tools, supplies, or material necessary to perform the Credentialed Participant's duties.
2. Is responsible for compensating their employees or agents.
3. Assumes all responsibility for any charges, record keeping, premiums and taxes, if any, payable on any funds the Credentialed Participant may receive as a result of any activities as a Credentialed Participant, including but not limited to, social security taxes, unemployment insurance taxes, workers compensation insurance, income taxes, and withholding taxes.

d. If a Credentialed Participant is an AMA employee, the AMA Employee Manual supersedes this Rule Book on any violations and/or disciplinary actions.

e. From time to time, AMA may create other categories of affiliation for credentialing and/or other purpose such as an "Associate"; however, such categories are not Credentialed Participants as defined in this Rule Book.

1.2.8 LICENSES NON-TRANSFERABLE

a. An AMA License is non-transferable, non-assignable and non-refundable.

b. An AMA License may only be used by the Credentialed Participant to whom it is issued.

c. Any attempt by a Credentialed Participant to transfer, lend, or permit any other person or entity to use his/her AMA License shall be subject to a Penalty by AMA. Transfer or misuse of any License or credential is cause for immediate fine and revocation of both License and credential.

d. IF FOR ANY REASON, WHETHER INTENTIONAL OR UNINTENTIONAL, AN AMA LICENSE IS TRANSFERRED, LOANED, OR USED BY ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY, THE ORIGINAL LICENSED PARTICIPANT SHALL INDEMNIFY AMA, ITS PARENTS, SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES, AND ALL RELATED PARTIES FOR ANY DAMAGES ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH TRANSFER, LOAN, OR USE.

1.2.9 MINORS

a. If the applicant for an AMA Credential and License is under the age of 18, the applicant must also submit, with his/her License application, a fully executed and signed Minor's Release and Parental Consent Agreement.

b. The Minor's Release must be signed by the applicant, as well as the applicant's natural father or mother, or by a legal guardian. Relatives and family friends cannot sign these forms in lieu of the parent.

c. If the parent or legal guardian will not be present at registration, a notarized AMA Minor Release Form may be accepted only if it has the parent or legal guardian’s signature and a notary's signature and seal where it says witness.

d. If the minor applicant turns the age of 18 during the season, that minor shall be required to submit fully executed and signed adult authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers, and other documents as may be required by AMA from time to time.

e. AMA may, but is not required to, approve the Credential and License application of any applicant who is a minor and otherwise qualified in accordance with this Section.

1.2.10 SUSPENSION

a. AMA may suspend an AMA Credential and License at any time in the interest of motorcycle racing or AMA, in AMA's sole discretion.

b. All suspensions are with immediate effect.

c. A suspension may be total, or it may be limited to a suspension of Credential and/or License privileges for one or for any combination of the following:

1. At a particular racetrack or racetracks.
2. For a particular series of Events.
3. For one or more AMA-sanctioned Discipline and/or AMA-sanctioned Discipline.
4. For a specified or indefinite period of time.

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5. As otherwise determined by AMA.

d. If the suspension is announced by Penalty Notice stating that the Licensed/Credentialed Participant is "suspended from AMA" for a specified or indefinite period of time, then the suspension shall apply to all AMA-sanctioned Events and all AMA-sanctioned Events at all levels of the sport for such period of time.

e. A Licensed/Credentialed Participant who is suspended is not eligible to participate, in person, in any AMA-sanctioned activity or AMA-sanctioned activity, nor to enter restricted areas of an Event (e.g. pits, media center, victory podium, etc.) in which competition or related activities take place.

f. Any special conditions for a suspension will be stated on the Penalty Notice.

g. If the affected Licensed/Credentialed Participant holds a current and valid AMA annual credential, that credential shall not be valid during the period of suspension and must be returned to AMA until the suspension is lifted, at which time it will be returned at AMA's sole discretion.

h. Other AMA privileges may be suspended during the period of suspension.

i. During the period of suspension, the suspended Licensed/Credentialed Participant is still bound by and subject to the AMA Rules and all the obligations of a Credentialed Participant.

j. The affected Licensed/Credentialed Participant shall have no right to receive, and AMA shall not be obligated to refund, any part or all of the fees previously paid by the Credentialed Participant to AMA.

k. The affected Licensed/Credentialed Participant may appeal such a suspension to the National Appeals Panel.

1.2.11 VOLUNTARY TERMINATION

a. A Licensed/Credentialed Participant may terminate his/her AMA License/Credential at any time by surrendering his/her AMA License/Credential and submitting a letter of resignation to AMA Headquarters.

b. The affected Licensed/Credentialed Participant shall have no right to receive, and AMA shall not be obligated to refund, any part or all of the License/Credential fees paid by the Credentialed Participant to AMA.

c. If a Credentialed Participant terminates his/her AMA License and holds a current and valid AMA Annual Credential, that Credential shall not be valid and must be returned to AMA.

1.2.12 INVOLUNTARY REVOCATION

a. AMA may revoke an AMA License/Credential at any time in the interest of motorcycle racing or AMA, in AMA's sole discretion, by providing notice to the AMA-Licensed/Credentialed Participant.

b. The affected Credentialed Participant shall have no right to receive, and AMA shall not be obligated to refund, any part or all of the Credential and License fees paid by the Credentialed Participant to AMA.

c. The affected Credentialed Participant may appeal such a revocation to the National Appeals Panel.

1.2.13 EXPIRATION

a. Unless specified otherwise, AMA annual Credentials and Licenses expire automatically on the last day of the calendar year in which the annual Credential or License is issued.

1.2.14 EJECTION

a. Race Direction may eject a Licensed participant from an Event or from the racing premises in an emergency situation to promote the orderly conduct of the Event and/or future Events.

b. An ejection is final, non-appealable, and non-reviewable.

1.2.15 AMA LICENSE APPLICATION TYPES

a. **Rider License**

1. To be eligible for an AMA Rider License, a Credentialed Participant at a minimum must:

i. Be at least 16 years of age. **

ii. Hold a valid and active AMA Membership in good standing.

iii. Be physically and physiologically fit, as determined in the sole discretion of AMA.

iv. Have completed a neurocognitive baseline ImPACT test/assessment from ImPACT Applications, Inc. dated within two years of the date of the Competitor's AMA Credential License application. Proof of completion must be submitted to AMA.

v. Execute and deliver to AMA such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers, resumes, and other documents as may be required by AMA from time to time.

** Effective with the 2026 & 2027 AMA Supercross Rulebooks: **
2026 - To be eligible for an AMA Rider License: Be at least 17 years of age.
2027 - To be eligible for an AMA Rider License: Be at least 18 years of age.

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vi. Provide proof of primary medical insurance covering all injuries sustained while competing in an AMA sanctioned event. Such primary medical insurance must remain current and in force at all times while participating in an AMA-sanctioned event. Failure to maintain such coverage in-force will result in the immediate suspension of the Competitor's AMA License.

2. Competitors must inform AMA in writing of any changes in health status, information, or medications as soon as practically possible, but in no event longer than three calendar days of any discovery of such changes. Changes to health status may include, but are not limited to, illness and/or injuries sustained during or outside of racing activity, diabetes, testosterone deficiency, pregnancy, hypertension, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, or other acute or chronic conditions requiring medication, treatment, therapy, rehabilitation, or recurring review by medical specialists to obtain clearance to participate in motorcycle racing activity.

b. **Team Owner License**

1. If a Team Owner is a partnership, corporation, or other business entity, the AMA License will be issued in the name of the partnership, corporation, or business entity; and the AMA License will further indicate the name of the individual legally responsible for the ownership and operation of the partnership, corporation, or business entity. An AMA-Licensed Team Owner or their designee needs the ability to make decisions on behalf of his/her organization without delay. That person will be the party responsible for all communications and contact with AMA regarding all business (as opposed to racing competition) matters in connection with the entries and related participation in AMA Sanctioned Events.
2. To be eligible for an AMA Team Owner License, which is intended for use by the individual legally responsible for the ownership and operation of a Team, a Credentialed Participant at a minimum must:
   i. Be at least 18 years of age, unless the applicant is a business entity.
   ii. Have a Rider under contract to participate in Competition in an AMA-sanctioned Discipline and/or Event.
   iii. Execute and deliver to AMA such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers, and other documents as may be required by AMA from time to time.

c. **Team Manager License**

1. To be eligible for an AMA Team Manager License, which is intended for use by the party responsible for all communications and contact with AMA regarding all racing competition (as opposed to business) matters in connection with the entries and related participation in AMA Sanctioned Events, a Credentialed Participant at a minimum must:
   i. Be at least 18 years of age.
   ii. Hold a valid and active AMA Membership in good standing.
   iii. Execute and deliver to AMA such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers, and other documents as may be required by AMA from time to time.

d. **Crew License**

1. To be eligible for an AMA Crew License, which are intended for use by each team's Mechanics and Technicians, a Credentialed Participant at a minimum must:
   i. Be at least 18 years of age.
   ii. Hold a valid and active AMA Membership in good standing.
   iii. Be physically fit to perform as a crew member, as determined at the sole discretion of AMA. In this regard, AMA may require the Credentialed Participant to submit to and pass one or more physical examinations by a qualified physician.
   iv. Execute and deliver to AMA such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers, and other documents as may be required by AMA from time to time.
2. An AMA Single Event Crew Pass, if approved by AMA, is issued strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions stated on the application form. The Crew Pass is valid for 24 hours prior to the opening of the Series registration and ending 24 hours after the last Series scheduled activity (with the exception of pending Penalties, infractions, or indefinite suspension arising during the Event).

e. **Race Official License**

1. To be eligible for a Race Official License, a Credentialed Participant at a minimum must:
   i. Be at least 18 years of age.
   ii. Hold a valid and active AMA Membership in good standing.
   iii. Possess, in the sole discretion of AMA, the necessary qualifications and abilities to carry out the duties of an Official.

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iv. Be physically fit to perform the duties of an Official, as determined at the sole discretion of AMA. In this regard, AMA may require the Race Official or applicant to submit to and pass one or more physical examinations by a qualified physician.

v. Execute and deliver to AMA such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers and other documents as may be required by AMA from time to time.

1.2.16 MEDICAL

a. For safety reasons, at any time during the calendar year AMA may require an AMA-Licensed participant to undergo a physical or psychological examination by designated medical professionals at the Licensed Credentialed Participant's expense.

1.2.17 REQUIRED NOTICES

a. Any Credentialed Participant charged with any violation of the law (misdemeanor and/or felony) shall notify AMA at sxinfo@ama-cycle.org, prior to the next scheduled Event or within 72 hours of being so charged, whichever is earlier.

1.2.18 PROHIBITED SELLING OF CREDENTIALS/PASSES

a. At times, AMA teams and Credentialed Participants may be entitled or eligible for the privilege of purchasing and/or receiving complimentary credentials/passes to Events.

b. AMA teams and Credentialed Participants are prohibited from selling or conveying to a third-party vendor for resale, credentials/passes, of any kind.

c. A violation of this Rule may result in the indefinite loss of sanctioning body privileges for individuals and organizations and/or disciplinary action as outlined in Section 1.4: Code of Conduct Policies. Any violation of this Rule is non-appealable under Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals.

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1.3 SAFETY

1.3.1 SAFETY

a. Motorcycle racing is an inherently dangerous sport. Each Credentialed Participant assumes the risk of bodily injury, death, or property damage when he/she participates in an Event. The risk of serious injury or death cannot be eliminated and, in fact, will always be present at a high level. Credentialed Participants are required to advise their spouses and next of kin, if any, of this fact.

1.3.2 CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Although safety is first priority and a concern for all parties involved in AMA-sanctioned Events, AMA cannot be and is not responsible for all or even most aspects of the safety efforts required throughout each Event. Such safety responsibilities are instead a shared collaboration across the various Credentialed Participants participating in Events as outlined in this Section.

1.3.3 PROMOTER RESPONSIBILITIES

a. The Promoter is directly and finally responsible to ensure the following:
   1. The racing facilities are adequate for the Event.
   2. Adequate security personnel are provided for each Event; for the purpose of managing the public and crowd control and safeguarding Competitors and team equipment.
   3. Adequate safety personnel and equipment are provided for each Event; both for the purpose of preventing injury where reasonably possible and responding to injury when it occurs.
   4. The conditions at the racing facilities are maintained in a reasonable manner to reduce the risk of injury, all as more fully set forth in the Sanction Agreement applicable to the Event.

1.3.4 SANCTIONING BODY RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Employees and representatives of AMA, when at Events, are responsible for reporting to the Promoter any inadequacies in the racing facilities, safety personnel and equipment, or other conditions at the racing facilities that are observed and considered to be, in their best judgment, inconsistent with the interests of safety.

b. AMA works with Competitors, Promoters, motorcycle manufacturers, and outside independent experts to facilitate, where and when appropriate, the exchange of useful information regarding safety designs, products, practices, and procedures.

c. Where and when appropriate, AMA will institute rules or procedures relating to safety.

d. Race Officials are responsible for promptly reporting to the Promoter any inadequacies in the racing facilities, safety personnel and equipment, or other conditions at the racing facility that are observed and considered to be, in their best judgment, inconsistent with the interests of safety.

e. If a Race Official observes any safety inadequacy in a Competitor's motorcycle, racing equipment, or conduct, the Official may take whatever action is deemed reasonable and appropriate in order to correct such inadequacy. Such action may include, but is not limited to, requests to take physical examinations, substance abuse tests, and/or other Rider ability or experience tests.

f. AMA does not hold themselves out as experts in safety standards, designs, products, practices, or procedures; nor is AMA a standards organization or a designer, manufacturer, or seller of safety-related products, racing facility designs, or motorcycle designs.

g. AMA DOES NOT MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OF SAFETY TO ANY AMA CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT, RACING FACILITY OR OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY AND CANNOT AND DO NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THE ADEQUACY - FOR PURPOSES OF SAFETY - OF THE RACING FACILITY, SAFETY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT, AND/OR CONDITIONS AT THE RACING FACILITY. The Promoter and the Competitors are solely and ultimately responsible for such matters at AMA-sanctioned Events.

1.3.5 COMPETITOR RESPONSIBILITIES

a. All Competitors are obligated to inspect for any unsafe conditions at the racing facilities, his/her race motorcycle and all related equipment, safety personnel and equipment, and/or conditions at the track, on a continuing basis before, during, and after the Event.

b. Competitors are responsible for promptly reporting to the Promoter and Race Officials any inadequacies in the racing facilities, safety personnel and equipment, or other conditions at the racing facilities that are observed and considered to be, in their best judgment, inconsistent with the interests of safety.

c. Competitors are solely and directly responsible for the safety of their race motorcycles and racing equipment and are obligated to perform their duties in a manner designed to minimize to the degree possible the risk of injury to themselves and others.

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d. AMA CANNOT AND WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADEQUACY OF A COMPETITOR'S RACE MOTORCYCLE, RACING EQUIPMENT, OR RACING ACTIVITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE.

1.3.6 INJURY

a. Any Credentialed Participant involved in an accident or otherwise injured while on the racing premises at an Event (e.g. racing surface, paddock, pit area, etc.), must report such incident to a Race Official or Chief Medical Officer prior to leaving the premises, unless such Credentialed Participant is physically unable to make such a report.

b. Each Competitor agrees and consents that in the event of injury or death in the course of or as a result of an Event, to sign in advance of the Event the necessary waivers to release and provide to AMA access to copies of any and all medical records of the Competitor related to such an injury or death.

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1.4 CODE OF CONDUCT POLICIES

1.4.1 SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

a. In the interest of protecting the integrity of motorcycle racing, AMA has established a Substance Abuse Policy and from time to time conducts tests for drugs and/or alcohol.

b. Compliance with the AMA Substance Abuse Policy is an essential precondition to the issuance of an AMA Competition License.

c. Any violation of the policy, or refusal to submit to testing as requested by AMA, will result in the immediate suspension or cancellation of Licenses and suspension from participating in any AMA-sanctioned events or AMA-sanctioned Events.

d. A copy of the AMA Substance Abuse Policy is provided during the License application process and can be found in the Appendices of the AMA Rule Book.

e. Credentialed Participants agree to release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless AMA, it's respective LLC members and/or investors, directors, trustees, officers, employees, agents, personnel as well as any consultants and any laboratories or testing facilities retained by AMA or its assigns for the purpose of conducting drug or alcohol tests in connection with the Policy, from any and all liability related in any way to any tests conducted in connection with the Policy or the disclosure of the results of any such tests.

1.4.2 SPORTS BETTING POLICY

a. The SuperMotocross League (SMX League) is committed to the integrity, safety and professionalism of motorcycle racing. As a part of this commitment, the SMX League has created this Betting Policy to strictly prohibit gambling on any SMX League events, including, without limitation, Supercross, Pro Motocross, and SMX Next series events, either directly or indirectly, by anyone associated with the sport, including Credentialed Participants as well as officials, staff and personnel, and officers and directors of the entities associated with the sport, including race teams, the SMX League, organizers, sanctioning bodies, and any other personnel onsite, including but not limited to media outlets, that may have inside information concerning any events that comprise the SMX League ("**Covered Stakeholders**").

b. **AMA CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANTS SUBJECT TO SPORTS BETTING POLICY**

1. While AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, reserves the right to regulate any Credentialed Participants gambling conduct related to AMA Events, AMA has an enhanced concern regarding the conduct of Competitors and other Credentialed Participants who compete and/or contribute to the on-track AMA Competition. As such, this Sports Betting Policy applies to AMA Competitors and other Credentialed Participants holding the following valid AMA Series Licenses:
   i. Rider
   ii. Team Owner
   iii. Team Manager
   iv. Crew
   v. Race Official
2. AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, reserves the right to pursue legal or disciplinary action or to terminate one's Credential based on gambling conduct even if the given individual is not listed in this Section.
3. This policy also applies to any AMA employees and officers, and, if applicable, directors.

c. **PROHIBITED GAMBLING**

1. **Gambling on SuperMotocross League Events.** Covered Stakeholders are prohibited from gambling on (i) any SMX League event and (ii) anything AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, determines could represent the potential for a conflict of interest, unsportsmanlike conduct, or other action(s) detrimental to the AMA or SMX League events. There are no exceptions to this rule, even in circumstances in which the event is conducted in a location where gambling is legal or in which the Covered Stakeholder is not participating. This rule prohibits gambling, either directly or indirectly, on the outcome, statistics, time, actions, or any other aspect of, or occurrence in, any SMX League event.
2. **Illegal Gambling**. Covered Stakeholders are prohibited from participating in or facilitating any form of illegal gambling, whether on the SMX League events, other sports, or otherwise
3. **Fantasy Games**
   i. Fantasy games, daily fantasy games, or free to play contests or any similar online contests in which the real-world performance of AMA Competitors determines the virtual performance and/or point total of a

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fictional race team assembled by game participants, are defined as Games of Skill rather than gambling activity.

ii. As long as they do not pose a conflict of interest or other detriment to the AMA or SMX League, Covered Stakeholders are permitted to engage in daily and/or season or series long fantasy games or free to play contests relating to SMX League events, but shall not accept prizes with a value in excess of two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00) total in any such fantasy games over the course of the SMX League events on an annual basis, nor should they accept any money or other thing of value stemming from another individual's legal or illegal gambling activity on any off-track occurrences. Covered Stakeholders shall also fully comply with Section 1.4.2.g – Tipping/Divulging of Information, below, regarding non-public information

d. **OWNERSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT INTERESTS**

1. Covered Stakeholders may not work for or operate, directly or indirectly, individually or through a business entity, any gambling entity (including any casino, sportsbook, or other establishment or business that offers gambling). Additionally, Covered Stakeholders may not own any interest in a gambling entity except for an interest in a publicly traded company that offers legal gambling, so long as the ownership stake is a *de minimus* percentage of the company's shares outstanding.

e. **PROMOTIONS; ASSOCIATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS**

1. Covered Stakeholders may not promote, market, or associate with any gambling enterprise, brand, or gambling activity that is not in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations relating to gambling, including but not limited to promotion or marketing, in the United States, of offshore betting platforms that are not compliant with applicable United States laws and regulations.
2. Covered Stakeholders may not maintain relations with any person(s) generally known to be (a) engaged in operating an illegal gambling business, (b) problem gamblers in a manner that discredits the reputation of the AMA or SMX League events; or (c) engaged in any other gambling-related activities that are prejudicial or detrimental to the AMA or SMX League events, regardless of whether an AMA or SMX League event is involved.
3. Race team sponsors are also subject to Section 1.5.5.a – Restricted Sponsorship Categories as to Gambling and Gaming.

f. **FIXING/BRIBING/COLLUSION**

1. Covered Stakeholders may not be involved with the offering, giving, acceptance, or receipt of a bribe, gift, or any type of consideration, financial or otherwise, that could improperly influence, manipulate, or fix an SMX League event:
   i. In which AMA is involved.
   ii. That in the judgment of AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, could represent the potential for a conflict of interest, unsportsmanlike conduct, or other action(s) detrimental to motorcycle racing, AMA or SMX League events.
2. Covered Stakeholders may not participate in nor instruct, cause, or enable other individual(s) to engage in any on-track or off-track action that could improperly influence, manipulate, or fix an Event, as defined above.
3. Competitors must give their honest and best efforts when competing in SMX League events and shall not engage, nor attempt to engage, in any intentional underperformance regardless of purpose, motivation, or incentive.

g. **TIPPING/DIVULGING OF INFORMATION**

1. Covered Stakeholders shall not directly or indirectly disclose, nor attempt to disclose, to any other individual or entity confidential information, information which the Covered Stakeholder has obtained by virtue of his or her position within the racing industry, or any other non-public special knowledge or information for the purposes of enabling or facilitating gambling or Games of Skill activity related in any way to any SMX League events or off-track actions.
2. Covered Stakeholders shall not request or support, nor attempt to support, any such provision of knowledge or other information, whether for their own gain or for the gain of others.
3. Covered Stakeholders shall not be involved with any such provision of knowledge or other information in situations where they know, or reasonably should know, that disclosure could contribute to the improper use of such information in connection with sports betting or Games of Skill activity.

h. **REPORTING OBLIGATION**

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1. Covered Stakeholders are under a duty to report the following matters to the SMX League, without undue delay and unprompted, at the first available opportunity, via info@smxleague.com or, if circumstances make utilization of info@smxleague.com impractical, by directly reporting such matters to the SMX League.
2. Attempted, requested, witnessed, or observed legal or illegal gambling activity or noncompliant involvement with Games of Skill relating to any SMX League event:
   i. In which AMA is involved.
   ii. That in the judgment of AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, could represent the potential for a conflict of interest, unsportsmanlike conduct, or other action(s) detrimental to motorcycle racing, AMA or SMX League events.
   iii. The offering, giving, and/or acceptance or receipt of a bribe, gift, or any type of consideration, financial, or otherwise, that could improperly influence, manipulate, or fix an Event, as defined above.
   iv. Attempted, requested, witnessed, or observed disclosure of confidential information, information which a Covered Stakeholder has obtained by virtue of his or her position within the racing industry, or any other non-public special knowledge or information for the purposes of enabling or facilitating gambling or Games of Skill activity related in any way to Events or off-track actions.
   v. Any activity known, suspected, or anticipated to be noncompliant with this Sports Betting Policy.
3. Covered Stakeholders are under a duty to report the above matters to the SMX League, without undue delay and unprompted, at the first available opportunity, whether they are directly involved with the matter or should have reasonably been aware of the matter. This provision applies to any Covered Stakeholder who should reasonably be aware of attempted, witnessed, or suspected Rules violations relating to affiliated Competitors.

i. **INVESTIGATION OBLIGATION**

1. Covered Stakeholders are obligated to cooperate and affirmatively participate in any investigation of a violation of the Rules whether the investigation stems from a report submitted by that person and/or whether he or she is the subject, witness, or even a person of interest in the investigation.

j. **DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

1. AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, reserves the right to issue Penalties to any Covered Participant (whether credentialed or uncredentialed and regardless of License type) for violations of this Sports Betting Policy under Section 1.4.4: Code of Conduct Penalty Options and Guidelines via the procedure set forth in Section 3.1.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action: General Procedure, should the conduct of such Covered Stakeholder, in the judgment of AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, represent the potential for a conflict of interest, unsportsmanlike conduct, or other action(s) detrimental to motorcycle racing, AMA or SMX League events.
2. Notwithstanding anything in this Rule Book to the contrary, in the event of a violation of this Sports Betting Policy, AMA and/or the SMX League and their service providers may be required to disclose relevant information to the appropriate authorities if the violation constitutes illegal activity under applicable local, state, or federal laws. This includes, but is not limited to, instances where the violation involves criminal conduct or other unlawful acts that necessitate reporting to law enforcement or regulatory bodies. In such cases, the AMA, SMX League and their service providers, as applicable, will comply with all relevant legal obligations to report the violation and will cooperate fully with any investigation or legal proceedings initiated as a result of the violation. All Covered Stakeholders are also required to cooperate with any such investigations or legal proceedings, and failure to do so shall be a violation of this Sports Betting Policy.

k. **COMPETITION REINSTATEMENT FOR SUSPENDED CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANTS**

1. AMA, in cooperation with the SMX League, shall send the suspended Credentialed Participant a letter containing the terms and conditions for consideration of reinstatement of the Credentialed Participant's AMA License.
2. If the Credentialed Participant wishes to have their suspension lifted, the Credentialed Participant must agree to the terms and conditions set by AMA and the SMX League.
3. Under the terms and conditions of reinstatement, a designated Program Administrator (PA) will facilitate an evaluation for the Reinstatement Program by coordinating an evaluation with the appropriate professional for advising on creation of a Reinstatement Plan.
4. When a Credentialed Participant has, to the satisfaction of the PA, completed the requirements set forth in the letter, the Credentialed Participant is eligible for reconsideration of reinstatement of an AMA License.

l. **EDUCATION REQUIRED**

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1. Covered Stakeholders are required to complete the SMX League-mandated e-learning tutorial upon the launch of the SMX League's sports gambling initiative. Thereafter, Covered Stakeholders will be required to complete the training prior to the start of the SMX League events on an annual basis, as applicable, or when the SMX League provides an updated tutorial with new policy guidance, prior to receiving an approved license. Proof of completion will automatically be provided to the SMX League when a Covered Stakeholder has completed the tutorial. The AMA and SMX League reserve the right to require such proof of completion to be provided by Credentialed Participants during registration for their Credential and License.

m. **ASSISTANCE AND RESOURCES**

1. If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, toll-free and confidential help is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the National Council on Problem Gambling. Call (800) GAMBLER, text 800GAM, or go to www.1800gamblerchat.org.

1.4.3 PARTICIPANT CONDUCT

a. Being an AMA Licensed/Credentialed Participant is a privilege. With that privilege comes certain benefits, responsibilities, and obligations. Correct and proper conduct, both on and off the racetrack, is part of a Credentialed Participant's responsibilities. A Credentialed Participant's actions can reflect upon the sport as a whole and on other Credentialed Participants. Ideally, Credentialed Participants are role models for the many fans who follow this sport, regardless of the type of License a Credentialed Participant may hold, or the specific Discipline in which a Credentialed Participant may participate. Therefore, AMA views a Credentialed Participant's conduct, both on and off the racetrack, which might constitute a behavioral Rules violation under this Rule Book with great importance.

b. A Penalty issued for technical infractions are often based on exact technical measurements, tolerances, and/or written specifications. However, personal actions or omissions, or other behavior by a Credentialed Participant that might give rise to the issuance of a Penalty under Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action, are usually not.

c. In part, due to their individual nature, and the context in which they may have occurred, behavioral infractions do not lend themselves to a structure similar to that outlined in Race Disqualification, L1, L2, and L3 for technical infractions or at-track penalties. However, when reviewing and making a determination about the more common behavioral actions that have arisen from time to time, AMA will generally refer to the Participant Conduct guidelines in this Section with regards to issuing a Penalty Notice or taking other action.

d. AMA expects Credentialed Participants to police their own behavior, attempt to resolve disputes with other Credentialed Participants, and generally act as a role model representing the sport. AMA, in its sole discretion, may call mandatory meetings with Competitors, and meetings may also be requested by Competitors. However, from time to time, a Credentialed Participant's action or omission may give rise for the need for AMA to step in, review the matter, and if necessary, take action to maintain the fairness of Competition and/or the integrity of the sport. This might include Event and/or Race Rules and Procedure decisions, issuing a Penalty Notice under Section 1.4.4: Code of Conduct Penalty Options and Guidelines via the procedures set forth in Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action, or both.

e. Credentialed Participants shall not make or cause to be made a public statement and/or communication that criticizes, ridicules, or otherwise disparages another person based upon that person's race, color, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, age, or handicapping condition.

f. AMA is dedicated to the highest standards of safety and conduct, and all Credentialed Participants must conduct themselves accordingly. Unsafe or inappropriate conduct may result in the imposition of penalties. Acts or omissions that constitute a violation of the Rule Book, or are detrimental to motorcycle racing, AMA, the Promoters, sponsors, participants or fans, may result in the imposition of penalties.

g. AMA acknowledges that the nature of the sport of motorcycle racing involves contesting a position that could result in routine racing contact. If deemed as such, these are instances that would not normally result in further action by AMA.

h. In extraordinary circumstances, AMA may take whatever action it deems necessary to mitigate and/or rectify circumstances created by a Credentialed Participant's actions, including but not limited to, negating the results of a Competitor's performance and thereby advancing another Competitor in the standings and/or playoffs.

i. Certain behavioral infractions are zero-tolerance (e.g. substance abuse violations) and are described in greater detail elsewhere in the Rule Book. Most behavioral infractions fall under the broader heading of Actions Detrimental to the Sport.

j. AMA will generally refer to the Code of Conduct Penalty Options and Guidelines when determining if any official action is required and, if so, what the scope of a Penalty Notice might include in most corresponding cases.

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The Penalty Options and Guidelines are merely general examples of behavior that may fall into certain Penalty levels and are not limited to only the listed examples.

1.4.4 CODE OF CONDUCT PENALTY OPTIONS AND GUIDELINES

a. **Credentialed Participant actions that could result in a Fine:**
   1. Disparaging the sport, Race Officials and/or leadership of AMA or Promoters.
   2. Verbal abuse of a Race Official, Event Official, Promoter Staff, media, fans, etc.
   3. Failure to complete media obligations as outlined in the rulebook.

b. **Credentialed Participant actions that could result in a *warning*, loss of Points and/or a Fine. Violations may also result in Disqualification, Race suspension(s), indefinite suspension, or Credential revocation:**
   1. Attempting to manipulate the outcome of the Race or championship.
   2. Intentionally damaging another motorcycle.
   3. Riding at any time in such a manner as to endanger other Competitors, Officials or the public.
   4. Crashing into another motorcycle, whether or not that motorcycle is removed from Competition as a result.
   5. ***Interfering with a rider, intentionally or unintentionally, before or during competition, that affects a rider's performance.***
   6. Any actions deemed to compromise the safety of an Event or otherwise pose a dangerous risk to the safety of Competitors, Officials, Promoter Staff, media, spectators, or others.

c. **Credentialed Participant actions that could result in a loss of Points, Fine, Disqualification, Race suspension, indefinite suspension, and/or Credential revocation:**
   1. Targeting a Competitor who is in a highly vulnerable position, such as being stopped on or off the track.
   2. Removing another Competitor from championship contention in a dangerous manner when not racing for position, based on the available evidence and specific circumstances of the incident.
      i. Without limiting the scope, examples could include a Competitor "waiting" for another Competitor and then taking action, taking a trajectory with the motorcycle not normally taken directly up into a motorcycle in the racing line, clearly forcing another Competitor in an abrupt and unambiguous manner into a situation where the Competitor crashes, and so on.

d. **Credentialed Participant actions that could result in a Fine and/or Race Suspension(s), Disqualification, Indefinite Suspension or Credential Revocation:**
   1. Statement and/or communication made public (including social media platforms) that demeans, criticizes, ridicules, or otherwise disparages another person based upon that person's race, color, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, age, or handicapping condition.
   2. Engaging in any unfair practice, misbehavior or action detrimental to the sport of motorcycling in general, whether or not related to a specific competition.
   3. Competing under a false name, falsifying one's age or ability to meet any of the various eligibility requirements as set forth by AMA, or in general, competing or attempting to compete in AMA sanctioned activities under false pretenses.
   4. A physical confrontation or verbal attack on a Credentialed Participant, Race Official, Promoter Staff, media, fans, etc. and/or engaging in a fight. This includes any person who attacks or is involved in a fight anywhere on the premises prior to, during, or after an AMA event.
   5. Credentialed Participant-to-Credentialed Participant confrontation(s) with physical violence (e.g. striking another Competitor) and other violent manifestations such as significant threat(s) and/or abuse and/or endangerment.
   6. Engaging in a Competitor boycott, public protest or other similar concerted activity meant to stop, delay, or otherwise inhibit the start or completion of any portion of an AMA event.
   7. Refusing to provide a factual statement regarding an item under protest or appeal when requested by AMA or a party to the appeal, or interfering in any way with AMA's protest and appeal procedures in order to influence the outcome.
   8. Refusal to submit a machine for inspection. Any team/Competitor refusing to immediately surrender their machine to AMA, or refusing to allow examination or measurement of a machine's components, will be in violation of these rules.
   9. Multiple violations of the Code of Conduct.
   10. Selling AMA Event Credentials (VIP Passes, Essential Worker Passes, etc.).

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11. Being charged with or convicted of significant criminal violations (e.g. Domestic Violence, Trafficking, Assault), or having had determinations rendered by criminal or civil authorities that in AMA's judgment necessitate action. AMA will not pre-judge guilt or innocence in the criminal or civil legal system, or the guilt or innocence of the Credentialed Participant, but rather review each matter in its own context and circumstances and with regards to its potential effects upon the sport.
12. Abetting or knowingly engaging in any race in which the result is "fixed" or prearranged.
13. Giving, offering or promising, directly or indirectly, any bribe in any form to any person in an attempt to circumvent AMA rules or procedures or to otherwise gain an advantage.
14. Accepting or offering to accept any bribe in any form from any person in an attempt to circumvent AMA rules or procedures or to otherwise gain an unfair advantage.
15. Wagering by a participant on the outcome of any AMA sanctioned race.
16. Other violations of AMA's Sports Gambling Policy.

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1.5 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1.5.1 ENTRANT DEFINED

a. An Entrant is defined as the Manufacturer, Team or Entity that has contracted with a Rider to compete in events sanctioned by AMA. In the event a Rider is not under contract, the Entrant will be the individual Rider or their designee.

b. Entrants must be able to execute contracts and able to execute and/or deliver such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers and other documents as may be required by AMA.

c. The Entrant is responsible for entering a Rider and their motorcycle for competition in events sanctioned by AMA.

d. The Entrant is responsible for ensuring entered motorcycles meet all technical rules and assumes full responsibility for any violation of equipment rules involving their motorcycle.

e. The Entrant is responsible for all communication and contact with AMA regarding all business matters in connection with event entries, penalties, and purse awards.

f. The event purse, championship bonuses and any additional monetary awards will be paid to the Rider or their designee.

g. The Rider may designate any legal entity with a valid tax identification number as the designee for distribution of monetary awards, including individuals with an SSN or corporate entities with an EIN.

h. Should the Rider designate that a third-party receive the distribution of monetary awards, the Rider must provide AMA with the legal name, address and SSN/EIN of the individual or business entity at the time of entry.

i. Penalties for Rider, team and crew infractions may be levied against the Rider and/or the Entrant.

j. With respect to an Entrant that is a partnership, corporation or other business entity, the Entrant shall inform AMA in writing promptly if the partnership is altered in any material manner or the corporation's stock or assets are sold (other than routine daily stock sales) or become the subject of a merger or the business entity's ownership interest materially changes. When informed of such a change, by the Entrant or otherwise, AMA in its sole discretion may make such determinations with regard to the distribution of the purse or prize monies as it determines to be in the interest of competition and motorcycle racing.

1.5.2 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

a. In order to compete in an Event, Entrants must submit, and have approved, an Official Entry Form for the Event, or submit and be approved for an AMA Entry.

b. It is the responsibility of the Entrant to obtain the appropriate Official Entry Form, and to ascertain and abide by all applicable deadlines and instructions.

c. If applicable, the Entrant must complete the individual Official Entry Form for an Event in full and submit it to the office specified on the Official Entry Form by the deadline listed thereon. The date of submission of the Official Entry Form will be determined by the electronic submittal date. Mailed and/or telephone entries will not be accepted.

d. In the event an individual Official Entry Form is not submitted by the listed deadline, AMA, in its sole discretion, may decide to accept or reject the Competitor's entry.

e. Acceptance of any entry is at the sole discretion of AMA.

1.5.3 TEAM SPONSORS

a. Approved sponsors identified as "primary" should be listed as the first sponsor on the Official Entry list.

b. AMA may, in its sole discretion, refuse to permit for any reason, or it may restrict or assign the size or placement of decals, identification, advertising, slogans, and graphic designs of any kind, including but not limited to, the motorcycle, equipment, personnel, uniforms, pit areas, promotional materials, and/or support motorcycles. All Credentialed Participants agree to accept AMA's decision in this regard.

c. AMA may refuse to permit a Competitor to participate in an Event if AMA determines that any advertising, sponsorship, or similar agreement to which the Competitor is or will be a party, is detrimental to the sport, to AMA, Sponsors or the Promoter for any reason, including without limitation, the public image of the sport and/or violates broadcaster requirements, standards and practices.

1.5.4 GENERAL TEAM SPONSORSHIP GUIDELINES

a. **Violence & Profanity**

1. Sponsorships must not depict or describe cruelty against any individual or animal.
2. Profane or obscene language is prohibited.

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3. Content deemed to have inappropriate wordplay will be disallowed.

b. **Nudity & Semi-Nudity**
   1. Display of female breasts, complete exposure of buttocks, or any portion of human genitalia is prohibited.

c. **Sexual Content**
   1. Explicit sexual acts, lewd behaviors, or sponsorships related to adult content are not permitted.
   2. Promotion of "XXX" domain extensions is disallowed.

d. **Gross Depictions**
   1. Sponsorship that is crudely vulgar, shows maimed or bloody figures, or inappropriately represents bodily functions will be rejected.

e. **Intolerance**
   1. Sponsorship that advocates or displays prejudice, discrimination, or intolerance in any form is not allowed.

f. **Satanic & Cult Themes**
   1. Sponsorships promoting devil worship or endorsing cult affiliations are prohibited.

g. **Drugs & Substance Abuse**
   1. Promotion or endorsement of illegal drugs, mind-altering substances, or any content that breaches AMA's Substance Abuse Policy is prohibited.
   2. Sponsor products may be subject to AMA testing to verify compliance.

h. **Extremism & Militancy**
   1. Sponsorship that promotes aggressive, combative, or unlawful behavior is disallowed.
   2. Promotion or guidance on weapon creation, pyrotechnics, or their illicit usage is prohibited.

i. **Political Content**
   1. Political campaigns, PAC advertisements, and any content that isn't focused on a brand or product are disallowed.
   2. All campaigns must be in line with the sponsoring brand's consistent marketing strategies.
   3. Divisive or offensive content, as determined by AMA, will be rejected.

j. **Religious Affiliations**
   1. Sponsorship from religious entities is permissible, provided they refrain from inflammatory remarks or content.

k. **Competing Broadcasts**
   1. Promoting sports broadcasts that conflict with an AMA-sanctioned event requires explicit AMA review and approval.

l. **Motorsport Event Promotions**
   1. Promotion of motorsport events not sanctioned by AMA requires explicit AMA review and approval.

1.5.5 RESTRICTED SPONSORSHIP CATEGORIES

a. **Gambling and Gaming**
   1. **Casinos**
      i. Sponsorships by established casinos and gaming companies are permitted.
      ii. Examples of approved team sponsors: The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas; Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
   2. **Online Gambling & Sports Betting**
      i. Sponsorships from licensed sportsbooks and online gambling operators within the United States are permissible.
      ii. Sponsorships from offshore or international online gambling entities are strictly prohibited.
      iii. The legal status of Internet gambling in the United States remains contested. While some operators have been prosecuted under the 1961 Wire Communications Act, the fact that most of the estimated existing 1,800 Internet gambling operations are based outside of the United States has made it difficult for U.S. authorities to enforce. AMA's permission does not constitute or provide a legal review of the sponsor and the sponsorship is still subject to the broadcast partner's standards and practice approval.
      iv. Examples of rejected team sponsors: Full Tilt Poker; GoldenPalace.Net
   3. **"Free and For Fun" Gaming Websites**

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i. The website promoted and advertised at track or displayed on any motorcycle, rider apparel, team vehicle or crew uniform must be a free, purely for fun website that may include information on how to play games (e.g., poker, blackjack, roulette). Neither the website itself nor the advertisements for the website may contain any link, advertisement or other reference to websites or businesses that contain, promote, facilitate or contain any reference to- internet gambling for real money.

ii. The website cannot discuss or accept any bet or wager for real money on any sporting events, teams or players, including but not limited to, AMA-sanctioned events or link to, promote advertise or reference any other website or business that does.

iii. Neither the advertising nor the website itself may contain any link, advertisement or other reference to websites that contain or businesses that promote or facilitate any activity in violation of any Federal, state or local, law rule or regulation.

iv. The website and advertising should conform to any industry-imposed standards and guidelines for similar sites.

v. The website must not have any links, cookies or any other mechanism of any kind within the Registration, Terms & Conditions of Use or within its Privacy Policy that will allow or cause a switch to a real money gambling site.

vi. The website and any advertising placed by the sponsor for the website at track, on the motorcycle, rider apparel/crew uniform or in any other medium must be advertised with its URL extension to avoid confusion with any similarly named or branded real money gambling website. The .net or other extension must be presented in the same size font as the rest of the name of the website to further avoid confusion with any similarly named or branded real money gambling website.

4. **Made-for-TV Poker & Poker Tournaments**

i. Sponsorships from televised poker events and related tournaments are acceptable.

ii. Examples of approved team sponsors: World Series of Poker

5. **Lotteries**

i. State lottery sponsorships are permitted.

ii. Examples of approved team sponsors: Virginia State Lottery; Florida Lottery

6. **Fantasy Sports**

i. Sponsorships from Fantasy sports platforms are allowed, subject to evolving federal regulations.

ii. Examples of approved team sponsors: Zynga Poker; Draft Kings; World Poker Tour

b. **Tobacco and Alternatives**

1. **Traditional Tobacco Products**

i. The Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) of 1998 implemented marketing restrictions for the “original participating manufacturers” namely Philip Morris Inc., R. J. Reynolds, Brown & Williamson and Lorillard, which include restrictions on sports marketing, event sponsorships and promotional products.

ii. Under FDA regulation 21 CFR 1140.34(c), no cigarette manufacturer may sponsor "any athletic, musical, artistic, or other social or cultural event, or any entry or team in any event" using a brand name, logo, symbol, etc., that is "identical or similar to, or identifiable with, those used for any brand of cigarettes.".

iii. Under FDA regulation 21 CFR 1140.34(a), a cigarette manufacturer may not sell any item except cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and roll-your-own paper using a brand name identical or similar to one used for cigarettes.

2. **Electronic Cigarettes**

i. While not classified as cigarettes under FDA regulation, E-cigarettes are labeled as "tobacco products." Sponsorships involving E-cigarettes must adhere to guidelines preventing marketing of substances banned under the AMA Drug Policy.

ii. AMA does not provide legal advice to teams, and it is the team’s responsibility to ensure the sponsorship of electronic cigarettes follows any government regulations. Advertising and television coverage of sponsorship on motorcycles and/or rider apparel may be limited as AMA broadcasting partners reserve the right not to broadcast any advertising relating to tobacco and/or e-cigarettes.

3. **CBD and Hemp Products**

i. Submissions for sponsors in this category require AMA approval. Only non-synthetic CBD and Hemp sponsorships are considered. Synthetic CBD products are prohibited.

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ii. Federal and State law continue to rapidly evolve in this area and, as such, any approval of a CBD or Hemp sponsor is on an event-by-event basis and teams should not rely on any such approval as applicable beyond the specific event weekend in question. AMA reserves the right to change its guidelines and approval based on changes to broadcast guidelines or changes in Federal or State law.

iii. AMA's sponsor review process is not intended as, and should not be relied upon as, legal advice, regulatory approval, or any endorsement whatsoever of such advertisement by AMA. Teams are wholly responsible for compliance with all federal, state, and local laws pertaining to sponsorships. Teams should consult their own legal counsel to ensure full compliance with all applicable laws, including without limitation the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (Farm Bill) and compliance with all FDA regulations governing the sale of such products.

c. **Firearms and Ammunition**

1. AMA allows firearms and ammunition companies to be team sponsors, provided that the branding of the company name and logo does not contain an image of a firearm, ammo, scope or violent act.
2. Exceptions exist for government and military entities with specific imagery in their logos or seals.

d. **Distilled Spirits**

1. All distilled spirits sponsorships require prior AMA approval.
2. All riders on a team with a distilled spirit sponsorship must be 21 years of age or older.
3. Usage of AMA or Series branding in connection with team distilled spirit sponsorships is prohibited.
4. All creative, marketing and sponsorship programs must comply with the DISCUS Code of Responsible Practices for Beverage Alcohol Advertising and Marketing.
5. Twenty percent of the team's distilled spirits sponsorship plan must be comprised of advertising solely focused on responsible behavior and in targeted mediums that reach fans.
6. All media activations associated with a team's distilled spirits sponsorship must include a responsible behavior tag. If a team sponsor has no media plan, all creative depictions of their spirits sponsorship must include a responsible message tag. For example, a spirit sponsor on a motorcycle or team vehicle must include a responsibility message.
7. The display of product, product packaging, advertising and/or signage will not be permitted on the podium.
8. All rights to use the name, likeness, or image of the series, a rider, team, event, track or any other third parties used in promotion or advertising must be obtained from and approved by the appropriate third parties.

e. **Social Media Platform or Content Creator Sponsorship Guidelines**

1. Social Media Platform or Content Creator sponsorships require prior AMA approval.
2. Social Media Platform sponsors must not promote adult content within the platform.
3. Content Creator sponsors must not promote adult content within their platform.
4. Social Media Platforms that allow adult content within the platform must have processes in place that do not allow access to adult content to anyone under the age of 18.
5. All riders on a team with a Social Media Platform sponsorship that allows adult content must be 18 years of age or older.
6. Usage of AMA or Series branding in connection with team Social Media Platform sponsorships is prohibited.
7. All media activations associated with a team's Social Media Platform sponsorship must not include reference to any content creators or other that promote or display adult content.
8. All rights to use the name, likeness, or image of the series, a rider, team, event, track or any other third parties used in promotion or advertising must be obtained from and approved by the appropriate third parties.

1.5.6 PARTICIPANT AGREEMENTS AND RELEASES

a. An AMA sanctioned Event is a competitive motorcycle racing Event that is intended to be conducted and officiated in accordance with this Rule Book, as it may be amended from time to time, any Supplementary Regulations that may be issued by AMA specifically for the Event, and any applicable agreement to which AMA is a party.

b. BY SUBMITTING AN ANNUAL ENTRY OR OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM AND/OR TAKING PART IN ANY ACTIVITY RELATING TO THE EVENT, A CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE DECISIONS OF AMA STAFF, RACE OFFICIALS, PROMOTER STAFF AND EVENT STAFF RELATING TO THE EVENT OR ANY MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE EVENT, AND AGREES THAT SUCH DECISIONS

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ARE FINAL, NON APPEALABLE (EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 3.1: VIOLATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND SECTION 3.2: PROTESTS AND APPEALS OF THIS RULE BOOK) AND NON-LITIGABLE. SUCH A CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT MAY INSPECT THE RACING FACILITY TO ENSURE THAT IT IS IN A SAFE RACEABLE AND USEABLE CONDITION. SUCH A CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT FURTHER AGREES TO INSPECT HIS/HER RACE MOTORCYCLE AND ALL RELATED EQUIPMENT TO ENSURE THAT IT IS IN A SAFE, RACEABLE AND USABLE CONDITION, AND THAT THE CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT VOLUNTARILY ASSUMES THE RISK OF, AND HAS NO CLAIM FOR DAMAGES AGAINST AMA, THE PROMOTER AND/OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, SHAREHOLDERS, OFFICIALS, AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES

c. BY REASON OF DAMAGE TO THE CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT'S MOTORCYCLE OR EQUIPMENT, OR INJURY OR DEATH OF THE RIDER, THE PIT CREW OR ANY OTHER PERSON. ALL CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANTS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY AND ALL INJURIES SUSTAINED, INCLUDING DEATH, AND ALL PROPERTY DAMAGE, ANYTIME THEY ARE IN THE RACING AREAS OR EN-ROUTE THERETO OR THEREFROM. EACH CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT'S SPOUSE AND NEXT OF KIN HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT THE CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT UNDERSTANDS THE HIGH RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH WHICH MAY RESULT FROM RACING, AND THAT THE CREDENTIALED PARTICIPANT SOLELY ASSUMES ALL SUCH RISKS.

d. Once an entry is accepted by AMA, a Competitor must submit in writing any requested changes to the entry, which AMA may accept or reject in its sole discretion.

e. If a Competitor competes in an AMA-sanctioned Event without having properly submitted a fully executed Official Entry Form, the Competitor, by such entry, nevertheless agrees that he/she is subject to all AMA Rules, amendments, and Supplementary Regulations, as well as all statements, releases and obligations appearing in the Official Entry Form, as if he/she had properly submitted a fully executed Official Entry Form.

f. Only individuals approved by AMA may enter the racing area. Competitors may not enter the racing areas (i.e. paddock, pits, racing surface, and similar areas) unless they personally have signed all required entry forms, waiver, and release of liability forms, and any other permits applicable to the particular Event. No person may sign at any time, for any reason, any entry form, waiver and release of liability form or other permit for anyone other than himself/herself.

g. When a Competitor submits an Annual Entry or an Official Entry Form, and the entry is accepted, the Competitor becomes obligated to attempt in good faith to compete in the Event to the best of his/her ability.

h. A Competitor or any Credentialed Participant shall not be permitted to pursue a legal remedy regarding decisions which are appealable under the AMA Rules unless and until all administrative procedures, including the appeals process as set forth in Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals herein, have been fully exhausted.

1.5.7 ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION RELEASE

a. Each Credentialed Participant, by entering an AMA-sanctioned Event, grants to AMA, its duly authorized agents and assigns, a License to use and sub-License, on a non-exclusive basis his/her name, likeness and performance, including photographs, images and sounds of such Credentialed Participant and/or any motorcycles(s) with respect to which the Credentialed Participant competes in AMA-sanctioned Events, in any way, medium or material (including, but not limited to, telecasts by and through television, cable television, radio, pay-per-view, closed circuit television, satellite signal, digital signal, film productions, audiotape productions, transmissions over the Internet, public and private online services authorized by AMA, sales and other commercial projects, and the like) for promoting, advertising, and publicizing at any time any AMA-sanctioned Event or AMA- related telecast or programming, before, during and after such Event, and each Credentialed Participant hereby relinquishes to AMA in perpetuity all rights thereto for such purposes.

1.5.8 TELECAST AND OTHER RIGHTS

a. Each Credentialed Participant, by entering an AMA-sanctioned Event, acknowledges that AMA, and its Licensees and assigns, exclusively and in perpetuity owns any and all rights to broadcast, transmit, film, tape, capture, overhear, photograph, collect or record by any means, process, medium or device (including, but not limited to, television, cable television, radio, pay-per-view, closed circuit television, satellite signal, digital signal, film productions, audiotape productions, transmissions over the Internet, public and private online services authorized by AMA, sales and other commercial projects, and the like), whether or not currently in existence, all images, sounds and data (including, but not limited to, onboard audio, onboard video, crew radio, other electronic transmissions between teams and their crews, and timing and scoring information) arising from or during any AMA Event or the Credentialed Participant's performance in the Event, and that, except for works created pursuant to the fair use doctrine or AMA's policies, AMA is and shall be the sole owner of any and all copyrights, intellectual property rights, and proprietary rights worldwide in and to these works and in and to any

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other works, copyrightable or otherwise, created from the images, sounds and data arising from or during any AMA Event or the Credentialed Participant's performance in the Event.

b. Each Credentialed Participant agrees to take all steps reasonably necessary, and all steps requested by AMA, to protect, perfect or effectuate AMA's ownership or other interest in these rights.

c. Each Credentialed Participant agrees not to take any action, nor cause others to take any action, nor enter into any third-party agreement that would contravene, diminish, encroach or infringe upon these AMA rights.

1.5.9 PERFORMANCE OBLIGATION

a. AMA requires that all Competitors give their utmost effort and compete to the best of their capability, striving to secure the highest achievable finishing position in the Event.

b. Should any Credentialed Participant deliberately manipulate, or attempt to influence, the final outcomes of the Competition, or incite, convince, or motivate others to do so, they will be subject to disciplinary measures as outlined in Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action.

C. The term "deliberately manipulate" pertains to any demonstrable behavior or strategy from a Participant which indicates they did not compete with full effort or intent, with the objective of altering the end results of the Competition, as determined exclusively by AMA.

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1.6 RACE RULES AND PROCEDURES

1.6.1 RACE RULES AND PROCEDURES DEFINED

a. Race Rules and Procedures are the way a sanctioned Event and all associated activities are conducted.

1.6.2 PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES

a. Every club, association, company, promoter, Rider and all other persons participating or in any way connected with an AMA-sanctioned event will be deemed credentialed participants and therefore bound by the Rule Book.

1.6.3 RACE OFFICIATING

a. The officiating and enforcement rights and authority conferred upon AMA in accordance with the AMA Rules shall be extended to hired and/or contracted Race Officials, which shall have full authority and discretion to officiate such Events on behalf of AMA. As such, any decisions, determinations or rulings made by Race Officials shall be final and binding to the same extent such decisions are enforceable by AMA in accordance with the AMA Rules, subject to the rights of appeal set forth in the Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals.

b. In addition to interpreting and applying these Rules, Race Officials are also authorized to make such other determinations or take such other action as they determine to be necessary to promote the best interests of AMA, including but not limited to fairness and prompt finality of Competition results.

c. Race Direction may issue a Penalty Notice for any violation of the rules in this Rule Book in accordance with the procedures in Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action.

d. AMA has the sole authority to issue fines, suspensions or other disciplinary actions against participants.

1.6.4 FINALITY OF OFFICIATING DECISIONS

a. All decisions by Race Officials at the track involving Sporting Regulations **are final and non-appealable**, subject only to review by AMA, at its sole discretion, determines that extraordinary circumstances exist that require such review. In making such a determination, the interest of finality in Competition results will be a principal consideration.

b. AMA will not review any Sporting Regulation decision unless it has been brought to their attention by the Race Officials or affected Competitor(s) within 30 minutes after the posting by AMA of the results of the Practice, Qualifying rounds or Races at which the Sporting Regulation decision was first made.

c. If AMA determines that the Sporting Regulation decision should be reviewed, and that the decision was in error, AMA may take whatever action deemed appropriate to initiate a remedy to further the interests of fairness and finality in Competition results. Such action includes, but is not limited to:

1. Revising Practice results.
2. Revising Qualifying results.
3. Revising finishing position in race sessions.
4. Revising the Final Race or Overall Results.
5. Awarding or subtracting finishing positions.
6. Awarding or subtracting points.
7. Imposing penalties (disqualifications, suspensions or fines).

d. AMA may alternatively elect not to take remedial action. **All such decisions are final and non-appealable** (except the imposition of certain Penalties, as specifically provided in Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action).

1.6.5 RACE DIRECTION

a. The Race Direction is composed of three officials:

1. AMA Delegate
2. AMA Race Steward
3. AMA Rider Representative

b. Each member has one vote. Decisions are based upon a simple majority. In the case of a tie, then the AMA Delegate will exercise a casting vote.

c. The quorum for a meeting of Race Direction is two persons.

d. The meeting of Race Direction is chaired by the AMA Delegate.

1. During an official meeting with Race Direction, only (1) Rider and (1) Rider Representative will be allowed. Inclusion of other person(s) will be at the sole discretion of Race Direction.

e. Race Direction will hear any protests that are lodged during the event.

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f. Race Direction will determine if all riders are qualified to properly negotiate the course and prohibit any riders not deemed qualified from competing.

g. Race Direction will always attempt to levy all penalties the day of the race. Under some circumstances, it may be necessary to take more time to review all evidence and official video to make a final decision. All penalties from Race Direction must be levied by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) the Monday after the race. Under special circumstances, including but not limited to, fuel testing, anti-doping or a need to impound a motorcycle or parts, Race Direction may defer to the AMA to make a ruling outside of that timeframe.

1.6.6 CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

a. There shall be one individual appointed at each Event to serve as the Chief Medical Officer (CMO).

b. At no time during the Event will a Rider receive any type of intravenous hydration unless such hydration is deemed medically necessary by the CMO as a result of an emergency medical situation (i.e., heat stroke) encountered by the Rider during or as a result of participating in any practice, qualifier, moto race or other activity in the Event.

c. Once a Rider receives such hydration during the Event, the Rider will not be permitted to compete in any further Event activities, including but not limited to, any further practice, qualifier, race or other activity in the Event, unless and until the Rider is released by the CMO who treated the Rider for the specific emergency medical situation at issue.

d. In any instance where a Rider has experienced an apparent injury or when a Rider is demonstrating apparent signs of physical distress, the Rider may be instructed by Race Direction to immediately present themselves to the Event medical unit for evaluation by the CMO.

e. The CMO shall have the authority to determine if the Rider is cleared to continue to compete in the Event. Furthermore, the CMO shall have the authority to determine if the Rider requires further follow-up medical treatment and may recommend that the Rider be transported to a local medical facility or hospital or, if medically acceptable, that the Rider seek follow-up treatment by private transportation

f. In any instance where the CMO has determined that a Rider requires immediate follow-up treatment at a medical facility, the Rider will be prohibited from further competition that day. Riders who have been informed of the need for immediate treatment beyond that which can be provided on-site, shall either be provided transport by ambulance or shall immediately proceed by other means as appropriate to the suggested medical facility.

g. In the event a Rider refuses either private or emergency medical transport or declines follow up treatment recommended by the CMO, the Rider shall be suspended from further competition until the Rider can provide an appropriate medical release from a treating physician indicating that the Rider has been medically cleared to resume competition.

1.6.7 INCLEMENT WEATHER / UNACCEPTABLE TRACK CONDITIONS

a. Events may be conducted regardless of weather conditions.

b. In the event of excessive rain or other unfavorable conditions, it may be necessary for Race Direction to alter the order of the event schedule, including, but not limited to: adjusting the length of races, practices and qualifying sessions, and/or delaying or stopping the program completely.

c. Should a delay occur, Race Direction will make every effort to resume the schedule in a timely fashion if conditions allow.

d. If an event is stopped due to weather or other conditions, Riders will be paid for purse-paying events which have been completed.

1.6.8 TRACK RENTALS

a. Exclusive racetrack rentals for testing or practice within 72 hours of an event that will take place at the rented facility is not permitted.

b. Participating in the Championship Promoter's organized press day prior to the event is allowed. Participation will be at the discretion of the Championship Promoter.

1.6.9 TEAM MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

a. The Entrant must designate the Team Manager on the Official Entry Form for the Event. The Team Manager shall be the sole spokesperson for the Rider, Entrant, Crew Members and others assigned to the team in any and all matters pertaining to the Event (other than proceedings pursuant to Section 3.1 Violations and Disciplinary Action and Section 3.2.3 Appeals).

b. The Team Manager is responsible for the personnel that are permitted in the pit service area and any restricted areas including the staging area and mechanics area. The Team Manager is responsible for the submission of

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and any changes to the Team Roster, should one be required for an Event. Crew Members must be AMA members in good standing, properly licensed, credentialed, and equipped/attired during racing conditions.

c. The Team Manager or designated Crew Member (assigned by the Team Manager) must adhere to directives from Race Officials and effectively communicate such directives to their team members.

d. At all Events, the Team Manager assumes responsibility for the following:

1. Actions of his/her Rider, Entrant and team Credentialed Participants, and may be subject to disciplinary action as a result.
2. Ensuring that Crew Members maintain, wear, and properly use protective clothing and equipment in accordance with the Rule Book.
3. Assigning and directing the activities of all Crew Members and others assigned to the team who enter the track, and for Crew Members, ensuring that they report to their designated area at the appropriate times.
4. Prompt return of all AMA-assigned equipment to the designated location(s) at the completion of the Event including but not limited to Timing & Scoring transponders.
5. Proper disposal of all engine fluid(s), lubricants, solvents, and fuel in accordance with track rules and procedures and all other applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

e. After the completion of a Race, Team Manager(s) may be required to provide availability to the broadcast network providing coverage of the Event for a mandatory interview of the Rider and him/herself.

f. If the Team Manager is ejected or otherwise unavailable to participate in the Event, the team must designate a new Team Manager and communicate the change to Officials.

1.6.10 PIT / PADDOCK REGULATIONS

a. Riding competition motorcycles, other than on the racetrack, designated test area or warm-up lane, is strongly discouraged.

b. When a Rider or mechanic is testing a motorcycle, they must wear a helmet and be dressed to offer some protection (pants, shirt and shoes).

c. Operation of any vehicle in the paddock must be at a very slow, acceptable speed (5 MPH maximum).

d. Credentialed Participants are prohibited from operating any motor vehicle anywhere on property in such a manner as to endanger the safety of other Riders, crew members, officials or the public.

e. All Credentialed Participants must wear their current Series credential and lanyard while in the paddock.

f. Smoking is not allowed in any areas where race fuel is present.

g. All entrants should have in their pit area as part of their equipment, at all times, a fully charged minimum 10-pound, Class B fire extinguisher with a visible, operating pressure gauge.

h. Persons less than 18 years of age are not allowed in mechanic's area or other restricted areas.

i. Pets are not allowed in the staging area, mechanic's area, on the racetrack surface or any other restricted areas. Pets in the paddock must be kept on a leash or properly contained at all times. Any time motorcycles are on the racetrack, all pets must be kept inside of a hauler, motorhome or in a pet carrier.

j. Before leaving a race facility, it is the responsibility of the Team Manager to deposit all of their fuel drums, waste fuel, motor oils, coolants, tires, batteries, black water and all other hazardous wastes in racetrack-provided, proper hazardous waste locations only. Should containers not be available on-site, teams must transport such items from the facility for proper disposal.

1.6.11 RESTRICTED AREA REGULATIONS

a. With the exception of designated track walks, no Credentialed Participant shall access the race surface at any time for any reason without the explicit permission of a Race Official. This includes any time prior to the start of practice, during intermissions, track preparation and red flag periods.

b. Only one mechanic per Rider will be allowed in the restricted areas including the signaling and starting area.

c. Mechanics must be in uniform designating a Rider or team and display a proper credential and/or a mechanics-signaling pass to enter the signaling area.

d. Mechanics must present a clean and neat appearance. Shirts must have a collar. Cut-offs, sleeveless shirts and open-toe shoes are prohibited in restricted areas including the mechanic's area, starting area and racetrack. Shirtless individuals are also prohibited in these areas.

e. Please see the Promoter guidelines for further requirements on the Mechanics Signaling Area, the Team Manager's Tower and the Team Filming Area.

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1.6.12 RIDER AND TEAM MANAGER BRIEFINGS

a. The Rider and Team Manager Briefing may be held in person or distributed via video or electronic means prior to the event.

b. All Riders and Team Managers must attend the mandatory briefings as published on the event schedule. Rider representatives / substitutes are not permitted without prior approval from Race Direction.

c. Failure to attend the briefings in full may result in a penalty.

d. Rider and Team Manager Briefing information that is standard for all events may be available online or distributed electronically prior to the event. Acceptance of this information does not excuse a Rider or Team Manager from attending/viewing the official briefing at the event.

1.6.13 RIDER RESPONSIBILITIES

a. It is the sole responsibility of the Rider to ensure that he/she maintains, wears, and properly uses protective clothing and equipment during Competition in accordance with Section 2.1: Rider Apparel and Protective Equipment.

b. Riders must be on time to compete in any on-track session for which they are scheduled.

c. Riders are required to make themselves promptly available for promotional appearances as requested by the Promoter, including but not limited to pre-event media opportunities, pre-race interviews, Rider introductions, opening ceremonies, etc.

d. Any Rider that is not present at the Pre-Race Rider Introductions and/or Opening Ceremonies as requested by Race Officials, Promoter or Event Staff may be penalized.

e. Riders must follow all directives from Race Officials regarding mandatory Post-Race activities, including broadcaster interviews, victory podium celebrations and media interviews.

f. After the completion of a Race, the winning Rider will be required to do an interview with the broadcast network providing coverage of the Event at the designated location within the race facility.

g. Unless otherwise authorized by Race Officials, Riders must participate in media activities designated by Race Officials during an Event. These activities may include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Pre-Event media availability as coordinated in advance with the Team.
2. Post-Qualifying availability at the designated location within the race facility.
3. Post-Race podium and broadcaster interviews, press conference (top 3) or media scrum at the designated location within the race facility.

h. Penalties may be issued for non-compliance with these obligations.

1.6.14 FLAGS AND LIGHTS

a. AMA will use flags/lights, as set forth in this Section, providing Competitors with information while on the racetrack during the Event. A Rider is considered to have received notice when the flag is raised, or when the lights are illuminated, whether or not the Rider has seen the flag/lights.

b. It is the Rider's responsibility to be aware of their surroundings at all times while on track. Safety is a main priority and Riders must obey all official signals and directions given to them. Any Rider failing to do so may be penalized.

c. **Red Flag**

1. Indicates the competition session has been stopped.
2. May be displayed anywhere on course.
3. Riders must immediately reduce speed and proceed safely to the area as directed by Race Officials.

d. **Yellow Flag or Yellow Flashing Light**

1. Indicates a potentially hazardous situation on or near the racetrack. This includes the sighting or cool down laps.
2. Riders must exercise caution.
3. Passing is allowed.

e. **White Flag with Red Cross or Red Flashing Lights**

1. This flag or a red flashing light may be displayed at the beginning of a triple jump or a series of jumps to indicate a potentially hazardous situation on or near the racetrack in an area that may not be clearly visible to oncoming Riders.
2. This flag indicates a significant safety concern and takes precedence over all other flags.
3. Until the Rider is clear of the incident:

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i. Riders must follow all directions given by race officials.
ii. Passing is prohibited.
iii. Riders must traverse all obstacles individually, absolutely NO double, triple, step on/off, etc.
iv. Riders must exercise extreme caution and not race or accelerate in an unsafe manner.

4. When displayed on a triple jump, the area of concern is, at minimum, the whole obstacle, i.e., Riders must not jump any section of the triple because a Rider may be down on the face of the triple or after the first or second jump, hidden from view and in a vulnerable position.
5. These rules apply anytime a Rider is on the racetrack, including sighting and cool down laps.
6. Penalties are defined in Section 3.1 Violations and Disciplinary Action. If Race Direction determines that the violation was not blatant or takes place during a sighting or cool down lap, a warning or fine may be issued.

f. **Blue Flag**
1. Indicates that a Rider is about to be overtaken by faster Riders.
2. When conditions allow, the Rider receiving the blue flag must move out of the fast line. Once out of the fast line, Riders must hold their line, must not ride erratically and must not impede the progress of the faster Riders.
3. Riders disregarding the blue flag may be penalized at the discretion of Race Direction.

g. **Black Flag**
1. Indicates a problem with a motorcycle or a disqualification.
2. Riders must carefully reduce speed and proceed around the course to the designated Signal Area.
3. Black-flagged Riders are not permitted to return to the racecourse unless cleared by Race Direction.

h. **Checkered Flag**
1. Indicates the end of a competition session.
2. Proceed to the designated track exit.

i. **Courtesy Flags**
1. Green Flag
i. Indicates the start of a race or clear track conditions.
2. White Flag
i. Indicates the final lap of a race.
3. White and Green Flags Crossed
i. Indicates half the total race distance.

1.6.15 STARTING GATE

a. All starts will be made with a backward-falling gate. (With the exception of staggered restarts)
b. The starting gate handle must be enclosed to prevent the Riders and team personnel from viewing the drop of the gate.
c. The starting gate must have a rear restraint a distance of eight feet behind the gate in the down position, which will prevent Riders from rolling back from the gate.

1.6.16 GENERAL SAFETY AND ON-TRACK REGULATIONS

a. No Rider may, at any time, ride in such a manner as to endanger life or limb of other Riders, officials or the public.
b. Only officially entered Riders or event staff may ride or practice on the racecourse during the event.
c. Unofficial practice during the event is not permitted.
d. Any Rider, participant or team that intentionally engages in activities with the consequence negatively impacting another competitor's performance will be penalized.
e. During any Competition session, each Rider must always attempt to succeed. If not, they shall not be allowed to continue the session and may receive further penalties.
f. Riders are prohibited from using any personal audio listening device while operating a vehicle on the racecourse.
g. Unless directed to do so by Race Officials, no one at any time will be permitted to ride a motorcycle in the wrong direction on the track.

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h. Riders and crew are prohibited from throwing any Rider apparel or any other similar items into the spectator areas, particularly during podium activities.

i. Intentionally stopping on the racetrack during a qualifying session is prohibited. A stoppage on the racetrack resulting from a mechanical issue or a fall down will not be considered intentional. Race Direction will make the determination as to whether or not the stopping was intentional.

j. Intentionally causing or attempting to cause a red flag period by stopping, intentionally crashing or any other such action will result in a penalty.

k. Riders, mechanics and/or crew members are strictly forbidden to do celebratory burnouts, wheelies or other potentially dangerous behavior within proximity of fans, public or bystanders. Race Direction will make sole determination if any such behavior constitutes reckless endangerment.

1.6.17 QUALIFYING & ELIGIBILITY

a. Unless otherwise authorized by the Race Direction, Riders must participate in Practice or Timed Qualifying prior to any Race to familiarize themselves with and to allow themselves to compete effectively on the racetrack.

b. Riders must leave for their Qualifying attempt when called onto the racetrack. Any Rider who does not leave when called onto the racetrack may lose their opportunity to Qualify.

c. Riders may be subject to a minimum lap time requirement in order to qualify for a Race. In this case, the minimum lap time requirements will be communicated by Race Officials prior to the Race.

1.6.18 OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

a. Outside assistance to a Rider on the course is forbidden at all times except when the assistance is given by flag marshals or officials placed by AMA for the purpose of control and safety.

b. Team members may only adjust, repair or refuel competing motorcycles in the designated mechanics area, pit or work area. Riders must pull into the designated mechanics area and be off the racetrack before receiving crew assistance.

c. A Rider may make repairs by themselves during a race, without assistance, in a suitable area off the racecourse.

d. Receiving medical treatment while on-track during a race, outside of the scope of evaluating their ability to continue, will be considered outside assistance and the Rider will not be allowed to continue that race.

e. When outside assistance is provided to any Rider by any approved event support individual, such as the removal of a disabled motorcycle from the racing surface, it shall be for the purpose of Rider safety, course management, and to facilitate the continuation of the event. Outside assistance that provides an inherent advantage to any Rider shall be reviewed by Race Direction to determine the extent of any competition advantage and to make any scoring adjustments or rule applications as may be appropriate.

1.6.19 ON-TRACK INCIDENTS AND MECHANICALS

a. In order for race officials and emergency response personnel to be able to work unimpeded during a red flag period, crew members must not access the circuit under any circumstances unless under the express direction of Race Officials. Riders and/or Team Managers will be held responsible for the actions of their crew members.

b. Any motorcycle that leaves the stadium floor or infield of a speedway at any point during a competition session, including red flag periods, without supervision from Race Officials will be prohibited from returning to the racetrack and may be disqualified from the active race. In the case where a recovery vehicle retrieves a disabled motorcycle from the track and passes through the paddock to deliver motorcycles to the designated pit or work area, no penalties will be issued to the Rider.

1.6.20 TRACK CUTS/UNFAIR ADVANTAGE

a. A Rider leaving the course may only continue by properly re-entering the course, without gaining a time or position advantage, from the closest possible point to where that Rider left the course. While off course, the Rider must not accelerate in an unsafe manner.

b. Race Direction will make the determination as to whether a Rider gained any advantage by leaving the racecourse and re-entering. The Rider may be determined to have gained an advantage without gaining a position.

1.6.21 RIDER INTERFERENCE

*a. **Rider interference occurs when a credentialed participant causes interference, intentionally or unintentionally, before or during competition, affecting a rider's performance.***

*b. **A credentialed participant who, intentionally or unintentionally, before or during competition, causes interference may be penalized. Race Direction will review the incident and assess the extent of the interference. Penalties can include a warning, fine, disqualification from the event or other appropriate sanctions depending on the severity of the interference.***

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1.6.22 VICTORY PODIUM AND MEDIA REQUIREMENTS

a. At the end of any Race Final, the Podium Finishers and any other designated finisher(s) in the Race must go directly to Victory Podium or other designated area and remain there until released by Race Officials. When Podium ceremonies are concluded, those Riders may be required to report to the media center or other designated area for post-race media interviews. Mandatory participation includes but is not limited to:
   1. Broadcaster interviews
   2. Podium interviews
   3. Photo opportunities including proper representation of Series and/or Event sponsors, i.e. wearing required hats or other marketing materials
   4. Media interviews

b. Failure to participate and/or comply with directives from Race Officials will result in a penalty.

c. In case of injury or medical issue, a team representative may be substituted for the rider.

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1.7 TIMING & SCORING PROCEDURES

1.7.1 TIMING & SCORING PROCEDURES DEFINED

a. Timing & Scoring Procedures are the way lap times and results for all Competition activities for a sanctioned Event are determined. These rules are common across all professional motorcycle racing disciplines.

1.7.2 CHIEF SCORER RESPONSIBILITIES

a. AMA will designate the Chief Scorer for each Event. The Chief Scorer is responsible for timing and scoring all Competition activities during the Event.

b. The decisions of the Chief Scorer, with respect to timing and scoring, are final unless there is a request for a scoring audit in accordance with Section 1.7.11: Scoring Review/Audit Procedure.

1.7.3 FINISH LINE DEFINED

a. The officially designated finish line is located at the site of the Timing and Scoring loop. The line will be clearly defined with trackside markings and will be located as close to the finish line flagger as possible.

b. Unless otherwise authorized by the Chief Scorer, the vertical plane at the leading edge of the finish line is the scoring point for the motorcycle. To be considered as having completed a lap, the Rider and his motorcycle must intersect the vertical plane at the leading edge of the finish line.

c. The Rider and his motorcycle must cross the officially designated finish line to be scored.

1.7.4 LAP DEFINED

a. Lap: A Lap is defined as the completion of a single circuit around the racecourse, as designated by AMA. A lap will only be considered full and complete when it starts and ends at the officially designated Start / Finish line. For the first lap of a race, the lap is defined as a full-course circuit completed from the Rider's start position to the officially designated Finish line. If the distance from the start positions to the Finish line is less than 50% of the track distance, the lap will not be considered complete until the second time each Rider crosses the Finish line. Official Race distance and positions are only updated for Riders at the completion of a Lap.

b. Lead Lap: The Lead Lap is defined as the lap that the race leader is currently on. All active Riders which have not been lapped by the race leader are considered to be on the Lead Lap.

c. Lap of Record: The Lap of Record is defined as the last lap completed by all active Riders on the Lead Lap.

1.7.5 TRANSPONDERS

a. All machines must have an approved Timing & Scoring transponder, and/or another approved electronic scoring device, properly mounted in the location and manner as designated by AMA.

b. The transponder must be mounted vertically on the left fork leg between the two triple clamps. Movement of the transponder out of the mandated position may result in a penalty at the discretion of the Race Officials.

c. The transponder must be powered and functional at all times when on track.

d. Transponders must be returned to the series officiating hauler immediately following each Rider’s final on-track session in the Event.

e. Loss of, or damage to, an AMA-owned transponder and/or mounting bracket while assigned to a Rider will result in an automatic cost to the Rider or Team Manager of the replacement value of the transponder and/or mounting bracket.

f. Riders and/or Team Managers that do not return their assigned transponder and/or mounting bracket within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the final race at an Event will be issued a penalty of $100. Additional $100 penalties will be issued for each week that the transponder is not returned, up to a maximum of $500. Riders and/or Team Managers will not be permitted to enter or compete in another AMA-sanctioned event until the transponder has been returned and the fines are paid in full, or the replacement fee has been collected by AMA.

1.7.6 LEADER LIGHTS

a. All machines may be required to have an approved leader light transmitter and LED strips properly mounted in the location and manner as designated by AMA. Teams may either purchase leader light transmitters for permanent installation or AMA will assign leader light transmitters for Teams to use on an event-by-event basis. Teams that do not have leader light transmitters permanently installed on their motorcycles will be assigned leader light transmitters and provided with the necessary LED strips during technical inspection at each Event. The leader light illuminates to indicate the rider in first place during each session but is not considered to be an official indicator of the rider’s race position. When required, the following rules will apply:

1. The leader light transmitter must be mounted vertically on the right fork leg between the two triple clamps or as approved by AMA. The LED strips must be mounted vertically on the front of each fork leg.

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2. The leader light transmitter must be powered, functional and connected to the LED strips at all times when on track.
3. Leader light transmitters assigned by AMA must be returned to the series officiating hauler immediately following each Rider's final on-track session in the Event. Riders may keep the LED strips attached to their motorcycle between Events.
4. Loss of, or damage to, the AMA-assigned leader light transmitter and/or mounting bracket while assigned to a Rider will result in an automatic cost to the Rider or Team Manager of the replacement value of the transmitter and/or mounting bracket.
5. Riders and/or Team Managers that do not return their AMA-assigned leader light transmitter and/or mounting bracket within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the final race at an Event will be issued a penalty of $100. Additional $100 penalties will be issued for each week that the leader light transmitter is not returned, up to a maximum of $500. Riders and/or Team Managers will not be permitted to enter or compete in another AMA-sanctioned event until the AMA-assigned leader light transmitter has been returned and the fines are paid in full, or the replacement fee has been collected by AMA.

1.7.7 RACE FINISHES

a. When the official Race distance has been completed by the lead motorcycle, the Race will be declared officially complete. On the lap that the lead motorcycle officially completes the Race, the balance of the field also completes the Race in the same lap.

b. Should the checkered flag be displayed to the race leader after the official Race distance, the race finishing positions will be determined by the lap in which the lead motorcycle completed the official Race distance.

c. Should the checkered flag be displayed to the race leader earlier than the official Race distance, the race finishing positions will be determined by the lap in which the checkered flag is displayed to the winner.

d. A Rider whose motorcycle is disabled before reaching the finish line may, by the Rider's own unaided muscular energy, push or carry the motorcycle in the proper direction of the track to complete the race by crossing the finish line, unless the Rider is determined to be a hazard by Race Officials.

1.7.8 ORDERING OF RESULTS

a. Race finishing positions will be determined according to the most laps completed in the least total time, whether the motorcycle is still active or not.

b. Riders are ordered in the results according to the number of whole laps completed during the race. For Riders completing the same number of laps, the time when each motorcycle crosses the finish line determines the order.

c. Riders will be credited with all laps they complete during a race unless a penalty has been assessed. Partial laps and laps that end while the red flag is displayed at the finish line are not considered complete and will not be used to determine the race finishing order.

d. With the exception of the checkered flag lap, crossing outside of the designated finish line obstacle may be considered a completed lap by the Chief Scorer as long as the Rider continues the race for at least one more completed lap.

e. Riders participating in a restart will be scored ahead of Riders who have completed the same number of laps but have withdrawn or dropped out prior to the restart.

f. Should a Rider be given the checkered flag ahead of the actual winner, or with the race leaders, the Rider will be scored as having completed the race in the race position that the Rider was running in at that time.

g. Should a race not be restarted after a red flag, race finishing positions will be determined by the Lap of Record, not the physical track positions of the Riders at the time of the red flag.

1.7.9 FINAL DETERMINATION OF FINISHING POSITIONS

a. Under normal circumstances, race finishing positions are determined by AMA's primary electronic timing and scoring system.

b. In the event the primary electronic timing and scoring system fails to record a transponder passing time or lap for any Rider, the Chief Scorer will use all available resources to validate and confirm the finishing positions including but not limited to the backup electronic timing and scoring system, the last passing for the Rider's transponder on other scoring loops around the track, manual hand score sheets and undisputed photo and/or video proof of a Rider's track position (as determined solely by the Chief Scorer).

c. If the electronic timing and scoring system reports that two Riders have the same exact passing time on the checkered flag lap, the Chief Scorer will use all available photo and/or video evidence to identify the winner as the Rider whose front wheel crosses the plane of the finish line first.

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d. If a clear determination cannot be made using photo and/or video evidence, the tie will be broken by ranking the Riders in the order of the best lap time made during the race.

e. If two or more Riders have the same fast lap time during a Practice or Timed Qualifying session, Riders will be ranked in the order that they completed the fast lap time.

1.7.10 OFFICIAL RACE RESULTS

a. No official announcement of race results will be given until all scoring materials are examined and confirmed by the Chief Scorer.

b. Provisional results will then be posted and will become official provided that no protests are lodged by a Rider within 30 minutes of the posting of the results.

c. If any protests are filed within 30 minutes, a new posting time limit of 30 minutes will be allotted if changes are made to the previously posted results.

d. The issuing of official results does not exempt Riders who competed in the event from penalties for rules violations determined by investigations by Race Officials following the protest period.

1.7.11 SCORING REVIEW/AUDIT PROCEDURE

a. AMA will post the provisional scoring results after the completion of each Competition activity. A Competitor will have 30 minutes from the time provisional results are posted to evaluate and/or request a review of the provisional results to the Chief Scorer.

b. At the discretion of AMA, or at the request of a Competitor, the Chief Scorer will review the scoring results for the Competition and will make any corrections to the scoring results as deemed appropriate including, but not limited to, correcting missed or extra laps or time penalties. In the event that any corrections are made, Competitors will have an additional 30 minutes to evaluate and/or request a review of the adjusted scoring results once posted.

c. The Chief Scorer will explain any adjustments made to the scoring results and answer inquiries from the Competitor as a part of the review. Upon completion of the review, the Chief Scorer will again post the provisional results.

d. After a review has occurred, a Competitor who has competed in the Event may request that AMA conduct an audit of the scoring results, provided such a request must be made to Race Direction in person and within 30 minutes after the completion of the review.

e. The scoring results of an Event, including any individual Race, Qualifying round(s), or Qualifying Race, will be considered official once the Competitor's 30-minute evaluation window has expired, provided no audit is requested by AMA as provided herein, in which case the scoring results of the Event shall be considered official upon the announcement of the audit decision by AMA.

f. If the Chief Scorer independently requests an audit of the timing or scoring of an Event, the request and any scoring data for the Event will be forwarded to AMA.

g. If a Competitor who has competed in the Event requests such an audit of the scoring results, the Chief Scorer shall promptly forward to AMA the written request and any scoring data for the Event, accompanied by a $250.00 non-refundable service fee collected from the Competitor within the above time window.

h. Upon completion of the scoring audit AMA will explain to Race Direction the determinations from the audit and the scoring results will be deemed official. Decisions of AMA on a scoring audit are final, non-appealable and non-litigable.

I. AMA reserves the right to further amend or adjust the official results at any time as a result of procedural circumstances in accordance with these Rules (e.g. as a result of Penalties, Protests, Appeals decisions, etc.).

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1.8 AMA SUPERCROSS RULES

1.8.1 EVENT OVERVIEW

a. The AMA Supercross Championship events are organized according to an established procedure/model:

1. Standard Format:

450	250
Free Practices	Free Practices
Timed Qualifiers	Timed Qualifiers
Heat Races	Heat Races
Last Chance Qualifier	Last Chance Qualifier
Main Event	Main Event

2. Triple Crown Format:

450	250
Free Practices	Free Practices
Timed Qualifiers	Timed Qualifiers
Last Chance Qualifier	Last Chance Qualifier
Race 1	Race 1
Race 2	Race 2
Race 3	Race 3

b. In coordination with the Promoters and broadcast partners, changes to the format for specific events may be made as necessary. The number of any session, the number of Riders qualifying and/or the time of any session may be adjusted.

1.8.2 EVENT ENTRIES

a. All riders participating in any on-track competition session must have a valid AMA Supercross license of the appropriate classification.

b. Supercross Events are pre-entry only and limited to 80 Riders per class at each event.

c. Entries will only be accepted through the AMA online registration process.

d. Riders may not be entered in more than one class (450 or 250) at a single event.

e. Entries must be submitted at least five (5) business days prior to the event date.

f. Entries will be accepted in the following order of priority until each class reaches the 80-rider limit:

1. Top 40 in points from 2024 in the AMA Supercross 450 or 250 class.
2. Top 40 in points from 2024 in the AMA Pro Motocross 450 or 250 class.
3. Top 40 in points from 2024 in the FIM Motocross World Championship MXGP or MX2 class.
4. Riders earning any points from 2024 in the AMA Supercross 450 or 250 class.
5. Riders earning any points from 2024 in the AMA Pro Motocross 450 or 250 class.
6. Riders earning any points from 2024 in the FIM Motocross World Championship MXGP or MX2 class.
7. For all other riders, the date and time on which the entry is received online by the AMA will be the determining factor for acceptance.

g. AMA reserves the right in its sole discretion to accept entries from riders who do not meet the above criteria.

h. After a rider earns championship points in the current year championship series, their entry for any following events in the series is guaranteed, provided the entry is received before the closing date.

i. At the time of entry, Riders must provide the name, address and EIN/SSN of the corporate entity or individual that they designate to receive purse payments and point fund awards based on the results of the Rider.

j. Verification of the acceptance of an entry may be checked at: americanmotorcyclist.com

k. All entry fees are non-refundable once the closing date has passed.

l. Post entries will only be permitted under special circumstances and at the sole discretion of the AMA. All post entries will require a minimum of a $50 administration fee.

1.8.3 RIDER ELIGIBILITY

a. AMA licensed riders not competing in AMA sanctioned events for a period of three years may lose their prior classification.

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b. Applicants renewing a license that has been expired for more than three years must meet the present requirements for a Supercross License. This requirement may be waived under special circumstances through an appeal made to the AMA.

c. Riders who earned a 2023/2024 AMA Supercross license may apply for their 2025 license based on the criteria for which it was earned in 2023/2024.

d. International riders applying for an AMA Supercross license must submit a start permission or rider release from their home federation.

e. International riders must submit the Confirmation of International Rider Eligibility form completed and signed by their home federation.

f. International riders must hold a current FIM International Motocross license, issued by the rider's home federation, to be eligible to compete with a start permission.

g. All AMA Supercross licenses are considered provisional. The license process will not be considered complete until the rider competes in their first three events without issue.

h. The AMA may issue a license to any rider who does not meet certain criteria at its sole discretion. This option will only be used on very rare occasions when special circumstances apply.

i. **450 Class Rider Eligibility**

1. In addition to all AMA Supercross license requirements, riders must meet one of the following criteria to be eligible for competition in the 450 class:
   i. Held a 450 class license during the 2022 through 2024 AMA Supercross season.
   ii. Qualified into the evening program in the 250 class at least one time between the 2022 and current AMA Supercross season.
   iii. Hold a current FIM International Motocross license. (Non-U.S. Citizen)

j. **250 Class Rider Eligibility**

1. A rider must complete the AMA Road to Supercross to earn their 250 license prior to racing in the AMA Supercross Championship.
2. A rider may earn their AMA 250 license through the SMX Next class:
   i. Four (4) points are required to earn a license.
   ii. SMX Next points will be earned in a continuous 24-month period.
   iii. Supercross licensed riders that have qualified in the top 40 at an AMA Supercross event in the past three seasons are not eligible to compete in the SMX Next class.
   iv. Specific AMA Road to Supercross information and point earning races can be found at: americanmotorcyclist.com
   v. SMX Next event information including the SMX Next Supplemental Regulations can be found at: supercrosslive.com/supercross-futures.
3. Once a rider has qualified for their 250 license through the AMA Road to Supercross, the rider has two competition seasons to apply for their license before having to re-qualify. For example, a rider that qualified for an AMA 250 license during the 2025 AMA Road to Supercross season may apply in 2026 or 2027.

k. **250 East/West Championship Guidelines**

1. Riders must designate the region in which they intend to participate prior to the first event of the season.
2. Once a rider has designated their region, they may not transfer to the opposite region in the 250 class unless the rider is injured at the first event that they are competing in and failed to start any part of the evening program. The request must be submitted in writing to AMA. The rider must remain in the new region for the rest of the season.
3. Riders who have earned an AMA Pro Motocross 450 class championship, AMA Supercross 450 class championship or FIM MXGP World Championship are not eligible to compete in the 250 East/West Championship.
4. A rider may self-advance to the 450 class at any time provided they are eligible for the 450 class, as outlined in the AMA Supercross licensing regulations.
5. AMA 250 Regional Champions may defend their championship's the following season, with the following clarifications:
   i. Champions may ride either region the following year but must only compete with the no. 1 plate when defending in the region in which they won the Championship.

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ii. A rider that wins a 250 Championship will be eligible to participate in the 250 class for a maximum of four years total.
   a) If a rider wins the 250 Championship in their fourth of more season, that rider will be eligible to compete in the 250 class the following season only.
   b) A rider must earn at least five points for it to count as a season.

6. A rider that wins a second 250 Championship will be eligible to participate in the 250 class for a maximum of three years total regardless of what year they won their second title. (i.e., if a rider wins their second Championship in their third year of 250 competition, they will be ineligible for the 250 class.)
7. Riders who have been advanced to the 450 class through points or championships won will not be eligible to return to the 250 class.
8. Riders finishing in the top 15 of the 450 class points in 2023 or 2024 will not be eligible to ride the 250 class.
9. Riders finishing in the top 15 in 2023 or 2024, that have self-advanced themselves to the 450 class that wish to return to the 250 class may appeal their 250 eligibility to the AMA. This appeal must be submitted to the AMA in writing and can take up to 30 days for the final hearing. All decisions of the appeals panel are final. Riders granted a change of eligibility through the appeal process may only appeal their 250 eligibility one time.
10. Designated 250 riders who competed at events outside of their region in the 450 class in select 2024-25 events will remain eligible for the 250 class in 2025-26, regardless of where they finish in the 450 class points, provided that after the completion of the 2025 Championship season they are not advanced to the 450 class through 250 championships won.
    i. A designated 250 rider is defined as a 250-licensed rider who has declared a region and is actively competing in that region. AMA in its sole discretion will determine if a 250 rider meets the “designated 250 rider” criteria.
11. 250 East/West riders may compete in the 450 class, provided they are eligible for the 450 class as outlined in the AMA Supercross licensing regulations. Riders may only compete in one class at each event.

1.8.4 MOTORCYCLE USAGE

a. Teams may present a maximum of two motorcycles to Technical Inspection for each Rider, provided that both motorcycles are of the same make and model. Motorcycles are deemed to be approved only after a Race Official has assigned a frame number to the motorcycle and recorded the frame number for that Rider.
b. Any motorcycle used in Competition by a Rider must have completed Technical Inspection, passed the sound test requirements at the Event and been approved for that Rider prior to being used in any session.
c. For Practice sessions, Riders may choose to start with either of the motorcycles that have been approved at Technical Inspection for that Rider.
d. Riders must use the same motorcycle (same main frame) for Qualifying, Heat Races, Last Chance Qualifier, Parade/Sighting Laps and Main Event.
e. If the motorcycle's main frame is damaged, the frame may be changed only with approval from Race Direction. Approval must take place prior to usage of the new frame.
f. <u>For Triple Crown Format only</u>:
   1. Riders may use up to two motorcycles throughout the event.
   2. Both motorcycles must have completed Technical Inspection and passed the sound test requirements.
   3. The rider may NOT replace motorcycles after the 30-second board has been displayed on each specific race.
   4. Motorcycles may be replaced in between races.
   5. Riders or a team representative must notify a member of Race Direction if a replacement motorcycle is being used.

1.8.5 STANDARD COMPETITION FORMAT

a. **Free Practice**
   1. If Free Practice sessions are included in the Event Schedule, they will be timed, and lap time reports will be published.
b. **Timed Qualifying**
   1. Lap times from all qualifying sessions will be combined to determine an overall qualifying order.
   2. Riders must record at least one timed lap during practice or qualifying in order to start in the Heat Races.
c. **Heat Races**

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1. Two Heat Races per Supercross class will begin with a gate start featuring 20 riders.
2. The two outside starting gates at either end will not be used for the Heat Races.
3. The top 9 finishers in each respective Heat Race will advance to the Main Event.
4. The remaining Riders will be placed in the LCQ.

d. **LCQ**

1. One LCQ Race per Supercross class will begin with a gate start featuring 22 riders.
2. The top 4 finishers in the LCQ will advance to the Main Event.

e. **Main Event**

1. One Main Event Race per Supercross class will begin with a gate start featuring 22 riders.
2. The length of each Main Event will either be laps or a timed format.
3. AMA Supercross Championship points will be awarded down to a maximum of 21 places for the overall results of the Main Events.

1.8.6 TRIPLE CROWN COMPETITION FORMAT

a. **Free Practice**

1. If Free Practice sessions are included in the Event Schedule, they will be timed, and lap time reports will be published.

b. **Timed Qualifying**

1. Lap times from all qualifying sessions will be combined to determine an overall qualifying order.
2. Riders must record at least one timed lap during practice or qualifying in order to start in the LCQ or Races.
3. The top 18 from the qualifying practices will go directly to the Races.
4. Riders 19 through 40 will be placed in the LCQ based on the overall qualifying order.

c. **LCQ**

1. One LCQ Race per Supercross class will begin with a gate start featuring 22 riders.
2. The top 4 finishers in the LCQ will advance to the Races.

d. **Races**

1. Three Races per Supercross class will be run with the same 22 riders. Each Race will count towards the overall standings.
2. The overall finishing order will be based on the Olympic scoring system.
3. AMA Supercross Championship points will be awarded down to a maximum of 21 places for the overall results.

450	250
Race 1 – 12 minutes plus one lap Race 2 – 12 minutes plus one lap Race 3 – 12 minutes plus one lap	Race 1 – 10 minutes plus one lap Race 2 – 10 minutes plus one lap Race 3 – 10 minutes plus one lap

1.8.7 QUALIFYING PROCEDURES

a. All qualifying sessions will be timed.

b. Afternoon qualifying sessions will be used to compile the 40 fastest riders (the “Fast 40”) in the 450 and 250 classes.

c. In the event there are less than 40 total riders attempting to qualify, a rider may be denied the option to compete in the program (whether it be a Heat or Last Chance Qualifier) based on lap times at the sole discretion of Race Direction.

d. Under special circumstances, free practice times may be used to determine qualifying positions.

e. **Standard Format** qualifying sessions will be used to determine the order for gate picks in the Heat Races. The fastest rider will be the first gate pick in the second Heat Race. The second fastest rider will be the first gate pick in the first Heat Race and so on until all qualifying riders are placed in a Heat Race.

f. **Triple Crown Format** qualifying sessions will be used to determine the order for gate picks in Race 1. The fastest rider will pick first followed in the order of qualifying and then the order of the Last Chance Qualifier for the last 4 positions. Gate pick for Race 2 will be determined by the finishing order of Race 1. Gate pick of Race 3 will be determined by the finishing order of Race 2.

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1.8.8 STAGING

a. If a Rider who qualified for a start position in a Race or the Rider's designee has not entered the staging checkpoint prior to the call to the starting gate, the Rider will officially forfeit their original starting position for the race and will be placed in the next available gate position.

b. When Riders are called from the staging area to line up on the starting gate:

1. Each Rider may have only one crew member accompany them to the Starting Gate. No other crew members are permitted at the Starting Gate.
2. The Rider, or the Rider's designated crewmember, must quickly make their pick on the gate.

c. Prior to the start of a race, Riders may be released for a Sighting Lap. Riders may receive repairs in the designated area during the Sighting Lap.

d. Once a motorcycle enters the Staging Area and is called to the Starting Gate, the motorcycle will not be permitted to return to the paddock. If the motorcycle leaves the Staging Area after this point, the Rider will not be permitted to start the race. There are two exceptions to this rule:

1. When a motorcycle fails to start, an attempt may be made to push start the motorcycle. The motorcycle must be under visual control of an official at all times during this process.
2. A second motorcycle may be retrieved from the designated alternate motorcycle staging area. (Triple Crown Format ONLY)

1.8.9 ALTERNATE PROCEDURES

a. **Standard Format**

1. If a rider or riders have qualified in the top 40 but are unable to participate in the evening program, an alternate rider that qualified outside of the top 40 may be allowed into the Heat Races. This will be done starting with the 41st qualifier until all positions for the evening program are filled.
   i. These riders will pick their gate position in the order in which they qualified after all riders in that Heat Race from the top 40 have gated.
   ii. Alternate riders allowed to the gate through this process will not be considered officially in the race until three minutes before gate drop.
   iii. If a rider that has earned a top 40 qualifying position enters the final staging checkpoint prior to three minutes before gate drop, that rider will be allowed to start, and the alternate will be removed.
   iv. If a rider that has earned a top 40 qualifying position knows that they will not be able to make the start of the Heat Race but still intends on participating in the Last Chance Qualifier, they must inform Race Direction of their intent prior to the staging of the Heat Race and no alternate will be placed.
   v. Once a top 40 qualified rider is officially replaced by an alternate, the qualified rider is no longer eligible to participate in any further races at that meet.
   vi. Riders outside of the top 40 may be denied this option based on lap times at the sole discretion of Race Direction.
2. In the 450 class only, a rider who is currently in the top ten in points who fails to make the Fast 40 in qualifying practices may request an exemption to be put in the 450 Heat Race.
   i. To be eligible for this exemption a rider must:
      a) Currently be in the top ten in championship points.
      b) Record at least one officially timed lap during a practice or qualifying practice.
   ii. The first non-qualified rider will be placed on the 21st gate pick in the first Heat Race. A second non-qualified rider will have the 21st gate pick in the second Heat Race.
   iii. Up to a maximum of 2 non-qualified riders can be placed in each Heat Race. They will be placed in their respective Heat Race in priority of their fastest recorded qualifying time.
   iv. If all riders are present for the 450 Last Chance Qualifier and there are more than 22 riders, the 23, 24, 25, and 26 positions will be started in a second row.

b. **Triple Crown Format**

1. If a rider or riders have qualified in 19th through 40th but are unable to participate in the Last Chance Qualifier, an alternate rider that qualified outside of the top 40 may be allowed into the Last Chance Qualifier. This will be done starting with the 41st qualifier until all positions for the Last Chance Qualifier are filled.
   i. These riders will pick their gate position in the order in which they qualified after all riders in that Last Chance Qualifier race from the top 19th through 40th have gated.

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ii. Alternate riders allowed to the gate through this process will not be considered officially in the race until three minutes before gate drop.

iii. If a rider that has earned a top 40 qualifying position enters the final staging checkpoint prior to three minutes before gate drop, that rider will be allowed to start, and the alternate will be removed.

iv. Once a top 40 qualified rider is officially replaced by an alternate, the qualified rider is no longer eligible to participate in any further races at that meet.

v. Riders outside of the top 40 may be denied this option based on lap times at the sole discretion of Race Direction.

2. If a rider or riders have qualified for the Races but are unable to participate in the Race, an alternate rider that qualified outside of the top 4 in the Last Chance Qualifier may be allowed into the first Race ONLY. This will be done starting with 5th place from the Last Chance Qualifier until all positions for the evening program are filled.

i. These riders will pick their gate position in the order in which they finished the Last Chance Qualifier after all riders in the Race have gated.

ii. Alternate riders allowed to the gate through this process will not be considered officially in the race until three minutes before gate drop.

iii. If a rider that has earned a spot in the Race enters the final staging checkpoint prior to three minutes before gate drop, that rider will be allowed to start, and the alternate will be removed.

iv. If a rider that has earned a Race position knows that they will not be able to make the start of the first Race but still intends on participating in the second and third Races, they must inform Race Direction of their intent prior to the staging of the first Race and no alternate will be placed.

v. Once a qualified rider is officially replaced by an alternate, the qualified rider is no longer eligible to participate in any further races at that meet.

vi. Riders outside of the top 40 may be denied this option based on lap times at the sole discretion of Race Direction.

3. In the 450 class only, a rider who is currently in the top ten in points who fails to make the Fast 40 in qualifying practices may request an exemption to be put in the 450 Last Chance Qualifier.

i. To be eligible for this exemption a rider must:

a) Currently be in the top ten in championship points.

b) Record at least one officially timed lap during a practice or qualifying practice.

ii. Up to a maximum of 2 non-qualified riders can be placed in the Last Chance Qualifier. If more than two riders request an exemption, they will be placed in the Last Chance Qualifier in priority of their fastest recorded qualifying time up to two riders.

iii. Non-qualified riders will be placed in the Last Chance Qualifier with the last two gate picks. If all riders are present for the Last Chance Qualifier, riders from qualifying will be adjusted accordingly to allow for a 22-rider maximum in the Last Chance Qualifier.

1.8.10 STARTING PROCEDURES

a. Once a motorcycle is in its gate position at the starting gate:

1. The gate position cannot be changed.

2. In the event a Rider needs to make repairs once loaded in the starting gate, the motorcycle must be pushed back from the gate to behind the rear restraint before any repairs can be made, so as not to interfere with other competitors. This includes the changing of wheels or removal of tire covers/warmers.

3. Grooming may be done anywhere behind the front leading edge of the starting gate, provided no shovels, tools, water or other implements (foreign or natural) are used with the following exception:

i. Metal starting grids may be cleaned with brushes utilizing nylon type bristles only. The use of steel type bristles is forbidden.

4. Grooming in front of the front leading edge of the starting gate by anyone other than Race Officials is prohibited. This includes watering of the starting lines. Stopping immediately in front of the starting gate to do a burn-out prior to the sighting lap will be considered grooming in front of the starting gate.

5. Starting blocks may be used, so long as their use does not interfere with other competitors. Crew members must remove the starting block used by their rider. All starting blocks must be silver or black in color.

6. The front and rear tires of the motorcycle must be level. Riders may not form ramps of any kind in the starting lane.

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7. Motorcycles must be centered in the starting gate. Riders may not start at an angle.
8. Slamming of the gate is not permitted.
9. Scratching or defacing of the starting gate signage is not permitted.

b. When the last Rider is in the gate and the track is cleared for the start:
1. The Official Starter will direct a designee to hold up a 30-second sign.
2. The 30-second sign will be held upright for 30 seconds, and then turned sideways for at least 5 seconds, but not more than 10 seconds. When using a digital type of countdown 30-second board, if the board malfunctions in any way during its display, the start procedure will continue and at 30 seconds the board will be turned sideways.
3. During the 5-10 second interval, the gate will fall to signify the start of the race.
4. Riders who are present at the Starting Gate but are unable to start due to a stalled motorcycle or other contributing factor may join the race from the starting area at any time during the race.
5. False starts due to gate malfunctions or other contributing factors will require a complete restart with the same number of laps and/or time as originally scheduled, and Riders will restart from their original starting gate positions.

c. **Defined Start Violations and Penalty Options**
1. Jumping or fouling the gate may result in a penalty of one lap or disqualification.
2. Grooming in front of the front leading edge of the starting gate may result in a penalty if Race Direction determines the action to be blatant.
3. Other start violations including but not limited to slamming of the gate, scratching or defacing the gate, utilizing prohibited tools for grooming, starting at angle, forming ramps in the starting lane may be subject to a penalty.

1.8.11 RESTARTS AND RED FLAG PROCEDURES

a. Any race start or restart will be considered an official part of the event even if the start or restart does not result in a lap being completed by the leader. Therefore, any infractions will be deemed valid and ruled upon accordingly.

b. In all cases, the remaining race distance following a restart will be at least three (3) laps.

c. Riders who were not present at the starting gate for the original start of a race and Riders who failed to join the race before a red flag are barred from any subsequent restarts.

d. Riders who are present for a restart but are unable to start due to a stalled motorcycle may join the race from the starting area at any time after the race is restarted.

e. A motorcycle that has left the stadium floor or infield of a speedway during a race is barred from any subsequent restarts.

f. Riders who are unable to remove themselves from an incident area under their own power and / or demonstrate behavior requiring medical attention, causing any session to be red flagged, may not resume any on-track activity until cleared by the Chief Medical Officer as medically fit to compete.

g. Riders who are unable to join the race by this procedure are barred from any subsequent restarts.

h. Penalties for violations that occurred prior to a red flag will be assessed at the completion of a race, not during the restart.

i. In the event of a red flag during practice or qualifying:
1. All Riders must stop racing, safely reduce speed and proceed with caution to the starting area or other area as directed by Race Officials.
2. When a practice or qualifying session is restarted, the group of Riders on track during the red flag incident will be allowed to complete the balance of their session.

j. In the event of a red flag during races, a Red Flag Downtime period may be utilized:
1. Red flags that occur during races may result in a ten-minute (10:00) Red Flag Downtime prior to a restart.
2. The Red Flag Downtime will begin when the red flag and/or red lights are displayed as recorded by timing and scoring.
3. If the circuit is deemed to be race ready prior to the expiration of the ten minutes and all eligible machines are ready to restart, Race Direction may restart the race immediately.

k. When a race is stopped before the leader completes three (3) laps, the race will be deemed a complete restart, and the following procedures will apply:

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1. A red flag will be displayed.
2. All Riders must stop racing and proceed with caution back to the starting gate or other area as directed by Race Officials.
3. The race will be deemed a complete restart with the same number of laps and/or time as originally scheduled and will be restarted as soon as possible.
4. Riders will restart from the gate in their original positions.
5. Repairs or adjustments must be made in the Staging Area or behind the Starting Gate only. No repairs may be performed on the Starting Gate.
6. In the case of a Main Event, if it is found impossible to restart then this Main Event will be declared cancelled and not count for the Championship.

l. When a race is stopped after the leader completes three (3) laps but prior to time expiring on the race clock, the following procedures will apply:

1. A red flag will be displayed, and the Red Flag Downtime period will begin.
2. All Riders must stop racing and proceed with caution to the starting area directly in front of their original starting gate or other area as directed by Race Officials.
3. Repairs or adjustments may only be made in the starting area.
4. The race will be restarted as soon as possible from a staggered standing start in the starting area.
5. Scoring Procedures
   i. Scoring will revert to the last lap completed by all active Riders on the Lead Lap. Riders involved in the red flag will be considered active Riders for the purpose of establishing the running order, i.e. if all active riders have crossed the finish line to complete their third lap and are working the fourth lap at the time of the Red Flag, the starting order would be set with the order from the completion of the third lap.
   ii. Total race time will be stopped during the red flag period and will resume when the race is restarted. Only green flag periods will be used to calculate total race time.
   iii. The race will be restarted with the remaining number of laps and/or time.
6. Staggered Restart Procedure
   i. The staggered starting line will be located at the end of the starting straight near the first turn.
   ii. The Rider in first position will be placed near the staggered starting line followed by the rest of the Riders in an angled line continuing back towards the starting gate.
   iii. Riders not ready to take their position in line will be placed last.
   iv. Once all Riders are in position, a 30-second board will be held upright for 30 seconds. After the 30-second board is turned sideways, the starter will then display a green flag to signal the restart.
   v. Riders may not overtake the Rider in front of them until they pass the designated staggered starting line, or they will be deemed to have jumped the restart.
   vi. Eligible Riders who are unable to participate in the restart due to a stalled motorcycle or continued repairs may join the race from the starting area at any time.
   vii. **Defined Staggered Restart Violations and Penalties**
      a) Any Rider that is deemed to have jumped the start on a staggered restart will be penalized for positions gained plus an additional two positions in the results for that race.

m. When a race is stopped after time has expired on the race clock but prior to the checkered flag being displayed, the race will be deemed complete, and the following procedures will apply:

1. A red flag will be displayed. All Riders must stop racing and proceed with caution back to the paddock.
2. Scoring will revert to the running order on the last lap completed by all active Riders on the Lead Lap to determine finishing positions.
3. The race will be deemed complete and provisional results will be posted.
4. In the case of a Heat or Last Chance Qualifier, the riders will qualify for the Main Event or be relegated to the Last Chance Qualifier according to these results.
5. In the case of a Last Chance Qualifier, the top four riders will qualify for the Triple Crown Races or Main Event according to these results. The remaining riders are eliminated.
6. In the case of a Main Event, full championship points will be awarded.

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1.8.12 RACE FINISHES

a. **Standard Event**

1. If more than one qualified rider does not complete a timed lap as per official scoring, those riders will be placed in the final results based on qualifying time.
2. If a qualified rider is unable to make the start of the Main Event, they will be placed last in the final results.
   i. If more than one qualified rider is unable to start, they will be placed in order of qualifying in the final results.

b. **Triple Crown Event**

1. If more than one qualified rider does not complete a timed lap as per official scoring:
   i. Race 1: Those riders will be placed in the final results based on their qualifying time.
   ii. Race 2: Those riders will be placed in the final results after all riders in that race that completed a timed lap based on their finishing position in Race 1.
   iii. Race 3: Those riders will be placed in the final results after all riders in that race that completed a timed lap based on their finishing position in Race 2.

1.8.13 OVERALL RESULTS FOR TRIPLE CROWN RACES

a. Olympic-style scoring will be used to assign points according to the finishing positions of the Riders in each Race. The Rider who finishes in first place is awarded one point, the Rider who finishes in second place is awarded two points, and so on, with the Rider who finishes in last place being awarded the highest number of points.

b. To determine the Overall Results:

1. The points that each Rider earned in the three Races will be added together.
2. The Rider with the lowest number of total points from Race 1 + Race 2 + Race 3 will be declared the overall winner in each class.
3. The rest of the Riders in each class will then be ranked based on their total points to determine the overall finishing order.
4. If two or more Riders have the same number of points, the better finishing position from the third Race will break the tie.

1.8.14 AWARDING OF CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

a. AMA Supercross Championship Points will be assigned to each Rider according to the Rider's position in the Overall Results for each Event.

b. When the results of a Supercross Main Event or Triple Crown Overall are declared official, AMA Supercross Championship Points will be awarded down to a maximum of 21 places.

c. AMA Supercross Championship Points will be awarded according to the following schedule:

Finish Position	Points		Finish Position	Points
1	25		12	10
2	22		13	9
3	20		14	8
4	18		15	7
5	17		16	6
6	16		17	5
7	15		18	4
8	14		19	3
9	13		20	2
10	12		21	1
11	11		22	0

1.8.15 RIDER CHAMPIONSHIPS:

a. AMA Supercross Championship Points are accumulated by eligible Riders based on their Main Event and Triple Crown Overall finishing positions at each of the AMA Supercross Events.

b. At the end of the AMA Supercross season, AMA Supercross Championships will be awarded to the Rider in each class that accumulates the highest number of AMA Supercross Championship Points.

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1.8.16 MANUFACTURER CHAMPIONSHIPS:

a. At the end of the AMA Supercross season, the AMA Supercross Manufacturer Championship will be decided based on the Manufacturer that accumulates the highest number of Manufacturer Points in all classes during the AMA Supercross Events.

b. Manufacturer Points will be awarded to the Rider in each Class that earns the single highest Points distribution relative to all other Riders for the same manufacturer in each Class at each AMA Supercross Event.

c. The AMA Supercross Championship Point schedule in Section 1.8.14: Awarding Of Championship Points applies to the Manufacturer Championship.

d. In the case where a rider participates on motorcycles from different manufacturers, it is the make of the motorcycle with which he has obtained the most points that will appear next to his name in the final standings, without, however, modifying the calculation for the Manufacturer Championship.

e. Distribution of the Manufacturer Playoff Points are subject to change as a result of AMA's issuance of a Penalty or Points deduction as follows: If the manufacturer's highest Points earner in an Event is later issued a Points Penalty or Race Disqualification for that Event, AMA will first apply the Points deduction to the penalized Rider, and then re-determine the Rider that should be assigned Manufacturer Playoff Points for that Event.

1.8.17 TIES

a. In the case where two or more Riders have the same number of points, the Riders will be ranked according to the greatest number of Main Event and Triple Crown Overall wins.

b. If a tie still exists after that, the greatest number of second place finishes, third place finishes etc. will be used in the same manner, until the tie is broken.

c. If a tie still exists after that, the Rider having the best finish in the last race will prevail.

d. In all cases, a race finish will not count in any of these determinations where a Rider was Disqualified.

e. Manufacturer ties will be broken according to these same rules.

1.8.18 SUPERCROSS PRIZE GIVING CEREMONIES

a. The AMA Supercross Championship 450 class top 20 in the final point standings are obliged to attend the official AMA Supercross Championship Prize-Giving Ceremony, organized by the Promoter at the end of the AMA Supercross Championship. Failure to attend will result in forfeiture of their end of year points fund amount.

b. The AMA Supercross Championship 250 East and 250 West top 5 in the final point standings are obliged to attend the official AMA Supercross Championship Prize-Giving Ceremony, organized by the Promoter at the end of the AMA Supercross Championship. Failure to attend may result in a fine.

1.8.19 POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

a. Establishment and Distribution of Event Purses

1. Event Purses will be distributed based on each Rider's position in the Overall Results for each Event.
2. Prize money won by a Rider shall be paid by AMA to the Rider.

b. Administration, Establishment and Distribution of Point Fund Awards and Administration of Points

1. AMA reserves the right to establish, maintain, compile, publish, and otherwise operate and award Points, Point Funds and trophies.
2. All Credentialed Participants agree to abide by decisions of AMA in the establishment and administration of the Point Funds.
3. Point Fund will be distributed based on each Rider's position in the final AMA Supercross Championship Points standings.

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SECTION 2 - TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

2.1 RIDER APPAREL AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

2.1.1 RIDER RESPONSIBILITY

a. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RIDER TO SELECT A HELMET, PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT WHICH WILL PROVIDE APPROPRIATE PROTECTION.

b. ALTHOUGH AMA REQUIRES THEIR USE, NEITHER AMA NOR THE PROMOTERS ENDORSE OR GUARANTEE SPECIFIC PRODUCTS OR MANUFACTURERS.

c. RIDERS MUST RELY ON THEIR OWN JUDGMENT IN THE SELECTION OF HELMETS, PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT FOR PROTECTION AND DURABILITY.

2.1.2 GENERAL GUIDELINES

a. Riders must present a clean and neat appearance.

b. Protective clothing and equipment must be worn, maintained, and used in accordance with the manufacturer/supplier directions.

c. Regardless of previous approval, permission to use specific Rider apparel may be withdrawn for any reason and at any time throughout the event as AMA deems necessary in the best interest of the sport.

2.1.3 HELMETS

a. Riders must wear a helmet which is in good condition, provides a good fit and is properly fastened at all times when riding on the racetrack.

b. Any modifications to the helmet for any purpose should not detract from its effectiveness. Helmet certification must be affixed to the helmet at all times.

c. Helmets must be of the full-face type and conform to one of the following recognized standards with a label affixed certifying its approval:

1. USA: SNELL M 2015, SNELL M 2020D (SNELL/DOT) or SNELL M 2020R (SNELL/ECE)
2. United Nations: ECE 22.05 or ECE 22.06 ("P")
3. Japan: JIS T 8133:2015 (only "Type 2 Full Face")

d. Helmets used by Riders in competition must be equipped with the Eject® Helmet Removal System. Riders will be responsible for ensuring that the device is properly installed and operable during all on-track activities. Helmet removal devices and installation information are available at Technical Inspection at all Events.

e. Helmet-mounted cameras, devices or accessories of any type are prohibited.

2.1.4 GOGGLES

a. Goggles, face shields or other protective eyewear must be shatter resistant. Goggles must be worn at the start of each Race.

2.1.5 JERSEYS

a. Jerseys must be long sleeve. Short sleeves or ¾ sleeve jerseys are prohibited. Elastic cuffs may not be removed. Sleeves must be worn at full length (to the wrist) during competition.

b. Jerseys must be made of material that is consistent with current industry standards.

2.1.6 CHEST/BACK PROTECTOR

a. If a chest/back protector or neck brace is worn over the Rider's jersey, the Rider's name and assigned number must either be visible on the jersey or on the chest/back protector.

2.1.7 PANTS

a. Pants must be full length and made of a material that is consistent with current industry standards.

2.1.8 BOOTS

a. MX-style race boots of the type typically used for motocross racing which are at least eight inches high are required at all times when riding on track. All other styles of footwear including work boots are prohibited.

2.1.9 GLOVES

a. Riders must be wearing gloves at the start of all on-track sessions.

2.1.10 PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

a. The use of a portable music player is strictly prohibited during on-track activity.

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2.1.11 DISPLAY OF REQUIRED LOGOS

a. Riders must display all required AMA and SMX logos on their Rider jerseys and motorcycles when competing in any part of an AMA Supercross Championship Event.

b. How to obtain the logo and/or logo artwork file:

1. All number plate stickers and adhesive apparel patches will be available at Tech Inspection at each Event.
2. If a third party produces Rider jerseys or number plates for Riders, they may download the logo files at: americanmotorcyclist.com.

c. Disclaimer for use of the AMA logo:

1. The AMA logo is a registered trademark. Riders are permitted to use the AMA logo on number plates and apparel only when participating in AMA Supercross Championship Events. Any further use of the marks outside of this capacity is not permitted without a License from or the express written consent of AMA.

2.1.12 RIDER JERSEY REQUIREMENTS

a. Rider Name

1. All Riders must display their last name on the back of their jersey at the shoulder line.

b. Competition Number

1. The Rider's competition number must be displayed horizontally across the Rider's back and be legible at a distance.
2. The number on the Rider's back must be a minimum height of 8 inches and a width of 1 inch.
3. Numbers must be printed in a contrasting color from the jersey color surrounding the placement of the numbers.
4. The number may be outlined. However, the color of the outlining must contrast with the jersey color as well as the number color, e.g., a white jersey with orange numbers and black outline.
5. Mylar numbers (silver, gold, or other) are allowed, as long as the outlining requirements are met, such that the numbers are in contrast to the jersey color.
6. Approval of number fonts is at the sole discretion of AMA.

c. Required Rider Apparel Branding

1. All Riders must display the AMA and SMX combined logo on the upper left front torso or left shoulder area of their jersey. The minimum size of the combined logo is 2½ inches wide by 2½ inches high.

2. If the Rider uses a chest/back protector, the AMA and SMX combined logo must be located in the center front on the chest/back protector. This is in addition to the logo located on the jersey.

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2.2 GENERAL EQUIPMENT STANDARDS

2.2.1 MOTORCYCLE HOMOLOGATION RULES

a. Motorcycles used in Competition require homologation approval granted by AMA prior to use in competition. Homologation rules are intended to give freedom to modify or replace some of the parts in the interest of safety, research and development, with constraints imposed to limit cost. Superseded or redesigned parts must be submitted to AMA for review and approval prior to use in competition. These parts must be listed in the current OEM parts list supplied to AMA.

b. Only motorcycles homologated by AMA may be used in Competition. AMA will only review applications for homologation from motorcycle manufacturers or their distributors or designated representatives.

c. Once a motorcycle has been homologated, it may be used until such time that the homologated motorcycle no longer complies with the technical rules or a maximum of five years.

d. Compliance with homologation requirements will not guarantee an AMA homologation. The homologation may be withheld or withdrawn for a just cause that AMA deems in the best interest of the sport.

e. Minimum quantities that must be available through U.S. dealers: All Manufacturers - 400 units per model.

f. Importation quantity deadlines: **

   1. Minimum 200 units by March 1st of the current season. **
   2. Minimum 400 units by June 1st of the current season. **

g. After June 1st, manufacturers must maintain availability of models homologated for the current season to any AMA Licensed motocross competitor until August 1st of the current season. This applies unless the manufacturer can supply documented proof that the units imported to the U.S. as the minimum requirement were sold to North American customers before June 1st of the current season. U.S. distributor team motorcycles are counted as part of the required units up to a maximum of eight units. Availability requirements do not apply on models homologated in previous seasons.

h. Homologation procedure information is available by contacting AMA.

2.2.2 PARTS SUBMISSION

a. Superseded parts controlled by the homologation rules must be submitted to the AMA for review and homologation before use in competition. In addition, these parts must then be listed in the current OEM parts list as supplied to AMA. Motorcycle components not specifically controlled by these rules may be modified, removed or replaced.

2.2.3 FUNDAMENTAL TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

a. Where the rules permit equipment to be installed, replaced, altered or fabricated, it is the sole responsibility of the Entrant and/or Rider to select components and materials for the fabrication of this equipment that will perform in competition properly and function in a safe manner.

b. Any component of a motorcycle deemed by the Chief Technical Inspector as necessary for operation must be in place, securely mounted, in proper working order, and structurally sound.

c. Regardless of previous approval, permission to use specific components or equipment may be withdrawn for any reason AMA deems in the best interest of competition.

** Effective with the 2026 AMA Supercross Rulebook, importation quantity deadlines: **
Minimum 25 units prior to approval for competition in the current season.
Minimum 400 units by April 1st of the current season.

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2.3 MOTORCYCLE SPECIFICATIONS

2.3.1 ENGINE

a. Engines are restricted to a single cylinder.

b. Displacements ranges allowed:

	450	250
4-stroke	249-450cc	0-250cc
2-stroke	150-250cc	0-125cc

c. Engine Displacement Measurement Calculation:

1. Engine displacement shall be recorded in cubic centimeters.
2. Displacement = $(0.7854)B^2H$ where B= Cylinder bore and H= Stroke.

d. Displacement limits are absolute, with no overbore allowance.

2.3.2 WEIGHT

	450	250
4-stroke	220 pounds	212 pounds
2-stroke	212 pounds	194 pounds

2.3.3 FUEL

a. All motorcycles must use unleaded fuel corresponding to petroleum-based fuel as defined by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), designation: D4814, with the following clarifications:

b. The specific gravity must fall within the range: 0.715 - 0.765 at 60º F.

c. The maximum oxygen content is 4.0% m/m.

d. The maximum allowable level of lead is 0.025 g/l.

e. The only allowable oxygenates are ether and alcohols, as listed and characterized for oxygen mass fraction in ASTM D4814.

f. Epoxides (i.e., propylene oxide) will not be considered ethers. Nitrogen-bearing compounds are not permitted.

g. Lubrication additives are permitted provided the resulting mixture meets all other requirements.

h. Fuel testing will be performed according to the procedures in Section 2.6: Fuel Testing Procedures. Violations will be subject to Penalties according to Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action.

2.3.4 SOUND

a. Sound levels in the 450 and 250 classes will be verified with the 2-meter max method.

b. The maximum sound limit is set at: **

1. For pre-race inspection: Max. 112 dB/A **
2. For post-race inspection: Max. 113 dB/A **

c. All competitors entered may be sound tested at any time. When directed by an official, the Rider must proceed directly to the designated sound test area; failure to do so will result in a penalty.

d. Sound testing will be performed according to the procedures in Section 2.7: Sound Test Procedures. Violations will be subject to Penalties according to Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action.

e. If, in the sole judgement of Race Direction, the post-race or qualifying sound limit violation was unintentional and/or caused by an accident and the violation did not enhance the performance of the motorcycle, the penalty may be waived.

** Effective with the 2026 AMA Supercross Rulebook, the maximum sound limit will be set at: **
For pre-race inspection: Max. 109 dB/A
For post-race inspection: Max. 110 dB/A

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2.4 MOTORCYCLE TECHNICAL RULES

2.4.1 ENGINES

a. Bore and Stroke must remain the same as the homologated model.

b. Material and OEM castings of cylinders, cylinder heads and crankcases must be the same as an originally approved model of the same manufacturer. Material may be added or removed from these items. Cylinder liners or coating may be replaced or added provided the original OEM cylinder casting is utilized.

c. Four-stroke cylinder head valve angles must remain the same as the homologated model.

d. Type of intake, including the exhaust power valves, must remain the same as the homologated model (rotary valve, case reed valve, poppet valve, etc.).

e. Type of cooling system (water, oil or air) must remain as homologated.

f. Supercharging or turbo charging is not permitted.

g. Fuel injection is permitted only if it is standard equipment on the homologated model.

2.4.2 ELECTRONICS AND TRACTION CONTROL

a. Non-production electronic devices designed specifically for traction control are prohibited. This includes sensors that can determine front wheel speed and any electronic control to the brake systems.

b. Electronic transmitting of information, including radio communication, to or from a moving motorcycle, is prohibited with the following exceptions:

1. Official Timing & Scoring transponders utilized for scoring purposes and official leader light transmitters.
2. Data or video transmitted or recorded for the sole use by the approved event television production.
3. Electronic lap timing devices are permitted. Transmitter beacons must be in an approved area. GPS may be used for lap timing and track mapping only. Receivers/antennas shall not be mounted on the front area of the front number plate.

c. Data logging is permitted but the information may not be transmitted, relayed or downloaded in real time from a moving motorcycle.

d. Any motorcycle ECU or data logger data provided to AMA by a team and/or viewed by the Chief Technical Inspector will remain strictly confidential.

2.4.3 TRANSMISSIONS AND PRIMARY DRIVE

a. Motorcycles are restricted to the use of rear-wheel drive only.

b. Primary drive method must remain the same as the homologated model.

c. Primary drive must be completely enclosed by a cover or guard.

d. The maximum number of speeds in the gearbox is six.

e. Number of transmission gears must be the same as the homologated model.

2.4.4 EXHAUST SYSTEM

a. Exhaust pipes and mufflers must:

1. Fulfill all requirements concerning sound control.
2. Be securely attached together and bolted to the frame.
3. Have internal mechanical and/or packed baffling.

b. The discharge end of the exhaust pipe may not extend beyond the rear edge of the rear tire.

c. The inside of the exhaust discharge end must be a maximum of 5 inches from the outside edge of the tire or frame. Intent is to prevent another Rider's wheel or leg from being trapped.

2.4.5 FRAMES

a. The main frame must be the same as an originally homologated model of the same manufacturer.

b. Cracked or broken frames are prohibited.

c. Strengthening gussets or tubes may be added, but none may be removed.

d. All stands must be removed.

e. All footrests must fold to a 45-degree angle.

f. The maximum length of the footrest from the pivot point is 5 inches.

g. Footrests may be raised or lowered but cannot be lower than the bottom frame tube.

h. Accessory brackets (for radiator, coil, shock reservoir, etc.) may be changed, relocated or removed.

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i. Engine mount location, steering head location and angle, swingarm pivot point, and rear suspension linkage point must be the same as the homologated model.

j. The use of offset bearing races for altering the steering angle is permitted.

k. Subframes may be replaced with aftermarket units of steel, aluminum, titanium or the same material of the OEM part. The replacement parts must be similar in design to the production part and utilize original mounting points.

2.4.6 SWINGARMS

a. Swingarm must be the same as an originally homologated model of the same manufacturer.

b. Strengthening gussets or tubes may be added but none may be removed.

c. Chain guides may be removed or relocated.

2.4.7 FORKS AND SHOCKS

a. The manufacturer's original concept of forks and shocks must be maintained.

b. For the 250 class, the replacement and modification of forks and shocks are limited as follows:

1. Forks and shocks may be either stock or aftermarket units listed on the Approved Equipment List. This list is available from AMA.
2. Homologated inner and outer fork tubes, axle lugs, cartridge, and piston rod must be retained, modifications are permitted. All other fork parts may be replaced.
3. Homologated shock body, shaft and reservoir must be retained, modifications are permitted. All other shock parts may be replaced.
4. AMA must receive written notification from the manufacturer of any superseding of controlled parts before those parts may be used in competition. The manufacturer's parts list reflecting the superseded part must accompany the notification.
5. Approved forks, shocks, and superseded parts must be available in the U.S. through dealers or distributors to AMA-Licensed 250 Riders for the entire current season. A dealer or distributor must fill legitimate orders, accompanied by a 50% deposit, within 15 business days of receipt. Failure to fill a legitimate order may result in the canceling of the component manufacturer's homologation.
6. Retail prices of approved forks and shocks may not exceed the following cost exclusive of all taxes. (The forks and shock assemblies must be complete and functioning assemblies, not only the controlled parts.)
   i. Both fork legs (less triple clamps): $6,300.
   ii. Shock assembly: $2,500.

2.4.8 FUEL TANKS

a. Replacement tanks, including those made of carbon fiber, may be utilized in place of the OEM fuel tank, provided:

1. Replacement fuel tanks must be mounted utilizing the OEM stock mounting locations.
2. The fuel capacity of the replacement tank can be no less than the OEM fuel tank.

b. Fuel tank filler devices may be mounted or replaced with aftermarket units.

2.4.9 HANDLEBARS AND CONTROLS

a. Cracked or broken handlebars are prohibited.

b. Control levers must have minimum 1/2-inch diameter ball ends.

c. All motorcycles must be equipped with a functional mechanical engine kill device or ignition cut-off switch or button, mounted on the handlebar within reach of the Rider's hand when placed on the grip.

d. All motorcycles must be equipped with a self-closing throttle mechanism.

2.4.10 BRAKES

a. All motorcycles must be equipped with adequate and operating front and rear wheel brakes.

b. Brakes must be the same type as the production units. Disc brakes may only be replaced with disc brakes and drum brakes may only be replaced with drum brakes.

c. Carbon fiber or carbon composite brake discs and/or carriers are prohibited.

d. Aluminum or titanium brake discs are prohibited.

2.4.11 WHEELS

a. Wheels and all wheel components (e.g., spokes, hubs) constructed exclusively of carbon fiber or carbon composite are not permitted.

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2.4.12 TIRES

a. Studded tires, other than rubber, are prohibited.

b. Paddle (continuous radial rib) tires and tires with lugs having a height of more than ¾ inch are prohibited.

2.4.13 VIDEO CAMERAS

a. The use of a video recording device is not allowed at any time during on-track competition, including practice, qualifying and races without the permission of the Promoter.

2.4.14 COMPETITION NUMBERS

a. All riders must compete using the competition number which has been assigned to them for the current season, i.e. championship number 1, career numbers or earned national numbers.

b. Number 1

1. The current 450 champion must compete with the #1.
2. The current 250 East and 250 West class champions may only compete with the #1 when defending in their championship region.

c. Numbers 2-9

1. Past 450 SX, 450 MX and 250 MX Champions from the previous competition year may choose a permanent single-digit career number if available.

d. Career Numbers 10-99

1. Riders who finish in the top 10 in Championship points from the combined 450 SX, 250 SX, 450 MX and 250 MX classes from the previous competition year will have priority for the selection of a National two-digit available number for their career number.
2. The class champions from the 250 Eastern and Western Regional Divisions may select a National two-digit available number for their career number.
   i. The champions will choose after all riders earning career numbers from the top ten in overall points have chosen.
   ii. The 250 (East/West) champion earning the most points will choose first.

e. Riders who fail to earn at least 25 championship points during the season preceding the new season will lose their career number and be issued a new number based on current points.

1. Riders may submit to the AMA an appeal in writing for consideration of retaining their career number. Riders may only appeal their career number eligibility one time. Special consideration is given to a rider if they are confirmed with a season long injury or other special circumstance, which prevents them from competing that season.

f. Numbers 10-99

1. Riders who finish outside the top 10 but inside the top 99 will be assigned consecutive two-digit numbers until the supply of two-digit numbers are exhausted.
2. The total combined points from the 450 SX, 250 SX, 450 MX and 250 MX classes will be used to determine the order. National numbers are then issued according to highest to lowest total points. In the case of riders having the same amount of total points, the tie is first broken by the rider that competed in both the SX and MX series. If a tie remains or if each rider competed in a single series, the rider with the best Moto/Main Event finish will be awarded with the number.

g. 100 through 110

1. Held for top international riders that would like to participate in that year's SX or MX.

2.4.15 NUMBER PLATE REQUIREMENTS

a. Number Plate Colors:

1. 450: White plates, black numbers
2. 250: Black plates, white numbers
3. 450 SMX & 250 SMX Champions: Purple plate, lime numbers
4. Current points leader in each class:
   i. Red plates, white numbers
   ii. SMX Champions: Red plates, lime numbers
   iii. If one or more Riders are tied for the points lead in a class, all tied riders will display the red plates.

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iv. At the first event of the season, the current 450 and 250 class champions will be considered the points leader and compete with the red plate.

b. All number fonts, configurations and number plate designs are subject to approval by AMA.

c. Assigned competition numbers and the approved AMA and SMX logos are required on the front and both side number plates. No other numbers, letters, logos or designs may be present.

d. Number plates must be of adequate size to provide ample space (around 0.5") around and between numbers.

e. Excessive condensing or stretching of the numbers is not permitted.

f. Numbers must be a solid color with no outlining unless explicitly approved by AMA. When a Red plate is used to identify the points leader in a class, the competition number may have a black stroke or outline.

g. AMA may require champions to compete with specific fonts, special colors or mandatory number plate designs.

h. The current 450 and 250 class champion using the number 1 is allowed to use a special-sized number.

2.4.16 FRONT NUMBER PLATES

a. Front numbers must be a minimum height of 5½".

b. Front number plates must be flat and mounted parallel to the fork tubes in such a manner as to prevent deflection of the plate during the event. Any attempt at streamlining, such as curved plates or plates that are not rigidly mounted, is prohibited, unless such plates are standard on the homologated model.

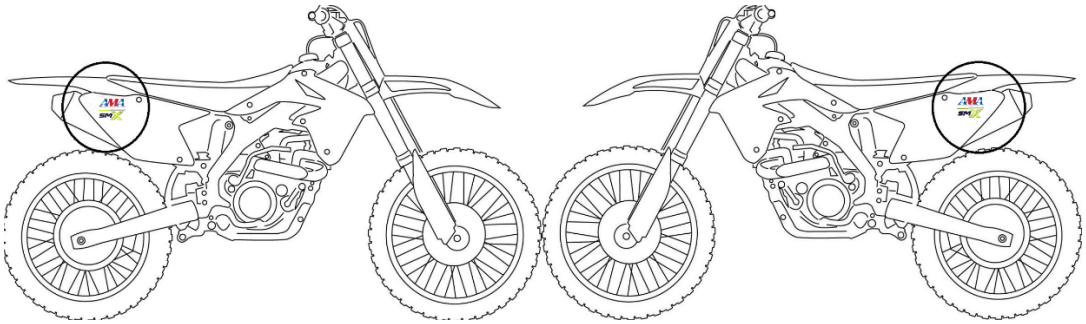
c. The top section of the front number plate is reserved for a number plate header as provided by AMA which incorporates the SMX logo, Supercross logo and the AMA logo. The number plate header is a required part of the number plate design and shall be a minimum height of 1 inch and a minimum width of 8 inches.

2.4.17 SIDE NUMBER PLATES

a. Side numbers must be a minimum height of 5½".

b. Both side number plates must display the AMA and SMX logos. The minimum size of the combined logo is 2½ inches wide by 2½ inches high.

c. The AMA and SMX logos must be displayed in both of the circled areas of the image below.



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2.5 TECHNICAL INSPECTION AND ELIGIBILITY

2.5.1 TIME/MANNER/LOCATION

a. All race equipment, including but not limited to motorcycles, motorcycle parts, equipment, riding apparel and/or fuel, is subject to inspection by AMA, at any time, manner, and location as determined by AMA.

b. All decisions by AMA regarding the timing, manner and location of inspection, as well as what race equipment will be inspected, are final, non-appealable and non-reviewable except as provided in Section 1.1.7: Finality of Interpretation and Application.

2.5.2 MOTORCYCLE ELIGIBILITY

a. AMA will determine whether a motorcycle including any race equipment meets the applicable specifications for an Event as set forth in the AMA Rules, as may be amended, and any Supplementary Regulations published by AMA for an Event.

b. In passing a motorcycle through technical inspection, AMA does not warrant that motorcycle's adherence with all rules. Each entrant and Rider in AMA classes assumes full responsibility for any violation of equipment rules involving their motorcycle.

c. Only race equipment determined by AMA to meet the applicable specifications is eligible to compete in the Event. Only motorcycles having passed Technical Inspection will be allowed on the racetrack. Motorcycles must be class legal and must meet all equipment requirements.

d. Such determinations may be made by AMA before, during, or after the Event, and may consider, to the extent deemed reasonable by AMA in the interests of racing competition and fairness, any modifications caused or required as a result of damage caused by In-Race accidents.

e. In the case where more than one motorcycle per class may be presented and passed through initial Technical Inspection, frame numbers must be properly recorded. See Section 1.8.4: Motorcycle Usage for exceptions.

2.5.3 COMPETITOR OBLIGATION

a. A Competitor must take whatever steps are requested by AMA, including disassembly of the motorcycle, to facilitate inspection of the race equipment.

b. AMA is not responsible for payment, reimbursement, damage, or loss to the Competitor as a result of such inspections.

2.5.4 INSPECTIONS

a. Inspections of motorcycles, equipment and riding apparel will be held prior to and after a race event, or at other times as determined by AMA.

b. Although the motorcycle, equipment or riding apparel passed prior inspections, the motorcycle, equipment or riding apparel must comply with the rules at the post-race inspection.

c. If an inspection requires a disassembly, consideration may be taken for the event schedule. In these cases, parts may be sealed for inspection at the conclusion of the event.

d. Any motorcycle found to be in violation of equipment rules may be assumed to have been in violation for the entire race event.

e. After the podium ceremonies are complete, the top three finishing motorcycles of the Main Event or Triple Crown Overall must report directly to the technical impound area or other area as designated by the Chief Technical Inspector. Other motorcycles may be directed to impound at the discretion of the Chief Technical Inspector. Failure to go directly to the technical impound area will result in a penalty.

f. During post-race technical inspections or teardowns, only two working mechanics for each impounded motorcycle are permitted in the inspection/impound area.

g. Only AMA or designated personnel may inspect impounded motorcycles or equipment.

2.5.5 WEIGHT LIMIT INSPECTIONS

a. Weight limits may be checked by Race Officials at any time during an Event.

b. Race Officials may require that motorcycles be cleaned of excess mud or dirt before weighing.

c. The official scale used on race day will be the only scale used for weight verification and official weights will be deemed final.

d. The official scale will be available throughout the Event for weight checking.

e. No fluids may be added to the motorcycle, except water to the engine cooling system.

f. The fuel must be drained from the fuel tank.

g. Ballast attached to motorcycles is not permitted.

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2.5.6 SEALING/IMPOUNDING

a. Race Officials may, for inspection purposes, seal or impound any race equipment entered and competing in an Event.

b. Race Officials may also seal engines or impound components to perform enhanced inspection procedures for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with technical regulations (See Section 2.5.7: Technical Analysis).

c. AMA is not responsible for payment, reimbursement, damage, or loss to the Competitor as a result of such sealing or impounding.

d. In Events where motorcycles are impounded after inspection or Qualifying, only repairs or adjustments authorized by Race Officials may be performed. Unauthorized repairs and/or adjustments may result in a penalty.

2.5.7 TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

a. AMA may determine, in the interest of maintaining the integrity of the sport, that it is necessary or appropriate to analyze components to ensure compliance with technical regulations. In such a case, Race Officials may impound components for up to 45 days following an event in which such components were utilized in competition, to allow AMA to perform detailed inspections and testing.

b. The Competitor shall take whatever steps are requested by AMA for this purpose.

c. AMA also may seal or impound race equipment for this purpose.

d. AMA is not responsible for payment, reimbursement, damage, or loss to the Competitor as a result of such analysis, sealing, or impounding.

e. In the case of an appeal, AMA may retain custody of impounded equipment until the appeal process has been completed.

f. If, in the judgment of AMA, any race equipment has been altered or modified or any actions or procedures were conducted to compromise the results of the technical analysis, AMA may assess penalties in accordance with Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action.

g. If, in the judgment of AMA, any actions or procedures were conducted with the intent to alter or compromise the results of the technical analysis, AMA may assess penalties in accordance with Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action.

2.5.8 EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

a. Race Officials may confiscate any race equipment, without obligation for payment or reimbursement, which fails to meet applicable AMA specifications during an Event or that is used or altered in violation of the AMA Rules, in AMA's sole discretion.

b. In any case where a part has been determined to be in violation of AMA rules, that part may be held indefinitely by AMA, to prevent the use of that part in future AMA competitions. Entrants may submit requests in writing to AMA for the return of illegal parts which will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Any parts found to be illegal will be held by AMA at least until the completion of the competition season.

c. If Race Officials determine that any race equipment used by a Competitor does not meet AMA specifications or is used or altered in violation of the AMA Rules, AMA may issue any or all of the following penalties:

1. Warning
2. Fine
3. Declare the motorcycle and/or race equipment ineligible for the Event
4. Disallow the Competitor's Qualifying time(s)
5. Loss of finishing positions
6. Total or partial loss of points or laps
7. Total or partial loss of prize money
8. Disqualification
9. Any other such determination as may be appropriate in the interest of competition.

d. The above actions are in addition to all remedies available to AMA in accordance with Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action, will not be deemed or construed to be a penalty within the meaning of Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action and are not appealable under that Section.

2.5.9 FINALITY OF INSPECTION/ELIGIBILITY DECISIONS

a. Inspection and/or eligibility decisions, including any decisions regarding a Competitor's compliance with equipment-related procedures set forth in the AMA Rules, are final, non-appealable and non-reviewable except as provided in Section 1.1.7: Finality of Interpretation and Application.

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2.6 FUEL TESTING PROCEDURES

2.6.1 FUEL TESTING

a. AMA may carry out fuel tests at any time during the course of any Event.
b. AMA has sole authority to direct the administration of fuel tests during the course of any Event.
c. AMA has sole authority to designate the official laboratory for testing fuels and may designate more than one official laboratory.
d. The criteria for selection of the machines from which samples are to be taken will be at the sole discretion of the Chief Technical Inspector.
e. The motorcycles selected for fuel sampling and testing will be placed in the impound area.
f. The Chief Technical Inspector will supervise the collection of the test samples.
g. Only Race Officials under the supervision of the Chief Technical Inspector may take fuel test samples.

2.6.2 CONTAINERS FOR HOLDING SAMPLES

a. Will be provided by AMA.
b. Must be clean and constructed of robust, fuel non-reactive, impermeable material.
c. Must be sealable.
d. Must have provision for identification.

2.6.3 FUEL TEST PROCEDURES

a. The extraction of fuel from machines must be directly from the fuel tank.
b. Three (3) test samples will be collected from each selected motorcycle.
c. The containers must be immediately sealed and identified by reference to the machine from which the sample was taken.
d. This information must be entered on the Fuel Sample Certificate, which must certify the date, place and time of taking the sample, the identity of the machine from which the sample was taken, and the identity of its Rider.
e. The samples (A, B and C) must remain in the control of the Chief Technical Inspector. The Rider or a representative of the Rider/team must sign the Fuel Sample Certificate acknowledging that a sample was taken, and the Rider or representative will receive a copy of the certificate.
f. The Chief Technical Inspector will arrange to deliver the samples (A, B and C) along with the Fuel Sample Certificates to an express service for transportation within 48 hours of the samples having been taken.

2.6.4 SHIPPING TO OFFICIAL TESTING LABORATORY

a. Sample A and Sample B, along with their individual certificates, will be sent by express service to the official testing laboratory. Sample A will be tested for compliance with the fuel specifications in accordance with standard scientific procedures. Sample B will be safeguarded at the official testing laboratory, if Sample A is found to be in non-compliance with the fuel specifications, Sample B will be tested for verification.
b. Sample C will be safeguarded at the AMA office for future testing if necessary.
c. The results obtained from such testing will be attached to the laboratory's copy of the fuel sample certificate and delivered to AMA as soon as practicable after the results have been obtained.
d. Upon receiving the report from the laboratory that a fuel sample or samples are not in compliance with the rules, AMA will inform the Rider and Entrant prior to assessing a penalty.
e. The Entrant may request to carry out a test of the B sample to verify the results. The testing of the B sample will be at the Entrant’s expense.
f. AMA will receive the testing results of Sample B and compare it with the testing result of Sample A.
g. Of these two testing results, the more favorable testing result (whether it be the A or B sample) will be used to determine compliance.
h. The independent testing laboratory in issuing the results of the test must also verify that the samples were received in good condition and with the seal intact.

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2.7 SOUND TEST PROCEDURES

2.7.1 THE 2-METER MAX TEST

a. The 2-meter max method shows a very good correlation between the sound power level (LwA) issued by motorcycles in full acceleration, and the maximum sound pressure levels measured at proximity of the same motorcycles, with engines at idle and quickly taken to their maximum rotational speeds.

b. This procedure may be used to test motorcycles as a prerequisite for entry into any Event.

2.7.2 THE PREPARATION OF THE SOUND METER

a. Calibrate the sound meter at 94 dB or 114 dB to take into account the incidence of the wind foam ball

b. Position the wind foam ball on the microphone

c. Activate the 'A' weighing

d. FAST time weighting must be activated

e. Select range High 80~130 dB

f. Activate the function MAX MIN - set on MAX

2.7.3 TEST SITE AND POSITION OF THE SOUND METER

a. The sound levels will be measured with the sound meter/microphone fixed on a tripod, in the horizontal position, at the rear of the motorcycle.

b. For the place and position of the motorcycle, ensure that there are no solid obstacles within 33 feet around the microphone.

c. The sound meter will be positioned at a distance of 79 inches behind the motorcycle, with an angle of 45° away from the centerline, on the exhaust side and at a height of 53 inches above the ground, with the sound meter level.

d. The 79-inch distance is measured from the point where the center of rear tire touches the ground.

e. It is preferred to perform the tests on soft ground, not reverberating, i.e. grass or fine gravel.

f. In other than moderate wind, machines should face forward in the wind direction.

g. The ambient sound level must remain lower than 100 dB/A.

2.7.4 THE POSITIONING OF THE MOTORCYCLE

a. The reference points:

1. For a motorcycle: the contact point of the rear wheel on the ground.
2. For motorcycles fitted with 2 exhaust outputs, the measurement will be made on the side of the air intake. If a central positioned air intake is used, both sides will be tested.
3. To make repetitive measurements, all motorcycles can be positioned into a small frame fixed on the ground.

2.7.5 THE OPERATION OF THE TEST

a. The measurement is made with motorcycle on its wheels, with a hot engine.

b. For the initial sound control and technical inspection, a Rider (or his mechanic) shall present only one spare silencer per machine.

c. Other spare silencers may be presented after all participants have presented their motorcycle.

d. The technical steward will be positioned on the right side of the motorcycle, not to screen or stand between the bike and the microphone. At no time should the technical inspector be in a position in front of the handlebars during the test.

e. The mechanic presenting the motorcycle for testing will be positioned on the left side of the motorcycle during the test and is required to engage the clutch during the full throttle portion of the test.

f. If a second steward is permanently attending the sound level checks, it is strongly advised for him to use earplugs, a headset or ear protectors.

g. The motorcycle may be tested in any gear as directed by the technical steward.

h. The clutch MUST be engaged during the test.

i. The inspector shall open throttle as fast as possible until full open throttle (instantly, within 0.3 seconds). He will keep at max engine 'rpm' for 1 second. To end, the inspector will release the throttle quickly.

j. A motorcycle must always be able to reach a minimum RPM threshold to obtain the maximum result of the 2-meter sound test. Threshold values are provided by the manufacturers and are typical for their published production models. If no values are provided, AMA will use threshold values obtained from a dyno tests.

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k. The motorcycle must maintain at least the minimum RPM during the test. Any motorcycle that is unable to reach and maintain the minimum RPM stated will be refused during pre-race control. If during post-race or qualifying control, the motorcycle will be considered in violation.
   1. Minimum RPM: 250cc - 13,500 rpm / 450cc - 10,800 rpm

l. If the result exceeds the limit, including 'after fire', the inspector shall test the motorcycle, maximum 2 times more.

m. For motorcycles equipped with an engine rpm limiter, opening the throttle will be made - instantly, within 0.3 seconds - and kept open until at least 1 second has evolved and/or when there is an audible sign of over revving the engine.

n. For motorcycles without an engine 'rpm' limiter, the opening of the throttle will have to be lower than 2 seconds and/or when there is an audible sign of over-revving the engine.

o. If the engine tends to suffocate, close the throttle slightly and re-open the throttle.

p. If detonations appear, the measurement must be started again.

q. For the sound level measurement, the handling of the throttle is limited only to the inspector, who shall open the throttle himself in order to minimize the influence by another operator (for that, it is helpful to have the microphone equipped with an extension cable to the sound meter).

2.7.6 THE MEASUREMENT OF THE SOUND LEVEL

a. When the measurement is considered acceptable, write down the result, then reset (push on the sideline) the MAX MIN setting until the disappearance of the previously displayed value.

b. Push again on the sideline MAX MIN to arm the sound level meter.

c. The sound level meter is then ready for the following measurement.

d. An attempt by a participant to prevent their engine from reaching the maximum published rpm figure will be considered a breach of the rules.

e. Even after passing the sound control, if there is doubt, the motorcycle may be checked again.

f. A noticeably lower engine speed is detected easily by hearing. If doubt, control of the value of the rpm limiter with a tachometer.

g. A machine which does not comply with the sound limits can be presented several times at pre-race control.

h. The silencers will be marked when they are checked and it is not allowed to change them after the verification, except for any spare silencer, which has also been checked and marked.

i. The end opening of the silencer shall remain unmodified once it has been checked and marked.

j. Silencers fitted with removable end cap/adapters aimed to reduce the sound levels shall be marked and securely mounted to the silencer. If the removable end cap/adapter becomes separated from the silencer during any practice/qualifying or race, the silencer will be deemed modified, and the Rider will be penalized.

2.7.7 GUIDELINES FOR USE OF SOUND LEVEL METERS

a. Sound level measuring equipment must include a compatible calibrator, which must be used immediately before testing begins and always just prior to a re-test if a disciplinary sanction may be imposed.

b. Two sets of equipment must be available in case of failure of tachometer, sound level meter or calibrator during technical control.

c. Corrections
   1. Class 1 or class 2 sound meter: deduct 2 dB/A

d. Ambient temperature
   1. Below 50 degrees Fahrenheit: deduct 1 dB/A
   2. Below 32 degrees Fahrenheit: deduct 2 dB/A

e. Action and decisions will depend on decisions taken during prior discussions with AMA and/or the Chief Technical Director.

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SECTION 3 - ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

3.1 VIOLATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION

3.1.1 GENERAL SCOPE OF THE PENALTIES (THE VIOLATION DETERRENCE SYSTEM)

a. AMA may issue Penalties as it deems fit to provide for the orderly conduct of the sport. Such determinations may be made by AMA before, during, or after the Event, and may consider, to the extent deemed reasonable by AMA in the interests of racing competition and fairness, any modifications caused or required as a result of damage caused by In-Race accidents.

b. The Violation Deterrence System exists to help maintain the integrity of the sport, maintain fair competition for stakeholders, send a clear message to the teams and the industry that Rules violations will not be tolerated, address safety for all involved, and provide for the best possible motorsports experience for fans, sponsors, supporters, and participants.

c. Penalties are designed primarily to deter AMA Rules violations. At each level of the Violation Deterrence System, the magnitude of the Penalty is structured to be appropriate for the magnitude of the Rules violation. However, Penalties are not designed at any level simply to serve as an offset for whatever alleged benefit the infraction may have resulted in. As with every professional sport, Penalties must serve as both a deterrent and a punishment.

d. When AMA determines that it must issue a Penalty, it will refer to the guidelines described in this Section. When determining a specific Penalty for a specific Rules violation, AMA may adjust any standard Penalty in this Section if, in its sole judgment, the circumstances warrant. Additionally, if AMA determines that a Rules infraction "trend" (i.e. the same or similar Rules infractions recurring, even if amongst different teams) is developing in a given Discipline or area of the sport, then it may reassign a given type of infraction to a higher Penalty Level or escalated Penalty within the same Penalty Level than it had been assigned to previously before issuing a subsequent Penalty.

3.1.2 THE VIOLATION DETERRENCE SYSTEM

a. To treat all Credentialed Participants fairly and equitably, among other things, the Violation Deterrence System provides for Penalties:

1. Without regard to intent or lack of intent in the case of technical infractions.
2. Without attempting to determine if any perceived advantage or disadvantage may have resulted from a technical infraction.
3. Without attempting to determine who was actually a party to whatever led to the violation, except in the case of behavioral infractions, and then only to the extent reasonable and practical for a sporting authority.
4. Without regard to a Rider or team's current position in the Points standings.
5. Without regard to a Credentialed Participant or team's financial means or current manpower resources.
6. Without regard to the manufacturer, sponsor, supplier, vendor, or any third-party affiliates.

b. AMA has elected to use common terminology throughout this Section, rather than legalese and/or technical language, to convey the meaning in a form that should be easily understood by all participants in the sport, and also by fans, the media, sponsors, third-party vendors, and all followers of the sport. Furthermore, this Section, in some cases, cites examples to better illustrate the types of infractions of the Violation Deterrence System, but does not attempt to cover every potential type of violation or Penalty.

c. If the meaning or intention of any portion of the Violation Deterrence System is unclear to a Credentialed Participant, then it is the Credentialed Participant's responsibility to inquire about it to AMA. However, the Credentialed Participant need not inquire in advance about where a hypothetical infraction might fall, since that infraction should not occur in the first place, nor should any Credentialed Participant be considering violating the Rules.

3.1.3 GENERAL PROCEDURE

a. If a Race Official observes or is made aware of an act or omission by a Credentialed Participant that constitutes a violation of the Rules or that is detrimental to motorcycle racing, the sanctioning bodies or promoters, and if the Official determines that the act or omission is sufficiently serious to warrant the imposition of a Penalty, the Official shall report the violation to Race Direction as soon as practicable. Actions detrimental to motorcycle racing, the sanctioning bodies or promoters is a subjective determination made by AMA and includes in part the Participant's actions that reflect upon the sport as a whole and upon other Credentialed Participants.

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b. Race Direction shall consider the report and shall conduct whatever additional inquiry they deem appropriate under the circumstances.

c. After concluding the inquiry, Race Direction shall review the matter with AMA personnel from relevant areas to determine whether disciplinary action is appropriate, and if so, what disciplinary action should be taken.

d. The Credentialed Participant shall be informed of the determination by Race Direction or by AMA for Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, and Safety violations; and by AMA for Code of Conduct violations. If disciplinary action is imposed, Race Direction shall cause a Penalty Notice to be issued to the subject Credentialed Participant specifying the violation, a brief statement of the time and circumstances of the violation, and the Penalty imposed. A Penalty Notice will only be issued for Race Disqualification, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Safety, and Code of Conduct violations. Race Direction will communicate any At-Track penalties to the Entrant or Team Manager as well as the Rider.

e. AMA may publicly announce or publish any At-Track penalties or Penalty Notices.

f. The subject Credentialed Participant referenced in the Penalty shall have no claim or cause of action of any kind against AMA, its Credentialed Participants, employees, agents, assignees and affiliates, or any individual publishing such Penalty or announcing the violation.

g. If the Credentialed Participant wishes to appeal the Race Disqualification, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Safety, or Code of Conduct Penalty Notice, the Credentialed Participant shall make a written request for a hearing to the National Appeals Panel within three business days of the issuance of the Penalty Notice (except as otherwise required for an Expedited Appeal Procedure), as outlined in Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals. **At-Track penalties are non-appealable.**

3.1.4 EMERGENCY ACTION

a. If the act or omission of a Credentialed Participant is determined by Race Officials to constitute a threat to the orderly conduct of the Event, Race Direction may take temporary emergency action against the Credentialed Participant. Such emergency action may include ejection from the racing premises, suspension of Credential and/or License, or any other action designed to remove the threat created by the Credentialed Participant.

b. If a Team Manager is ejected from an Event, the team must designate a new Team Manager and communicate the change to Race Direction.

c. Examples of conduct warranting such emergency action include, but are not limited to, the consumption of alcoholic beverages, stimulants, depressants, tranquilizers or other drugs before or during an Event, the use of illegal drugs at any time, fighting, reckless endangerment, Rules violations, Race procedure violations, or any other directive of a Race Official.

d. That Race Official shall report the Credentialed Participant's conduct, and the emergency action taken, to Race Direction as soon as practicable, and thereafter the procedure set forth in Section 3.1: Violations and Disciplinary Action: General Procedure shall apply.

e. The emergency action shall remain in effect until the decision of Race Direction is made, except that **an ejection is final, non-appealable, and non-reviewable** in accordance with Section 1.2.14: Ejection.

3.1.5 PAYMENT OF FINES

a. Fines shall be paid to AMA Headquarters (AMA, 13515 Yarmouth Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147) upon receipt of a Penalty Notice.

b. Any participant who is fined under these rules will be deemed suspended from all AMA sanctioned activities until the fine has been paid.

c. Failure to pay any outstanding fines in a timely manner may result in suspension.

d. All unpaid fines of a Credentialed Participant may be collected by AMA by deducting the amount from the Event Purse or Point Fund earnings of the Rider with whom the Credentialed Participant was associated at the time of the conduct that gave rise to the Penalty Notice.

e. Any fines left unpaid at the end of the racing season shall be considered grounds for refusal to approve that Credentialed Participant's application for the next applicable year of the Credentialed Participant against whom the unpaid fine has been assessed.

3.1.6 GUIDING PRINCIPLES RELATIVE TO PENALTIES

a. Unless otherwise specifically provided for in these rules, AMA may disqualify any entrant, Rider, Credentialed Participant or motorcycle from the balance of a race event for violation of these rules, insubordination or other actions deemed in the sole discretion of AMA to be detrimental to the race event and the sport. Such disqualification includes the loss of any rights with regard to the event in question and may result in ejection from the event venue.

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b. Unless otherwise specifically provided for in these rules, AMA is empowered to suspend from competition any entrant, Rider, crew member or motorcycle for a period of one event up to an indefinite suspension for violation of these rules, insubordination, or other actions deemed, in the sole discretion of AMA, to be detrimental to the sport of motorcycle racing.

c. AMA is also empowered to, in addition to or in lieu of a suspension from competition, suspend an Entrant's or Rider's eligibility to earn points for one or more events including, but not limited to, the event in which the rules violation took place. The beginning and ending dates of any such suspension will be as determined by AMA.

d. AMA reserves the right to carry over any and all penalties, fines and suspensions incurred by a Rider at any AMA amateur and/or premier sanctioned event. Unacceptable behavior by a Rider on the racetrack or in the paddock at any AMA sanctioned event is detrimental to the sport as a whole and will be treated as such by AMA.

e. Some guiding principles relative to Penalties that are issued for technical infractions include:

1. Any infraction that was undetected during any prior inspection(s) is still an infraction regardless. In most cases, however, AMA will not retroactively issue a separate Penalty for previous Events that occurred prior to the Competition in which the infraction was detected, except in circumstances such as where components may have been sealed, etc.
2. The responsibility for full compliance with the Rules on or of any and all elements provided by, leased, purchased, etc. by third-party suppliers, and/or from other teams or former teams lies solely with the team that has entered the motorcycle in the Event.
3. Any element(s) that constitute Rules infractions may be confiscated by AMA. AMA will address requests for the return of confiscated elements on a case-by-case basis.

f. The issuance of a Penalty by AMA is not a reflection on any sponsor affiliated with an affected team, Rider, or Credentialed Participant, nor on the racing organization that fielded the motorcycle, nor on any of the individuals employed by that organization, nor on the manufacturer, nor on those who were specifically named in the Penalty.

g. A Race Disqualification, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Safety, or Code of Conduct Penalty Notice issued under the scope of this Section may be appealed as outlined in Section 3.2: Protests and Appeals. The National Appeals Panel is empowered to modify a specific Penalty Notice that was issued under this Section if they determine that the specific circumstances of the infraction(s) under their review warrant such modification. However, the National Appeals Panel is not empowered to re-run any Event, or to re-write any Rules in this Rule Book, or to re-write this general scope of Penalties. Only AMA has the authority to re-write the Rules in the Rule Book. Accordingly, if the National Appeals Panel determines that the specific circumstances surrounding a specific infraction(s) warrants the modification of that specific Penalty Notice, such modification on their part will have no bearing on this Section, or on any future Penalties AMA may issue under the scope of this Section, even if for the same type of infraction(s).

h. The Violation Deterrence System is an evolution of a system that has been developed over many years. Accordingly, Penalties that were issued in the past have factored into the evolution of the current Violation Deterrence System. Be advised however that, if AMA determines that a Penalty should be issued for an infraction, it will use the current General Scope of Penalties (the Violation Deterrence System) as outlined in this Rule Book, or as amended from time to time, as the guide.

i. AMA will review the Violation Deterrence System from time to time and make adjustments as needed. AMA welcomes relevant input from any Credentialed Participant in this regard. However, any decision to adjust this System will be made solely by AMA. If adjustments are made, AMA will notify the Credentialed Participant in a timely manner and will not retroactively adjust any Penalties that have already been issued.

3.1.7 DETERMINATION OF PENALTIES

a. The following structure generally describes the Violation Deterrence System that AMA uses as a guideline when determining Penalties. The descriptions outlined in this Section are not meant to be all-encompassing, or to represent an exhaustive list of every imaginable infraction. Rather, they are meant to clearly explain the general levels of Penalties that will be issued for the general levels of infractions, should AMA determine that a Penalty will be issued.

3.1.8 AT-TRACK AND ON-TRACK VIOLATIONS

a. At-Track and On-Track Violations are subject to the assessment of Penalties for violations of the rules in Section 1.6: Race Rules and Procedures or Section 1.8: AMA Supercross Rules which occur during the course of an Event. The severity of infractions, the timing of when infractions are detected, and the reoccurrence of infractions will determine the penalty to be assessed.

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b. On-Track Violations are related to infractions which occur while a Rider is participating in a competition session. At-Track Violations are related to infractions which occur at all other times.

c. Penalty options listed in the At-Track Violations and Penalty Table and the On-Track Violations and Penalty Table will be issued and enforced at Race Direction's sole discretion. Additional penalties may be issued as circumstances warrant. Subsequent offenses by the same Credentialed Participant may result in escalating penalties. **At-Track and On-Track Penalties are final and not appealable**.

d. **At-Track Violations and Penalty Table**

1. The At-Track Violations and Penalty Table provides guidelines for violations of the rules in Section 1.6: Race Rules and Procedures or Section 1.8: AMA Supercross Rules which occur while a rider is not actively participating in a competition session on the racetrack, including but not limited to:

At-Track Violations and Penalty Table	*1st Offense*	*2nd Offense*	*3rd Offense*
Missing a Rider's Briefing	Warning	$100	$200
Failing to participate in pre-race promoter activities	$500	$1000	$1500
Refusing a broadcaster interview	$1000	$1500	$2000
Skipping post-race promoter & media activities	$1000	$1500	$2000
Failure to utilize appropriate restroom facilities	$1000	$1500	$2000
Failure to comply with direction of Race Officials	Warning	$2500	DQ
Refusing technical inspection	DQ	Suspension	Suspension

e. **On-Track Violations and Penalty Table**

1. On-Track Penalties may be imposed for violations which occur during any on-track session. Penalties may be applied while the session is still active or after a session is complete.

2. The On-Track Violations and Penalty Table provides guidelines for violations of the rules in Section 1.6: Race Rules and Procedures or Section 1.8: AMA Supercross Rules which occur while a rider is participating in a competition session, including but not limited to:

On-Track Violations and Penalty Table	*1st Offense*	*2nd Offense*	*3rd Offense*
Intentionally stopping on track in Practice/Qualifying	Fast Qualifying Lap	2nd Fast Qualifying Lap	Times Disallowed
Jumping the gate	1 Lap	DQ	DQ
Grooming in front of the gate	2 Positions	2 Positions	2 Positions
Intentionally causing a red flag	DQ	DQ + Fine	Suspension
Jumping a staggered restart	Pos. Gained + 2	Pos. Gained + 2	Pos. Gained + 2
Disregarding the blue flag	Warning	1 Position	2 Positions
Disregarding the black flag	DQ	DQ + Fine	Suspension
Track cut/gaining an unfair advantage, Qualifying	Fast Lap	2nd Fast Lap	Times Disallowed
**Track cut/gaining an unfair advantage, Race*	Pos. Gained + 1	Pos. Gained + 1	Pos. Gained + 1
Receiving outside assistance	DQ	DQ	DQ
***Aggressive/reckless riding*	Warning	5 Points + Fine	10 Points + Fine
Red cross flag violation in Practice/Qualifying	Fast Qualifying Lap	2nd Fast Qualifying Lap	Times Disallowed
Red cross violation in a Heat/LCQ/ Triple Crown Race	Pos. Gained + 2	Pos. Gained + 2	Pos. Gained + 2
Red cross violation in a Main Event	Pos. Gained + 5 Points & Purse (2 Pos)	Pos. Gained + 5 Points & Purse (2 Pos)	Pos. Gained + 5 Points & Purse (2 Pos)

** Minimum penalty based on the severity of advantage gained as deemed by Race Direction.*
***Offenses for aggressive/reckless riding cover the entire season.*

f. **At-Track and On-Track Penalty Options**

1. Not all potential violations are covered in the tables above. Race Direction may impose one or more of the following penalties for violations of other rules at-track and on-track procedural rules which are not listed in the tables:
   i. Warning
   ii. Fine
   iii. Loss of fastest qualifying lap time
   iv. Last gate pick

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v. Loss of finishing positions
vi. Total or partial loss of Laps, time or points
vii. Total or partial loss of prize money
viii. Black Flag
ix. Disqualification
x. Suspension
xi. Ejection

g. **Post-Race Penalties**
1. A Competitor may receive a lap, time, position, points or purse penalty or a race disqualification after the completion of the Event if a Competitor is deemed by AMA to have violated:
i. An AMA Rule or a directive from Race Officials
ii. A known Race, Event or Paddock procedure
2. If a Post-Race penalty is imposed which affects the results of a competition session, a scoring correction reflecting the penalty will be permitted prior to the posting of Final Race results.

h. **Application of Penalties**
1. Penalties will be applied according to their penalty category in the following order:
i. On-Track Penalties
ii. At-Track Penalties
iii. Post-Race Penalties
2. If multiple penalties are imposed which affect the results of a competition session:
i. The penalty categories will be applied sequentially, starting with On-Track Penalties, then At-Track Penalties and ending with Post-Race Penalties.
ii. All penalties within each category will be applied before applying penalties from subsequent categories.
iii. Penalties within each category will be applied in sequential order starting from the bottom of the running order and results will be recalculated following the application of each penalty.
iv. Penalties will be imposed on the violating rider with the lowest finishing position, followed by the violating rider with the next highest finishing position, until all penalties within the category have been applied.

3.1.9 RACE DISQUALIFICATION PENALTIES

a. Penalties for Race Disqualification will result in the re-ordering of the Race results in addition to the following:
1. Loss of Points.
2. Loss of Finishing Position.
3. Loss of Prize Money.

3.1.10 TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS AND PENALTY LEVELS

a. Infractions resulting in Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3 Penalties may be found Pre-Race or during Post-Race Technical Inspection.

b. All Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3 Penalties found during Post-Race Technical Inspection shall result in a Race Disqualification. In addition to the Race Disqualification, the infraction may result in one or more additional Penalties as listed in the Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3 Minimum Penalty Options Table.

c. Penalty Levels for failing Post-Qualifying or Post-Race Technical Inspection are outlined in the following table:

Technical Violations	*Post-Qualifying*	*Post-Race*
Maximum Sound	Fast Time Disallowed	Loss of 3 Points
Minimum Weight	Times Disallowed	Level 1
Modified Parts	Level 2	Level 2
Fuel Specifications	Level 2	Level 2
Engine Seal	Level 2	Level 2
Engine Components	Level 2	Level 2
Two-Way Communication	Level 2	Level 2
Displacement Limit	Level 2	Level 2
Superseded Parts	Level 3	Level 3

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Homologation Failure	Level 3	Level 3

d. **Level 1 (L1) Technical Violations** may include, but are not limited to:
   1. Failure to meet minimum weight after a Race Event.
   2. Failure to meet fuel specification requirements.

e. **Level 2 (L2) Technical Violations** may include, but are not limited to:
   1. Failure to meet the engine seal requirements.
   2. Utilizing non-homologated parts and/or assemblies.
   3. Modifications to homologated parts and/or assemblies not rising to an L3 Penalty.
   4. Engine infractions (e.g. displacement and/or internal parts) not meeting the Rules.
   5. Onboard electronics, telemetry or two-way communication not approved in advance by AMA.

f. **Level 3 (L3) Technical Violations** may include, but are not limited to:
   1. Failure to submit and receive approval for the use of superseded homologation parts.
   2. Failure on the part of a manufacturer to fulfill the homologation requirements.

g. **Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 Minimum Penalty Options**
   1. All L1, L2 or L3 Penalties may result in one or more additional Penalties based off the minimum listed in the Minimum Penalty Options Table and Finishing Positions may not count towards eligibility for the Playoffs, advancement in the Playoffs, eligibility for non-Points Events and tie breakers.
   2. The following L1, L2, L3 Minimum Penalty Options Table includes the range of available L1, L2 and L3 Penalties which may be issued for Technical Violations:

L1, L2, L3 Minimum Penalty Options	*Level 1 Penalty*	*Level 2 Penalty*	*Level 3 Penalty*
Supercross Season Points	3	6	25
Team Member Suspension	-	Optional	Optional
Rider Suspension	-	-	Optional
Team Suspension	-	-	Optional
Manufacturer Suspension	-	-	Optional
Supercross Season Fine	$1,000	$5,000	$125,000

3.1.11 SAFETY PENALTIES AND PENALTY OPTIONS

a. Safety is a top priority for AMA. Any violations deemed to compromise the safety of an Event or otherwise pose a dangerous risk to the safety of Competitors, Officials, Promoter Staff, Media, spectators, or others are treated with the highest degree of seriousness. Safety violations will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

b. Safety violations may include, but are not limited to:
   1. Failure to comply with the rules in Rider Apparel and Protective Equipment related to personal safety clothing/equipment or Rider protective clothing/equipment.
   2. Loss or separation of improperly secured components and/or added ballast to the motorcycle.

3.1.12 OTHER PENALTIES

a. For non-Championship Events, AMA, in its sole discretion, may issue a Penalty Notice that varies from the guidelines in the Rule Book.

b. Code of Conduct violations, including the AMA Substance Abuse Policy, Gambling Policy, and Participant Conduct will be subject to a Penalty as outlined in Section 1.4: Code of Conduct Policies.

c. AMA may also issue other types of Penalties as it deems fit for the orderly conduct of the sport that fall outside the scope of this Section. **Penalties in these areas are not appealable in any case**. Those include areas such as, but not limited to:
   1. Event Procedure penalties issued during the running of an Event (paddock speed violation, etc.)
   2. Other Race-related penalties listed elsewhere in the Rules (failing to return a transponder, etc.)
   3. Administrative penalties (insufficient funds, invalid credit card information, etc.)
   4. Penalties issued relative to the Appeals Process (Credentialed Participant held "in contempt", failure to appear and/or testify, etc.)
   5. Emergency actions described in Section 3.1.4: Emergency Action.

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3.1.13 PENALTY NOTICE

a. The Penalty Notice will state which Credentialed Participant(s) receives which portion of a given Penalty relative to a given competition number for infractions in Race Disqualification, L1, L2, L3, Safety and Code of Conduct.

b. In cases where the period of suspension spans across two or more consecutive seasons, and the Credentialed Participant elects not to renew his/her annual Credential during that ensuing time period, then the remaining unserved period of suspension will be applied if and when the Credentialed Participant is accepted by AMA for Credential in the future.

3.1.14 SUSPENSION

a. A suspension may be total or it may be limited to a suspension of Credential and/or License privileges at a particular racetrack or racetracks, and/or for a particular series of Events, and/or for one or more sanctioned Discipline, and/or for a specified or indefinite period of time, and/or as otherwise determined by AMA.

b. Any special conditions for the suspension will be stated on the Penalty Notice.

c. All suspensions are with immediate effect.

d. In general, a Credentialed Participant who is suspended is not eligible to participate in person in any sanctioned activity, nor to enter restricted areas of an Event (e.g. paddock, pits, media center, victory podium, etc.) in which sanctioned Competition or related activities take place.

e. If the Credentialed Participant holds a current Annual Credential/License, that Credential/License shall not be valid during the period of suspension.

f. Other sanctioning body privileges may be suspended during the period of suspension. However, during the period of suspension, the Credentialed Participant is still bound by and subject to this Rule Book and all the obligations of a Licensed/Credentialed Participant.

g. If the Penalty Notice states that a Credentialed Participant is "suspended from AMA" or “suspended from AMA” for a specified or indefinite period of time, then the suspension shall apply to all AMA-sanctioned Events and all AMA-sanctioned Events at all levels of the sport.

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3.2 PROTESTS AND APPEALS

3.2.1 SANCTIONING BODY RESPONSIBILITY

a. Participation in the sport of professional motorcycle racing as sanctioned by AMA is a privilege for all Credentialed Participants.

b. Through this Rule Book, as well as Supplemental Regulations, Bulletins, and/or any applicable agreements to which AMA is a party, AMA promulgates Rules that create safer, fair and orderly motorsports events. During the course of these events, AMA's responsibility as the Sanctioning Body is to ensure that the Rules are enforced in a fair, but decisive manner, and when warranted, to penalize those who violate the Rules.

3.2.2 PROTESTS

a. Unless specifically excluded herein, Riders and Entrants may lodge protests on any matter regarding an event in which they were a participant. Such matters may include, but are not limited to, the conformity of a machine with these rules or the eligibility of a Rider.

b. There are two types of protests: technical and administrative. Technical protests relate to the legality of motorcycles and components used in competition. All other protests will be defined as administrative.

c. Protests must be made within 30 minutes of the posting of provisional results. Final determination of the timeliness of a protest will rest with AMA and such decision will be final to all concerned.

d. Every protest must be made separately and in writing. Each protest must specify the violation of AMA rules or procedures which is alleged and must be accompanied by a filing fee. For a technical protest the filing fee is $1,500, for all other protests the filing fee is $800. AMA will not accept verbal protests or protests which are not accompanied by the required fee.

e. Protests entailing a fuel control must be accompanied by an additional deposit of U.S. $1,000.

f. Protests will not be accepted which concern the decision of AMA Timing & Scoring.

g. Protests will not be accepted on decisions of Race Officials or AMA with respect to the interpretation of AMA rules as they pertain to race procedures or AMA office policies. Such decisions include, but are not limited to, establishment of grids and assignment of starting positions; the start of the race; the control of the motorcycles; the decision to delay, stop or shorten a race; establishment of restart grids; the display of flags; the assessment of finishing position, lap or time penalties; and disqualifications, whether from a single event or the entire race event.

h. If the matter at hand is a dispute between two participants, AMA may mediate the matter in an effort to reach an agreement between the parties; but failing to do so, may convene an appeal board to hear the matter. For these purposes, a dispute between two entrants or Riders is deemed to exist only if one party or the other has filed a formal protest against the other.

i. AMA will render decisions on all protests as soon as possible. If it is not possible to render an immediate decision, AMA may permit a protested Rider to compete under protest. In such cases, payment will be withheld of all affected points and monies pending a decision on the protest.

j. Once made, a protest cannot be withdrawn without the permission of AMA.

k. Any legitimate expense that AMA may incur as the result of a protest must be paid by the protesting party, and AMA may require in advance a deposit from the protesting party sufficient to cover such expenses. If the protest is upheld, however, such costs must be reimbursed by the protested party.

l. If AMA decides a protest in favor of the protesting party, the protest fee will be refunded to the protesting party. A written report detailing the protest action will be forwarded by AMA.

m. If AMA decides a protest in favor of the protested party, AMA will keep the protest fee and produce a written report. However, in the case of a technical protest which involves the teardown or measurement of an engine, the protested party will be entitled to the protest fee.

3.2.3 APPEALS

a. An appeal may be lodged by a party which loses a protest and desires further review of the issue. In general, appeals cannot be accepted related to matters for which no remedy is available. (For instance, no appeal will be heard if the only means of remedy would be to re-run the event.)

b. AMA also recognizes the right of a Credentialed Participant to appeal a Penalty Notice issued for violations of these Rules or a revocation of an AMA License or Credential, unless otherwise provided in these Rules.

c. If a Credentialed Participant wishes to appeal a Penalty Notice or Credential Revocation issued to the Credentialed Participant, that Credentialed Participant must file an appeal to the National Appeals Panel ("Appeals Panel") in accordance with these Rules.

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3.2.4 SCOPE AND JURISDICTION

a. The participants to the appeal agree that the determination of AMA in the event the appeal is determined to be without merit or the appeal board is final, binding and shall not be appealable to AMA, any court, or any other tribunal. The participants to any protest or appeal further agree that the protest and appeal procedures provided for in the AMA Rulebook are the exclusive remedy for the resolution of any disputes and renounce the right to, and shall not pursue, recourse to any arbitrator, court or other tribunal not provided for in the AMA Rulebook. Any attempt to do so shall result in disciplinary action being imposed by AMA in its sole and absolute discretion. Said disciplinary action may include the permanent suspension of the entrant, Rider, crewmember, other individual or motorcycle from participation in AMA sanctioned competition or any lesser disciplinary action deemed warranted by AMA.

b. The participants in the appeal agree that the publication of protests, appeals and the interim and final results of said protests and appeals may at the sole discretion of AMA be released to the public in any media deemed appropriate by AMA. The participants agree that they shall not bring a cause of action against AMA, or its respective directors, trustees, officers, employees, agents and assigns as a result of such publication.

c. A specific denial, suspension, or revocation of Credential may be appealed only once and it may only be appealed in accordance with the same filing deadline and other stipulations in this Section that pertain to appealing a Penalty Notice. If a subsequent request for Credential or reinstatement of Credential for the same matter is again denied by AMA, such subsequent denial is not grounds for further appeal.

d. The scope of an appeal is limited to the facts and circumstances surrounding the violation and the proper application of the AMA Rules as they relate to the facts. Any speculation as to the impact of a Penalty Notice and/or of an Appeals Panel on AMA or a Credentialed Participant or team (e.g. economic hardships, contractual obligations, etc.) is outside the scope of the Appeals Panel's authority and is not to be considered as part of the appeal. A Penalty Notice may consist of several separate Rules that may be cited in the Penalty Notice as well as multiple elements (e.g. fine, Points deductions, suspensions, etc.). For example, the overall Penalty may consist of separate elements that are issued as one Penalty Notice to the Rider regarding Rider Points, another to the Entrant regarding one or more Crew Members, etc. However, they all pertain to the accountability for the same conduct leading to those infractions and overall Penalty; therefore, all the infractions and multiple elements would all fall within the scope of the same Appeal. In cases where there are multiple elements to the Penalty, the Appellant(s) may elect to appeal all or some of the elements of the Penalty.

3.2.5 FILING AN APPEAL

a. Appeals may be lodged by Riders and Entrants to initiate AMA's administrative review process.

b. An appeal must be in writing, signed by the appealing Rider, and must state specifically the elements of the protest, fine, suspension, or technical disqualification being appealed and the grounds for the appeal. The written request must:

1. Identify the applicable Protest, Penalty Notice or Credential Revocation correspondence and state the reason for the appeal.
2. If available at the time, include a list of any and all intended or potential witnesses who agree in advance to testify on your behalf and potentially be called to testify at the hearing; the Appellant may submit and/or update the witness list at any time up to 24 hours in advance of the hearing by notifying the Administrator; all witnesses must be identified on the witness list by name and affiliation or title. Witnesses who do not meet the criteria (i.e. who have not agreed in advance to testify on your behalf) will not be accepted and cannot serve as witnesses on your behalf during the hearing.
3. Include any request for temporary deferral of the Penalty or portions of the Penalty pending an Appeals Hearing. Deferral of the Penalty request must be for a Penalty that is, in fact, allowed to be temporarily deferred under the AMA Rules, since some Penalties may not be deferred, such as substance abuse Penalties. In general, but without limitation, Penalties related to charges of violent crime, trafficking, endangerment, and the like will not be deferred. Deferral is not automatic and is not considered unless requested at the time of filing for the Appeal.
4. Be received at AMA's Ohio headquarters by 5:00 p.m. ET on the second business day after notification to the participant of the ruling or incident in question. The filing period expires at 5:00PM (ET) on the second business day. Once the period for filing has expired, there is no right to appeal and any request for an appeal filed after that time will be rejected.
5. Include a two thousand five hundred dollar ($2500.00) non-refundable appeal filing fee payable to AMA. For Race Disqualification appeals, include a five thousand dollar ($5000.00) non-refundable appeal filing fee payable to AMA (See Section 3.2.20: Race Disqualification Appeal Procedures). The deadline for paying the appeal filing fee is the same as the deadline for filing the appeal in all cases, whether or not the appeal is expedited.

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c. The written request must either be filed at the event or submitted to:

AMA
13515 Yarmouth Dr.
Pickerington, OH 43147
Phone: (614) 856-1900

d. The request submission will not be treated as accepted until the appeal filing fee is received at AMA. Any required laboratory fees must be paid by appealing party and are non-refundable.

e. Appeal requests submitted by any other means will not be accepted. If the request does not comply with the requirements in this Section, it will be treated as incomplete and void.

f. The appealing party will be responsible for producing the following within five days of notification of the decision/incident being appealed:

1. Copies of all written statements which will be offered as evidence at an appeal hearing.
2. A complete list of witnesses to appear at the appeal hearing. Attorneys are not permitted at appeal hearings.

3.2.6 DETERMINATION OF MERIT

a. AMA will review all materials submitted by the appealing party and will, in the interest of deterring unsubstantiated appeals, determine whether, in its sole and absolute discretion, the circumstances of the appeal warrant the convening of an appeal board.

b. Following the submission of an appeal, AMA shall take one of three initial actions:

1. Rule in favor of the appealing party and take appropriate remedial action.
2. Convene an appeal board.
3. Determine the appeal to be without merit.

c. If the appeal is determined to be without merit, an amount in addition to the filing fee may be assessed against the appealing party. This amount will be equal to the actual costs incurred by AMA in making the initial determination and shall be considered a fine under these rules such that all applicable rules regarding fines will apply.

3.2.7 CONVENING OF AN APPEAL BOARD

a. An Appeal Board will only be convened if AMA, in its sole discretion, determines that the circumstances of the appeal warrant such an action.

b. Each appeal board will consist of three Panelists with no material interest in the matter at hand. Selection of the appeal board Panelists shall be at the sole discretion of AMA, which will make every effort to assure a fair and impartial hearing.

c. In seating an appeal board, AMA shall take into consideration the Panelists' availability, background, professional experience and knowledge. If a named Panelist becomes unavailable to serve after being named, AMA will name another Panelist to serve on the hearing instead.

d. AMA will designate an individual who shall serve as non-voting Appeals Administrator of the appeal hearing. No other member of the appeal board will be an employee of AMA.

3.2.8 SCHEDULING OF APPEAL BOARD HEARINGS

a. The time and place of the appeal hearing will be determined by AMA. The appeal hearing will be convened as soon as practical and barring delays will be held no more than 30 days after the ruling/incident being appealed.

b. In scheduling a hearing, AMA will contact both parties in advance of scheduling to determine the earliest practical date, time, and location for the hearing, but the decision of where and when to conduct the hearing is solely at the discretion of AMA. If ongoing conflicts or postponements delay the ability to schedule a hearing in a timely fashion, AMA may make any adjustments necessary in accordance with the Rule Book to convene the hearing and resolve the matter. Such adjustments may include, but are not limited to, changing the location, changing the format to a videoconference, teleconference, or partial conference, changing the named Panelist(s), and/or changing planned testimony from one or more witnesses to written or video statement in lieu of personal appearances.

3.2.9 DEFERRAL OF PENALTY

a. After reviewing the written request for penalty deferral, the Administrator may determine whether the Penalty or elements of the Penalty shall be temporarily deferred until the Appeals Hearing has been conducted.

b. Points penalties may not be deferred, and if the appealing party prevails in the appeal, the practice is to restore Points unless otherwise determined by the Appeals Panel.

c. The Administrator shall have no authority to defer penalties for violations in which the AMA Rules expressly exclude eligibility to deferral pending appeal (e.g. fighting or other destructive behavior, an offense under AMA

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Substance Abuse Policy or for operating a motorcycle or any motor vehicle in such a manner as to endanger the life or limb of other Riders, officials or the public).

d. If the Administrator temporarily defers the Penalty or portions of the Penalty, but later the Appeals Panel upholds the original penalty in whole or in part, it may reinstate the original Penalty from the date of the appeal decision, or take such other action as it deems appropriate to effectuate in whole or in part the penalty, including without limitation, dis-allowance of finishing position, Points and/or prize money otherwise earned in any Event during the period of temporary deferral of the penalty. For example, if the deferral included a suspension which was upheld by the Panel, then the suspension would normally commence from the conclusion of the hearing. If portions of a multiple Race suspension have already been served prior to the hearing, or if a deferral had been granted after part of the suspension had already been served, the balance of the suspension would normally commence immediately after a Panel upholds the Penalty.

e. All temporary penalty deferral decisions are in the sole discretion of AMA. A deferral issued under this Section expires upon the conclusion of the Appeals Hearing.

3.2.10 PRESUMPTION OF INNOCENCE

a. When an appeal is before an Appeals Panel, the burden of proof for the appeals proceeding is on AMA to show that it is more likely than not that:

1. A violation occurred.
2. The Penalty assessed is within the scope of the Rules.

3.2.11 COST BOND

a. AMA may require Appellants to post an adequate bond to cover the costs of the appeal or any reasonably foreseeable economic harm to the Appeals Panel, AMA or other Credentialed Participants that might be caused by the appeal.

b. Failure to post a required bond prior to the commencement of the hearing may invalidate the Appellant's request to appeal.

3.2.12 APPEAL SUMMARIES

a. In order to assist Appeals Panelists to have a better understanding of the issues to be addressed at a hearing, both parties must file with AMA a brief written summary presenting their case in the appeal ("Appeal Summary").

b. Summaries shall be sent to AMA electronically by email and must meet the following requirements:

1. May not be longer than two pages (standard-size letter paper, Times New Roman size 12 font, single spaced).
2. Any attachments or appendices which either side intends to present during the hearing must be included with the Appeal Summary when submitted to AMA. Attachments or appendices may include, but are not limited to, video, written statements, diagrams, photographs, charts, etc., in addition to the maximum two-page summary.

c. Appeal Summaries must be filed with AMA by the deadline of 5:00PM (ET) two business days immediately preceding the beginning of the hearing, unless AMA determines that the scheduled time of the hearing necessitates an adjusted deadline.

d. During expedited or Race Disqualification appeal proceedings, and due to the time requirements associated with these types of proceedings, Appeal Summaries must be submitted by 5:00PM (ET) the day before the hearing date.

e. Appeal Summaries must honor the spirit of the AMA Appeals process, in that the summary will be a precise and fact-based description of the party's perception of the facts and does not resemble a formal legal document. The summary may not contain any misrepresentations or personal attacks on any individuals involved in the matter.

f. AMA shall distribute Appeals Summaries to the Appeals Panelists and shall also provide a copy to the other party not less than 24 hours in advance of a hearing, unless it is an expedited or Race Disqualification appeal.

g. Appeals Summaries shall be confidential and not released to the public by either party, or shared or discussed via social media in any manner, whether in whole or in part. Release to the public may result in a penalty.

3.2.13 APPEARANCE OF PARTIES AT AN APPEALS PANEL HEARING

a. Appearance at the hearing will be the responsibility of the involved parties. If the appealing party fails to appear, the appeal board may go forward with the hearing. In the event of a documented emergency on the part of the appealing Rider, the hearing may be delayed.

b. Credentialed Participants, whether a party to the appeal or a witness to the incident in question, may appear in person, by telephone (non-speaker phone, except in the hearing room), or by videoconference in hearings

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before the Appeals Panelists, subject to approval by AMA, or may provide written, oral, or video testimony. However, a witness for either party may also be a non-Credentialed Participant.

c. The Appellant(s) may not appear through legal counsel or have legal counsel present during any portion of the hearing or testimony.

d. Race Officials in the hearing may not be represented by legal counsel or have legal counsel present during any testimony.

e. Both parties may be in the hearing room to hear both sides present evidence and during rebuttals. A party to the hearing is defined as:

1. The individual(s) named in the Penalty Notice(s) and/or one representative of the organization named in the Penalty Notice(s) as approved by AMA. If more than one individual is named in the Penalty Notice then not all named individuals must attend, but at least one party named in the Penalty Notice must attend and present the appealing party's side of the appeal.
2. Race Officials, Event Workers and/or Promoter Staff, as approved by AMA.

f. If appearance by telephone (non-speaker phone, except in the hearing room) or video conference is approved by the Administrator, the party or parties (but not witnesses) appearing by telephone shall be permitted full access to the hearing, in its entirety, except the private deliberations of the Panelists.

g. Recording of the proceedings by any party, AMA, and/or witnesses, is prohibited whether appearing in person or via telephone or videoconference.

3.2.14 AUTHORITY TO SUMMON TO TESTIFY

a. The Appeals Panel may direct the Administrator to summon any Credentialed Participant to testify during a hearing. However, neither AMA nor the Appealing party shall request the Panel or the Administrator to summon any Credentialed Participant.

b. In the discretion of the Panel, the summons may be for a Credentialed Participant to appear in person or via phone per the Rules in this Section.

c. Any Credentialed Participant who is summoned to testify and refuses or fails to appear and/or testify may be subject to disciplinary actions as deemed appropriate by AMA, including indefinite suspension or termination of their AMA Credential.

d. If the Appeals Panel finds a Credentialed Participant, the Appealing party, and/or the Race Officials to be "in contempt" during a hearing, which may be the result from, but is not limited to, such Credentialed Participant's unwillingness to cooperate by providing complete and truthful testimony to the best of his or her knowledge, failing to follow procedures, and/or being disruptive or threatening then that person may be subject to disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by AMA.

3.2.15 ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS DURING AN APPEALS PANEL HEARING

a. The Administrator will ensure that the proceedings are executed in a timely and appropriate manner. Unless otherwise set forth by the Administrator, the hearing shall proceed in the following manner:

1. Administrator calls proceedings to order;
2. Witness may be present in the hearing room and/or on teleconference and/or on video conference during the opening instructions;
3. As part of the opening instructions, the Administrator reads the penalty and basic facts of the violation and provides a brief explanation about how the hearing will be conducted;
4. At the conclusion of the opening instructions, all witnesses are dismissed until called upon to individually testify.

b. The Appeals Administrator may choose to invoke the witness rule if special circumstances warrant. Unless invoked, all witnesses not a party to the proceeding must remain outside the hearing room until individually called to testify and not discuss their testimony with anyone. Following a witness's testimony, that witness leaves the hearing room prior to the next witness being called. In either case, parties to the hearing may remain in the hearing room to hear both sides present evidence and rebuttal.

c. If, during the hearing, AMA or the appealing party distribute handouts, project slides, graphs, presentations, or the like on a screen, then they should bring a sufficient number of hard copies of the same so that each party to the hearing receives a copy while the distribution or presentation is being made. Such material is confidential and not to be shared with anyone outside of the hearing.

d. Since AMA has the burden of proving its case, AMA presents evidence, witnesses, etc. first. Such presentation is not to be interrupted by the appealing party; conversely, AMA cannot ask questions directly of the appealing party.

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e. At the conclusion of AMA's presentation, the Appealing party presents evidence, witnesses, etc. Such presentation is not to be interrupted by AMA; conversely, the Appealing party cannot ask questions directly of AMA.

f. After both sides have made their presentations, a brief huddle period will be permitted during which the hearing is paused and both parties may leave the room to coordinate with their respective sides in preparation for rebuttals. The Administrator will determine the time allotted for the huddle period, but it will generally be 15 minutes in duration. Following the huddle period, the hearing will reconvene and move into the optional rebuttals as follows.

g. At the conclusion of the Appealing party presentation, AMA, at its discretion, is permitted an opportunity for rebuttal. Such rebuttal may also include recalling any of AMA's witnesses or providing information that clarifies evidence that AMA had previously presented. Such rebuttal is not to be interrupted by the Appealing party; conversely, AMA cannot ask questions directly of the Appealing party during rebuttal. Subject to the Appeal Panel's discretion, new evidence or unscheduled witnesses may be permitted only to directly rebut assertions or evidence arising from the Appealing party presentation.

h. At the conclusion of AMA's rebuttal, the Appealing party, at its discretion, is permitted an opportunity for rebuttal. Such rebuttal may also include recalling any of the Appealing party's witnesses or providing information that clarifies evidence that the Appealing party had previously presented. Such rebuttal is not to be interrupted by AMA; conversely, the Appealing party cannot ask questions directly of AMA during rebuttal. Subject to the Appeal Panel's discretion, new evidence or unscheduled witnesses may be permitted only to directly rebut assertions or evidence arising from AMA's rebuttal.

i. Since AMA carries the burden of proof, then at the conclusion of the Appealing party rebuttal if the Appealing party offers one, AMA shall be permitted as the last to argue, explain, or present rebuttal on the facts and violation to the Appeals Panel, without interruption by the Appealing party and without the ability of AMA to ask questions directly of the Appealing party.

j. Appeals Panelists may ask questions of either party or any witnesses at any time during the presentations, rebuttals, or AMA's final presentation.

k. During the hearing, the Appealing party and the Race Official presenting AMA's case may text or email questions back and forth with others on their side; however, not with third parties or in any fashion that would violate the confidentiality of the hearing.

l. Before moving to the Deliberation phase of the hearing, the Administrator will provide a brief overview and explanation of the deliberation process as it is stipulated in the Rule Book to the Appeals Panelist(s) and to both parties, and provide a blank Decision Form to the Appeals Panelists.

m. Both parties and the Administrator will then leave the hearing room to allow the Panelists to deliberate in private.

n. The Deliberation Process is private to the Appeals Panel, and the Appeals Panel is expected to not discuss their deliberations regarding the appeal with others. If Panelists have questions during deliberations, they may ask the Administrator procedural questions or pass questions through the Administrator to the parties.

o. Upon reaching a decision, the Appeals Panel will notify the Administrator who will call the parties back into the hearing room and then receive the Decision Form from the Appeals Panel.

p. The decision will be announced to the parties by the Administrator who will then advise the parties of any additional applicable information and then formally close the proceedings.

3.2.16 THE DELIBERATION PHASE

a. Upon the presentation of all evidence and testimony by both parties, the Appeals Panel shall deliberate in private and then issue a decision, or retire for further private deliberation at its sole discretion.

b. Upon reaching a decision on the matter, the Appeals Panel as a group shall complete the Decision Form provided by the Administrator.

3.2.17 FINDING OF FACT/PENALTY REVIEW

a. Appeals Panel decisions shall be made in a two-step process.

1. Step One: The Appeals Panel is to first make a decision on whether AMA has shown that it is more likely than not that there has been a violation of the AMA Rule Book, Supplementary Regulations, Bulletins or any applicable agreements, which are cited in the Penalty Notice. If the Appeals Panel determines that any of the Rules that were cited in the Penalty Notice have been violated, then the Appeals Panel will state this on the Decision Form. If the Appeals Panel determines that one or more of the Rules cited were violated, but not all Rules that were cited, then the Panel will state this on the Decision Form. If the Appeals Panel determines a violation has not occurred, then the Appeals Panel may decide to rescind the Penalty. If the

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Penalty is rescinded then, if applicable, any Points that were deducted in the Penalty Notice will be reinstated by AMA.

2. Step Two: If a violation is found, the Appeals Panel may then proceed to the Penalty Review phase, in which the original Penalty issued by AMA is reviewed in light of the Rule Book and the information presented during the hearing. If the Panel determines that the original Penalty is correct, then it may uphold the original Penalty. If the Appeals Panel determines that the Penalty should be modified, then the Panel will state the reason on the Decision Form and modify the Penalty accordingly. If a Penalty is modified, it may be increased or decreased within the minimum and maximum Penalty ranges prescribed for the violation level. If the Panel decides to increase or decrease the Penalty, it may request additional information from the Administrator regarding the Rule Book and the Violation Deterrence System, in general, and/or with other provisions. The Appeals Panel may not completely remove any element of the originally assessed Penalty provided in the Penalty Notice; modifications to a Penalty are limited to the minimum and maximum ranges, as listed in the Rule Book. By way of example, if AMA assessed a Penalty that consisted of Points reductions, monetary fines, and suspensions, all three elements of the originally assessed Penalty must remain, but the amount of each element could be adjusted within the minimum and maximum Penalty ranges.

b. If the Decision Form is incomplete (e.g. one of the Panelists did not sign), and/or comments/notes added by the Appeals Panel are unclear in some fashion, and/or the decision contradicts the Rule Book as outlined in the section herein without explanation, then the Administrator shall call this to the attention of the Appeals Panel upon receiving the Decision Form. The Appeals Panelists can clarify and/or rectify the matter at that time or elect to continue private deliberations to amend any comments/notes or resolve any contradictions.

3.2.18 VOTING

a. NOTE: This Section does not apply to Race Disqualification Appeals.

b. In order for the Appeals Panel to issue a binding decision, at least a majority of the voting Panelists must concur on the decision. Decisions do not have to be unanimous. The Decision Form will not indicate each Panelist's individual vote. Instead, it will state the decision of the majority.

c. If the appeal board members do not feel they can make a decision based on the evidence made available to them at the appeal hearing, they will have up to seven days to conduct further investigations and reach their decision. If no formal decision has been reached within seven days of the appeal hearing, the appeal board will be dismissed. At that point the AMA must either mediate a resolution to the appeal or convene a new appeal board.

d. The Administrator will not have any authority to vote on or determine the resolution of an appeal.

e. If the Appeals Panel determines that the proceedings with respect to any appeal have been instituted or continued by any Credentialed Participant for frivolous purposes and/or without merit, the reasonable cost of such proceedings shall be assessed against the Credentialed Participant who instituted or continued such proceedings.

3.2.19 EXECUTION OF DECISION

a. Upon completion of the Decision Form by the Appeals Panel, the Panel will alert the Administrator who will then bring the parties into the hearing room, receive the Decision Form from the Panel, announce the decision to the parties, notify the Appealing party of any subsequent appeal options, if relevant, and formally close the hearing. Once the Deliberation Phase has begun, the parties and/or witnesses are not required to remain at the location of the hearing.

b. If the Penalty is upheld and a deferral had previously been issued, the Administrator will instruct AMA to make any normal adjustments to the original Penalty Notice to account for the deferral (e.g. adjusting the start date for suspensions to the date of the Appeals Hearing, reinstituting the fine, etc.) unless the Appeals Panel indicates that further adjustments to the original Penalty Notice are required.

3.2.20 RACE DISQUALIFICATION APPEAL PROCEDURES

a. Due to the exigent nature and ramifications, all Race Disqualification Penalties will be subject to the procedures outlined herein if appealed.

b. AMA must make a request to the Administrator for the appeals process to be handled using the procedures outlined in this Section.

c. If the Administrator grants the request, the Administrator shall send both the Credentialed Participant and AMA a Race Disqualification Appeal Notice containing the following information:

1. The expedited deadline the Credentialed Participant must file for an appeal.

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2. If filed, the date the hearing would tentatively be held in the week following the date listed on the Penalty Notice.
3. Instructions stating that both parties are to inform the Administrator in advance of the hearing of what witnesses will potentially be called to testify on their behalf.

d. To file an appeal, the appealing party must meet the deadline for appeals provided herein as well as include a non-refundable five thousand dollar ($5000.00) expedited appeal filing fee payable to AMA.

3.2.21 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

a. AMA recognizes that for Panelists to be knowledgeable about motorsports that they may be part of the racing community and may have a variety of relationships throughout the industry. Yet, it is of extreme importance to AMA that its Credentialed Participants and the public have confidence in the integrity and impartiality of AMA's appeal process, and each Panelist considered for an appeal is asked to discuss any potential conflict they perceive, regarding their service during an appeal, with the Administrator.

b. If the Panelist concludes that a conflict exists or there is an appearance of a conflict, the Panelist will notify the Administrator and be replaced by the Administrator with another Panelist, and all parties will be notified.

c. A conflict of interest may consist of, but is not limited to, financial relationships with any of the parties, and a current or historical working or business relationship with any one of the parties, or anything that may otherwise lead to the appearance of impropriety or impairs the integrity of the hearing or decision.

d. A conflict or the appearance of a conflict does not exist simply because the Panelist and parties know each other and have worked together; rather, the relationship must be of a nature that makes it difficult for the Panelist to render an impartial decision.

3.2.22 NO COMMUNICATION WITH APPEALS PANEL OUTSIDE OF HEARING

a. No Credentialed Participant, Competitor, Entrant, motorcycle sponsor, or other representatives of the appealing party, or the Race Officials involved, may contact or discuss the subject matter of the appeal with any Appeals Panelists outside of the hearing; this includes prior to, during, and after the hearing.

b. Any effort by any party to unfairly influence a Panelist of an appeal board may result in disciplinary action. For these purposes any effort to discuss the matter under appeal prior to the hearing will be considered an attempt at influencing the appeal board member.

3.2.23 PUBLIC STATEMENTS

a. AMA shall be permitted to publicly disclose or announce scheduling details or pre-hearing decisions of the Administrator.

b. After the hearing has begun, the proceedings shall be treated as confidential, and all parties are prohibited from releasing public statements about the proceedings.

c. This prohibition ends after the Administrator has announced the decision of the Appeals Panel to the parties and the decision is then subsequently sent to the parties as outlined below.

d. The purpose of this Rule is to ensure the fairness of the proceedings and allow the Appeals Panel to make its determination based only on evidence provided at the hearing.

e. Only after a decision is reached and published by AMA can parties make such statement(s) they deem appropriate. The written decision will be emailed by the Administrator to the parties electronically as soon as possible after the hearing is formally closed, and prior to AMA publication.

f. Under no circumstances will Appeals Panelists be permitted to discuss publicly the details of the appeals hearing and/or their deliberations.

3.2.24 PUBLICATION OF DECISION

a. AMA shall have the right to publish any decision of the Appeals Panel, including without limitation, the names of the parties involved and the Appeals Panel justification for modifying or rescinding a Penalty.

b. A Credentialed Participant or other witness involved in an Appeals hearing before the Appeals Panel shall have no claim or cause of action of any kind against AMA, it's Credentialed Participants, employees, affiliates, the Appeals Panel, the Promoters or any publisher of any information relating to the final decision, including but not limited to, claims of defamation, slander, and/or libel, since any such claim(s) shall be deemed to have been waived by the appeal.

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3.3 GLOSSARY

3.3.1 TERMINOLOGY

a. **AMA**. American Motorcyclist Association
b. **Aftermarket**. Produced by a manufacturer or fabricator other than the original equipment manufacturer.
c. **Bodywork**. Bodywork, seat, radiator shrouds, side plates and fenders
d. **cc**. (acronym) Cubic centimeters
e. **Casting**. The solidified part produced by a mold
f. **CMO**. (acronym) Chief Medical Officer
g. **Chief Technical Inspector**. Race Official responsible for the inspection of motorcycles and equipment compliance before, during and after an event, as well as other technical and equipment procedures.
h. **Competition Session**. On-track activity, including but not limited to, Practice, Timed Qualifying and Races
i. ***Credentialed*** **Participant**. Every Rider, mechanic, crew member, club, association, company, promoter and all other persons participating or in any way connected with an AMA race event ***that has been issued a season credential or single event pass.***
j. **Discipline**. The official sanctioning designation for a distinct category of professional motorcycle racing, which requires the development of a specific set of rules, regulations and procedures to govern the competition
k. **Displacement**. The volume swept by the piston in each stroke
l. **Disqualification**. The loss of position, points, forfeiture of purse and/or awards earned in one or more races during the event
m. **DOT**. (acronym) United States Department of Transportation
n. **Entrant**. The entity responsible for the entry of a participating Rider, e.g., Manufacturer, Team Corporate Entity, or the Rider themselves.
o. **Event**. An AMA-sanctioned competition scheduled at a facility for one or multiple days and all associated on-track and off-track activity
p. **Field**. All of the Riders that compete in a race
q. **Grid**. Starting area of a race
r. **Heat Race** - A qualifying race that determines which Riders advance to the Last Chance Qualifier or Main Event.
s. **Homologation**. AMA approval process initiated by manufacturers or distributors of motorcycles. Only approved motorcycles may be utilized in AMA competition
t. **Last Chance Qualifier (LCQ)** - A final qualifying race for those Riders who did not qualify from a previous session.
u. **Manufacturer**. The original manufacturer of a motorcycle (not the distributor)
v. **Marshal**. A flagger or observer placed by the Race Steward around the racetrack to assist in the running of the meet
w. **Mechanics Area** - Designated area directly adjacent to the racetrack that may include staging and signal zones. Access is limited to mechanics, officials or those with appropriate track pass credentials.
x. **Meet**. A meeting at which one or more events are held
y. **Model**. A reference to a particular year and name assigned by manufacturers to certain motorcycles
z. **Moto**. A race held within an event that awards championship points and/or contributes to overall results
aa. **Motorcycle**. A rear wheel driven, two wheeled vehicle that is powered by a single engine for the purpose of racing
bb. **OEM**. (acronym) Original equipment manufacturer
cc. **Official Results**. A listing of the final finishing order of an event issued by scoring after the 30-minute protest period has expired
dd. **Paddock**. Designated area primarily used for maintenance of event-entered competition motorcycles. May also include parking area for motorcycle transport and support vehicles
ee. **Pit Crew**. Mechanics and/or assistants
ff. **Pits**. Designated area directly adjacent to the racetrack that may include staging and signal zones. Access is limited to mechanics, Race Officials or those with appropriate track pass credentials

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gg. **Program**. The predetermined outline of events that make up a meet

hh. **Provisional Results**. An initial listing of the finishing order of an event issued by scoring immediately following the race finish

ii. **Promoter**. Any person or number of persons, company, corporation or club hosting, producing or organizing an event

jj. **Qualify**. To advance to a final event by timed qualifying or qualifying race finish position

kk. **Qualifying Race**. A preliminary race that may be used for elimination or to determine race starting positions

ll. **Race** - Competition session in which two or more Riders compete against each other.

mm. **Race Direction**. Race Officials responsible for the overall management and direction of all racing competition and activities, rule interpretations, event entries, protests and penalties

nn. **Race Position**. A Rider's position based on the distance covered relative to the race leader

oo. **Racetrack**. The actual racing surface and runoff areas, plus the pit road, grid and a test track (when provided), along with any other area where the riding of competition motorcycles is permitted

pp. **Rider**. Any person who competes on the racetrack during an event

qq. **Scoring**. Officials who provide all official timing information and race results

rr. **Signal Area**. Area of restricted access for mechanics to signal Riders and/or perform mechanical assistance

ss. **Stadium Floor**. The floor area in the open-air part of the stadium

tt. **Staging or Starting Area** - The location where Riders and machines are assembled prior to the start of an event.

uu. **Starting Gate**. Any of various types of movable barriers for lining up and giving an equal start to the Riders

vv. **Stock**. Parts manufactured and delivered by the OEM, which are identical to the parts installed on the motorcycle by the OEM before retail sale

ww. **Superseded**. This term refers to new OEM parts that replace old parts for increased safety or durability but not to improve performance

xx. **Suspension** (with reference to penalties). The loss of all rights to compete as a Rider or participate as a member of a pit crew for a stated period

yy. **Technical Inspector**. Technician who inspects motorcycles and equipment of Riders participating in an event.

zz. **Timed Qualifying**. A timed session using electronic timing and scoring to determine qualifying order based on each Rider's fastest laps.

aaa. **Transponders**. The official electronic scoring device for events. Devices are mounted to motorcycles by race officials during Technical Inspection. The devices send electronic signals to the scoring office enabling the capture of accurate timing information by which race results are determined.

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SECTION 4 - SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

4.1 ADMINISTRATION OF THIS POLICY

4.1.1 PREAMBLE

a. The safety and integrity of professional motorcycle racing are of paramount concern to AMA. Substance abuse is fundamentally inconsistent with safety and with the integrity of motorcycle sport. Accordingly, AMA has established this Substance Abuse Policy, which is a supplement to AMA's Rules for Competition, and which is binding upon all Licensed participants in the same manner and to the same extent as AMA Rules for Competition. All participants applying for any AMA membership must agree to the following:

b. "I recognize the importance of maintaining the safety and integrity of professional motorcycle racing. Accordingly, I agree to strictly comply with AMA's Rules for Professional Competition and AMA's Substance Abuse Policy. I understand that my agreement to comply with the Substance Abuse Policy is an essential precondition to the issuance of a professional License and that I must abide by the Substance Abuse Policy and submit to such testing procedures as may be conducted from time to time at the sole discretion of AMA as a condition of continued licensure. I further understand that any violation of the Substance Abuse Policy, or failure or refusal to submit to testing and honestly participate in any testing procedure, will result in immediate disciplinary action which may include the suspension of my AMA competition License or membership and the denial of my privilege to participate in any AMA sanctioned events."

c. The AMA Substance Abuse Policy is provided to AMA Licensed participants in accordance with the AMA License agreement. Compliance with the AMA Substance Abuse Policy, and participation in its testing program, is mandatory for all credentialed participants and is essential to the safety of professional motorcycling activity.

4.1.2 AMA SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

a. Through a comprehensive testing program, AMA's Substance Abuse Policy rules are designed to keep Events safe for everyone and provide a level playing field. Strong testing programs save lives, prevent injury, gives AMA Participants additional reasons to say no to illegal drugs and help identify people with substance abuse issues and facilitate their treatment. To those ends, AMA prohibits the misuse of alcohol, prescription drugs, and any other substance used in a manner that affects safety or impacts the integrity of the competition, including but not limited to illegal or performance enhancing substances. All AMA Participants are responsible for whatever goes into their body.

b. This policy is a supplement to AMA's Rules for Competition which is binding upon all credentialed Participants in the same manner and to the same extent as AMA Rules for Competition.

4.1.3 ADMINISTRATION OF THE POLICY

a. The Policy of this program is governed by AMA, but it is administered and implemented through a program administrator, testing laboratories, medical review officers, and substance abuse professionals.

4.1.4 PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR (PA)

a. AMA has designated Dr. Mindy Shelby, Ph.D., Aegis Sciences Corporation ("Aegis") as the program administrator (PA).

b. The PA is responsible for, among other things, administering collection of samples/collections under this Policy, coordinating secure shipment of specimens to the testing facility, ensuring thorough and accurate scientific testing of specimens, determining whether any AMA credentialed Participant has tested positive for ingestion of drugs, alcohol or prohibited substances or otherwise violated this Policy, and informing AMA and the AMA Participant of any such violation. In making this determination, the PA shall consider all information derived from the testing process, as well as all information derived from the independent investigation of the Medical Review Officer (MRO).

c. The PA will also facilitate evaluations for AMA Participants for the Return to Competition Program by coordinating evaluations with the appropriate substance abuse professional for advising on the creation of a Return to Competition Program that may include substance abuse counseling, treatment or rehabilitation.

4.1.5 TESTING LABORATORY

a. All testing pursuant to this Policy will be done at the AMA designated Testing Laboratory.

b. AMA has designated Aegis Sciences Corporation (Aegis) of Nashville, TN to administer the collection, transport, and testing of urine, blood and/or saliva specimens pursuant to this Policy and to communicate the results to the PA and MRO as needed.

c. AMA reserves the right to designate other appropriately qualified testing facilities, as needed to facilitate this Policy, throughout the year.

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4.1.6 THE MEDICAL REVIEW OFFICER (MRO)

a. AMA, in its sole discretion, shall designate a Medical Doctor as the independent MRO of this Policy. AMA has designated Douglas Aukerman, MD as the Medical Review Officer.

b. The MRO is an independent and impartial physician responsible for receiving and reviewing laboratory results generated pursuant to this Policy and determining whether there is a legitimate medical explanation for a positive drug test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, or other non-negative test.

c. The MRO designated by AMA shall be a board-certified Sports Medicine physician and a medical review officer certified by the American Association of Medical Review Officers (AAMRO).

d. AMA reserves the right to designate other MROs, as needed, to facilitate this Policy throughout the year.

4.1.7 THE EVENT PARTICIPANT ADVOCATE (EPA)

a. AMA, in its sole discretion, may designate an Event Participant Advocate (EPA).

b. The EPA is an impartial member of the administrative team that is responsible for assisting the Participant with any questions or concerns throughout the program process.

c. It is recommended but not mandatory that the Participant contact the EPA as soon as they are notified of the initial test results.

4.2 AMA PARTICIPANTS SUBJECT TO TESTING

a. This policy is provided to AMA credentialed Participants in accordance with the AMA License agreement. Compliance with the AMA Substance Abuse Policy, and participation in its testing program, is mandatory for all credentialed Participants and is essential to the safety of professional motorcycling activity.

4.2.1 DRUG TESTING

a. AMA will regularly test any credentialed Participant whose performance at an AMA Event potentially affects the safety of themselves, other AMA Participants, spectators and guests.

4.2.2 PERFORMANCE ENHANCING DRUG TESTING

a. AMA reserves the right to test any credentialed Participant, whose use of illegal or performance enhancing drugs (PED) or substances could alter or enhance their performance at an AMA Event to create an unfair advantage or impact the integrity of competition.

4.3 PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES AND ACTS

4.3.1 PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

a. For the purpose of this Policy, prohibited substances are those substances that, in the PA's and the MRO's determination, in consultation with AMA, may adversely affect the safety and well-being and performance of an AMA Participant at an AMA Event, including without limitation illegal drugs such as marijuana (THC) and cocaine.

b. The PA and the MRO, in consultation with AMA, may make this determination with respect to a particular substance at any time, including and without limitation at the time of discovery of the substance following a drug test.

c. For the purposes of these rules, federal bans and definitions of illegal substances supersede any state and/or local ordinance, regulation or law allowing use of a substance.

d. AMA Credentialed Participants are prohibited from using, having in their system, possessing, purchasing, selling and/or participating in the distribution of any drug that is illegal to possess, use, and/or distribute by the laws of the United States of America and/or any of its 50 states, regardless of the amount, at any time.

e. Illegal acquisition and/or illegal distribution of any prescription or over-the-counter medication are strictly prohibited at any time.

f. STIMULANTS

1. Including without limitation:

i. Cocaine
ii. Amphetamine
iii. Methamphetamine
iv. Ecstasy (MDMA)
v. Eve (MDEA)
vi. MDA

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vii. PMA
viii. Phentermine, and other amphetamine derivatives and related compounds

g. NARCOTIC ANALGESICS
1. Including without limitation:
i. Fentanyl
ii. Hydromorphone
iii. Meperidine
iv. Methadone
v. Morphine
vi. Oxycodone
vii. Oxymorphone
viii. Heroin and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compounds
ix. Codeine, dihydrocodeine, hydrocodone, and codeine analogs and related compounds (including those available over the counter in some countries if taken for a non-medical use)

h. EPHEDRINE CLASS
1. Ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compound as well as pseudoephedrine (even if purchased as an over-the-counter medication without a prescription) if used:
i. in a manner that is inconsistent with the instructions provided by the drug manufacturer (e.g., use in concentrations or amounts in excess of the manufacturer's recommended dose); or
ii. in a manner or an amount that may cause an increased risk to health, safety, or an impairment of ability to perform his/her duties in relation to an AMA Event.

i. BENZODIAZEPINES
1. Including without limitation:
i. Alprazolam
ii. Diazepam
iii. Lorazepam (Ativan)
iv. Oxazepam (Serax)
v. Temazepam (Restoril)
vi. Alpha-hydroxy-alprazolam (Xanax)
vii. Nordiazepam (Valium) and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compounds

j. BARBITURATES
1. Including without limitation:
i. Amobarbital (Amytal)
ii. Butalbital (Anolor 300, Esgic, Fioricet, Fiorinal)
iii. Phenobarbital (Luminol, Solfoton)
iv. Pentobarbital (Nembutal, Nembutal Sodium)
v. Secobarbital (Seconal) and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compounds

k. PERFORMANCE ENHANCING DRUGS
1. Including without limitation: Human Growth Hormone (hGH), Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (hCG), Luetenizing Hormone (LH) and Insulin-like Growth Factor (IGF-1), clenbuterol, anabolic androgenic steroids ("AAS"), including without limitation:
i. Androstenediol
ii. Androstendione
iii. Bolasterone
iv. Boldenone
v. Chloroxomesterone (dehydrochlormethyltestosterone)
vi. Clostebol
vii. Dehydroepiandrosterone

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viii. Dihydrotestosterone
ix. Dromostanolone
x. Epitestosterone
xi. 4-Chlortestosterone
xii. Fluoxymesterone
xiii. Formebolone
xiv. Furazabol
xv. Mesterolone
xvi. Methandienone (Methadrostenolone)
xvii. Methandriol
xviii. Methenolone
xix. Methylclostebol
xx. Methyltestosterone
xxi. Methyltrienolone
xxii. Mibolerone
xxiii. Nandrolone
xxiv. Norandrostendione
xxv. Norethandrolone
xxvi. Norethindrone
xxvii. Oxabolone
xxviii. Oxandrolone
xxix. Oxymesterone
xxx. Oxymetholone
xxxi. Stanozolol
xxxii. Stenbolone
xxxiii. Testosterone
xxxiv. Trenbolone

l. MUSCLE RELAXERS
1. Including without limitation, carisoprodol (Soma) and meprobamate (Miltown, Meprospan).

m. SLEEP AIDS
1. Including without limitation, zolpidem (Ambien).

n. BETA BLOCKERS
1. Including without limitation, the following drugs and related compounds:
i. Acebutolol
ii. Alprenolol
iii. Amosulalol
iv. Atenolol
v. Betaxolol
vi. Bisoprolol
vii. Carteolol
viii. Esmolol
ix. Landiolol
x. Levobunolol
xi. Mepindolol
xii. Metipranolol
xiii. Metoprolol
xiv. Nadolol
xv. Nebivolol

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xvi. Oxprenolol
xvii. Penbutolol
xviii. Pindolol
xix. Propranolol
xx. Sotalol
xxi. Tilisolol
xxii. Timolol

4.3.2 MEDICAL AND NON-MEDICAL USE OF PRESCRIPTION AND OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS

a. AMA recognizes that there are many prescription and over-the-counter medications that serve essential or beneficial purposes for the health and well-being of AMA Participants, and nothing in this Policy is intended to discourage the proper use of these medications.
b. Some medications, even when properly used, may adversely affect the safety and integrity of competition for motorsports events.
c. For example, many types of cough medicines contain codeine, which is a potent narcotic that may result in drowsiness or diminished alertness.
d. Misuse or non-medical use of a prohibited, prescription, or over-the-counter medication by an AMA credentialed Participant is prohibited, and the MRO will examine whether:
    1. the medication was used in a manner inconsistent with the instructions provided by the manufacturer, pharmacist and/or the prescribing physician;
    2. the medication causes a competitive advantage, or a diminished or impaired ability to perform duties on the day of an Event;
    3. the medication was used without a valid prescription for an appropriate medical indication from a credentialed and treating physician;
    4. the AMA Participant failed to advise the issuing physician that another physician was prescribing the same and/or similar medication; and/or
    5. the medication was prescribed more than 6 months prior to an AMA Event.
e. For the purposes of these rules, federal bans and definitions of illegal substances supersede any state and/or local ordinance, regulation or law permitting the use of a substance.

4.3.3 ALCOHOL

a. An AMA credentialed Participant is prohibited from consuming any alcohol 12 hours prior to or during any AMA on-track activity or Event.
b. An AMA credentialed Participant with breath, urine, saliva, or blood alcohol level above 20mg per 100ml (.02%) at the time of testing is deemed unfit for racing, participating or officiating in an AMA Event.
c. Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude a Race Official from determining that a Credentialed Participant with a breath, urine, saliva, or blood alcohol test level below 20mg per 100ml (.02%) is physically unfit for competing, participating or officiating in an AMA Event and taking such disciplinary action as the Race Official may deem appropriate under the AMA Substance Abuse Policy.

4.3.4 DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS

a. Dietary supplements may contain (either purposefully or through contamination) a prohibited substance under this Policy.
b. Any product sold with a warning advising non-use if the purchaser is subject to a drug testing program should be avoided even though such product may be available without a prescription.
c. AMA Participants may use a variety of apps or internet sources to become more educated about the contents of a supplement, but regardless of that information, the AMA Participant is responsible for any substance found in their system.

4.3.5 MASKING AGENTS

a. The use or attempted use of any agent or technique that is designed to avoid detection of a prohibited substance and/or falsify, alter, compromise, or otherwise tamper with the integrity of a specimen or test under this Policy is prohibited. This includes:
    1. Providing false urine samples (e.g., urine substitution or synthetic urine)
    2. Contaminating the urine sample with chemicals or chemical products
    3. Using pharmaceutical diuretics to purposefully dilute the urine sample

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4. Using masking agents
5. Using Aromatase inhibitors that may be used to biologically manipulate the testosterone/epitestosterone ratio, and/or using epitestosterone to artificially alter the testosterone/epitestosterone ratio.

4.3.6 SUBSTANCES THAT MIMIC THE EFFECT OF BANNED SUBSTANCES

a. AMA credentialed Participants are prohibited from using any legal or illegal substance, or combination of substances, including but not limited to synthetics, analogues and/or derivatives of a banned substance.

4.3.7 MANNER OF USE

a. SAFETY
   1. The use of any legal or illegal substance, or combination of substances, which when taken into the human body, can impair the ability of the person to perform safely is prohibited.
   2. Under this Policy, any substance or combination of substances used in an unsafe manner is a violation.
   3. For example, a combination of drinking 10 cups of espresso, taking cold medicine and using prescribed sleep medication will cause a safety risk, although each substance in small amounts by themselves may not necessarily result in a violation of the SAP.

b. INTEGRITY OF COMPETITION
   1. The use of any legal or illegal substance, or combination of substances, which when taken into the human body, can alter or enhance a person's ability to compete in a manner unfair to other Participant is a violation.
   2. For example, a legal substance may be substantially similar to an illegal drug –i.e., synthetics, analogues and/or derivatives of an illegal substance –use of that substance will result in a violation of the SAP.

4.3.8 PRESCRIPTION DOCUMENTATION FOR PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES TO THE MRO

a. Participants in AMA are required to notify and provide proof of prescriptions to the MRO upon receipt of such a prescription from his/her treating physician. The method to provide this information to the MRO shall be:
   1. Using a fax cover sheet, print "AMA SAP Information", Participant name and phone number, name of medication, the prescribing physician, and the physician's phone number. Attach a copy of the prescription providing the dosage and duration instructions for proper use.
   2. Fax both the cover sheet and copy of the prescription to the MRO at (888) 595-4949, or email scanned copies to mro@aukmed.net.
   3. The Participant's physician may receive a call from the MRO to discuss the prognosis and expected length of treatment and corresponding duration of the prescription.

4.4 TESTING FOR PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

a. Under this Policy, all AMA credentialed Participants will be tested on the following basis:

4.4.1 REASONABLE SUSPICION

a. AMA reserves the right to require an AMA Credentialed Participant to submit to a test or tests if an AMA Official has reasonable suspicion that the AMA Credentialed Participant has violated any part of this Policy or has a competitive advantage or diminished ability to perform as a result of using any substance in violation with this Policy. Some of the conditions, observations and/or reports that may cause a Race Official to have such a reasonable suspicion are, without limitation, as follows:
   1. When an AMA credentialed Participant is found or observed in possession of illegal substances or illegal drug paraphernalia at any time.
   2. Observation of signs, symptoms, and/or behaviors generally understood to accompany the use of prohibited substances or alcohol use or intoxication including, without limitation:
      i. Physical signs of red or droopy eyes, dilated or constricted pupils;
      ii. Slurred speech, stumbling, or hyperactivity;
      iii. Needle marks;
      iv. Repeated unexplained disappearances from an Event;
      v. Constantly running nose, red appearance in the face, or persistent sniffing;
      vi. Time distortion, including repeated tardiness and missed appointments;
      vii. Chronic forgetfulness or broken promises;
      viii. Accidents during Events;
      ix. Inability to concentrate or to maintain attention;
      x. Mental confusion, paranoia, or presence of abnormal thoughts or ideas;

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xi. Violent tendencies, loss of temper, or irritability;
xii. Extreme personality change or mood swings; or
xiii. Deteriorating personal hygiene or appearance.

3. An arrest or conviction for driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or an alcohol or drug related conviction.
4. Receipt of a report from a reliable source that an AMA credentialed Participant is under the influence of substances prohibited under this Policy on the day of an AMA Event, or, at any time, is using, possessing or selling illegal drugs or substance.
5. The results of an examination or test, as provided by the AMA Rules, which shows evidence of use of a prohibited substance or alcohol abuse or of adulteration or manipulation of the specimen.
6. The odor or aroma of an alcoholic beverage on or about the breath or body of an AMA credentialed Participant consistent with use of such a substance or alcoholic beverage on the day of an AMA Event.
7. Violation of AMA safety precautions resulting in an incident or accident involving injury, death or property damage.

4.4.2 RANDOM TESTING

a. AMA may also require Credentialed Participants to submit to unannounced random testing at any time during an Event to ensure compliance with this Policy. This may include, but is not limited to, random testing before or after practice, qualifying, or the Race itself.

1. RANDOM TESTING RATES
   i. Random testing rates will be set by the Program Administrator or designee prior to the start of each season.
   ii. The rates may either increase or decrease based on program test results of the previous year and substance abuse trends impacting professional sports and the public.
   iii. Random testing rates set by AMA are an annual minimum requirement.
   iv. Selection will be made at random, with all credentialed participants having an equal chance of selection.
2. RANDOM SELECTION
   i. Random selection of participants for testing will be conducted by the PA through a computer-based random number generator.
   ii. The testing pool will have the names of all credentialed participants at the event. Names will be selected at random until the predetermined number of Participants has been achieved.
   iii. Participants taking part in more than one class of competition shall be eligible for random selection in each class entered.
3. OBSERVED SPECIMEN COLLECTIONS
   i. All eligible credentialed participant's specimens may be collected in direct observation of a qualified collector in order to maintain the integrity of the specimen.

4.4.3 FOLLOW-UP TESTING

a. AMA Participants may be required to undergo follow-up testing as requested by the PA, MRO or AMA. Tests may be:

b. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUESTED
   1. The PA may request follow-up testing for administrative issues.

c. MRO REQUESTED
   1. The MRO may request follow-up testing for variety of reasons, including but not limited to:
      i. If the MRO finds that test results are invalid, the MRO may request a follow up test to assist in analysis.
      ii. Monitor or determine appropriate therapeutic levels of prescription drug use.
      iii. Determine whether an AMA Participant is "cycling" or "stacking" performance enhancing substances.
      iv. Assist in the investigative process to determine if there is a legitimate medical reason for test results.

d. AMA REQUESTED
   1. In its discretion, AMA may decide to include drug and/or alcohol testing as a condition of probation.
   2. In the rare instances when that occurs, AMA will review the situation and determine how many times, for how long, in what circumstances and for what substances a Participant will be tested as part of probation and whether collections are to be observed.

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4.4.4 THE RETURN TO COMPETITION PROGRAM

a. AMA Participants who violate this Policy are required to be evaluated and tested before reinstatement to AMA can be considered.

b. In conjunction with the terms and condition of reinstatement of an AMA License, the PA will provide for an evaluation with an appropriate substance abuse professional for the purpose of advising on the creation of the Return to Competition Program, which may include substance abuse counseling, treatment or rehabilitation.

c. The PA will determine how many times the AMA Participant will be tested, for how long, and for what substances.

d. The PA may also require that collections be under direct observation.

4.4.5 SPECIMENS FOR TESTING

a. AMA may require an AMA credentialed Participant to submit to a test or tests, including without limitation urine, blood, saliva, hair, and/or breath tests.

b. At the time of testing, the choice of specimen for a particular test is at the discretion of the PA, MRO and AMA.

c. Also, the type of test performed is at the discretion of the PA, MRO and AMA.

d. In the event of disagreement, AMA shall make the determination of the specimen for a particular test.

4.4.6 AUTHORIZATION FOR TESTING AND RELEASE

a. If an AMA Participant refuses to execute or who falsifies any authorization for the release of that AMA Participant's medical records, as deemed relevant in the PA, MRO or AMA's discretion, or withdraws such authorization for testing and release pursuant to this Policy, AMA credentialed Participant will not be issued a AMA License and, if already issued, the AMA License will be suspended from any participation in sanctioned activities for an indefinite period.

b. If an AMA Credentialed Participant attempt to falsify or otherwise tamper with a urine, blood, saliva, hair and/or breath test as provided by this Policy, that AMA Participant will be suspended from any participation in AMA sanctioned activities for an indefinite period.

4.4.7 REFUSAL TO TEST

a. Refusing to submit to testing will be treated as if the test was found to be positive.

b. For the purposes of this Policy, AMA Participants have refused to take a test if they:

1. Fail to participate, authorize or cooperate for testing, including failure to follow procedures of Section 4.4.6: Authorization for Testing and Release.
2. Fail to appear for a test within the time period designated by the PA after being notified of the test within the time period required.
3. Fail to remain for the duration of testing or until all testing requirements are completed.
4. Fail to provide sufficient amount of the requested specimen, and the MRO determines that no legitimate medical reason exists for the insufficient specimen.
5. Fail to permit or allow an observed collection.
6. Fail to take a follow up test.
7. Fail to consult and/or cooperate with the MRO.
8. Fail to provide an unadulterated specimen. A test is considered a refusal for any findings of specimens that are adulterated, substituted, including but not limited to a finding of synthetic urine, synthetic marijuana, adulterants, intentional dilution of specimens, etc., and where no legitimate medical explanation supports the laboratory findings.

c. Any attempts by an AMA Participant to mask or alter the results of the test will be considered a refusal.

4.4.8 REMOVAL FROM AMA EVENT

a. If a Credentialed Participant refuses to comply with procedures related to this Policy when instructed by AMA and/or the PA; that person may be ejected from premises or other emergency action may be taken as deemed appropriate at the sole discretion of AMA; and that person shall be suspended from participation in any AMA competition for an indefinite period.

4.4.9 COLLECTION AND TRANSPORT OF SPECIMEN(S)

a. AMA will designate persons or organizations to be in charge of sample collections and/or the administration of other testing protocols and they will be responsible for duties including the following:

1. IDENTIFICATION & DIRECT OBSERVATION

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i. Once a Credentialed Participant has been selected for testing at an Event, an AMA Official will notify and immediately escort the Participant to the testing area.

ii. Once in the testing area, Participants may not leave the designated area until testing is completed.

iii. Normally, collection shall be made within two hours or less of the notification of the AMA Participant that testing will be conducted.

iv. A collector of the same gender may observe the collection of urine samples. Each collector will be trained in appropriate collection techniques by the certified laboratory. A collector may monitor the furnishing of the specimen by direct observation in order to ensure the integrity of the specimen.

2. SPECIMEN QUALITY

i. The PA or his/her agents will promptly measure the temperature of the specimen(s) to ensure it has not been manipulated.

ii. Where results indicate that the sample is inappropriate for testing, the PA and/or an AMA Official may require the AMA Participant to provide additional specimen(s) as necessary.

3. SPECIMEN HANDLING

i. The PA or his/her agents will split specimens into “A” and “B” samples (when possible), label, secure, and transport the specimen(s) to the Testing Laboratory in such a manner as to ensure that the specimen(s) are not misplaced, tampered with, or relabeled.

4. SPECIMEN OWNERSHIP

i. Under this policy, all specimens collected, including both “A” and “B” samples, are exclusively the property of AMA.

4.4.10 PRESENCE OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES ADULTERATION SUBSTITUTION – MRO CANCELED TESTS

a. MRO REQUESTS FOR AN INTERVIEW AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Once the MRO notifies an AMA Participant that they have a positive drug test or refusal to test because of adulteration or substitution, or other non-negative test, the AMA Participant has 72 hours from the time of notification to respond to the MRO’s request for an interview and additional information in accordance with the following rules:

b. MRO REQUESTED INFORMATION

1. The MRO may request the following information, for example and without limitation: suitable proof of valid medical prescriptions given by a Licensed and treating physician, consent to review records of the prescribing physician, or any other reasonable requests that assist the MRO investigation.

c. MRO REQUESTED INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAM

1. To assist the MRO’s investigation, the MRO may also direct the AMA Participant to undergo further independent medical evaluation from a professional designated by the MRO, at the Credentialed Participant’s expense.

2. After a medical exam is requested, AMA Participants have 30 business days to have the test examination conducted.

3. By obtaining an AMA License or credential, AMA Participants have consented for the MRO to contact their physician for the purposes of an MRO investigation.

4. The failure to cooperate with the MRO’s investigation or provide suitable proof in a timely manner shall be treated as confirmation of the positive test.

d. PA AND MRO NOTIFICATIONS

1. When required by this policy, the PA or MRO are to make reasonable efforts to notify Participants.

2. Reasonable efforts may include the PA or MRO using email, texts, phone or mail to contact the Participant via the contact information the Participant provided on the License application.

e. MRO REPORTING OF RESULTS

1. If the MRO determines that there is no legitimate medical use or legitimate medical explanation for a positive test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, the MRO is to report the results to the PA.

f. PA’S REPORTING OF RESULTS

1. Once the MRO reports a positive test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, the PA is to consider all information derived from the testing process and information derived from the independent investigation of the MRO, and then make a determination of whether the results are positive.

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2. If in consultation with the MRO, the PA decides the results are positive, the PA shall inform AMA of a positive result, irrespective of whether the split specimen procedures described in this Rule Book have been completed.
3. Once split specimen procedures are completed, the PA shall then issue to AMA either a confirmed negative test result or a confirmed positive test result.
4. If split specimen procedures are waived or never acted upon, the PA shall issue a confirmed positive result and violation of this Policy to AMA.

g. SPLIT SPECIMEN PROCEDURES
1. Once the PA or MRO notifies an AMA Participant that they have a positive drug test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, or other non-negative test, the AMA Participant has 72 hours from the time of notification to request in writing a test of the split specimen or B sample in accordance with the following rules:

h. "B" SAMPLE TEST REQUEST
1. All requests to test a "B" sample must be made in writing to the Program Administrator and AMA. Failure to request a "B" sample testing within the 72 hours appeal period shall constitute acceptance of the results.

i. "B" SAMPLE TEST LABORATORY
1. The "B" sample test shall be conducted at Aegis using the "B" specimen from the original collection. AMA will use its best efforts to expedite the "B" sample test which will be at the expense of the License Participant who tested positive.
2. The AMA Participant may be present (either personally or be represented by a qualified toxicologist not affiliated with Aegis) during the second test at his/her own expense.
3. If the AMA Participant chooses to be present personally or represented by a qualified toxicologist during the "B" sample test, the AMA Participant must notify the PA and MRO within the 72-hour period in writing per section Split Specimen Procedures.

j. "B" SAMPLE TEST PROCEDURES
1. The "B" sample test will be performed in accordance with the same procedures used by Aegis in the original test of the "A" specimen.
2. If the "B" sample fails to confirm the original test, then the specimen and test will be recorded as negative, and there will be no violation under this Policy.
3. If the "B" sample test confirms the original test, then the specimen and test will be recorded as a confirmed positive test and a violation of this Policy.

k. IF NO "B" SAMPLE IS AVAILABLE
1. If no "B" sample is available due to the nature of the collection, then the MRO and PA will act upon the procedures in section MRO Requests for an Interview and Additional Information.
2. The final determination of whether there has been a violation of this Policy will be made by the PA.

l. PA OR MRO NOTIFICATION TO AMA OF "A" SPECIMEN RESULTS
1. If in consultation with the MRO, the PA decides the results are positive, the PA shall inform AMA of a positive result, irrespective of whether the split specimen procedures described in this Rule Book have been completed.
2. If the Program Administrator or MRO is concerned about the safety and integrity of the competition or other exigent circumstances, the Program Administrator or MRO may notify AMA of the original "A" specimen positive test prior to the verification of the results.

m. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION BASED ON "A" SAMPLE RESULTS
1. Upon notification of the original "A" specimen positive test, AMA, in its sole discretion, may temporarily suspend an AMA Participant's License or credential before the "B" sample test is completed based on the following reasons:
   i. Concerns regarding the safety of the AMA Participant and others at the Event or on-track.
   ii. Concerns regarding the fairness of a competition.
   iii. Exigent circumstances,
   iv. Undue delay to accommodate the presence of the AMA Participant (or his/her representative) at the "B" sample test.
2. AMA Participants temporarily suspended in this section may protest their disqualification to the Race Direction or his designee as provided in applicable AMA Rules. The Race Direction or his designee's

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decision shall be final and disqualification from participation in the meet, if upheld by the Race Director or his designee, shall be executed promptly and shall include the loss of any rights with regard to the even in question.

n. SAMPLES PROPERTY OF AMA
   1. The “A” and “B” specimen samples remain the exclusive property of AMA.

o. WHEN 72 HOURS FOR “B” SAMPLE REQUEST DOES NOT APPLY
   1. An AMA Participant is not entitled to 72 hours to request a B sample test when no specimen was produced or tested due to refusal or when the AMA Participant waives the 72 hours during the MRO interview.

p. UNCOOPERATIVE PARTICIPANT
   1. When the PA or MRO have made repeated attempts to contact the Participant regarding notification of a positive test and B bottle sample testing procedures, and the Participant has not responded to the PA or MRO, then the PA and MRO may report the test as positive after 72 hours from the findings of the test.
   2. Lack of cooperation with the PA or MRO by the Participant will be treated as a constructive waiver of his B bottle sample testing procedures.

q. CANCELED AND NEGATIVE TESTS
   1. If the PA or MRO verifies a test as cancelled or negative, the results will be reported to AMA.
   2. A canceled and negative test will not be treated as a violation of this Policy.

r. SUSPENSION OF AMA LICENSE
   1. Upon being notified by the PA or MRO of a verified positive or refusal or any violation of this Policy, AMA will suspend an AMA Participant’s License for an indefinite period and/or take such other disciplinary action deemed appropriate under the circumstances pursuant to the AMA Rule Book.

s. PUBLICATION OF RESULTS
   1. By seeking to participate in any AMA Event, all AMA credentialed Participants agree that AMA may publish the results of any test or tests conducted pursuant to this Policy and the circumstances giving rise to such test or tests to such third parties as AMA, in its sole discretion, deems reasonable under the circumstances.
   2. AMA may also publish any and all violations to this Policy, including but not limited to conduct violations where no testing may have occurred.
   3. No AMA Participant shall have any claim or cause of action of any kind against AMA or any director, officer, employee or agent of AMA, the PA, Testing Laboratory, or MRO with respect to such publication, and/or shall be deemed to have released any such claim or cause of action.

t. RETURN TO COMPETITION PROGRAM
   1. AMA shall also send the suspended AMA Participant a letter containing terms and conditions for consideration of reinstatement of the AMA Participant’s License.
   2. If the AMA Participant wishes to have AMA lift the suspension, the AMA Participant must agree to AMA’s terms and conditions of reinstatement.
   3. In conjunction with the terms and conditions of reinstatement, the PA will also facilitate an evaluation for the Return to Competition Program by coordinating an evaluation with the appropriate substance abuse professional for advising on creation of a Return to Competition Program that may include substance abuse counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation.
   4. The PA will determine how many times the AMA Participant will be tested, for how long, and for what substances.
   5. The PA may also require that collections be under direct observation.
   6. Testing will be done at a time and place and under conditions specified by AMA and/or the PA, at the AMA Participant’s expense, which will include laboratory fees and all other direct and indirect costs incurred by AMA or the laboratory in connection with each test.
   7. When an AMA Participant has, to the satisfaction of the PA, completed the requirements set forth in the letter, the AMA Participant is eligible for reconsideration of reinstatement of an AMA License.

4.4.11 VOLUNTARY DISCLOSURE

a. AMA encourages voluntary disclosure of substance abuse and supports voluntary rehabilitation efforts by persons subject to the terms of this Policy. Consequently, AMA is agreeable to accommodating such persons during their recovery and abstinence so long as the safety and integrity of AMA’s professional racing program is not jeopardized.

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b. AMA's primary objective with regard to voluntary disclosure is to prevent participation of individuals who are in violation of this Policy until such time as the violation is no longer a threat to the safety or integrity of the racing program. In principle, persons who voluntarily disclose violation of this Policy, and who voluntarily withdraw from participation until their eligibility status is resolved, will receive more favorable consideration than those whose violations are discovered through testing and who have continued to knowingly participate in AMA-Racing's program while in violation of this Policy.

c. Participants are encouraged to contact the Program Administrator and/or Race Director to voluntarily disclose violations of the Substance Abuse Policy prior to being selected for a drug test. Persons who do not will be subject to whatever actions and controls AMA deems necessary to protect the safety and integrity of its racing program, and such steps may include withholding of competition privileges.

d. Individuals who voluntarily disclose their violation(s) of the Substance Abuse Policy, and who cooperate with the Program Administrator in setting a plan of action for reinstatement, shall not, under normal circumstances, be charged with violation of this Policy.

e. Individuals who voluntarily disclose their violation(s) of the Substance Abuse Policy will be subject to a preliminary test to be conducted in a timely manner at the direction of AMA and any subsequent testing as determined by the Program Administrator. Costs of such test shall be borne by the individual. Under no circumstances will the individual be permitted to participate in AMA-sanctioned activities until they have a negative test result on a sample specifically identified as a "Consideration for Return to Competition" passed a substance abuse test.

    1. If the results of the preliminary test reveal that the participation of the individual may jeopardize the safety or integrity of the AMA program, as determined in the sole discretion of AMA, then the further participation of the individual will be withheld until such time as there is evidence, acceptable to AMA, that the individual's participation will no longer jeopardize the safety and integrity of the program.

f. Individuals who voluntarily disclose violation(s) of the Substance Abuse Policy will be required, prior to continued participation, to enter into a Voluntary Disclosure Agreement with AMA stipulating the conditions of their probation.

g. Individuals who have no previous offenses of this Policy may voluntarily disclose violation(s) even at the time of selection for a random test under the provisions this Policy or at the time of notification of a test under the reasonable suspicion provisions. However, such individuals must immediately cease their participation in the day's activities and refrain from any further participation in AMA-sanctioned activities until their eligibility status has been resolved.

h. Individuals who have one or more previous violations of this Policy are offered no specific protection under this section of the Policy. However, voluntary disclosure of repeat violation(s), and voluntary withdrawal from participation, will be viewed as mitigating factors by AMA in determining any penalties which might be invoked.

i. Any violation of the Substance Abuse Policy discovered while an individual is on probation under these provisions for voluntary disclosure shall be treated as an offense under the appropriate item of this Policy.

4.4.12 APPLICABILITY OF THE AMA RULES

a. This Policy, as it may be amended from time to time, is a supplement to the provisions of the AMA Rules for Competition and will be interpreted, enforced and applied by AMA. This Policy is binding upon all AMA Participants in the same manner and to the same extent as the AMA Rules for Competition.

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SECTION 5 - CONCUSSION POLICY

5.1.1 GENERAL

a. Definition- A concussion is an alteration in brain function related to a direct or indirect blow to the head. Indirect blows can be caused by acceleration and/or deceleration forces. Mechanisms in motorcycle racing can be a combination of forces. A concussion can cause alterations in cognitive (thought) visual, auditory, vestibular (balance), and other neurological functions.

5.1.2 BASELINE NEUROCOGNITIVE TESTING

a. Baseline neurocognitive testing can be helpful in determining when it is safe for the athlete to return to riding. It should be administered by a health care professional. It should be readily available to the athlete and their physician post injury and reproducible by the examining physician.

5.1.3 MANDATORY SUPERCROSS CONCUSSION PROGRAM

a. All athletes are required to obtain a baseline ImPact neurocognitive test every two years in order to obtain a professional supercross/motocross license.

b. Any athlete suspected of having sustained a concussion will be immediately removed from competition and evaluated by the Alpinestars Mobile Medical Unit (AMMU) at the race venue.

c. Any athlete who is reported to have sustained a concussion during non-race activities will be required to present to the AMMU for evaluation prior to racing.

d. If an athlete is diagnosed with a concussion, they will not be permitted to compete until the Mandatory Concussion Program is completed.

e. The athlete will be released to a responsible individual who is required to monitor the athlete through the sequential steps of the program.

f. Initial treatment is relative physical and mental rest until follow up medical evaluation is obtained.

g. The athlete is required to follow up within 96 hours with a physician (M.D. or D.O.) experienced in the evaluation and management of sports-related concussion. (See reference list below)

h. Prior to beginning the return to ride program, the athlete must be cleared by the physician and have a Post Injury ImPact neurocognitive test administered. The test CANNOT be performed online. The test must show a return to baseline levels.

i. Once clearance has been obtained, the supervised return to ride program may begin.

j. The return to ride program is a five step (and minimum five day) graduated activity to ensure a safe return to racing. Please refer to www.themedicrig.com for details.

k. Following medical clearance and completion of the supervised return to ride program, the athlete must present to the AMMU physician for final clearance on their first race following the concussion injury.

5.1.4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

a. www.cdc.gov - Information

b. www.amssm.org - Information and sports medicine physician referrals.

c. www.aan.com - American Academy of Neurology – Sports Concussion Guideline.

d. www.impacttestonline.com - Baseline testing and referral to physicians experienced in concussion management.

e. www.themedicrig.com - Alpinestars Mobile Medical Unit for Supercross program specifics.

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