



American Motorcyclist Association Proposal for Rulebook Revision



Flat Track Commission Proposal Item

FT-202608-01: Section 3.5.A.4.b. Page 187: AFT racers

Current

4. American Flat Track Licensed Riders

a. Any rider holding an American Flat Track professional racing license must compete in the highest-level class or classes offered.

b. Riders holding an American Flat Track professional racing license and earning 16 or more AFT Singles or AFT SuperTwins points in the current or previous season shall not compete in any amateur classes, shall not receive district points, shall not receive year-end district awards, and shall not participate in any amateur classes at the Amateur Nationals.

Proposed (Proposed changes are in **bold**)

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a. Any rider holding an American Flat Track professional racing license must compete in the highest-level class or classes offered.

b. Riders holding an American Flat Track professional racing license and earning 16 or more AFT Singles or AFT SuperTwins points in the current or previous season ~~shall not compete in any amateur classes~~, shall not receive district points, shall not receive year-end district awards, and shall not **compete for National Championships** ~~participate in any amateur classes~~ at the Amateur Nationals.

Reason

D14 had an event where an AFT rider with more than 16 points raced our 251-505 A class as a second class.

Per 4.a above, he was allowed to do this, as our "A" classes are the highest level classes.

Per 4.b above, he was not allowed to do this, as it says: "shall not compete in any amateur classes".

I believe that prohibiting these riders from collecting District points, receiving year-end awards, or competing for National Championships is sufficient.

Submission

Jeff Blakely

MOTIONS VOTE DECISION

Made:	<u>BM</u>	Second:	<u>BM</u>	Abstain: <u>1</u>
For:	<u>8</u>	Against:	<u>5</u>	
Yes:	<u>X</u>	No:	<u> </u>	



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FT-202608-02: Section 3.2.D.1. Page 164. Competition Apparel

Current

3.2.D.1. Protective pants made of leather or other durable material must be worn in all competition. Protective pants and jackets (in short track and TT events, shoulder pads with long-sleeve jerseys may be used in place of a jacket) must be worn for road race, Flat Track, short track, speedway, and TT events. On tracks one half mile and larger, abrasion resistant outer gear is required. "Abrasion resistant" is equal to leather, Cordura, air mesh or stretch Kevlar.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

3.2.D.1. Protective pants made of abrasion resistant material must be worn in all competition. **Abrasion resistant suits must be constructed from premium cow or kangaroo leather, Cordura, air mesh or stretch Kevlar, consisting of a one-piece or a two-piece suit that secures completely around the waist. ~~Protective pants and jackets (in short track and TT events, shoulder pads with long-sleeve jerseys may be used in place of a jacket) must be worn for road race, Flat Track, short track, speedway, and TT events.~~**

a. Abrasion resistant suits must be worn for **all** road race and speedway meets.

b. At short track and TT meets, long sleeve jerseys may be used in place of a jacket. Protective pants with abrasion resistant patches may also be used.

c. On flat tracks half mile and larger, abrasion resistant suits are required. Outer gear with "patches" is not permitted for half mile or larger.

Reason

Safety concerns on the larger tracks where speeds are considerably higher.

I looked at the MotoAmerica, WERA, and ASRA rulebooks for how they described acceptable abrasion-resistant suits.

Submitted by:

Mike Bender

**MOTIONS
VOTE
DECISION**

Made:	<u>BS</u>	Second:	<u>MO</u>	
For:	<u>14</u>	Against:	<u>0</u>	Abstain: <u>0</u>
Yes:	<u>X</u>	No:	<u> </u>	



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FT-202608-03: Section 3.2.D.5. Page 165. Competition Apparel

Current

3.2.D.5. It is highly recommended that chest and back protection be worn by all competitors. It is required for all competitors in youth classes to wear chest and back protection. The protector may be worn under or over the jersey, and it should cover the sternum anterior ribs, posterior ribs, and spine from T1 to T12. For road racing, a back protector must be worn under their leathers unless integrated into the design of the leathers.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

3.2.D.5. It is highly recommended that chest and back protection be worn by all competitors.

a. **Youth class competitors are required to wear chest and back protection.** The protector may be worn under or over the jersey, and it should cover the sternum anterior ribs, posterior ribs, and spine from T1 to T12. **Chest protection is not required when wearing a 1 or 2-piece abrasion suit outlined in 3.2.D.1. Back protectors are still required.**

b. For road racing, a back protector must be worn under their leathers unless integrated into the design of the leathers.

Reason

Parents have been observed trying to fit a motocross chest/back protector over leathers to comply with this rule. I do not believe this was the original spirit of this rule.

AMA is the only sanctioning body that requires chest protection.

Submitted by:

Mike Bender

MOTIONS	Made:	<u>BS</u>	Second:	<u>BB</u>	
VOTE	For:	<u>14</u>	Against:	<u>0</u>	Abstain: <u>0</u>
DECISION	Yes:	<u>X</u>	No:	<u> </u>	

3. Voting

4. New Discussion Items

BB: I request we all keep in mind with future rule proposals that we remember the Quad racers, who are part of our sport.

5. Close Meeting

- a. Motion to close meeting 8:02 by BS. Seconded RL.