



## **2026 GENERAL TRACK RULES**

*RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME*

### **Conduct:**

1. No drinking of alcohol by anyone in the pit area before and during the races.
2. No illegal drug use/activity is permitted on the premises.
3. No fighting in the pit area or on track. The driver is responsible for his/her pit crew at all times. Assaulting staff/fighting (1 year banned from track).
4. No driver, owner or pit crew are allowed in the scoring tower without track permission.
5. Drivers may not exit their cars while on the track for any reason other than an emergency. Any driver exiting their car without an emergency will be black flagged from the race.
6. Drivers may not exit their cars while on the scales for any reason other than an emergency or if permission is granted by a staff member/official.
7. Crew members/owners are not permitted to enter the racing surface during an event to work on cars or to argue a call with an official. Drivers will be responsible for all actions of their crew and may face penalties.
8. Entering another Racer's Pit will result in driver & crew ejection. (Zero Warning)
9. The Pit Director will have the final say & penalty assessment for any alterations.

### **Safety:**

1. No speeding in pit area by racecars or ATV's/UTV's.
2. Due to insurance, No one under 16 can operate a UTV/ATV in the pit area.
3. All drivers must wear an approved fire-retardant suit, gloves, shoes and helmet during the competition. All safety equipment needs to be up to date.
4. All cars must have a current safety belt and harness system installed.
5. Drivers should have either a neck brace or Hans type restraint device.
6. All cars should have either a fire suppression system or small fire extinguisher mounted in the cockpit easily accessible to the driver.

### **Communication:**

1. Benton Speedway will utilize MyRacePass for all lineups and race event formats. Lineups will also be posted by the Pit Steward as well.
2. Transponders will be required by all cars during competition and shall be affixed to the right rear axle (area), right rear compartment or the right rear lowest point possible. The rental fee for each event will be \$10.00 paid during pill draw.
3. RACEceivers are mandatory for all classes.
4. No in car radios or communication devices shall be used by racers during competition.
5. Starting in 2025 all regular season classes will be required to run a Raceceiver. This will include the Spectator Class as well as the Kids Modz events.

### **Race Formats:**

1. Heat races will be 8 laps.
2. Feature races will be 15-20 laps depending on class.
3. Last chance races/B-Mains may be implemented if the car count warrants and laps will be determined at that time.
4. Special races/series' may have their own race formats/laps.
5. Any driver who causes 2 unassisted cautions will be asked to leave the track.
6. The race will start out of turn 4 where there will be a designated fire range. Any car jumping the start twice, will be penalized 1 row.
7. Time limits for feature races will be 30 minutes in all classes. Red flag events as well as multi-car accidents will not be factored into the limit. Special races/series may be exempt from this rule.
8. The Tower Committee will determine all on-track cautions. The car being charged with the caution will go to the back. All non-involved cars will retain their positions.
9. The black flag can be used as deemed necessary by the race director for intentional rough driving, wreck less behavior or a safety related issue.
10. Delaware double file restarts will be used for all classes for heat and feature races EXCEPT THE 305 SPRINT CARS. The leader will lead the field while the second-place car will pick their line and all cars will follow suit. Communication will be made via the RACEceiver to direct the cars into position. If there are 5 or

less laps remaining in the race, single file lineups will be used. The 305 Sprint class will utilize single file lineups entirely.

11. Three start attempts will be the rule used for all initial starts as well as restarts. This means that if we cannot get a lap completed/restarted within three attempts, all cars will be lined up single file.

### **Pre/Post Race Inspection:**

1. Any car that has any part installed after the race has started must go to the rear.

2. Driver & 1 crew member only at scales.

No spectators at scales- 1<sup>st</sup> warning issued.

2<sup>nd</sup> warning ejection from track.

3. Any penalty/punishment is subject to the Pit Director's discretion.

4. All cars are subject to pre-tech inspection.

5. ALL CARS! Top 3 cars to scales after Heats. Top 5 cars to scales after Feature.

### **Protest:**

IMPORTANT: Only drivers who finished within **three (3) positions** behind the protested driver in the official A feature results may file a protest. Protests submitted by ineligible competitors will be denied and fees forfeited.

### **Protest Procedure:**

Go to the Pit Steward and fill out an **Official Driver Protest Form**. The Protest form and payment must be submitted within 15 minutes of the completion of the feature race. Late submissions will not be accepted. Protest will not proceed without full cash payment. No other forms of payment are accepted. Payment amounts vary depending on what is being protested, and the amounts are listed on the forms. Tech inspections will be conducted by Benton Speedway officials only.

### **Payouts:**

1. All payouts must be picked up from the Pit Steward on race day, date(s) as the event took place, and will not be mailed to you.

2. Any payouts that were not picked up within 14 days of the event will be cancelled and discarded.

**Rain Out Policy:**

1. Rain Checks Only-No Cash Refunds.
2. Rainchecks will be given up to the point until all heats have been completed.
3. Ticket stub or wristband will be your raincheck and can be used at any regular race that season.
4. If all heats have been completed, tonight's race is considered a race, and a Raincheck will not be given.
5. Total Payout will be at the Race Director's Discretion.