



**2010**

# **General Rules**

# Rule Disclaimer

The rules and regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. These rules shall govern the condition of all events, and by participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules. No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from publications of or compliance with these rules and/or regulations. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury, or death to a participant, spectator or official.

The race director shall be empowered to permit minor deviation from any of the specifications herein or impose any further restrictions that in his opinion do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. No expressed or implied warranty of safety shall result from such alteration of specifications. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. Their decision is final.

## **Non compliance**

Non compliance to any rule may result in:

1. Expulsion from the facility. (Pre-determined amount of time up to and including life time)
2. Disqualification from event, forfeiting all monies and points earned in that event.
3. Point and or monetary fine.

**Note:** Any one or all above penalties maybe imposed depending on infraction.

**Any part of the car not specifically mentioned or covered in these rules must remain STOCK. Stock parts are those found in the O.E.M. parts book.**

**All engine, chassis and equipment changes or modifications not covered by these rules must be submitted to the speedway for approval or rejection. No engine, chassis or any other equipment will be considered as having been approved by passing through inspection unobserved. The management reserves the right to all final decisions on the interpretation of any rule or rules.**

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# SUNSET SPEEDWAY

## GENERAL TRACK RULES – 2010 – 2012

All competitors are responsible to familiarize themselves with, and are subject to all policies set forth herein, as well as those which may become effective during the racing season. Rule information that is posted on the pit bulletin board which may amend or update these rules shall become effective when posted.

The registered driver shall assume full responsibility for the car and ALL members of his crew. The driver shall serve as SOLE SPOKESPERSON for the car and crew. The registered driver shall carry all points and handicap percentage for the car.

### COMPETITOR MEMBERSHIP/NUMBER REGISTRATION – GENERAL

1. A paid membership and number registration must be obtained before a race car owner or driver can take part in any Sunset Speedway events. The only exceptions are invitational events.
2. Driver is considered to be the car owner unless otherwise specified. A separate form must be completed at the Pit Booth prior to racing if anyone other than the driver (i.e., car owner) is to receive race winnings or point fund money for the associated number.
3. For invitational's registered Sunset Speedway drivers will have first choice over visiting competitors to retain his or her car number providing notification is given that they plan to compete in said event.
4. Sunset Speedway will assign numbers on a first-request basis as membership applications are received. Numbers assigned from previous year will be held for that competitor until the Fall Membership Rules and registration meeting at which time if you do not register your number will be released and available to another competitor.
5. Sunset Speedway will assign a requested car number when possible.
6. Upon sale of a car that a membership has been paid for, the old number may be used by the new owner subject to written permission of the original registered owner and the new owner pays for another membership under his or her name. **Memberships are non transferrable.**
7. All drivers' registrations are subject to approval or dismissal at the discretion of the Sunset Speedway officials.
8. Sunset Speedway prize and point fund money awards will be paid only to the car driver/owner, unless otherwise specified in writing (see item 1, "Member / Number Registration General").
9. Any Sunset Speedway competitor entitles Sunset Speedway and its award and contingency sponsor's permission to use competitor/owner names(s) and picture of the car for promoting, advertising, recording, broadcasting, transmitting and/or reporting of any Sunset Speedway event before/during and after such events, including but not limited to television and radio broadcasts, film production, video tape reproductions and the like, or any other means or devise, whether or not currently in existence. Upon acceptance of membership will hereby relinquish all rights thereto for these purposes.

**NOTE:** All Sunset Speedway members/competitors are and shall be independent contractors and shall use their own methods in performing their duties in accordance with the Sunset Speedway rules as they may be amended from time to time. Members shall furnish any tools, supplies or materials, which he or she deem necessary to perform their duties. Members shall be responsible for compensating, and shall be responsible for all actions of members, employees or agents. Members assumes and takes full responsibility for reporting and paying to the appropriate authorities all charges, premiums and taxes, if any, due or payable on any funds the Member may receive as a result of his duties and/or activities as a Sunset Speedway Registered Competitor/Owner.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. Any injured or suspended member shall not participate in any event without approval of a Sunset Speedway official. Sunset Speedway reserves the right to request a doctor's release at any time.
2. If anyone is injured at the race track, an incident report must be filled in on premise, with the Race Director /Track Manager or person delegated on his or her behalf as soon as possible. Sunset Speedway reserves the right to request a doctor's release before the injured person/competitor can return to competition or perform duties.
3. No intoxicating or controlled substances are to be consumed before, during or after a race meet by anyone entering the pit area. Anyone found guilty of this will be subject to suspension, and or expulsion.
4. Before entering the pit area the **Driver** is to sign in at the **Pit Booth window marked Driver Sign- in** where he/she will:
  - a. Draw a number for his/her heat line up position.
  - b. Sign for his monetary winnings from the prior weeks' finish. (Usually in cheque form)
  - c. Sign the Insurance Release Waver. Signing this waver means you agree to the terms and conditions of said waver.
  - d. Owners, crew members and others will pay and sign the release insurance waver at the pit window marked general admission.
  - e. Anyone found in the pit area who has not signed the proper paperwork will be considered a trespasser and will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.
5. Entry fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Any late entry may be rejected and/or, penalized.
6. The speedway will open at least three (3) hours prior to race time for cars to book in. **NO CAR WILL BE PERMITTED INTO THE PIT AREA UNTIL SUCH TIME AS IT IS SIGNED IN PROPERLY.**
7. Any car arriving at the speedway thirty (30) minutes or later prior to the start of that night's racing program will be given scratch position in whatever heat the handicapper selects. If they qualify for the feature event, they will be given their proper starting position based on their percentage. Any driver arriving less than ½ hour (30) minutes prior to the start of racing could also lose the privilege of their paid parking spot or concrete pad for that night.
8. All drivers and crew shall appear at the track in clean clothes. Car body and number must be clean. Both crew and car shall be judged by their appearance.
9. The driver assumes responsibility for his or her own actions, crew's actions and family's actions.
10. Driver/Owners and/or mechanics shall have no claims against or cause of action for damages, expenses or otherwise against Sunset Speedway or its officials or promoter by reason of disqualification or damage to car and driver or both.
11. Any car may be mechanically inspected by Sunset Speedway officials at any time.
12. Abuse of any Sunset Speedway official and use of improper language at any time is strictly prohibited. Suspensions and/or Disqualification may be assessed to anyone found in violation of this rule.
13. Speedway officials reserve the right to reject or allow the entry of any driver or car.
14. No owners, mechanics or crew members are allowed on the racing surface.
15. No riders, in or on car, or riding on trailers and trucks at any time.
16. **Entry fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. Any late entry may be rejected and/or, penalized.**
17. Driver's Membership may be revoked if car consistently does not meet rules and/or specifications.

**18.** Dress code in effect for the “hot” pit road area. Shorts, sandals, and open sleeve shirts are not allowed until the scheduled event and/or program reaches its conclusion.

**19.** Fighting or striking any track official will result in a MINIMUM two (2) week suspension of driver and crew, for all parties involved. Depending on circumstances, permanent suspension may be imposed by track management.

## **20. RULE REVISIONS**

- Amendments, revisions and/or clarifications may be made to rules and procedures as dictated by unforeseen circumstances which may arise.
- Reasonable notification shall be given of such changes by management and/or designated officials.
- Each race vehicle must be prepared to pass a rigid safety and technical inspection before it will be permitted to compete.
- Anything not covered by “rule book” or individual divisions rule sheet must be submitted to Sunset Speedway 30 days prior to its intended use for interpretation and/or approval.
- Any discrepancies between rule sheets and rule book, rule book prevails.
- All rules and regulations in Sunset Speedway rulebook are subject to interpretation by Sunset Speedway officials in charge.
- EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL NOT RESULT FROM PUBLICATION OF, OR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS.

**21.** Any driver not respecting a track official or pit steward with regards to speeding in the pits or on the on/off ramp will be suspended for the nights racing program and be subject to the loss of monies and points earned in that race. This will include reckless driving as deemed by the track officials.

**22.** All drivers and crew must vacate the speedway property within 90 minutes of the completion of racing, unless there is a special program taking place on a given race night. Cars must not be left on the Speedway property overnight UNLESS SPECIFIC PERMISSION HAS BEE GRANTED BY THE TRACK MANAGEMENT.

**UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL SUNSET SPEEDWAY BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR PROPERTY LEFT ON SPEEDWAY PREMISES.**

**23.** SUNSET SPEEDWAY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR RACE PAYOUTS AFTER THE DATE OF THE EVENT (I.E. PAYOUTS NOT PICKED UP ON EVENT NIGHT). ALL LEFT OVER RACE PAYOUTS MUST BE PICKED UP NO LATER THAN THE DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup>. OF THAT CALENDAR YEAR. ALL PAYOUTS, POINTS FUND MONIES NOT PICKED UP BY THEN WILL BE CONSIDERED FORFEITED.

## **POLICY RE: ILLEGAL DRUGS OR SUBSTANCES**

**1. ILLEGAL DRUGS – DEFINITION:** Illegal drugs are those substances defined and prohibited by provincial and/or federal laws.

**2. GENERAL PROHIBITION:** Possession or use of illegal drugs or drug substances, as defined above, is prohibited in any form, by any participant at the Speedway, either on the grounds, or in any area considered to be used in the operation of the Speedway, such as parking lots, camping areas or leased properties or at any participating Sunset Speedway events.

**3. VIOLATION AND PENALTIES:** Any person found to be in possession or under the influence of an illegal drug or substance on the speedway property, as defined above, or at any Sunset Speedway event.

### **SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PENALTY BY SUNSET SPEEDWAY:**

Suspension from competition and eviction from the Speedway property or from Sunset Speedway events for a period to be determined by Sunset Speedway officials.

## **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE FORBIDDEN ON SPEEDWAY PROPERTY DURING ANY RACE EVENT.**

Any driver found to be consuming an alcoholic beverage in the pits, or found to be under the influence of same will be suspended for the balance of the race meet. Any subsequent offence may result in suspension for the balance of the season or longer.

**REINSTATEMENT:** A participant suspended for violation of this rule, except in the case of persons charged with selling drugs, may as the result of a decision reached through the hearing process, be reinstated if it is mutually agreed that the participant (AT HIS OR HER OWN EXPENSE) will produce documentation from a physician licensed by the province or state, certifying that he or she is not drug dependent, as a result of random and periodical examinations and urinalysis testing, made at the request of Sunset Speedway management.

**SAFETY REGULATIONS:** All types of racing are subject to the following:

1. Before any car may take part in a race meet, it is subject to inspection by Sunset Speedway officials and must pass said inspection prior to going on the track (see technical inspection for further details)
2. It is MANDATORY that driver's helmets meet **Snell 2005 SA** standards (for the 2010 season only, drivers with a helmet that meets **SNELL 2000 SA** will be allowed provided the tech official deems it to be in good shape with no marks or distinguishing damage to the outside or the inside of said helmet) and that drivers wear driving suits of fire resistant material that effectively covers the body from neck to ankles and wrists meeting **SFI3.2A/1** is **mandatory Recommended SFI3.2A/5**. It is also recommended that drivers wear complete, full coverage fire-resistant underwear. All head and neck restraints (ex: Hans Devise) **must be SFI approved**.
3. Official starter must be at his post before any race cars are allowed on the track for warm-up.
4. No race or warm-up shall start unless there is adequate safety and emergency equipment on the track premises, as determined by Sunset Speedway officials.
5. Only one person shall occupy a racecar at any time.
6. At no time will non-competing members be allowed on, across track or infield, unless approved by Sunset Speedway official. Failure to comply could result in expulsion from the speedway.
7. Some classes carry higher restrictions than others. Read carefully the class that you are competing in. It is the competitor's responsibility to fully understand the rule book and the rules that apply specifically to their racing division.
9. No one under the age of 18 is allowed in the pits without proper parental consent forms being completed when arriving at the racetrack. Minors found to be in the pit area without proper parental consent forms filled out can be – prosecuted for trespass to the full extent of the law and/or receive a suspension from the speedway. Proper forms will be available at the speedway Pit Gate and need to be filled out every night to have a minor gain entrance to the pit area.

### **DEFINITION OF BEHAVIOR**

*Anyone who, by word or deed, impedes, jeopardizes or in any manner hinders the smooth and orderly presentation of the racing program, or anyone who commits, or causes to be committed, any detriments to stock car racing and/or Sunset Speedway may/will be considered to have abused the privileges of membership, entry and/or admission granted by Sunset Speedway and may be subject to the revoking of those privileges, disqualification as deemed proper by the management or designated official.*

*Drivers are responsible for the sportsmanlike conduct of anyone in their crew and penalties incurred by a crew member may affect driver.*

### **DEFINITION OF DISQUALIFICATION**

To make a driver or car ineligible from participating in an event or from further participating in an event or from receiving credit for an official finishing position, with the resulting loss of prize monies, awards and points for that event and possible suspension of driver, owner, or crew.

### **DEFINITION OF SUSPENSION**

Loss of Sunset Speedway membership /driver privileges indefinitely and/ or for a period of time and/or loss of prize monies/points.

## **PARTICIPANT – DEFINITION:**

A participant is any person taking part in any event at Sunset Speedway event in any form, including but not restricted to drivers, car owners, mechanics, crew members, sponsors, track officials or pit observers. All such persons shall be considered public figures who have, by their own choice, become involved in auto racing events at Sunset speedway, with full understanding that he or she must abide by the rules and regulations established and published or announced by Sunset Speedway

## **TECHNICAL INSPECTION PROCEDURE**

1. Car must first pass through safety inspection and receive approval sticker. No race vehicle will be allowed on track for either practice or competition without the approval sticker. Decal placement will be part of safety inspection and must be in place on the race vehicle prior to any technical inspection.
2. The word stock shall be defined as any part for that particular make, model, and year as found in the manufactures catalogue. Unless specifically noted all stock parts shall be mounted in both the stock location and stock position as engineered by the manufacture. In addition to the location and mounting, only parts identified in the manufactures catalogue for that particular make, model, and year shall be eligible. Any deviation to the above mentioned rule shall be superseded by written updates and duly noted in the specific sub-section of the rules in accordance with the rules.
3. The maximum number of team members allowed in the tech and or impound area shall not exceed 3. (Driver and 2 Mechanics)
4. If at any time a car fails pre-race inspection, the team may have a maximum of one more pass through tech lane at the discretion of tech officials to correct the infraction.
5. All vehicles that are in the tech line after either a heat or feature race must adhere to the following policy:  
Drivers are to remain in the vehicle unless advised by a tech official. Under no condition shall either the hood and/or trunk area be opened. Visual inspection of any possible damage either to the body and/or suspension is allowed. Repeated failures for any tech line violations could result in further disciplinary actions up to and including suspension.
6. Any car receiving inspection will be considered a legal entry, but is subject to a further inspection as a result of an official's decision or a valid protest. The original inspection and resulting decisions shall be superseded by such a further inspection and resulting decisions.
7. Sunset Speedway officials must be notified of changes of driver prior to driver change. Eligible substitute drivers MUST hold a valid, current registration. All driver changes must be approved by Sunset Speedway officials.
8. When a driver's meeting is called, it is MANDATORY for all drivers to attend. Failure to acknowledge presence at roll call will result in a scratch starting position, in all the qualifying heats but would still start the feature in your percentage order.
9. Competitors wishing to have alternative and or equivalent parts approved must submit both the part and written proposal to the Track Manager at least 1 week prior to an event for consideration. In the written proposal both the cost and availability of the part must be made clear. All approved parts will be approved in writing and it is the responsibility of the team to provide written approval of the part to the Technical Inspector.
10. Any competitor who refuses to accept any claim under the rules will be disqualified from that event. In addition to the disqualification all monies and points awarded for this event will be forfeited.

## **11. OFFICIAL WEIGHING PROCEDURE**

The ONLY official weight shall be that as taken on the track scales; as operated by the track staff.

- a) Cars shall be weighed as they leave the track, with no topping up of car or driver. If a car has been selected for weight inspection, it may NOT go to their pit prior to being brought into the tech area. If a car selected goes to their pit prior to inspection, IT WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DECLARED ILLEGAL AND SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION losing all points and monies for that race.

b) A car will be weighed WITH THE DRIVER IN THE SEAT WITH HIS BELTS FASTENED, HIS HANDS ON THE STEERING WHEEL, HIS/HER FEET ON THE PEDALS AND HIS/HER HELMET ON HIS/HER HEAD.

c) If the first weight taken of a car by this method shall show the car to be under the allowable minimum weight, the Driver will be notified then and there and has the right to request a second weighing, BEFORE the car leaves the tech area. If the car is still found to be under the minimum allowable weight, it will be declared illegal and disqualified losing all points and monies for that race.

## **12. DISPLACEMENT CHECKING**

The displacement of any engine shall be determined using the approved P & G Meter (Boob Tube) and Whistler as provided by the speedway. A maximum of two (2) readings will be taken and the calculations thus derived will be considered official. A driver who disputes the findings of these readings, may, AT HIS EXPENSE, remove a cylinder head for a physical measurement. Cars found over the legal displacement will be disqualified losing all points and monies for that night

If the decision of the tech officials is not satisfactory, an appeal may be made, PRIOR TO EITHER PARTY LEAVING THE TECH ARE, to the Track Manager. After discussion between the tech officials and track manager, a levied decision will be FINAL.

**ANY CAR THAT REFUSES INSPECTION AT THE REQUEST OF THE TRACK STAFF OR AS A RESULT OF A PROTEST WILL BE DECLARED ILLEGAL!!**

## **QUALIFYING PROCEDURE**

1. Only one car may be qualified by a driver unless permission is secured by Sunset Speedway officials. A driver must start the last car he or she qualifies. Only one driver can qualify each registered car number.

2. Limit of one driver change and one car number change per race meet. Any car or driver change becomes binding for the balance of the race meet. Driver points will only be awarded to the driver starting the main feature.

3. Starting position will be determined by qualifying heats, handicap point system, or other method as outlined in advance by Sunset Speedway. Method used will be agreed upon by Sunset Speedway officials and will be brought to the drivers' attention before the race.

## **4. RAINOUT POLICIES:**

a. **Full Rainouts:** A full rainout is an event when it has rained to the point that the track surface is not safe to race on and **all** of the Qualifying Races have not been run. The Official in charge has stopped any attempt to carry on with that events program and has declared over. In this case you must keep your Arm Band that was issued for that event as this will be considered your rain check. This Arm Band is non transferrable and can be used as your admission to gain entry to the Speedway on any night where the same type of racing is scheduled. All sign in procedures have to be done again per **GENERAL REGULATION # 4**.

b. **Partial Rainouts:** A partial rain out is that where all of the qualifying races have been completed and the racing program has ended due to the weather or other circumstances. The following event will pick up where we left off starting with any feature races that have not been run from the preceding week. In this case your arm bands from that partial rainout will not be valid and you would have to pay as normal. **ONLY THOSE CARS / DRIVERS WHO HAD QUALIFIED FROM THAT PARTIAL RAINOUT ARE ELEGIBLE TO RUN THESE RACES.**

5. Sunset Speedway may exercise the option of additional starting positions over and above the entry blank for any event.

6. For scoring purposes no two cars shall the same number. Two digit numbers only.

**NOTE:** New heat race and/or qualifying procedures may be announced at that nights Drivers' Meeting for specific events at any time. These amendments may or may not apply to all divisions.

## QUALIFYING HEATS

1. Starting position in qualifying heats will be assigned by head scorer based a number drawn at the pit entry gate at the beginning of the night. This number draw is only used for your positioning in the heat races. A double heat format system will be used. Your first heat will be determined by the number you drew and the second heat will be lined up in reverse order of the position you started your first heat. Points will be given according to the finishing in each heat (for B Feature position and Feature Race Qualifying purposes only). Cars not qualifying from heats will have an opportunity to qualify for Feature Race starting positions by entering the B Feature Race, if necessary. - If 24 or under racecars 2 10 lap double lap heats – if 25 or more racecars 3 10 lap double heats. Laps-5 to 12 race cars 10 laps – 13 to 15 racecars 12 laps – 16 and more racecars 13 laps

2. Starting line-up will be announced and posted and race vehicles called must be aligned according to instructions of Sunset Speedway official assigned to respective pit area. Failure to be in assigned position when event is called to the track will result in forfeiture of position.

### B Feature Races

1. Starting positions in the **B Feature** races will be determined by the drivers' heat finishing position in his/her qualifying heat. The higher your finish in your heat race the closer to a front starting position in your **B Feature** race. **B Feature** races will only be run if there are 5 cars or more in the field. Laps for all divisions are as follows:

- 5 - 10 cars 8 laps
- 11 – 15 cars 12 laps
- 16 or more cars 15 laps.

2. Racecars that qualify for the Feature Race from the **B Feature** will be put in position at the back of the field of cars that qualified through their heat races and lined up in the order they finished in the **B Feature** race.

### Feature Races

The feature will be lined up will be based on the percentage system. The car with the highest average percent will start at the rear of the Feature race with the cars with the lesser percentages lined up in front of them in ascending order; the car with the least percentage up front. The only exception are the B Feature race cars who line up in their finishing position at the back of the cars that qualified through their heat races or a car that is granted a provisional start that would line up behind the B Feature qualified cars. Laps and entries for feature races will consist of as follows:

**Late Models: 26 Cars – 30 Laps – 18 cars qualify from the heats – 6 cars qualify from the B Feature.**

**Super Stocks: 26 Cars – 30 Laps – 18 cars qualify from the heats – 6 cars qualify from the B Feature**

**Mini Stocks: 28 Cars – 25 laps – 18 cars qualify from the heats – 8 cars qualify from the B Feature.**

### POINTS AND PERCENTAGES:

1.**Points:** The maximum points a driver can accumulate in on nights racing is 100 points.

- 84 points being the maximum a driver earn by winning the feature race to 36 points for 24<sup>th</sup>. position.
- 36 points being the maximum a driver can earn/accumulate in the qualifying heats.
- Qualifying heats points in a 2 heat format the winner will receive 8 points as the winner of each heat descending to 1 point for 7<sup>th</sup>. place.
- 25 points will be awarded to the first car in the B Feature that does not qualify for the main Feature race and descending to 15 points for last place.

● **YEAR END POINTS WILL BE BASED ON:**

- **Late MODEL:** Your top 15 nights
- **Super Stock:** Your top 17 nights
- **Mini Stocks:** Your top 17 nights

**2. Percentages:**

- Percentage is calculated by dividing the total points accumulated by the number of nights you competed.
- The definition of nights run is you would have to be at the speedway and have competed in at least one race event.
- 100 points will be added to a drivers points for percentage purposes only for every night he/she fails to show ready to compete with a tech and safety approved race ready vehicle.
- New drivers starting part way through the season will receive 100 points for every night (for percentage purposes) they missed prior to their arrival. Percentages in this case will be calculated on the nights the speedway has run not the nights the driver has participated.
- Any penalty points for disqualifications (I.E. Tech Infraction, on track incidents-Black Flags and behaviour or suspension penalties) will be added to your points for percentage purposes only.

**RACE PROCEDURE**

1. All drivers must be ready to compete in the event for which they are scheduled. Any driver not ready to compete when called will be sent to the rear of the race.
2. Race line-ups for all meets will be posted on the pit blackboard. Numbers will be posted well in advance of each race and the pit steward will advise which division is being called up onto the starting ramp next. You will also be called on the pit P.A. to advise when cars are required on the staging ramp.
3. Racing may be started at starter/official in charge's discretion, once drivers have been signalled to be ready. Race vehicles not in position will be placed at discretion of Sunset Speedway officials.
4. Any driver missing the initial green flag of any race will not be allowed to enter the race.
5. Any car that does not fire or pulls off the track while on the pace lap will be put to the rear of the field. The field will adjust by moving that line into the vacant spot.
6. Pace laps are set at the discretion of the Starter/Race Director.
7. All regular heat and feature restarts will position cars running in order 1 to 3 in single file with the balance of the field doubling up and lapped cars falling into place where they were running at the last completed lap.
8. Whenever it becomes dangerous or unsafe to continue a race within the discretion of the race officials, a race may be stopped.
9. When a race is stopped after the completion of a lap, cars shall line up in the order in which they were running at the completion of the last full lap, except those involved in the accident. Accident cars are determined by the starter and may seek help from the tower and corner officials of the involved cars to be put to the rear of the field. The head scorer will line the field up based on the last completed lap.
10. Regardless of the number of laps covered, rule #8 shall apply at all times, and in the event that enough laps have not been covered for the race to be called complete, drivers will be scored and paid on the positions they would have held in a restart.
11. At least the leader shall cover the advertised laps of the race if possible.
12. All races shall be considered finished at the discretion of the official in charge.
13. Caution flags will not count as completed laps unless otherwise designated. Races will be ended on green flag whenever possible.
14. While on race track (pit lane is considered to be part of the racing surface), all drivers/cars are under the jurisdiction and control of the Starter who will communicate his decision and/or instructions by means of flags

and corresponding signal lights and/or radio communication. Race Officials' decisions shall be final and subject only to a valid protest filed according to protest procedure.

**15.** If your car is not running or handling properly, pull off into Pit Road as quickly and safely as possible. Cars that create a hazard or who sandbag for a restart WILL be disqualified.

**16.** Cars that consistently cause problems on the speedway and are a constant source of erratic handling problems (car or driver) will, at the discretion of the starter and Track Manager, be declared "Non-competitive" and will be removed from competition until the problem is resolved. This will also apply to drivers who have an attitude problem that is detrimental to and is disruptive to the racing program in general.

#### **FLAGS AND PROCEDURES**

**1.** Be familiar with and OBEY flags, signals, and safety lights. They are used for the safety and protection of ALL competitors and crew.

**2.** You must YIELD THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR AMBULANCE AND FIRE CREWS AT ALL TIMES, without exception.

#### **FLAGS AND SIGNALS**

**1. GREEN FLAG** - Start or restart of race.

**2. WHITE FLAG** – One lap to go before start or restart of race, or one lap remaining in race before checkered flag.

**3. YELLOW FLAG** – When the yellow flag is displayed, all cars will slow down immediately and pull into line behind the car ahead. If two cars are running side by side when the yellow flag shows, the inside car shall take preference. Proceed with caution until line-up is finalized by starter and assistant starter.

**4. RED FLAG AND RED LIGHTS** – THE RED FLAG MEANS ONLY ONE THING – STOP IMMEDIATELY, in the safest manner possible. Failure to obey the red flag/lights will result in disqualification.

**5. BLACK FLAG** – Consultation/disqualification. Pull off the track to the infield as quickly and safely as possible. Failure to obey a black flag will result in disqualification.

**6. BLUE WITH YELLOW DIAGONAL** – Passing Flag. You are being lapped by a faster car. Pull immediately to the inside of the racing surface and let the faster cars go by. Failure to obey the cross over flag will result in disqualification and a one lap penalty for every lap that the cross over is ignored.

**7. TWO FLAGS HELD UPRIGHT** – Two laps remaining in race.

**8. CROSSED FLAGS** – Midway point in race.

**9. CHECKERED FLAG** - The race is officially completed

**10. YELLOW/RED/GREEN FLAG AND LIGHTS** – Once the problem on the track has been cleared up and the emergency has passed the yellow/red/green light will be displayed. Only then should you proceed to the start/finish line for a re-line and restart. You are not permitted to move from a red light situation until the red/green is shown

#### **PIT ROAD PROCEDURE:**

**1. You must be 14 years of age or older to be on PIT ROAD OR BE IN THE INNER PIT AREA.** Anyone under the age of 14 years of age caught in this area will be escorted out of this area and the affiliated team will be disqualified losing all points & monies earned for that event plus possible further suspensions.

**2.** PIT Road will only be utilized during FEATURE RACES.

**3.** The PIT ROAD part of the race track can be utilised during qualifying races but no work can be done on the race car and you will not be allowed to re-enter the race track. You will not return to the main pit area until said race is complete.

**4.** All PIT CREWS must have all equipment required to service the race car on pit road ready to go (all divisions) during the Speedway intermission.

**5.** There are only 24 pit slots that will be numbered from 1 to 24. These areas will be assigned as to where you are in the points standings (I.E. first in points will pit in slot 1 and so on) In case there are more cars than pit slots lower cars in the point standings will have to share a pit stall. It is permissible for two drivers utilising one team to use one pit stall but must insure only one car at a time is on pit road.

**6.** Cars will enter pit road at corner #3 and exit pit road at corner #2. Pit slots will be numbered in sequence with the first pit slot as you enter pit road at corner #3 being slot 24 and the last pit stop in corner #2 being slot 1.

7. When a car enters the pit road (max 30m.p.h.) the car must come to a complete stop within its designated pit slot before any work is begun. THIS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED .
8. For a hot green flag pit stop only four (4) pit crew members will be allowed over the wall.
9. When a pit stop is utilized on pit road an approved fire extinguisher type "ABC" must be located within that pit slot.
10. Major repairs to the race car may only be performed behind the pit wall. Definition of major repairs shall be determined by a Sunset Speedway race official.
11. Only one (1) jack can be used for any pit stop involving tire changes.
12. When tires are changed on a pit stop, all lug nuts must be tightened on that stop or the car will be brought back into the pits and a penalty will be assessed.
13. No car may be pushed past the stop and go man at the end of the pit road. After the race is underway, cars may be started by hand, pushing in the pit area only.
14. Race cars running over jack or air hoses, dragging equipment out of the pit area, etc., or not having a properly sealed gas cap will have to return to the pit area and will be assessed with a time or lap penalty. Penalties will only be involved on the observation of a violation by a Sunset Speedway official.
15. In the event of a caution, no car is allowed to pass the pace vehicle unless otherwise instructed by race officials.
16. Cars returning to the race track from the pit area while the yellow flag is out must wait for the rear end of the field in line behind the pace vehicle or as directed by the stop-and-go person.
17. The finish line shall be considered to extend from the outside of the track retaining wall to the inside pit wall, and any car rolling through the pits under its own power may legally receive the green flag, the white flag, the yellow flag or the checkered flag.
18. Pit lane entry person may be utilized at certain race events, disregard of the flag person or stop-and-go person will result in a penalty.

#### **PROTESTS**

1. A protest may be filed according to protest procedures only by the registered driver of an officially entered team and who is a registered member of Sunset Speedway.
2. Protests cannot be lodged against a driver/car in another division.
3. Protests of any nature must be accompanied by a cash bond (if applicable) and within time period as specified.
4. Any competitor against whom a protest is lodged shall have the right to file answers to the charges.
5. Sunset Speedway reserves the right to call in any race vehicle for inspection purposes. Refusal to comply with this request will result in disqualification and/or penalty.
6. All protests must be presented to either Tech Director or designated tech officials 10 minutes prior to the race the racecar you wish to protest is in being a qualifying or feature race.

#### **TYPES OF PROTESTS AND FEES**

**1. OFFICIAL DECISION:** In progress race decisions of track manager, starter and/or head scorer will be considered final and race in progress will be completed accordingly. Any protest of official decisions must be filed, according to protest procedures immediately after the completion of race in which protested decision was made. No protest fee will be required.

#### **2. TECHNICAL:**

All protests must be handed to the Tech Director (or his delegate) before the start of the race event. All protests MUST be accompanied by a written explanation as to the reason for the protest.

- In the case of poor weather (I.E. Rain- Dust Storm) and it is not feasible to do a tear down of the race vehicle at the race track, the racecar to be inspected will be impounded and moved to a more suitable location to carry on this tear down inspection. If this is a protest the protester who made out and signed the protest form can accompany the car to witness the inspection.

### 3. TECHNICAL INFRACTION:

a) For visual protest of any infraction relating to equipment which is outwardly visible and/or accessible to inspection without use of tools. Protest fee of **\$50.00** (in cash) must accompany protest.

b) For non-visible protest of any infraction relating to equipment, which requires the use of tools to remove, or make accessible to inspection the protested part and/or equipment. Work necessary to permit inspection must be performed by protested driver or his/her designated crew members. A protest fee must accompany protest. Protest fees are listed below for different types of inspections.

- Carburetor .....\$200.00
- Intake Manifold .....\$200.00
- Transmission .....\$200.00
- Clutch & Flywheel.....\$250.00
- Cylinder Head..... \$300.00
- Oil Pan..... \$500.00

**Only one major item can be protested in one tear down session at a time.**

Note: A car/driver that files the protest is subject to same inspection and/or further inspection than that specified in the written protest. This inspection may be made before protested competitors vehicle is inspected. This is at the discretion of the Sunset Speedway official in charge.

#### PROTEST PROCEDURE

1. Request protest/claim form from Tech Director. Fill out all information requested on form application to protest being filed and return completed form to the Tech Director along with required fee, in cash. The Tech Director will relay your protest to the Track Manager and advise you when and where to report for a hearing and/or further action relative to your complaint.

2. Protest/claim form will require the following information:

- Complainants name, members car number, race division, and signature.
- Name, car number and race division of driver/car being protested.
- Type of complaint (i.e.: Decision, Technical-visual, non-visual) and fee required will be indicated on form. In space provided indicate precisely the subject, nature and extent of your complaint (one complaint per form).

3. Technical protests or claims must be filed with Tech Director (or his delegate) prior to the start of feature race in complainant's division and immediately following the race, the complainant's race vehicle must come to tech. Protest of feature race decision or results must be made within 15 minutes from the time of the start of the feature/qualifying.

4. Only valid protests will be recognized. To be valid, protest must be:

- Clearly legible, on designated protest/claim form;
- Made by a registered and competing (in that meet that night) driver against car/driver in same division;
- Filed within stipulated deadline;
- Precise and complete with regards to nature, subject and required information concerning protest.

5. In the event of circumstances preventing the resolution of a protest at the track, any and all affected fees, positions, monies and/or points will be held in trust by management until the protest has been resolved at a later meeting of officials and/or registered drivers directly involved in the protest. Resolution and results will be made public at or before the next scheduled race meet. Every attempt will be made, however, to resolve protest situations at track and on date of protest.

6. If a protest is upheld, the protest fee will be refunded to complainant. If protested car is found legal, with regards to specific protest, the protest fee will be awarded to protested car/driver.

**NOTE:** In the processing of a protest, the Track Manager will neither make nor be involved in any decision regarding the protest but rather, will act in a purely liaison capacity. Harassment of Track Manager or any track official regarding a protest may result in the protest being declared null and void and the forfeiture of protest fee. Similarly any protest, other than a valid written protest filed according to protest procedure, will be null and void.

Any inspection and resulting decision initiated by a valid protest will be confined to the stipulations of the written protest. Any further inspection beyond the stipulation of the protest will be at official's discretion and will be considered a separate action from the protest. Protest will be ruled on and fee awarded accordingly before further inspection will proceed. If the protester (complainant) fails inspection with their own vehicle, all protest monies will be forfeited.

### **APPEALS**

1. Right of appeal is given to any Sunset Speedway registered member who has been penalized for any infraction of rules, regulations or specifications of Sunset Speedway with exception of a black flag.
2. Appeal must be made on the night of the infraction and will be settled at that time.
3. Decisions made by Sunset Speedway on appeals shall be final. Re-appeals will not be granted.

**PENALTIES** - Violation of any rule or regulation of Sunset Speedway by registered member/driver may be penalized by disqualification and/or suspension.

• **Any Driver that hits another car in a retaliatory form either on the Race Track during a caution, on Pit Road or in the pit area will be suspended for that night losing all points and money earned that night plus an additional weeks' suspension.**

- Failure to sign releases and registration forms by driver or other members automatically disqualifies them and forfeits all prize money and points in that event.
- Any driver, car owner, or mechanic who takes part in any demonstration or fights on any speedway grounds before, during or after a race shall be subject to suspension.
- Until suspension is lifted, the car with which the suspended member/driver is registered may be restricted from competing if suspension is for demonstration or fights.
- Any driver, car owner or mechanic who fails to notify Sunset Speedway officials of any change in driver, or permits a car to be driven in a race event by an unregistered person shall be subject to suspension.
- Actions by any person participating in race events, regardless of role, at Sunset Speedway considered detrimental to stock car racing shall be subject to suspension and/or expulsion.
- Abuse, assault or threat to do bodily injury by any driver, car owner or mechanic to any official or persons serving under their orders shall be grounds for suspension.
- Any vacated position found illegal by disqualification in any division, entries will be moved up.
- Any entry found to be illegal will lose the all winnings, all points for the event.
- **CRATE ENGINES: Any tampering, alterations, or violations with respect to the crate engine program will result in the immediate disqualification and possible suspension of the driver and, car owner for a time period to be determined by the track management. Further monetary fines and reduction of points will be assessed by the track management. The tampered engine which must be removed at the team's expense will be impounded at both the team's expense and risk until the ruling is finalized. The speedway reserves the right to destroy all tampered with parts.**

### **INSPECTIONS**

1. Sunset Speedway official in charge of a race meet shall determine the method and type of car inspection, number of cars to be inspected, and reserve the right to call in any cars competing in that race event. Sunset Speedway reserves the right to impound any car for inspection. Refusal to comply with the request may end in expulsion of the driver and or owner, fine, penalty and or suspension.
2. The word tear down with respect to a technical inspection shall be defined as the removal of related engine parts previously sealed by the factory.

**Any legitimate complaint will receive a full investigation by the track staff and if the complaint is justified, then appropriate action will be taken. In the event that the complaint has no basis, then this too will be discussed with you in private.**

**There is NOTHING that goes on at the speedway that cannot be resolved in a quiet and gentlemanly or ladylike manner!!**

The management and staff of Sunset Speedway are dedicated to providing the spectators and the competitors with the best racing program possible. **WE ARE, HOWEVER, NOT PERFECT.** We welcome the comments from fan and driver alike, so that we can do a better job and put on a better show.

Remember, it is the fans who are our customers in the stands and they are the ones who really pay the purse and make the whole thing come together. They are the **MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE** in the place. Let us all work together to make Sunset Speedway the track where they want to visit time after time, because it is their home track. As a competitor, you have a strong and vital role in our program and we hope that you will work with the management to keep upgrading our sport and enable us to make the upcoming racing season the best yet.

If you have any questions regarding the interpretation of these rules prior to the start of racing, please contact:

**Track Manager/Race Director**

**Steve Slaughter**

## NOTES