



NAMIBIA

MOTORSPORT

FEDERATION

NMSF STANDING SUPPLEMENTRY REGULATIONS

OVAL DIRT

STANDING SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS APPLICABLE TO DIRT OVAL TRACK RACING FOR 2024 - 2025

SSR

300. These rules together with the Sporting Regulations (SPR'S) of the Namibian Motor Sport Federation (Hereinafter Referred to as NMSF) replace all previous rules and regulations in respect of Dirt Oval Racing in Namibia.

301. ELIGIBILITY OF COMPETITORS

Open to all competitors holding Namibian competition licenses, valid for oval track racing issued by the NMSF.

Competitors – Requirements and Conduct

301.1 Licenses

- i) All competitors, whether entrants, drivers, or both, shall, before taking part in a meeting, be in possession of an Oval Racing Competition License issued only by NMSF and this license must be produced at documentation to the Secretary of the Meeting at the time and place stated in the Supplementary Regulations for the event.
- ii) All competitors under 18 years of age must have their Oval Racing License application forms countersigned by a parent, or legal guardian, who must also approve and countersign the competition entry form.

301.2 Pre-event procedure

Drivers shall, before taking part in any race meeting, including official practice, complete an official entry form, which must specify their NMSF license number. A starter sheet must be completed prior to participating. If it is stated in the SR's that a Driver Briefing is to be held prior to the commencement of racing, it is compulsory for all competitors to attend. Failure to attend may lead to exclusion from a particular heat, the day's racing or a point's penalty as determined by the Clerk of the Course.

301.3 Conduct

- i) All persons shall conduct themselves in an orderly manner. Any disorderly conduct or failure to obey instructions or any breach of these regulations by entrants, drivers, or their assistances, shall make the entrant concerned liable to a penalty and/or fine and/or exclusion.
- ii) If the offence occurs during a race, the vehicle and driver concerned may be excluded from the race. Failure to report at a specified time shall be breach of the regulations and may be subject to exclusion from the race and/or a penalty and/or a fine.
- iii) Alcohol: Any competitor found to have consumed alcohol would be excluded from the days racing.

301.4 Withdrawal from an Event or Race

Competitors who are unable to participate in an event or race must inform the Clerk of the Course as soon as possible, stating their reasons for withdrawal.

302. ELIGIBILITY OF VEHICLES

Open to any vehicle/motorcycle/quads falling within the following classes:-

- a. 4 Cylinder 8 valves
- b. 4 Cylinder above 8 valves including modified, Rotary, Forced Induction (Hot rods)
- c. 6 & 8 Cylinders
- d. Quads – Up to 300cc
- e. Quads – Above 300cc & Banshees
- f. Side cars – no limits
- g. Midgets – no limits

303. OFFICIALS

They shall be present throughout practice and racing and shall be responsible for carrying out the duties defined. No Official shall take part in any event at a meeting at which he is officiating, and no official shall expose him to any hazard not essential to the performance of this allotted duties. **No official shall be under 16 years of age**; any official under 18 years old must be able to provide written approval of a parent or guardian.

- (a) **NMSF Steward:** Shall be appointed by NMSF. The person appointed as Steward shall be familiar with Dirt Oval Racing Regulations and Dirt Oval Racing generally, insofar as they differ from other forms of motor racing.
- (b) **Clerk of the Course:** Must hold a license valid for the grade of the meeting. The Clerk of the Course shall at all times be in close proximity to the start/finish line and if possible, in radio contact.
- (c) **Starter:** Responsible for ensuring that the races are correctly started and finished, and the proper signals given. The starter takes instructions from the Clerk of the Course only. The starter and Clerk of the Course can be the same person.
- (d) **Medical Organization:** All tracks must have at least one fully equipped ambulance and sufficient trained crew/paramedics to ensure that if the ambulance must leave the circuit, a back-up crew is available. If possible, a doctor should be in attendance.
- (e) **Scrutineers and assistance:** Shall be approved by NMSF. Scrutineers at the request of the Clerk of the Course or by their own decision are to re-inspect and approve any vehicle involved in an accident before it can be allowed to resume racing. Scrutineers may not be involved with any competitor or vehicle taking part in an event.
- (f) **Chief Circuit Marshall:** Shall be responsible for :-
 - i) To ensure that the track surface and marking and protective works are maintained in good order throughout the meeting.
 - ii) To ensure that the fire-fighting equipment is readily available and correctly sited and that his assistants and the Paddock marshals are familiar with its operation.
 - iii) To supervise the removal from the track any vehicle which may have stopped on the circuit.
 - iv) To see that all entrances to the track are properly manned and that no unauthorized person comes within this area.
 - v) The Chief Circuit Marshall shall be assisted by a minimum of 4 Grade 1 Circuit Marshalls. All Circuit Marshalls shall at all times while on the track, be dressed in the safety clothing issued by the organizers of the event. No Circuit Marshall shall be allowed on the track without his/her safety clothing.
- (g) **Chief Paddock Marshall:** Shall be responsible for :-
 - i) To maintain orderly conduct in the paddock and/or pit area;
 - ii) To notify competitors to assemble on the dummy grid prior to each heat;
 - iii) To ensure that no competing vehicle goes onto the track unless it has been approved by the Scrutineers;
 - iv) To exclude any unauthorized persons from the paddock and/or pit area.

General Officials: To be present in a number adequate to control admission to all enclosures, to operate car parking, distribute programmes, etc

Any officials shall be suitably identified, and no official may compete in any event where he is present in an official capacity.

304. FEES

Organizers and other shall be responsible for payment to NMSF of the fees prescribed from time to time by NMSF.

305. INSURANCE

Public Liability Insurance of the Organizers and parties associated with the, such as track owners, etc shall be affected to the satisfaction of the NMSF.

306. SCRUTINEERING

(a) Pre-Race Scrutinizing

All vehicles are to be scrutinized before they are allowed onto the track. Scrutineering must be carried out by registered scrutinizers, nominated by the Club organizing the event. In addition to the vehicle being scrutinized all the driver/riders clothing and helmets are to be scrutineered as well.

(b) Post-Race Scrutineering

After an event, the Clerk of the Course may instruct that vehicle to be impounded in the parc fermé area for examination by the Scrutineers to determine if they comply with the regulations. Any vehicle failing to comply shall be excluded from the results of the event. Refusal to submit a vehicle for scrutiny as directed shall result in automatic exclusion and further disciplinary action.

307. SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

The promoters shall issue SRs in accordance with the SPR's of NMSF.

308. CLASSIFICATIONS OF A FINISHER

For a competitor to be classified as a finisher he/she must cross the finish line on the track with his/her vehicle running under its own power and receive the chequered flag. (No outside assistance is allowed)

NOTE: A Dirt Oval Racing Competitors Licence is also valid for circuit racing events accommodating clubman's and historic car racing. Conversely, a circuit saloon car licence (i.e. Modified Saloon, Group N, Clubman's, Historic), is valid for Dirt Oval Track racing events.

309. VEHICLES - GENERAL

All vehicles must satisfy the Scrutineers or the Clerk of the Course as to their suitability for racing, taking into account all details of their design and construction. In addition, it must be evident, both from a static examination and from its behaviour on the track, that a vehicle will present no hazard to the driver or to the competitor or to spectators.

310. RACING – GENERAL REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL COMPETITORS

- (a) In the interest of safety, before a vehicle proceeds onto the Track a check shall be made that it has been passed by the Scrutineers. Once the Scrutineers have satisfied themselves as to the safety of the vehicle a scrutineering sticker must be issued which will be affixed to either the lower left hand or right-hand windscreen area.
- (b) Only an officially licensed driver shall drive a racing vehicle on the circuit during pre-race practice and the racing. Under no circumstances may passengers be transported on a race vehicle except when there is a Grand Parade.
- (c) Under no circumstances may a vehicle be driven or pushed in any direction except in the direction of the course, either during unofficial or official practice sessions or during a race. Failure to observe this rule shall mean exclusion from the entire race meeting. (Donuts only allowed after the last Heat of the day, only if the COC/organizer/track owner allows it.).
- (d) Any driver stopping on the circuit or its verges, whether voluntarily or involuntarily (such as through stalling) shall remain there until it is safe to move as/or directed by an official. Competitors may not remove crash helmets/safety belts unless instructed to do so by the Clerk of the Course or Circuit Marshall.
- (e) For the Grand Parade all competitors taking part in the grand Parade must be in full racing kit, excluding the helmet.
- (f) Tap and spin is forbidden under the pain of exclusion.

311. TRACK SPECIFICATIONS

- (a) The tracks Licensing Committee can at any time overrule the stipulated specifications in the interest of safety.
- (b) All tracks to have a fully equipped ambulance and trained first aid crew. If possible, a doctor should always be in attendance.
- (c) In the event of an ambulance being away from the track at any time, a back-up crew of suitably qualified personnel must be in attendance.
- (d) A minimum of eight fire extinguishers, certified and in working order at the beginning of the race meeting are required. (Dry powder, minimum 8kg). Circuit Marshalls to be issued with a minimum of 2 Fire Stryker extinguishers each.
- (e) A minimum of one breakdown vehicle to be in attendance at all times.
- (f) Outside walls if tyres must be secured and filled with ground

312. FLAGS AND WARNING SYSTEMS

The minimum size of signal flags is 60 x 80cm

Start Flag Green Flag or Club Flag

Finish Flag A Black and White chequered flag, usually waved.

Green Flag All clear

Red Flag Shown Motionless by the Clerk of the Course. Informs all competitors that they must stop practice or racing immediately and that they must proceed to the pits or place indicated in the SRs for the event exercising extreme caution and being prepared to stop at the even exercising extreme caution and being prepared to stop at any time if necessary.

Simultaneously with the showing of the red flag, each marshal post around the circuit will also display a red flag to convey the same information to competitors. The red flag may also be used exclusively by the Clerk of the Course or his deputy, to close the circuit.

Yellow Flag One Flag Stationary or waved indicates caution on part of the track, two Flags stationary or waved indicates caution on the whole track. No passing on yellow. Continue racing but be prepared for potential red flag which may be waved by the Clerk of the Course.

Blue Flag Shown from start line indicates a driver is about to be lapped. Driver to keep to his/her specific racing line.

Black Flag Stop immediately (competitor number will also be shown)

Black and White Flag Shown by the Clerk of the Course together with a number board divided into Black & White indicates to the driver whose number is shown that he is been warned Halves for unsportsmanlike behaviour and that he is under observation, and must report to the Clerk of the Course immediately after his/her race.

White Flag Slow moving vehicle on the circuit ie: Ambulance or Medical Response Vehicle

Final Lap Board Indicates the last lap

Black Flag with Orange Circle Shown together with a number board indicates that the vehicle Concerned has a potentially dangerous defect and must pull off into the Infield immediately

NOTE : WARNING LIGHTS MAY REPLACE YELLOW, GREEN AND RED FLAGS

313. PENALTIES (for driving infringements)

- i) Warning
- ii) Penalty of one or more positions
- iii) Exclusion

314. SCRUTINY AREA

A level tar or cement area well lighted must be provided for scrutineering where applicable

315. PIT / PADDOCK AREA

A level area must be provided of sufficient size to accommodate the loading and offloading and parking of all competing cars. The pit Area must be properly fenced or walled, with tyres or bricks, to minimum of 1.2 meters high.

316. CENTRE CIRCUIT

To be kept free of vehicles and cars except for emergency vehicles and officials

317. PIT / TRACK GATE

Should be constructed in such a way as to not burst inward towards the pit if hit by competing vehicles and should be flush with barriers / walls.

318. REGULATIONS – CARS / MOTORCYCLES

318.1 Batteries

- i) Must be bolted or clamped in place
- ii) Must be covered with non-conductive durable material if inside driver cab
- iii) Safety belts may at no time be in contact with the battery

318.2 Clothing

Cars – no driver will be allowed on the track unless :-

- i) Wearing shoes, preferably boot type covering ankle
- ii) Standard overall or fire retardant overalls – one or two pieces
- iii) Approved helmet and visors to be used Quads / Motorcycles – No rider will be allowed on the track unless :-
 - i) Wearing proper racing leathers including Chest Protector
 - ii) Calf length boots are compulsory
 - iii) Closed finger racing gloves are compulsory
 - iv) Approved helmet
 - v) Bikes and quads to be properly numbered – white cloth with black lettering on back of overall.
 - vi) Neck braces is not compulsory for Cars and Quads but .

318.3 Fire Extinguishers

It is optional that all cars carry a fire extinguisher with a minimum capacity of 2,5kg

318.4 Floorplan

- i) A proper metal constructed floor, covering the full floor area, front firewall and Propshaft, must be fitted – chain around Propshaft
- ii) Additional reinforcing at bellhousing and Propshaft

318.5 Rear View Mirrors

Not allowed on opened wheeled cars on the outside

318.6 Safety Belts

- i) All vehicles will be fitted with a minimum 3-point, single lever type safety belt.
- ii) Safety belts must be bolted and not welded to the floor
- iii) Arm straps are optional and must be of the quick release type
- iv) Safety net on driver's door

318.7 Transmission

As you please – any type is suitable

318.8 Tyres

Open to all types –**except rally grips**

318.9 Double Wheels

These will not be permitted

318.10 Body and Doors

- i) Body shell to remain, but any panels can be changed to fibreglass or a lighter material.
- ii) Boot lids and operational doors must be fitted with outside working latches to prevent them opening during races. Bonnets to be retained by means of bonnet-pins
- iii) Rear doors must be welded closed or to be retained by means of pins (latches)
- iv) The metal of the body may not exceed 1mm
- v) Fibre-glass bodies are permissible

318.11 Cooling Systems

- i) The radiator may be fitted in the driver's compartment, provided that all piping is of steel or aluminium material and all joints are enclosed by a rubber sock
- ii) Expansion bottles must be mounted on the opposite side of the radiator to the driver and all overflow pipes must bend downwards, externally.

- 318.12 **Mud Flaps**
The use of mud flaps behind all driving wheels is compulsory. When fitted, the mud flaps must not be less than 25mm from the ground- thus maximum ground clearance of 25mm measured on an even piece of surface – preferable a paved area in the pits.
- 318.13 **Protection**
- i) A roll-cage bar must be securely fixed to the floor of the car (with a base plate) welded or bolted.
 - ii) The roll-cage must be constructed of metal tubing with a minimum diameter of 28mm and wall thickness of 3mm and must contain a 6mm inspection hole.
 - iii) The roll-cage must be supported by a minimum of four down pipes, one in each corner of the passenger compartment. A brace must be welded between the two sides of the cage and must be connected above the steering column. No sharp edges or corners allowed on any part of the roll-cage.
 - iv) A minimum of one “sissy-bar” must be mounted on the inside of both front doors.
 - v) It must be noted that the above regulations cover minimum requirements only. Additional cross-pipe and padding may be added to the cage at the driver’s discretion, but not affixed to the floor.
- 318.14 **Bumpers (Optional)**
- i) Front and rear bumpers are optional.
 - ii) Front and rear bumpers can be fitted as produced by manufacturer.
 - iii) Where bumpers are fitted all corners are to be round shaped.
 - iv) Bumpers are not to be more than 100mm from the body.
 - v) The inside of the radiator support or front section of the chassis may be reinforced for protection.
 - vi) The inside of the rear boot compartment may be reinforced with a steel plate to protect the rear of the body. Plate not thicker than 5mm and not wider than 30cm.
- 318.15 **Petrol Tank**
Must be enclosed behind a fire wall (sponge to absorb petrol/fuel) if in driver cab.
- 318.16 **Hand Brake**
Optional
- 318.17 **Gearbox**
Must be enclosed to prevent flywheel coming loose
- 318.18 **Scrutineering Books**
Drivers are responsible to keep such a book at hand
- 318.19 **Fuel**
Any type of fuel is acceptable – except nitrous oxide
- 318.20 **Windscreens**
Windscreens are optional, but only shatterproof windscreens will be allowed on racing cars.
- 318.21 **Self-starters**
Are compulsory and must be in working order
- 318.22 **Power Source**
No supplementary power source such as water injection, nitrous oxide will be permitted

319. STARTING POSITIONS & NUMBER OF HEATS

There will be 4 heats per event.

The following starting positions will be used:

- First heat - Luck of the draw
- Second heat - will be in reverse order of the starting positions of the first Heat.
- Third heat - the highest point scorer in heats 1+2 in their specific classes will start in pole position followed in descending order.
- Fourth Heat - will be started in reverse order of the starting positions of Heat 3.

320. HEATS COUNTING FOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

All three/Four heats of an event will count towards national championships.

321. NUMBER OF COMPETITORS

A minimum of 3 (three) competitors per class.

322. NUMBER OF LAPS

A minimum of 8+1 laps per class or exceeding a maximum number of vehicles plus on lap

323. KING OF OVAL

The same racing rules will apply.

324. AWARDS & TROPHIES

There will be first, second and third place prizes for all qualifying classes.

325. DRIVERS MEETING

A driver's meeting will be held at the pit area before commencement with practice. All participants shall be present.

326. PROTEST TIME

i) Only 30 minutes protest time will be allowed after the official results appear on the board. No additional time will be allowed.

327. DUAL ENTRY

- i) Two entrants per vehicle will be allowed, but no more than two drivers dependent on number of classes.
- ii) Every entrant must present his own number on the vehicle when racing.

328. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

- i) Only a member of a specific dirt oval club may win points for that specific club, but any driver may win the day's trophies.
- ii) At the end of each year each club will look after his own club champion for that specific year.

330. VEHICLE NUMBERS

Competitor numbers will be based on a first come first serve basis, with each competitor deciding on their own number, champions of the previous year have first right to choose number.

331. DUAL MEMBERSHIP

Dual membership is permitted

332. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS SCORING

No points will be scored for overall positions – only for class positions. The only points scale to be used in the championship is the following:

1 st Place:	9 points
2 nd Place:	6 points
3 rd Place:	4 points
4 th Place:	3 points
5 th Place:	2 points
6 th Place:	1 point

If 2 competitors score the same points, the one with the highest placing (i.e. most 1st places, then 2nd places etc.) will be the winner. If the result is still the same, the results of the last heat will be used to determine the winner.

332.1 NUMBER OF EVENTS

The Namibian Dirt Oval Championship will consist of 6 legs.

333. ASSEMBLY OF THE GRID

The manner of determining the grid for an event shall be detailed in the SRs for the event. The method of determining the grid shall be the same for all events counting towards any series of events

334 STARTING PROCEDURE

All races shall commence with a rolling start. On entering the track, the yellow flag will be shown on the first passing of the start/finish line. All racers are to ensure that they are lined up in grid format and spaced accordingly. On the second time of passing the start/finish line, the start of the race will be given with the start flag.

SSR's 335 – 349 RESERVED