



2026 DISTRICT 16 COUNCIL
AMERICAN MOTORCYCLIST ASSOCIATION
FLAT TRACK / ICE RACING SUPPLEMENTAL
RULES
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The AMA Racing Rulebook applies to All AMA District 16 organized events, which include, but are not limited to: competition, meets, banquets and awards ceremonies. All Participants living within District 16 boundaries must be a current member in good standing of the AMA and hold a current District 16 Registration Card or equivalent from a different AMA District.

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This Is Flat Track

- a. Flat Track refers to short track, TT, half mile, and mile competition.
- b. The term "dirt track" is more often associated with car racing and should be avoided.

2. Age Limitation Clarifications

- a. AMA regulations require:
 - i. Racers to be at least 12 years of age to compete in any "Amateur" class.
 - ii. Racers must be at least 14 years of age to compete on any motorcycle/quad above 250cc
 - iii. Racers must be at least 9 years of age to compete in 85cc class.
- b. District 16 regulations require:
 - i. Racers to be at least 18 years of age to compete on a twin cylinder motorcycle above 500cc displacement.
- c. Meet Referees and registration personnel may request to see any racer's proof of age. Racers without proof of age may be prevented from entering a class, or they may be disqualified from a class.

3. D16 Flat Track Classes: Youth Motorcycle for Trophies & Points

- a. Production 50cc Shaft Drive
 - i. PW50 motorcycles, and "E2" electric motorcycles.
 - ii. Production rules per AMA Rulebook.
 - iii. Racers must be 4-8 years of age.
 - iv. No entry fee.
- b. Production 50cc 4-Stroke/Shifter
 - i. 50cc four stroke shifting motorcycles (YZF50/CRF50 or similar).
 - 1. Chain driven two-strokes (Cobra, KTM, etc.) are not allowed.
 - ii. Production rules per AMA Rulebook.
 - iii. Racers must be 4-8 years of age
 - iv. No entry fee.
- c. 65cc Motorcycle
 - i. 52-65cc two-stroke motorcycles, 52cc-90cc four-stroke shifter motorcycles, or 52cc-112cc four-stroke automatic motorcycles.
 - ii. Racers must be 7-11 years of age.

d. 85cc Motorcycle

- i. 66cc-85cc two-stroke motorcycles, or 75cc-125cc four-stroke motorcycles.
- ii. Racers must be 9-15 years of age.

e. Open Youth Motorcycle

- i. 63cc-85cc two-stroke motorcycles or 79cc-150cc four-stroke motorcycles.
- ii. Racers must be 9-12 years of age.

4. D16 Flat Track Classes: Amateur Motorcycle for Trophies & Points

a. 250 Motorcycle

(Class was named 250cc Motorcycle in 2024)

- i. 125cc-250cc full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- ii. Racers must be at least 12 years of age.

b. 450 B Motorcycle

(Class was named 450cc Motorcycle in 2024)

- i. 251cc-450cc full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- ii. Racers must be at least 14 years of age
- iii. 450 B is intended for intermediate level racers.

c. Boonie Bikes

- i. Apparel: Racers must wear proper riding gear (Helmet, Gloves, Boots, Long Sleeves etc.).
- ii. Clutch: Must be Auto-clutch/single speed or CVT must have coverings on ALL sides except the rear.
- iii. Engine: Must originate with and retain Pull-Start design from manufacture.
- iv. Fuel: Pump gas/race gas only. No alternative fuels (Methanol etc.).
- v. Kill Switch: Must have Kill Switch mounted on handlebar.
- vi. Wheels: Maximum wheel size is 12-inches.
- vii. Racers must be at least 14 years of age.
- viii. This class will not be offered at ½ mile meets.

d. Brakeless Classics

- i. 1961-1976 era, 250cc-400cc four stroke single cylinder engines.
- ii. Racers must be at least 14 years of age.
- iii. No brakes are allowed except on TT meets.

e. Masters

- i. Racers must be at least 60 years of age.
- ii. 125cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- iii. Day-of-Meet awards are at the discretion of the club or promoter.

f. Mad Dog

- i. 100cc-150cc air-cooled 4-Stroke, 2-valve engines.
- ii. No pull-start engines, scooters or Boonie bikes.
- iii. Minimum wheelbase 49".
- iv. Racers must be at least 16 years of age.

g. Open B Motorcycle

- i. 250cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- ii. Racers must be at least 12 years of age; must be at least 14 years of age to race a motorcycle above 250cc; must be at least 18 years of age to race a twin-cylinder above 500cc.
- iii. Open B is intended for intermediate level racers.

h. Senior

- i. Racers must be at least 40 years of age.
- ii. 125cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.

i. Super Senior

- i. Racers must be at least 50 years of age.
- ii. 125cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.

j. Vets

- i. Racers must be at least 30 years of age.
- ii. 125cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.

k. Vintage+Twins

- i. Single cylinder engines must be 1989 or earlier.
- ii. Twin cylinder engines may be any displacement, and be from any year, including current.
- iii. Racers must be at least 14 years of age; must be 18 years of age to compete on a twin-cylinder above 500cc displacement.

l. Women

- i. 125cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- ii. Racers must be at least 12 years of age; must be at least 14 years of age to race a motorcycle above 251cc; must be at least 18 years of age to race a twin-cylinder above 500cc.

5. D16 Flat Track Classes: Amateur Motorcycle for Payback & Points

a. 450 A Motorcycle

- i. 251cc-450cc full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- ii. Open to any rider 16 years of age and older.
- iii. 14- and 15-year-old riders need the approval of the flat track director before racing "A".
- iv. Payback amount is at the discretion of the promoter.
- v. Only top 3 riders in A class are eligible for payout.
- vi. 450 A is intended for Advanced, Expert-level professional racers.
- v. Racers competing in 450 A shall not compete in any "B" classes at the same meet.

b. Open A Motorcycle

- i. 250cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
- ii. Open to any rider 16 years of age and older.
- iii. 14- and 15-year-old riders need the approval of the flat track director before racing "A".
- iv. Must be at least 18 years of age to race a twin-cylinder above 500cc.
- v. Payback amount is at the discretion of the promoter.
- vi. Only top 3 riders in A class are eligible for payout.
- vii. Open A is intended for Advanced, Expert-level professional racers.
- v. Racers competing in Open A shall not compete in any "B" classes at the same meet.

6. D16 Flat Track Classes: Amateur Quad for Trophies & Points

a. Open Quad

- i. No displacement limit.
- ii. Racers must be at least 16 years of age.
- iii. Quad C racers shall not compete in the Open Quad class.

b. Quad B

- i. No displacement limit.
- ii. Racers must be at least 16 years of age.
- iii. Quad C racers may compete in the Quad B class.

7. D16 Flat Track Classes: Amateur Quad for Payback & No Points

a. Top Quad

- i. No displacement limit.
- ii. No year-end awards.
- iii. 80% payback to the top 3 finishers.

- iv. Quad B racers competing in Top Quad are eligible for contingency awards.
- v. Open Quad racers may compete in the Top Quad class.
- vi. Quad B racers may compete in the Top Quad class.
- vii. Quad C racers shall not compete in the Top Quad class.
- viii. Racers must be at least 16 years of age.

8. D16 Flat Track Classes: Optional Motorcycle for No Points

- a. Optional classes do not run at all meets, do not award district points, and do not provide year-end awards. Racers interested in the optional class(es) should contact the club or promoter PRIOR to the meet to confirm if the optional class(es) will be offered. Visit <https://amadistrict16.com> to find contact information for clubs and promoters.
- b. Beginner
 - i. 125cc and larger full-sized motorcycles. No pit bikes or minibikes or E-Bikes.
 - ii. Racers must be at least 14 years of age.
 - iii. Class shall not be offered at ½ mile meets.
 - iv. Day-of-Meet awards are at the discretion of the club or promoter.
 - v. Meet Referee and District Director have the authority to move any racer from Beginner class to an appropriate Amateur class at any time.
- c. Hooligan
 - i. Racers must be at least 18 years of age.
 - ii. Production, street-legal motorcycles must have originated with a 649cc twin cylinder or larger displacement engine. Engine and frame must be manufactured for each other.

9. D16 Flat Track Classes: Optional Quad for No Points

- a. Optional classes do not run at all meets, do not award district points, and do not provide year-end awards. Racers interested in the optional class(es) should contact the club or promoter PRIOR to the meet to confirm if the optional class(es) will be offered. Visit <https://amadistrict16.com> to find contact information for clubs and promoters.
- b. Schoolboy Sr. Quad
 - i. 91cc-300cc two-stroke and 301cc-400cc four-stroke.
 - ii. Racers must be 14-17 years of age.
- c. Any other Youth Quad classes may be offered at the discretion of the club or promoter.

- i. Racers must be 6-15 years of age.

d. Quad C

- i. No displacement limit. ii. Racers must be at least 16 years of age.

10. A Class / B Class Clarifications & Racer Advancement

- a. Racers shall not enter A class(es) and B class(es) at the same meet.
- b. Racers shall decide whether they are best suited for the A class(es) or B class(es).
- c. District Director has the authority to move any racer from B class(es) to A class(es), or A class(es) to B class(es), before that racer's sixth district meet of the season.
 - i. Any points earned in the A class(es) or B class(es) up to that point will be transferred to the B class(es) or A class(es), as applicable.
- d. Once a racer competes in A class(es), they cannot compete in B class(es) unless approved by the District Director.

11. AFT-licensed Racers

- a. AFT-licensed racers must compete in the "A" classes if they are offered.
 - i. If no "A" class is offered, AFT licensed racers may compete in any advanced skill class that is not designated as an "Age" class (e.g., Veterans, Senior, Super Senior, Masters).
- b. AFT-licensed racers competing in Amateur classes shall not be scored and shall not receive any awards.
- c. Racers with current AFT licenses are not required to have a current D16 membership.

12. Club/Promoter Options/Duties/Responsibilities

- a. Clubs/Promoters must announce/publicize which classes are offered at any limited class meet that they sanction.
- b. Clubs/Promoters may rent the starting light system for \$75 per day.
- c. Clubs/Promoters are allowed to provide contingencies in place of trophies.
- d. Clubs/Promoters may charge a late sign-up fee, up to double the normal fee.
- e. Clubs will give two free race entries to the District Director or appointed person in non-pay out classes per event day.

13. District Points & Year-End Awards

- a. Points
 - i. All classes award District 16 points unless stated otherwise.

- ii. District Points are only awarded to racers from the date of full membership for the year and onward.
- iii. All meet final results are to be emailed to District 16 Flat Track Points Keeper in the appropriate electronic format within four days after the meet weekend to be scored for end-of-year points.
- iv. District points in all classes are awarded as follows:
30-25-21-18-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-4-4-4-4-4-4.
- v. Racers not attempting to start any Main will be awarded points at the rear of the field, in the order in which they would have gridded for that Main.
- vi. If more than 12 racers enter a class, an "A" Main and a "B" Main will run in place of a semi to qualify for final points in that class. Winner of "B" Main will be awarded 13th place points. If a track feels it cannot safely gate 12 riders in any final it may use the "B" Main process as needed. Winner of "B" Main and all other "B" finishers awarded points as a continuation of "A" Main finish positions.
- b. Double Points
 - i. New promoters/venues shall receive double District points at their first meet.
- c. Rain Outs
 - i. In the case of a rain out during or after sign-up, all entered racers shall receive 5 district points.
 - ii. Any rescheduled rain dates must be cleared by the District Director before going public to maintain the "Points Meet" status of the meet.
- d. AMA Flat Track Grand Championships
 - i. Racers participating at AMA Amateur Nationals may get their average points for end of year awards by sending proof of participation (Sign-up slip, or Results Page) to the Flat Track Director within three weeks of meet missed, only for one district meet weekend per year.
- e. Year-End District Awards
 - i. All D16 Flat Track classes that award district points (including probationary classes) will receive year-end District 16 awards, unless noted otherwise.
 - ii. Only current District 16 Members will earn season award points.
 - iii. To qualify for season-end awards, riders must be a District 16 full yearly member in good standing and have completed at least one of the following criteria:
 - 1. Must have entered or earned points more than half of the times the class has been awarded points, or

2. Must have accumulated at least 51% of the points awarded to that class champion.

14. Equipment Standards

a. Number plates

- i. When OEM plates are not used, competition number plates shall be minimum 8"x10"
- ii. Acceptable number plate color combinations are:
 1. Black numbers on white plates (D16 standard).
 2. Black numbers on yellow plates (AFT).
 3. White numbers on blue plates (GNHC Hooligans).
 4. Other combinations may be approved by the District Director.
- iii. Motorcycle number plates must be on the front and both sides of each machine.
- iv. Quad number plates must be vertical to the front and rear of the machine, and on both sides.
- v. All racers, but especially 50cc bikes, must take care to use the MAXIMUM available space on bodywork with clear legible digits.
- vi. All racers are encouraged to use the last 2 digits of their AMA card number, or the single digit number they earned the previous year.

b. Tires

- i. Commercially available tires designated and sold for Flat Track competition are required for motorcycles and ATV's. DOT tires of similar or racing configuration may be substituted.
- ii. Knobby tires are not allowed unless there is a specific class for them.
- iii. Trials-type tires may be run solely at the discretion of the Meet referee on a per-meet basis.
- iv. Classes up to 85cc may run any tire configuration.
- v. 21" knobby front tires are allowed at TT meets.

15. Limited Class Meets

- a. Clubs and promoters are able to choose which classes are offered at each meet.
- b. When the complete list of D16 points-paying classes are not offered at any meet:
 - i. The official schedule will identify that meet as "Limited Classes" or some other designation (e.g. "No Quads" or "No Youth classes").
 - ii. It is the responsibility of the club/promoter to announce/publicize which classes are offered at any meet which does not offer the complete list of D16 point-paying classes.

16. Membership Requirements

- a. All racers must have current AMA membership to race at District 16 meets.
- b. All racers must have current D16 membership to race at District 16 meets, with the exception of:
 - i. Current AFT license holders
 - ii. Riders holding a valid membership from a different district (e.g.: D23)

17. Officials Duties/Responsibilities

a. Meet Referee

- i. Is the principal officer/authority at each meet. Conducts the meet, handles all protests, disputes, etc., as laid out in the AMA rule book. Is responsible for ensuring that all AMA and District rules are followed. Shall conduct their duties under the guidance, mentorship, and coordination with the District Director, AMA Flat Track Commission members, or other Meet Referees, as necessary.
- ii. Meet Referee may move a racer into a different class at any time if they feel that racer is participating in the wrong class.
- iii. Shall inform the District Director of any incidents or disciplinary actions taken during the season within 3 days of the incident, with explanation.

b. District Director

- i. Serves in an advisory capacity to support the Meet Referee, as necessary.
- ii. Is responsible for ensuring that all Meet Referees interpret and apply all AMA and District rules in a consistent manner, and that each is performing their duties in a satisfactory fashion. Does not have the authority to override the Meet Referee; however, is expected to establish good working relationships with all Meet Referees to ensure that disagreements are handled professionally. Is obligated to report any uncorrected AMA rule violations to the AMA.
- iii. District Director shall advise the Meet Referee and any affected racer(s) that an AMA or District rule violation is being committed, and that any uncorrected rule violations shall be reported to the AMA. The AMA may pronounce penalties for uncorrected rule violations.
- iv. May perform the duties of the Meet Referee, but only if hired to do so.
- v. District Director may move a racer into a different class at any time if they feel that person is participating in the wrong class.
- vi. Shall inform all clubs/promoters of any incidents or disciplinary actions taken during the season within 7 days of the incident, with explanation.

c. AMA Flat Track Commission members

- i. Do not have the authority to override the Meet Referee.

- ii. Are obligated to report any uncorrected AMA rule violations to the AMA. Commission Members shall advise the Meet Referee and any affected racer(s) that an AMA or District rule violation is being committed, and that any uncorrected rule violations shall be reported to the AMA. The AMA may pronounce penalties for uncorrected rule violations.
- iii. May perform the duties of the Meet Referee, but only if hired to do so.
- iv. District 16 has three AMA Flat Track Commission members for 2026: William Bell, Chris DaRonco and Bert Sumner (Chairman)

18. Penalties

- a. Any motorcycle or quad found to be illegal in any class shall result in the following penalties:
 - i. Immediate disqualification of the racer from that class at that meet.
 - ii. Loss of all District points in that class for the year, up to and including that meet.
 - iii. Suspension of that racer from that class for the next three meets on the District 16 calendar in which that class is offered, or for 30 days, whichever is longer. If necessary, this shall carry over to the following year. This suspension shall be forwarded to the AMA, who may decide to expand the scope or duration of the suspension, possibly to all AMA meets. Suspended racers may appeal their suspension to the AMA, per the process outlined in the AMA rulebook.
 - iv. Second offense by any racer may result in a one-year suspension from all AMA activities or competition.
 - v. Meet Referees are authorized by the AMA Rulebook to inspect any Motorcycle/Quad at any time to ensure compliance with the rules.
- b. Rough Riding
 - i. Rough riding by any participant shall not be tolerated.
 - ii. First offense shall result in warning.
 - iii. Second offense shall result in the racer missing the next two races.
 - iv. Third offense shall result in the racer forfeiting all points earned to that time and to be suspended for the remainder of the season.
- c. Cones
 - i. Racers who hit a cone shall be penalized.
 - 1. First offense shall result in a one position penalty.
 - 2. Second offense shall result in a one lap penalty.
 - 3. Third offense shall result in a disqualification for the day.
- d. Substance Abuse
 - i. Substance abuse is not tolerated.

- ii. Alcohol or Drug use before, or during a meet will disqualify Rider from that meet and may be turned over to AMA for further review by the Meet Referee or District Coordinator. Meet Referee may at any time require any rider to be checked by on-site ambulance/EMT to confirm the rider is not impaired due to violation of this section or other issue. Refusal to be checked is grounds for disqualification from meet.

19. Probationary Classes

- a. If a class is put "On Probation" by decision of the Clubs/Promoters vote or mutual agreement, a notice will be posted on the official District 16 web page naming the class and the conditions of probation. Those conditions will be set at the time a "probation" determination is made.
- b. At the end of the season those conditions will expire, and a determination will be made as to either lift the probation or reconfigure the class as warranted.
- c. Probationary classes that award points will have year-end awards.
 - i. The intent is that any rider who enters a points class - regardless of class status - can assume in "good faith" that D16 will follow through with awards no matter how the class is handled as the season is completed.

20. Scoring

- a. When a red flag occurs, the clock shall keep running until the heat race is completed.

21. Starting Blocks

- a. The use of "Starting Blocks" under the feet of riders who need them is allowed, however, in all cases that rider MUST start from the last used row of any race start regardless of qualifying position.
- b. The intent is to allow blocks to be removed safely with no danger to riders starting behind.
- c. In the case of a penalized rider moving to the "penalty row", care must be taken on restart to create lateral separation between riders. Riders using blocks are not required to move backwards.

22. Starting Lines

- a. In all Main events (A-Mains, B-Mains, etc.), the maximum number of racers on any starting row shall be six.

23. Switching Bikes After Heats

- a. If a rider needs to continue the meet with a bike/quad OTHER than the one used to qualify in the heat, the rider must inform the Meet Referee promptly and will be required to start on the "Penalty Row".

24. Summary of changes from 2025 to 2026:

a. Class Changes

- i. Maddog is now a points paying class and will receive awards at the end of the year.*
- ii. Racers that compete in "A" classes shall not compete in any "B" classes at the same event.*
- iii. "A" class age requirements are changed. 14 and 15 year olds can compete in "A" classes with the approval of the Director*
- iv. Eliminate 250 A and combine with 250 B to just have one trophy/points 250 class*
- v. Only the top 3 in each "A" class will receive payback.*