Preliminary Racer Brief

2016 SCORE Baja 500

June 1-5, 2016

1. General Information - All times Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) *5/20/16*

1-1) COMPETITORS MEETING - Will be held at **7:00 pm Friday, June 3rd,** in the Cathedral Room at the Riviera del Pacifico Cultural Center. All teams must have at least one banded competitor in attendance.

1-2) AIRCRAFT PILOT SAFETY MEETING – **6:00pm Friday, June 3rd,** in the Cathedral Room. Pilot attendance is **MANDATORY.**

1-2) CAUTION - All competitors are reminded that off road racing is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injury or even death. ***YOU MUST BEAR THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR OWN PERSONAL SAFETY.***

1-3) CAUTION - SPECTATORS - It is important to remember that SCORE cannot regulate the conduct of spectators. Be advised that spectators may engage in malicious activity by building ramps, digging ditches and placing objects on the course. Course marking signs may be altered or removed. BE ALERT!! Use extreme caution in crowded areas or when spectators are putting themselves in danger by standing too close to the course.

1-4) CAUTION - ROADS – Many of the roads used for this race course are used by the public. You must expect at all times to encounter traffic on the race course, especially oncoming traffic. ***You must EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED AT ALL TIMES!!***

1-5) ENVIRONMENT - All competitors must do their part to protect and preserve the Baja ecological environment. Please instruct your team that it is mandatory and extremely important to properly dispose of all solid and liquid waste. **CAUTION – Do not leave flat tires along the racecourse or anywhere in the desert!** This is un-sportsman like and disrespectful of Baja and its gracious people. ***TAKE YOUR FLAT TIRES AND LIQUID AND SOLID WASTE WITH YOU TO AVOID MAJOR PENALTIES IN THE FUTURE.***

1-6) INSURANCE COVERAGE – Registered & Banded Drivers, Co-driver, Riders, and Co-Riders accident coverage is provided as part of the entry fee. You **MUST** be listed on the official race entry and your entry **PAID IN FULL** before coverage will be in effect. Only co-drivers listed on your official entry have coverage in effect during pre-running. Insurance is also available at a nominal fee for chase crews and team members.

►**SECTION 10, starting on page 8,** outlines SCORE insurance coverage for the 2016 Baja 500. Review ***Section 10-2*** for *ACE Accident Medical Insurance,* and for information regarding how to purchase insurance for your team members.

1-7) WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT WHILE PRE-RUNNING OR RACING IN MEXICO - In case you or a crew member are involved in an accident while pre-running or during a race in Baja, Mexico, there are certain steps that must be followed. Please review these important steps that are outlined in **Section 10-3.**

1-8) VERY IMPORTANT – It is the responsibility of each competitor to read and thoroughly understand this Racer Brief, Penalty Bulletin and SCORE Rule Book**.** These documents outline all information governing conduct of this event!

2. Pre-Race Information - All times Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)

2-1) PRE-RUNNING - Course will be open for pre-running beginning on **Saturday, May 21st.** Use caution at all times as many roads and trails are used for local traffic. Refer to Course Notes for detailed course information. Please observe all speed limits during pre-running and be courteous to everyone you have contact with. Remember, you are a guest in their country!

2-2) QUALIFYING – **For Trophy Truck and Class 1 competitors ONLY will be held on Thursday, June 2nd**. Registration for qualifying will be from 7am to 9am at the qualifying site. Location of qualifying area will be sent to the DOR e-mail address listed on your registration on Monday May 30th. One vehicle off the qualifying line every 2-4 minutes (depending on wind) starting at 9 am. Practice will be controlled speed (55 mph) and is open between 7:30am and 8:30am. Qualifying area will be on private property and is open to qualifying teams only. This event is not open to the public for safety reasons.

IMPORTANT - For teams that are qualifying, your Spot and tracker brackets will be installed on the race vehicle at the qualifying site. Devices will be installed in these brackets, but not activated until during staging Saturday morning. Please be certain you have the brackets installed before leaving the qualifying site on Thursday! Having these brackets installed at qualifying allows you to use the "Fast Lane" at tech on Friday!

2-3) CHASSIS INSPECTIONS - SCORE Chassis Tagging will take place Wednesday, June 1 from 9am to 5pm, and Thursday, June 2 from 9am to 5pm. **Location:** Playa Hermosa Beach on right off Lazaro Cardenas approximately 1.1 miles (past concrete plant) south of the Riviera del Pacifico Cultural Center. Signs will direct you to the inspection area. Contact Tech Director Art Savedra at (702) 210-7785 if you have any questions.

2-4) PRE-TECH / TRANSPONDER CHECKS– To speed the tech inspection and transponder checks on Friday, June 3rd, SCORE will conduct pre-tech inspections at the chassis inspection location on Wednesday, June 1st, between noon and 5pm. Mounting brackets and data loggers and Spot tracker devices will also be installed at this time. NOTE: Chassis inspections only and no pre-tech on Thursday, June 2nd. If you have your vehicle "pre-tech inspected" Wednesday, on Tech Day you will proceed directly to the Tech area in a special "Fast Lane" starting after the ramp area on Lazaro Cardenas. You will then receive your tech sticker for race day.

2-5) RACER REGISTRATION - For all teams: Thursday, June 2nd from noon to 8 pm, and Friday, June 3rd from 9am to 5pm. All registration will be in the Red Room at the Riviera del Pacifico Cultural Center. All Drivers/Co-Drivers and Riders/Co-Riders are required to register and sign waiver forms in person.

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2-5) RACER REGISTRATION - *continued*

Be sure to bring your driver's license or photo ID with you to registration. **You will be required to show ID** prior to signing your waiver forms. If you already have a timing transponder, you must enter the transponder number during the online registration process. Take a photo of the serial number so you will have the number available to verify in registration. **Registration *cannot be completed* until your transponder number is verified.**

2-6) ADDING CO-DRIVERS/RIDERS - Registered DRIVER or RIDER of RECORD MUST BE PRESENT to ADD Co-Drivers or Co-Riders to Their Entry. DOR and ROR are the only individuals who can approve additional persons to their official entry.

2-7) NO LATE REGISTRATION OR LATE TECH ON RACE DAY – Only exception – Must be pre-arranged with Krista in SCORE Registration - (775) 852-8907 prior to **3:00 pm Friday, May 27th, 2016**.

2-8) CONTINGENCY AND TECHNICAL INSPECTION – Starts on Lazaro Cardenas Blvd beginning at 9:00 am on Friday, June 3rd.

2-9) CONTINGENCY DECLARATION – To be eligible for potential awards from SCORE contingency sponsors, you must complete the top portion of the Contingency Declaration Form (in your driver/rider packet) before entering the contingency/tech line. For a list of sponsors and awards, go to http://score-international.com/contingency/. Contingency sponsor stickers **must be on vehicle** before entering the tech inspection area! ***Failure to complete all contact information will void your contingency declaration!***

2-10) TECH INSPECTION FORM – Please…To save time you should complete all information in the top portion of the Tech Inspection Form (in your driver/rider packet) before entering the contingency/tech line.

2-11) AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION REQUIRED – If your team is utilizing a helicopter, you must pre-register on the SCORE website, and your pilot must attend the aircraft safety meeting. Ivor Shier and Jim McCoy will conduct this meeting. **Pilot attendance at meeting is MANDATORY**. If aircraft is to be used for commercial filming or photography, it must be registered with SCORE as a media aircraft.

2-12) TRANSPORTING RACE FUEL – Fuel Drums and dump cans containing fuel cannot legally be transported across the border into Mexico. Only fuel in vehicle tanks is allowed. You can use any fuel supplier or brand, and you can possibly arrange for your fuel to be delivered in Ensenada or to multiple pit locations.

3. Race Day Staging and Start - All times Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)

ABSOLUTELY NO FUELING IS ALLOWED IN THE STAGING AREA!

3-1) START LINE - Located after the podium ramp. From staging, all competitors will roll up on the podium ramp for a possible interview prior to their start and then proceed forward to start line. Post-race interviews take place on the podium after finishing.

3-2) STAGING & START for Motos & Quads – First bike out at 5:30am. Staging will start at Castillo and Lazaro Cardenas Blvd. near Mision Santa Isabel Hotel. Motorcycles and Quad classes will stage Saturday morning at 5:00 am for a 5:30 am start. One rider every **60 seconds.** The starting order is shown below. All riders will start within their class based on draw results for entries received by 5:00 pm on May 18th. Entries received after the draw deadline will start in the order their entry is received. ***ABSOLUTELY NO FUELING IS ALLOWED IN THE STAGING AREA.***

	Class	Stage		Class	Stage		Class	Stage
1	Pro Moto Unltd	**5:00a**	**5**	Pro Moto 50	**5:15a**	**9**	Sportsman Motos	**5:25a**
2	Pro Moto 30	**5:00a**	**6**	Pro Moto 60	**5:15a**	**10**	Sportsman Quads	**5:25a**
3	Pro Moto 40	**5:00a**	**7**	Pro Moto Limited	**5:15a**			
4	Pro Moto Ironman	**5:00a**	**8**	Pro Quads	**5:15a**			

3-3) STARTING GAP - There will be a minimum three and one-half (3-1/2) hour time gap between the last Sportsman M/C or Quad starter and the first SCORE Trophy Truck starter.

3-4) STAGING & START for FOUR WHEELERS – First truck out at 10:00am. Staging will start at Castillo and Lazaro Cardenas Blvd. near Mision Santa Isabel Hotel. Vehicles will stage Saturday morning starting at 8:30 am for a 10:00 am start (time approximate based on when last Sportsman quad leaves the start line.) One vehicle every **60 seconds** for TT and Class 1 with a 5-minute gap between these two classes. One vehicle every **30 seconds** for all other four wheel classes. All vehicles will start within their class based on draw results for entries received by 5:00 pm on May 18th. Entries received after the draw deadline will start in the order their entry is received. ***ABSOLUTELY NO FUELING ALLOWED IN THE STAGING AREA...***

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STAGING TIMES - All Four Wheel Classes

	Class	Stage		Class	Stage		Class	Stage
1	Trophy Truck	8:30a	13	Class 3000	9:00a	25	Class 3700	9:30a
2	Class 1	8:35a	14	Trophy Lite	9:00a	26	Class 1700	9:30a
3	TT Spec	8:40a	15	Class 7	9:00a	27	Stock Mini	9:30a
4	Hammer Ltd	8:40a	16	Pro UTV	9:10a	28	Class 9	9:30a
5	Hammer Unltd	8:40a	17	Pro UTV Forced Ind	9:10a	29	Class 11	9:30a
6	Class 10	8:50a	18	Pro UTV Unlimited	9:10a	30	Sptsmn Unltd Trk	9:40a
7	Class 1/2-1600	8:50a	19	Pro Truck	9:20a	31	Sptsmn Buggy	9:40a
8	SCORE Lites	8:50a	20	Class 5-1600	9:20a	32	Sptsmn Ltd Trk	9:40a
9	Class 8	8:50a	21	Class 3	9:20a	33	Sptsmn UTV	9:40a
10	Class 5	9:00a	22	Baja Challenge	9:20a			
11	Heavy Metal	9:00a	23	Stock Full	9:20a			
12	Class 2	9:00a	24	Class 7sx	9:30a			

3-5) LATE STARTERS - A competitor who is late for his assigned start time will start at the back of the class that is currently starting. The elapsed time of a late starter begins at their **DESIGNATED START TIME**, not their actual late start time. Late starters must follow SCORE official's directions for late start procedure to avoid penalty. If SCORE officials determine it is their procedures that cause start delays or last minute adjustments to the start order, your time will be adjusted to when you are actually given the green flag.

IMPORTANT… It is critical that you stage at the times shown above!!!

4. Race Day Course Information & Regulations - All times Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)

4-1) This is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT and SUBJECT TO CHANGE! - This section will contain information on the first section of the course that is used for both outbound and inbound traffic. This section will be closed to outbound traffic at a specified time to ensure safety for the inbound motos. A safety procedure is being developed for 4-wheel racers who may experience major delays in completing this section at minimum average speed of 22.74 mph It will be updated as soon as further information is available. Alternate routes for any late outbound racers will be available. This will ensure that the course will be safe for motos coming in to the finish, and for any outbound vehicles running extremely late. Details for this section including speed zones will be updated as soon as possible. Information will also be in the Penalty Bulletin and covered at the Driver/Rider meeting Friday evening.

4-2) RADIO FREQUENCY - SCORE will use **151.625** (Weatherman Relay) for the main race operations radio frequency. Please use this frequency to report an emergency, request assistance, report out of race status. Refer to Section 4-3 below for guidelines on monitoring this frequency.

4-3) WEATHERMAN CHANNEL ETIQUETTE - If you are listening to Weatherman on **151.625**, please unplug your mic. If you feel it must be plugged in, be sure it is in a proper microphone hanger. There is nothing worse than a stuck mic during an emergency; someone's life or race can be at stake. Radio checks should be done before the race. When you turn on Weatherman channel, wait and listen before you speak…there may be an emergency going on that you would be interrupting. The Weatherman can hear what you cannot hear. Just because you do not hear anything does not mean there is not a life and death situation going on 200 miles from where you are. Monitor the channel a sufficient amount of time to know you are not 'walking' on someone else's emergency.

4-4) COURSE MARKINGS – The race course is marked with orange/white ribbon, orange signs/black arrows, green wrong way markers, and mile markers every **five (5) miles.** Markings are not guaranteed to remain in place. All race teams are strongly advised to use the official GPS course file. Less than 1% of dangers are marked, and markings are there only to assist with controlled speed pre-running. Make your own course notes for race day.

4-5) HIGHWAYS ARE RESTRICTED AREAS – Pitting or performing any service of any kind is not permitted on any portion of any paved highway surface. You will receive a minimum penalty of 1 hour. The paved highway is considered a restricted area because use of the highways is subject to permission by the Mexican Federal Highway Police. Chase vehicle travel on the highway sections must be done in a safe and prudent manner. Passing on the highway section must be made on the left-hand side only and within the 60 MPH speed limit. All competitors must possess a valid driver license and passport or at least have a copy of it while racing or pre-running. This is in case you need an emergency international transport. All chase crews and team members should carry their passports, current insurance and vehicle registration documents.

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4-6) SPEED ZONES/CHECKPOINTS – There are 37 mph (60 kph) and 60 mph (100 kph) Speed Zones, and four (4) full-stop physical checkpoints. All locations are marked on GPS file and will be in Penalty Bulletin. There will be physical markings on course. Markings are not guaranteed to remain in place. All race teams are strongly advised to use the official GPS course file. Refer to the Penalty Bulletin for detailed information on all race and pre-run speed zones for this event.

4-7) COURSE COMPLIANCE - Mandatory data logger devices will be used to identify course deviations. Washes are open only to the banks on either side and major silt beds are open. Short coursing is not allowed. Do not deviate from the main course even a little bit when you are near ranches, spectators or farm fields. The GPS course is the official course. It is essential to race using the official GPS course file and check for updates on the SCORE website**. All participants** must have a functioning data logger unit in order to be scored in the race.

Participants finishing the race in the allotted time must make sure that the tracking devices are turned into SCORE immediately after crossing the finish line. Failure to turn in the equipment will result in your entry being assigned a DNF and you will not receive placement or finish points. All competitors that DNF must return the tracking recorders to SCORE Tracking located at the finish line, Christine (SCORE Ops) at awards ceremony or return the devices by mailing/delivering the devices to Norman Motorsports (NMS), 9434 Bond Ave., El Cajon, CA. 92021. Devices must be received at NMS **no later than Friday, June 10th, 2016.** If you fail to meet this deadline, you will be charged full retail and they become your property! Devices cannot be used again. You will be issued new devices for each race. If shipping device to NMS, email proof of shipping to Krista@score-international.com.

4-8) PAVED HIGHWAY CROSSINGS – Some **Full Stop Checkpoints** will be located at highway crossings. There is a **15 mph speed limit** 300' before the stop and 100' past the stop at all checkpoints. The crossings will be manned by flag persons and signs will be posted as you approach the crossings. IMPORTANT: **Be extremely cautious of cross traffic when crossing the highway.**

4-9) PASSING – Motorcycles and Quads – If you are barely averaging the **minimum speed of 22.74 mph**, you must be prepared to be passed by the lead truck or buggy ***as early as race mile 127 at approximately 12:14pm , and possibly even sooner!*** Four-Wheel Vehicles that are in a position to pass a Motorcycle or Quad must ***NOT ATTEMPT TO PASS UNTIL THE RIDER HAS MOVED TO THE SIDE OF THE COURSE. RIDERS MUST REMAIN AWARE OF APPROACHING TRAFFIC AND MOVE OVER AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.***

Riders, if you are caught by the first 4-wheel vehicle you must remain super vigilant and get off the course BEFORE you are caught by the next vehicle. Riders must pull off the course to a safe distance and wait for dust to clear before re-entering the race. Riders, if you try to outrun to avoid being passed by a driver you will receive a DQ.

Riders, get off the course early, if you wait for the four-wheel vehicle to pull right up on you at night before pulling off the course you will be a DQ. Drivers, if you should have trouble passing, be sure you get the correct number of the rider. Riders, never race in the dust of a four-wheel vehicle, you are putting yourself in "extreme" danger. If you are passed by a vehicle and you are still on course you are riding in the dust. Riders, if you are riding slow and you have been caught by the four wheel vehicles you are in "extreme" danger and must bear full responsibility for your own safety should you decide to continue in the race.

►► ***Drivers: If you are tapped by a competitor move over… blocking traffic is un-sportsmanlike and you may be penalized.***

4-10) VIRTUAL CHECKPOINTS - The race course has approximately **59 Virtual Checkpoints** (VCPs). The VCPs are strategically placed to discourage short coursing. The entire course will be reviewed for compliance. The standard penalty for failure to clear a VCP within 120 feet is 10 minutes. In order to avoid confusion regarding the locations of the VCPs, it is essential to race using the official GPS course file and check for updates on the SCORE website.

4-11) CHASING – Always drive safely. Unsafe passing or hanging a tire off the road is the cause of most fatalities on Mexican Highways. You should be 100% prepared the day before the race. Expect the unexpected. Leave early and expect to be late to your destination. Make sure each chase vehicle has copies of insurance for all of your other chase vehicles. Carry the largest fire extinguishers you can and have a good medic bag in each chase. Keep your passport and driver license with you. Have a list of cell phone numbers, SAT phone numbers and radio frequencies for your team and other teams.

ABSOLUTELY NO CHASING OR LEADING RACE VEHICLES ON COURSE. Going backwards on course gets your team a DQ. If you are speeding on the highway in a chase vehicle you are endangering yourself and those with you. If you are in a chase vehicle that is being driven in a dangerous manner, tell the driver you are uncomfortable, and if that does not work, report it to your team manager.

CAUTION: Highways are patrolled by the Mexican Federal Highway Police. Speed limit on paved highways is 60 mph. There are lower speed limits in many towns and villages. Baja 500 Speed Zones are listed in Penalty Bulletin. You MUST *observe all speed limits!*

4-12) TEAM PITS - Never pit within 50 feet of the course; give yourself extra room for safety. Do not pit on the outside of a turn or within 250 feet of the exit of a turn. Pitting is not permitted within 300 feet before and 100 feet after a checkpoint. Use common sense and keep your team members safe!

4-13) PIT REFUELING - Fire is always a danger during refueling. All fueling personnel should wear adequate protective clothing gear, and persons should be assigned to the specific function of manning multiple fire extinguishers in the immediate refueling area during each stop. A minimum of three (3) 20 lb. ABC rated fire extinguishers should be in each pit and ready for use at all times. Grounding the race vehicle during the refueling stop is a must.

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4-14) PIT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS – Several professional pit support organizations will offer expert pit services to race teams for SCORE events. Select RACE INFO, select Baja 500 to view pit support groups.

4-15) SPECIAL RULES - No race vehicle shall be towed, pushed, pulled or transported by another vehicle further than 1% of the total distance of the race course 4.77 miles or within 1 mile of the Finish Line. However, banded race vehicle occupants are permitted to push a disabled race vehicle across the finish Line. At **NO TIME** may any participant or chase team go backwards on the course. This will result in a DQ! Competitors are responsible to read and understand the rule book and this race briefing.

4-16) TIME ON COURSE – DRIVERS and RIDERS will have **21 HOURS** from their designated start time to complete the Baja 500 2016 event.

4-17) OFFICIAL TIMING FINISH and FINISH LINE STOP – The official timing loop is located just before the interview ramp and it is a controlled rolling finish. All race vehicles are then required to make a full and complete stop. This stop must be made in a safe and controlled manner. There are cones leading into the timing loop; if you hit one you will be penalized one (1) minute for each cone. You also will be fined if you hit the timing loop.

4-18) REPORTING STATUS IF YOU DROP OUT OF RACE – If your vehicle becomes disabled anywhere on the course, and you cannot proceed further in the race; it is ***IMPERATIVE*** that you report your situation and position to the Weatherman at Race Control. We don't want to spend hours looking for you on the course when you have packed up and are on the way home. Please be considerate for all the personnel that are working long hours at this event!

5. Checkpoints - All times Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)

5-1) NUMBER OF CHECKPOINTS - There are **four (4) full stop** checkpoints for the 2016 SCORE Baja 500.

5-2) FULL-STOP PHYSICAL CHECKPOINT RULES – Checkpoints may be located at paved road crossings. You are required to enter the coned area at each Physical Full-Stop Checkpoint at 15 mph in single file manner and come to a **COMPLETE STOP** at the stop sign. You must show your wristband to the checkpoint worker. The checkpoint corridor is not considered part of the race course. Entering and exiting all checkpoints must be done in a safe and prudent manner in order to guarantee the safety of all checkpoint workers. Passing is not permitted 300 feet before a checkpoint. Not coming to a full stop may result in a penalty. There is a **15 mph speed limit** for 100' after the checkpoint! Refer to Baja 500 Penalty Bulletin for additional information.

► ***Missing a full stop physical checkpoint will result in a one (1) hour penalty for each checkpoint missed!*** ◄

5-3) CHECKPOINT CLOSING TIMES - Times shown are **APPROXIMATE** based on projected number of entries. **– Any revised closing times** will be announced at Driver/Rider Meeting on Friday at 7:00 pm if there are significant changes.

Checkpoint Number & Mileage	CP to CP Miles	CP to CP Km	Total GPS Miles	Total GPS Km	Bike/Quad Projected CP Close Time		Truck/Car Projected CP Close Time
Start in Ensenada	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	- -		- -
Check 1	101.43	163.23	101.43	163.23	11:07		17:22
Check 2	101.10	162.70	202.53	325.93	15:34		21:48
Check 3	127.34	204.93	329.87	530.86	21:10		03:25 Su
Check 4	112.63	181.26	442.50	712.12	02:07 Su		08:21 Su
Finish in Ensenada	37.50	60.35	477.52	772.46	03:39 Su		09:54 Su

DRIVERS and RIDERS must average a minimum of 22.74 mph (36.59 kph) and will have 21 hours to finish this race.

CHECKPOINT CLOSING TIMES - IMPORTANT – If you experience a race stoppage such as a log jam on the course that is beyond your control, and the checkpoints in front of you have closed, you may choose to continue on with extreme caution, as if you were pre-running, to remain in the race. Watch for local traffic that may not expect competitors running late! Report any race stoppage to Race Director immediately via the Weatherman at 151.625. If you have no communications, report it at your next pit or next checkpoint and have them relay the information.

6. Tracking and Transponders

6-1) SCORE SPORT TAG TIMING TRANSPONDER - Transponders are REQUIRED, and are for precise timing of all vehicles in the event. Your transponder number will be verified at race registration and you must bring the number with you or take a photo of the serial numbers on the side of the transponder so you can confirm it quickly at registration. Your race **entry will not be considered complete** until the transponder number is verified. Transponders are purchased by the team, not leased. You do not return the Sport Tag transponder at the end of the race.

IMPORTANT: THE NUMBER ON THE TRANSPONDER MOUNTED ON YOUR VEHICLE MUST MATCH THE NUMBER THAT IS VERIFIED IN REGISTRATION if you want to be scored accurately! ***THIS IS A MUST!***

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6-2) SCORE SPORT TAG TRANSPONDER NUMBER -

The Sport Tag transponder is either blue or brown in color as shown at right. They can be purchased through Registration while completing your online registration, or on-site at race registration. If you purchase through Registration, you will pick up your transponder in registration at the race. The transponders are good for approximately 3 years of racing. These timing transponders are used in several other race series so you may already have one. If you already own one, be sure to include the serial number (transponder number) when completing your on-line race registration. You **MUST** enter your transponder number in your online or on-site registration so race timing records can be ready before race start.



Transponder Types

NOTE: You **MUST** have the correct transponder mounted on your vehicle prior to entering the contingency/tech line. Stop at the timing loop located on tech/contingency row for your transponder verification check. You will then proceed on after your transponder reading is verified by SCORE timing personnel. If your vehicle was pre-tech inspect ed, you transponder has already been checked.

6-3) SCORE SPOT 3 TRACKERS & SCORE DATA RECORDERS – Tracking devices are mandatory and SCORE requires a race team representative to sign the terms and conditions lease contract for the tracking and recording devices during tech inspection. You must return the spot tracker and data recorder devices at the end of the event at the finish line.

IMPORTANT – Spot tracker and data recorder devices will be installed in the brackets by SCORE in tech inspection area, and SCORE will turn devices on in staging area on race day. *Tampering with or covering these devices in any manner will result in an automatic disqualification (DQ).*

6-4) Spot 3 TRACKING DEVICES - These tracking devices are mandatory in order to have live tracking, leaderboard and emergency notification for all competitors. It is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** that all riders and drivers have a second personal SPOT 3 with 2.5 MINUTE tracking that is worn on their person and within reach **AT ALL TIMES**. In registration you can supply the "link" to your personal SPOT 3 so that it will track along with SCORE SPOT 3 tracker.

Your personal tracker should also be used during pre-running. Set your tracker to your personal emergency contact during your pre-running period.

PERSONAL SPOT TRACKERS FOR RACEDAY - Set your personal SPOT notifications to go to scorerescue@gmail.com and msg@volocore.com in case you are separated from your vehicle.

** Review this extremely important information on Tracker operation! **

Spot Tracker Buttons You Need to Know!

MECHANICAL HELP NEEDED – PRESS and HOLD for mechanical assistance if you cannot continue without help.

MEDICAL HELP NEEDED – PRESS and HOLD for non-threating injuries if you cannot continue without help.

MEDICAL0 EMERGENCY – Flip cover open, PRESS and HOLD for LIFE or DEATH EMERGENCY. SCORE Safety will respond immediately.

Know how to operate this device!



6-5) SCORE DATA RECORDERS - Data recorders are mandatory in order to verify compliance with the published rules regarding course deviations and highway speed zones (if applicable). The recorder does not provide real time tracking; it records your location several times per second along with your speed. It is a wireless battery operated self-contained device used for post-race scoring. Data review and scoring is the responsibility of the SCORE staff, SCORE Competition Review Board and Volocare.

Motorcycles & Quads – The brackets will be installed in tech inspection on your triple clamp or on top of your rear fender. Unit cannot be mounted near engine or other heat source. Solo moto riders only, you may put the SPOT pelican box in your back pack.

6-6) SPOT TRACKERS AND DATA RECORDER BRACKETS – The brackets for the spot tracker and data recorder devices will be installed in tech inspection. **NOTE:** The device mounting brackets are not returned to SCORE at the end of the race. However, you must return the spot tracker and data recorder devices. ***Brackets are purchased by the team***, not leased. Suggest leaving brackets installed on your vehicle to be ready for your next SCORE race.

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7. Post-Race Requirements

7-1) EXTREMELY IMPORTANT - Participants finishing the race within the allotted time must make sure that the SPOT and logging devices are turned into SCORE tracking personnel immediately after crossing the finish line. ***If you do not return the devices at the finish line, you will be scored as a DNF***.

NOTE: All competitors that DNF should return the tracking recorders to SCORE Tracking personnel who will be located at the finish line. Devices can also be returned to **Christine** (SCORE Ops) at the awards ceremony on Sunday. Another option is to return the devices by mailing or personally deliver the devices to Norman Motor Sports (NMS), 9434 Bond Ave., El Cajon, CA. 92021. **Devices must be received at NMS no later than Friday, June 10, 2016.** If you fail to meet this deadline, you will be charged full retail and devices become your property! They cannot be used again. You will be issued new devices for each race. If shipping device to NMS, email proof of shipping to krista@score-international.com.

7-2) SCORING – A competitor who is designated in the official results as a finisher will receive the combined total of starting points, placement points, and finish points. A competitor who is designated in the official results as a non-finisher (DNF) will receive starting points only, and a competitor who is disqualified will receive zero points.

7-3) PROTESTS – To protest another competitor, you must submit a detailed written protest to SCORE. The written protest ***must be filed within 30 minutes*** after the last scheduled finish of the final competitor in your class.

The written protest must be delivered to Race Director Abelardo Grijalva. SCORE will consult with the Competition Review Board, and the matter will be heard as soon as practical.

To file a technical protest, you must present a written protest within 30 minutes after the last scheduled finish of the final competitor in your class and submit a $500 cash fee to SCORE Technical Director Art Savedra. Contact the Cruz Roja Command Center, or Abelardo (Jose) Grijalva to request protest forms.

7-4) UNOFFICIAL & OFFICIAL RESULTS – Unofficial finishers will be posted at the finish ramp and media room throughout the race. Official finishers will be posted at 11:00am Sunday at the media room.

7-5) AWARDS CEREMONY - Will be held in the Cathedral Room at the Riviera del Pacifico Cultural Center on Sunday at 12:00 noon. You must arrange to have your trophy accepted by someone else if you are not going to attend. No trophies can be brought back across the border by SCORE International.

8. Media Coverage of the Baja 500

8-1) LIVE VEHICLE TRACKING – Available at www.score-international.com during the race.

8-2) NATIONAL TV SHOW – Be sure to have in-car cameras and if possible one with intercom audio. Optimal location is to have one facing forward from behind the driver with intercom audio, a second camera facing forward and a third camera facing back. Put your team name, # and sponsors stickers within view of the camera shots. Put two cameras in car within reach of co-driver for cleaning. At the finish line there will be SCORE techs downloading camera cards. It takes about 60 minutes to download. Your cards will be returned with the footage intact on them. Helicopters will be shooting the race for television. The Baja 500 will have a **one-hour broadcast** on CBS Sports Network, and will play worldwide after the USA, US Territories and Canada broadcasts.

9. SCORE Contacts:

Abelardo Grijalva	Race Director	(646) 162-7336 *(Baja)*	race-director@score-international.com
SCORE Center	El Cajon CA	(619) 938-2135	
Roger Norman	President	(775) 690-2305	roger@score-international.com
		(664) 316-2831 *(Baja)*	
Art Savedra	Tech Director	(702) 210-7785	wattarush@aol.com
Krista Anderson	Registration	(702) 686-7028	krista@score-international.com
Hector L. Ponce	Course Personnel	(646) 203-2470	hlpr92@hotmail.com
Jim Ryan	Contingency	(714) 330-3521	jim@score-international.com
Christine Wait	Policy & Points	(702) 407-3059	christine@score-international.com
Kim Carpenter	SCORE Operations	(760) 475-0409	kim764@yahoo.com
CRUZ ROJA	EMERGENCY	(664) 266-8889 *(Baja)*	rlozoya@cruzrojaestatalbc.org
Bob Steinberger "Weatherman"	Radio Operations	(714) 322-3489	pciweatherman@yahoo.com
BFGoodrich	SAT Phone	Contact BFG	
Baja Pits	SAT Phone	Contact Baja Pits	

For *(Baja)* phone numbers, you must first dial 011-52-1 before Baja numbers listed above

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Important SCORE Insurance Coverage Information

10. SCORE Insurance Coverage:

10-1) QUALITAS CIVIL LIABILITY INSURANCE – Following are Terms and Conditions of Civil Liability for participants in the 2016 Baja 500 off-road race.

Notice to all SCORE participants

Basic terms & conditions of Civil Liability - 2016 SCORE Baja 500

Civil Liability: $ 900,000 Dlls maximum for the event. Bail Bonding Service

Coverage starts the opening day of pre-running for the event. Your entry fee MUST Be "Paid In Full" to activate the insurance coverage.

Coverage stops when the insured vehicle either finishes the event, is disqualified, is "declared out of the event" for any reason, or when the event vehicle time has been stopped, or when the time limit on the event has expired.

Coverage is only in force while the event vehicle is on the official course of the event, and only while participating or pre-running the event, and at no other time.

The Insured is covered only when driving or riding in their assigned event vehicle or their pre-running vehicle.

The Insured must be a registered driver or a registered co-driver for the event that is being insured, with all drivers having paid their entry fee in full.

Any accident, damages, or injuries must be reported to the promoter of the event, or the insurance representative during the timeframe of the event.

The bonding service coverage is provided during the day and timeframe of the race only, and at no other time.

Bonding service is provided as a result of a covered bodily injury accident only.

The Bonding Coverage provides for a professional legal bonding service that would be required in the event of judicial proceedings filed in the Mexican Republic against a participant as the result of a covered bodily injury accident.

The bonded participant is required to cooperate and keep the bond in effect by attending any and all legal or court proceedings in Mexico, in connection with the accident that took place during the race in Mexico. Failure by the bonded participant to cooperate and keep the bond in effect would result in legal actions against the bonded participant. The legal actions would include, but not be limited to, cost of the bond, cost of the issuance of the bond, court cost and the issuance of a warrant for their arrest.

Coverage excludes:

- **Any injuries when drivers or co-drivers are not in/on their event vehicle.**
- **Any damages that occur in a pit area or while pitting.**
- **Any damages or injuries incurred when the event vehicle is outside of the official course of the event, or in violation of any traffic laws while on any highway section of the event.**
- **Any pre-existing medical conditions of the insured.**
- **Conditions that are not caused by a covered accident.**
- **Damages to the insured event vehicle, and any other event vehicles.**
- **Any participant found to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol.**
- **Any participate "under" the age of 16 at the time of the event.**
- **Any bonding service as a result of property damage.**
- **Any bonding service during pre-running or practicing.**
- **Any bonding service for a participant without a valid driver's license.**

Insurance Policy issued by Qualitas Compania de Seguros

When calling regarding an accident mention that you are a participant of the SCORE Baja 500.

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10-2) ACE ACCIDENT MEDICAL INSURANCE – Outline of Accident Medical Benefit Insurance for 2016 Baja 500 participants. Coverage starts the opening day of pre-running for the event. Your entry fee MUST Be "Paid In Full" to activate the insurance coverage and all co-drivers/co-riders must be listed on your entry to be covered during pre-running. Additional co-driver and co-riders can be added at registration but will only be covered by the insurance after your entry is updated in registration:

ACE ACCIDENT MEDICAL BENEFIT INSURANCE

Eligible Participant:	Registered & Banded Drivers, Co-driver & Riders. Medical Accident coverage for eligible participants is provided as part of entry fee. This coverage is activated when entry is paid in full.
Chase and Team Member Coverage Available for Purchase	Medical coverage for chase and team members can be purchased for an additional $50.00 per person. This insurance can be purchased by going to SCORE website, Race Info, Baja 500 to register. This team coverage is activated when your entry is paid in full and the additional coverage purchased is paid in full.
Covered Activity:	While participating in course reconnaissance activities of policy holder for up to three weeks prior to covered race event(s). While engaging in off-road race vehicle racing. Racing must be done on an approved and/or sanctioned course and applies only to the event(s).
Benefits:	$ 50,000 Maximum Accident Medical Benefits $ 250 Deductible (Payment required at time of service)
Benefits Include:	Accidental Death and Dismemberment Rehabilitation Benefit Coma Benefit Special Adaptation Benefit Emergency Medical Benefits up to $10,000
Additional Benefits 100% Covered:	Emergency Medical Evacuation for major trauma events Repatriation of Remains Benefit
Exclusions:	Intentional self-inflicted injury Suicide or attempted suicide War or act of war, whether declared or not Sickness or disease Aircraft Injury or loss while being legally intoxicated Injury or loss attributed to the use of drug/narcotics Injury covered by occupational benefits Participation in activity not specifically covered by policy Conditions that are not caused by covered accident Any treatment, service or supply not covered by policy Commission of, or attempt to, commit a felony
Notice of Claim:	Claimant must give insurance company or authorized representative notice of claim within 90 days after covered loss occurs.
Servicing Hospitals:	UCSD Medical Center – Hillcrest, San Diego, CA 619-543-6222 Hospital Velmar, Ensenada, Mexico 646-173-4500 Hospital Angeles, Tijuana, Mexico 664-635-1900 Baja Medical Center, San Felipe, Mexico 686-576-0200 Hospital Almater, Nueva Mexicali, Mexico 686-523-8000

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10-2) ACE ACCIDENT MEDICAL INSURANCE - *continued*

Claims Assistance:	**Representatives of Qualitas Compania de Segros will be on site to assist in expediting the claim process.**
Insuring Company:	**ACE American Insurance Company, Philadelphia, PA**

The insurance coverage information outlined above is a brief description of the accident insurance eligibility and benefits offered but it does not list all of the policy terms, conditions, coverage's, exclusions, limitations and definitions that apply to the policy contract. The actual policy governs all situations.

10-3) WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT WHILE PRE-RUNNING OR RACING IN MEXICO - In case you or a crew member are involved in an accident while pre-running or during a race in Baja, Mexico, you must know and follow these steps.

1). Always carry your valid **Driver's License, Passport, Vehicle Registration** and **Proof of Current Insurance Policy valid for Mexico** with you at all times.

2). If the accident occurs **DURING PRE-RUNNING**, and you are covered by the SCORE insurance, contact the insurance company immediately at one of the phone numbers below. Have clear information of where the accident happened including Race Mile, Kilometer marker, date and time, full details of what happened, if there are injuries or fatalities, and if you should require an ambulance or rescue to be dispatched to the scene of the accident.

When calling regarding an accident specify that you are a participant of the SCORE Baja 500 race.

- Calling from US cell in MEX to dispatch, 01-55-5258-2880
- Calling from MEX Cell or Landline to dispatch, 01-800-800-2880
- Calling from US cell or landline to MEX dispatch 011-52-1-664-634-1447

Alternate Contacts:

Enrique Caracosa	011-52-1-664-674-6851 (Mexico)
Illiana S. Marin	619-642-9307 (U.S. Cell)
Miguel Rico	011-52-1-664-120-9742 (Mexico)

4). If the accident occurs **DURING RACE WEEKEND**, and requires medical assistance, **first activate your Spot tracker device**. Then contact the Weatherman using channel **151.625** and report the accident immediately as soon as it happened. Always have clear information of where the accident happened, including Race Mile, Kilometer marker, date and time, full details of what happened, if there are injuries or fatalities, and if you should require an ambulance or rescue to be dispatched to the scene of the accident.

If you are not able to contact the Weatherman and there are injuries, property damage or fatalities, contact the insurance company at one of the above numbers.

4). **DO NOT LEAVE THE SCENE of the accident and especially if there are injuries, property damage or fatalities; it is against Mexican laws. Leaving the scene of the accident will only make things worse.**

5). Get the support of the Insurance Company adjustor as they will assist you with Legal advice and proper representation. It is imperative that this is done immediately after the accident. Complete accident report must be filled out as soon as you finish the event, but the accident must be reported immediately!

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This 2016 SCORE Baja 500 Race will be shown on CBSSN
Consult your local TV Schedule for dates and air times

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