General Regulations

GENERAL RULES

G 1 No entrant, pit crew member or sponsor shall have any claim for damages, expenses, lawsuits, or otherwise against promoter, track operator, SCORE, its officers, directors, managers, employees, shareholders, members, volunteers, agents, assigns, contractors, insurers, representatives, predecessors, successors, licensors, licensees arising from damage to any vehicle, personal injury to SCORE banded participant or monetary loss of any kind whatsoever.

G 2 Entrants, pit crew members, and sponsors waive any claim they may have against promoter, track operator, SCORE or its officers, directors, managers, employees, shareholders, members, volunteers, agents, assigns, contractors, insurers, representatives, predecessors, successors, licensors, licensees when they voluntarily participate in any racing activities conducted under these rules.

G 3 The Race Director or his designated representative shall have the authority to penalize, fine, disqualify, and/or suspend any entrant for the violation of these rules including but not limited to the special rulings and supplementary regulations described in **G 6** and **G 7**. Refer to additional information in Racer Brief and Penalty Bulletin for each event.

G 4 Special rulings may be made by SCORE to account for conditions presented by the location of the race, the condition of the course, or any circumstance requiring such a ruling.

G 5 Special rulings issued from SCORE will be considered as official amendments to this list of rules and regulations

G 6 Special rulings or changes in specifications will not be in effect in any event until such rulings or changes are issued from SCORE in the Racer Brief or Penalty Bulletin, or at drivers/riders meeting prior to event.

G 7 Supplementary regulations may be issued for each event as necessary to amend, suspend, or modify existing rules and regulations.

G 8 SCORE assumes no responsibility whatsoever for delays, postponements, and/or cancellations of all or part of an event because of inclement weather, unsafe course conditions, and/or any other reason.

G 9 The Race Director will have overall responsibility for the conduct of any event conducted under these rules and regulations. The Race Director will either be the senior SCORE official present at the race or the individual assigned by SCORE to serve as Race Director. All official race personnel will be directly responsible to the Race Director.

G 10 All race participants and pit support crew members are subject to the various jurisdictional duties of all SCORE race officials, and may not subject any race official to improper language, abusive conduct, or other demeaning actions. Failure to comply with this rule is grounds for disqualification, monetary fine and/or suspension. Penalties will be determined by Race Director.

G 11 SCORE members are not employees of SCORE and are independent contractors who assume and take all responsibility for all charges, premiums, and taxes, if any, payable on any funds they may receive as a result of their participation in any event(s) as members of SCORE.

G 12 Checkpoint captains are direct representatives of the Race Director at their respective checkpoints. Their area of responsibility includes the racecourse 1/4 of a mile before and after their respective checkpoint locations.

G 13 SCORE control point radio communications are for the identification and safety of all entrants and participants. Every SCORE radio control point is given a mandatory "safety area" surrounding its location. This area is established by the control captain or as a 100-foot radius. No vehicles whatsoever other than emergency are allowed within the safety area. Interference with any SCORE controls is prohibited. All radio or other transmissions, which affect SCORE control communications, are strictly prohibited except in the case of medical emergencies.

G 14 Checkpoint captains will designate areas leading to and surrounding the checkpoint. This area is restricted to checkpoint personnel only. No support teams, pit crews, manufacturer personnel, chase crews, crewmembers, media personnel, photographers, or spectators will be permitted in the designated area. Failure to comply with this rule will subject the entry to disqualification.

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G 15 The Race Director or his designated representative have the right to change the race vehicle numbers.

G 16 SCORE reserves the right to refuse any entry application.

ENTRANTS

GE 1 Any entrant who fails to fully fill out and sign required registration forms and releases shall be disqualified and shall forfeit any prize money, points, and contingencies won in the particular event.

GE 2 No entrant or crew member may enter racing areas until he/she has signed all releases, registrations and/or entry forms/waivers. No person shall sign the release sheet for anyone other than himself/herself.

GE 3 Entry applications of persons under 21 years of age, or under 18 years of age in those states in which persons 18 years of age or older have been legally granted adult rights and status, must provide a minors release executed by his/her parent or legal guardian.

GE 4 Any entrant who competes in a vehicle that he/she is ineligible to drive, and/or any entrant permitting such action, shall forfeit all prize money, points, and contingencies won in the particular event.

GE 5 Any entrant or pit crew member who permits a vehicle to be driven in any event by an unauthorized person, or who fails to notify race officials of any change of drivers during an event may forfeit all team prize money, points, and contingencies won in the particular event.

GE 6 Deliberate, abusive nerfing, or bumping shall be reason for reprimand, penalty, disqualification and/or suspension at the discretion of the Race Director. **Nerfing any vehicle displaying a rear facing blue light is not permitted at any time.** Reported violations will be penalized by SCORE Race Director.

GE 7 All entrants must attend the Driver and/or Rider Meeting. Failure to comply may result in disqualification and/or fine. Roll calls may be made to verify attendance.

GE 8 If a Driver/Rider of record change is made after the event drawing, the number drawn by that entry will be vacated and will remain vacant throughout the duration of the event. A new vehicle number may be assigned by SCORE.

GE 9 A driver shall not permit any person other than a co-driver in co-drivers normal riding position to ride on or in any part of his vehicle. Exceptions are subject to discretion of Race Director.

GE 10 Pre-running at all SCORE events is a discretionary pre-race activity. Course knowledge is the sole responsibility of every entrant. Pre-running is the opportunity to preview the race course while exercising caution and proceeding at a safe, reasonable and controlled speed. The dates and rules regarding pre-running at each event will be published in the Racer Brief and Penalty Bulletin for each specific race. Reckless driving during pre-running is illegal under SCORE rules, as well as illegal under the traffic laws of the municipality hosting the event. Pre-runners are subject to the same public traffic laws that govern the general public. Reported infractions are subject to penalties.

DISQUALIFICATION

GD 1 Drinking of intoxicating beverages in the pits or the race course or on the surrounding premises by any person is strictly forbidden. Also, the use of narcotics (amphetamines or other stimulants, barbiturates or other depressants) is forbidden. No drugs acting like, or containing ephedrine may be used, unless written authorization is obtained and presented to the Race Director or his designated representative(s) for approval prior to race day. Any entrant or crew member in an event who shows any evidence whatsoever of being under the influence of any of the aforementioned shall be disqualified, subject to suspension from all future events, and must leave those premises immediately at the direction of the Race Director or any of his authorized representatives.

GD 2 Any person who makes a false statement on a contingency form shall forfeit contingencies won in the particular event.

GD 3 Any entry application containing a falsified signature shall cause the automatic disqualification of the entrant and forfeiture of all prize money, points, and contingencies won in the particular event.

GD 4 Any entrant disqualified from any event forfeits all rights to any prize money, points, and contingencies and shall not be entitled to a refund of any portion of his entry fee.

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LONG DISTANCE COURSES

GL 1 Maximum duration of an event will be set by SCORE. Course mileage and race time limit will be specified in Racer Brief for each event. Minimum average speed required to complete course within time limit will also be indicated. Course map issued for each event will also have mileage and checkpoint information.

GL 2 Entrant's official time for an event shall be the total elapsed time, including applied time penalties, from their actual assigned starting time, as determined by the Race Director, until the vehicle crosses the finish line. Time spent refueling and at checkpoints is included in the elapsed time unless otherwise stated.

GL 3 Winner for each class shall be the vehicle that finished with the lowest elapsed time, including applied time penalties, and meets all other criteria enumerated in this section, providing his time does not exceed the maximum duration set by SCORE, unless otherwise stated.

GL 4 All entrants must report all accidents they may have witnessed to the Race Official in charge at the next checkpoint the contestant reaches.

GL 5 Some visible means of warning must be placed on the road at least 200 feet before any accident or breakdown. Reflectors and at least two 15-minute flares are required to be carried on each 4-wheel vehicle.

GL 6 Passing is not permitted within 300 feet before or 100 feet after any flag crossing or checkpoint, except at the direction of a Race Official. Failure to comply with this rule will subject the entry to disqualification.

GL 7 Any entrant who discontinues the race is required to report to a checkpoint crew or to the Start/Finish line, or to SCORE radio frequency 152.625, that he is out of the race.

GL 8 All support aircraft, fixed wing or rotary, must register with SCORE two (2) weeks prior to the start of the event. The registration must include aircraft tail number, pilot name and license number, insurance company name and policy number, and the frequency the aircraft will be using for radio support. All aircraft must monitor, respond to, and announce their location on air-to-air frequency 122.750 while in the airspace of the race course. In case of an emergency, SCORE will monitor 122.750 MHz while the SCORE Rescue Helicopter is in the air, otherwise SCORE uses 151.625 MHz as its race operations frequency.

Transmissions from any aircraft to any race or support vehicle(s) are not allowed unless the aircraft is being used **solely** as a manual or digital repeater for ground crews. SCORE will allow the aircraft to announce as a general broadcast on the frequency the aircraft is using for race support the following message(s): "aircraft is going off the air.", "Aircraft is going down to refuel and will be back on the air in ___ minutes." SCORE's intent on radio transmissions is to not allow aircraft supported entries an unfair advantage over non-aircraft supported entries.

No aircraft may be used to drop parts, tools, mechanics, pit support personnel, or otherwise create an unfair advantage over non-aircraft support entries. Aircraft shall not be used to transport a driver/rider of record, co-driver/co-rider to and from locations on course. This rule does not prohibit transportation of contestants to points on the course, so long as, at the time he/she is transported, he/she has not driven any portion of the course, or the contestant is being transported from the course and will not be further competing in the event. Aircraft cannot be operated in such a fashion, so as to constitute a nuisance or danger to the race vehicles, officials or spectators.

All fixed wing aircraft must maintain a minimum altitude of 1200' AGL at all times within the confines of the race course. All rotary aircraft must maintain a minimum altitude of 500' AGL and 500' off the edge line of the race course when traveling with or against the direction of the race or when traveling near pit and/or spectator areas. All rotary aircraft below 1200' AGL must travel with the race course located on the left side of the aircraft, i.e. traveling with race traffic, aircraft will be on racer's right side, traveling against race traffic, aircraft will be on racer's left side. All rotary aircraft cannot land within a 1/4 mile of the race course in any area.

Other than SCORE Medical aircraft, only under **extreme circumstances** may a fixed wing or rotary aircraft transport an injured person from the vicinity of the race course. SCORE must be contacted immediately when an aircraft observes an accident with injuries.

Any violation of the aircraft support rule may be grounds for disqualification of the entrant and possible twelve (12) month suspension of the Driver or Rider of Record.

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GL 9 All starting times and procedures will be published in the Racer Brief specific to each race. Any changes to the previously published information will be announced at the Drivers' Meeting prior to each event. 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 with his designated start time, not the actual late start time. It is the responsibility of each competitor to arrive at the vehicle staging line in a timely manner.

GL 9A - Start line will close ten (10) minutes after the official start for the last competitor. Any entry arriving at start line after this ten-minute time period has elapsed will not be allowed to start the event.

GL 10 Every vehicle at all SCORE events must pass through all Physical Checkpoints and Virtual Checkpoints (VCPs) in the correct ascending numerical order. A full and complete stop must be made at all Physical Checkpoints, while vehicles will race through all Virtual Checkpoints (VCPs). The failure of any vehicle to pass through one or more Physical Checkpoints, whether for an advantage or not, will result in penalty or disqualification of the entry. The failure of any vehicle to pass through one or more Virtual Checkpoints (VCPs), will result in a penalty as outlined in the Penalty Bulletin published for each specific race.

GL 11 Race vehicles are required to enter all Physical Checkpoints at 15 mph in a single file manner and come to a complete stop at the stop sign. 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. Failure to operate the race vehicle safely through all Physical Checkpoint corridors is grounds for disqualification, monetary fine and/or suspension.

GL 12 Each and all entrants may be checked for their SCORE armband at any and all control points. Every entrant is responsible for his/her armband. Any entrant found not to have an armband would immediately disqualify the vehicle entry.

GL 13 No race vehicle in any class shall be towed, pushed, pulled or transported by another vehicle further than 1% of the total distance of the race course, through a Physical Checkpoint, or within 1 mile of the Finish Line. However, banded vehicle occupants of Four Wheel vehicles are permitted to push a disabled race vehicle across the Finish Line. Motorcycles and Quads may be pushed or pulled by the rider through a Physical Checkpoint or within 1 mile of the Finish Line.

GL 14 No entrant may run in two or more classes simultaneously with one vehicle even though entries are paid in more than one class. (Closed course events excepted.)

GL 15 Race course at each SCORE event is the official route as designated by the official GPS file. The race course may also be designated by physical course markings. However, SCORE does not guarantee that course markings will remain in place throughout the authorized pre-running dates and until race day. Furthermore, SCORE is not responsible for course markings that are used in a malicious manner by spectators.

It is the responsibility of each participant to learn the race course, race in a controlled manner, and properly decelerate to avoid danger spots. All participants are required to always operate race vehicles and chase vehicles in the correct direction of the race course. Failure to operate the race vehicle or chase vehicle as indicated in this rule is grounds for a time penalty, disqualification, monetary fine and/or suspension. Failure to operate the race vehicle or chase vehicle as specified in this rule is grounds for a time penalty, disqualification, monetary fine and/or suspension.

PROTESTS and PENALTIES

GP 1 Protests must be filed in writing and delivered to the Race Director (Technical Director for technical items) or his representative **within 30 minutes** after the last scheduled finish of the final competitor in your class. Protests considered by the Race/Technical Director to be unsportsmanlike may not be accepted.

In non-technical protests and during the GPS data tracking review, SCORE at its sole discretion may use one or more Review Board members to assist SCORE in adjudicating a final determination of the matter. In technical protests the decision of the SCORE Tech Director will be final. Procedure for Inspection of protested items is outlined in Rule **GP 2** (below).

Protest fees will be returned to the protestor if the protest is upheld and the protested entry will be disqualified. Protest fees will be given to the protested entry if the protest is not upheld. ***All Technical protests require a $500 cash fee for each item protested.***

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GP 2 Inspection of protested items will be required of any entrant who has an official protest lodged against his race vehicle.

Failure to submit to inspection will result in automatic disqualification. Those attending the inspection(s) will be as follows:

a) The protestor or his designated representative.
b) The protested competitor or his designated representative.
c) The protested competitor's mechanic or his designated representative.
d) SCORE or their designated representative.
e) The SCORE technical inspector(s) who shall accomplish the required inspection of the vehicle.

No other persons shall be present, nor witness the proceedings, until the inspection has been completed. At the discretion of SCORE with the approval of the protested competitor, members of the press, or news media will be allowed to observe the inspection(s) for reporting purposes only.

GP 3 The interpretation of all SCORE rules and regulations, whether contained in this rulebook or published as a supplement, is done so at the sole discretion of SCORE. Penalties levied against competitors are final. Highway Speed Zone Rules will be established in the Racer Brief and Penalty Bulletin published for each specific race. At Baja Mexico races, the public paved highway may be used for transitional race travel and will have a designated speed limit. Furthermore, the paved highway is considered a restricted area because use of the highway is subject to permission by the Mexican Federal Highway Police. Course Compliance Rules governing course deviation standards and penalties will also be established in the supplementary Racer Brief and Penalty Bulletin published for each specific race.

DRIVERS/CO-DRIVERS

GDC 1 Driver/rider and/or co-drive/co-rider changes are permitted in all classes as long as the driver/rider and/or co-driver/co-rider is a banded occupant for that vehicle entry.

NO VEHICLE WILL BE ALLOWED MORE THAN TWO OCCUPANTS AT ANY TIME, WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR.

GDC 2 Should a situation arise that an entrant because of severe illness or injury is unable to continue in or on his entry during competition and a driver/rider or co-driver listed on the entry is unavailable, a SCORE banded entrant from another entry may continue in or on that entry to the nearest official SCORE checkpoint where, before he/she continues on, he/she must inform the checkpoint captain of the driver change.

GCD 3 The Driver/Co-driver and Rider/Co-rider of Record must sign all releases and pick up his/her armband. In addition, DOR/ROR must start or finish the event. The only exception to the rule is when the Driver/Rider of Record is injured in the race vehicle during the running of the event and unable to compete safely and the injury is verified by the SCORE Team verifies that the Driver/Rider is unable to compete safely.

Failure of the Driver/Rider or Rider/Co-rider of Record to follow this rule will result in no points given to him/her for the event. NOTE: If the Driver/Rider of Record signed all releases and picked up his/her armband but did not start in the vehicle, but finished in the vehicle, the Driver/Rider of Record will still receive starting points.

GCD 4 **Effective January 1, 2017** - All banded competitors must be a properly licensed driver and over the age of 16. Proof of age and driver license will be required at Registration to receive wristband.

PITS

GPT 1 Access to pits at certain events may be restricted. In that case, no one will be allowed to enter the pit or race area without first signing a SCORE waiver form and being issued a wristband.

GPT 2 Entrant assumes all responsibility for the actions of all team and persons associated with his entry.

GPT 3 Any pit vehicle running on or near the race course that is endangering the entrants, race officials, or spectators, can be grounds for the disqualification of the race team for which they are servicing or pitting. No pit vehicle may follow or lead a race vehicle on the race course.

GPT 4 Vehicles in the pits or racing area shall not be used as spectator vantage points when to do so might impair the line of vision of others. Race officials in the area are empowered to enforce this regulation.

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GPT 5 Any entrant, crew member or other credential pass holder who takes part in any demonstration in the pits, on the course, or surrounding area before, during or after an event shall be subject to expulsion from the premises.

GPT 6 Maximum speed by race vehicles in the pit areas will be established in the supplementary documents published for each specific race. The maximum speed in the pit areas by support vehicles is 25 MPH unless otherwise indicated.

GPT 7 No pitting is permitted within 300' (100m) before and 100' (30m) after a checkpoint. These distances are a minimum and may change from event to event at the discretion of the Race Director and/or Check Point Captain.

GPT 8 All pits must be at least 50 feet (15m) off the edge of the race course. No pit may be in the first 50 feet (15m) leading into and the first 100 feet (30m) leading out of any turn. No pitting on any portion of the paved highway surface. At Baja Mexico races, the paved highway is considered a restricted area because use of the highway is subject to permission by the Mexican Federal Highway Police. As a result, transitional race travel on the highway section must be done in a safe and prudent manner. No pit may be in the first one 100 feet (30m) leading into and the first 100 feet (30m) leading out of any paved highway entrance or exit.

GPT 8-A Placement of pits is allowed only on **RIGHT SIDE** of paved highways. No pits are to be located in any location that requires crossing oncoming traffic to enter or exit pit at any time. Infractions will be subject to penalties.

GPT 9 All pit services must be done while race vehicle is at a complete stop. Vehicle may not be serviced while in motion, either under its own power, while being towed, and/or being transported in or on a trailer. Pit services are to include fueling, tire changes, and/or any other services performed on the race vehicle. **No pit services may be performed on the highway.**

GPT 9-A NEW Seat belts and window nets must remain completely fastened any time vehicle is in motion. This includes entering and leaving all pit areas. Observed infractions will be subject to penalties.

GPT 10 Failure to comply with any of the above stated pit rules is grounds for a time penalty, disqualification, monetary fine and/or suspension subject to the discretion of SCORE.

GPT 11 ***Effective January 1, 2017*** **- Fueling safety - Protective Clothing and Fire Extinguishers**

Protective clothing must be worn by all personnel designated as “Fueling Personnel”.

MANDATORY for Teams Utilizing Pressure or Elevated Tank Refueling Systems:

1. SCORE requires a single layer driving suit as the minimum protective clothing. One-piece driving suit must be in good condition and free from damage. SCORE recommends a two layer, one- piece drivers suit or a three layer, two-piece “Dragster style” drivers suit. All driver suits must have a SFI label. SCORE also highly recommends fire resistant underwear.
2. Protective “FULL FACE” head gear is required. A helmet that is Snell SA 2005 (or newer) is acceptable for pit use. Snell “SA” 2005 approved will be the minimum required. SCORE also recommends a full fire resistant head sock and fire resistant under wear.
3. Fire resistant gloves are required. Gloves may be made of leather, and/or other fire resistant materials. Boots that are flame resistant are to be worn, as should any other fire resistant apparel.

Teams using conventional “Dump Cans” are urged to follow the same guidelines outlined above.

► ► ALL PITS MUST HAVE A MINIMUM of two (2) 10-Pound "ABC" Dry Chemical fire extinguishers. These extinguishers must be located within six (6) feet (2 m) during the refueling operation and manned at all times during refueling. SCORE strongly recommends four (4) 10-Pound "ABC" Dry Chemical fire extinguishers in each fueling pit.

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TECH

GT 1 It is the full responsibility of entrants, drivers, owners, and sponsors to meet all SCORE rules and specifications.

GT 2 Each vehicle, regardless of class must complete and satisfactorily pass the safety inspection of the Tech Director or his designated representative(s) before being allowed to participate in an event. A safety inspection seal will be issued upon completion of that inspection.

GT 3 SCORE reserves the right to subject any vehicle to a mechanical inspection at the discretion of the Tech Director. It shall be the responsibility of the driver or entrant to tear down a vehicle for inspection when requested to do so. Failure to comply will result in disqualification of driver, entrant and vehicle, and may result in suspension from future events by SCORE.

GT 4 SCORE reserves the right to limit admittance of personnel to any area or garage in which inspections are being made, and Tech Director and his representative(s) have the right to limit attendance to only those inspectors and two mechanics assigned to perform the work necessary.

GT 5 SCORE reserves the right to seal or impound vehicles.

GT 6 SCORE assumes no responsibility for impounded vehicles although reasonable efforts will be made to insure their security.

GT 7 No vehicle may be removed from a mandatory inspection area after a race or event without permission of the Technical Director or his designated representative in that area. Failure to comply shall subject driver, entrant, and vehicle to disqualification from the event. Any vehicle not taken directly to an inspection area when requested by the Tech Director or his designated representative, shall subject driver, entrant, and vehicle to disqualification from the event.

GT 8 The Tech Director may require the owner of a vehicle damaged in a race to submit to a post-incident inspection. If the owner refuses inspection, the car may be restricted from all future SCORE races.

GT 9 Any participant refusing to comply with engine claim rules as stated in the class rules will be disqualified and barred from future SCORE events for a one (1) year period.

GT 10 The Tech Director may impound a vehicle or vehicle parts.

GT 11 All vehicles must have their cages approved prior to racing in a SCORE event. The frame certification shall be done by an appointed frame specialist. SCORE Technical Director will schedule appointment and time. After passing inspection and paying Inspection fees all vehicles will receive a SCORE I.D. tag, that is to remain affixed to the vehicle at all times. If tag is removed or lost vehicle must be re-inspected and retagged. Any modification to an approved cage may render its approval invalid, and may need to be re-approved. All repairs to a roll cage damaged after an accident must be re-approved by SCORE International. Roll cage inspection tag must be in a visible location when vehicle is presented at pre-tech inspection.

SCORE VEHICLE NUMBERS

GVN 1 All competition vehicle numbers are the property of SCORE International and are assigned by SCORE. If you do not have a SCORE number, or your number is no longer valid due to expiration, contact SCORE for assignment of a new number.

GVN 2 Rights to your assigned number are active for 365 days from the date you last raced a SCORE event. After this time period, a number must be requested and assigned by SCORE. Numbers for vehicles not raced at least once in previous 365 days automatically become available for re-assignment.

GVN 3 Specific vehicle numbers are assigned to individuals. Number assigned to vehicle does not transfer when vehicle ownership is transferred or driver of record changes. Each driver of record must have their own vehicle number assigned unless an alternate driver has been pre-approved by SCORE.

GVN 4 Lowest number in each class number range is reserved for the previous year's champion. If there was no class champion the previous year, the number remains vacant for the current year. If a reigning champion is not competing during the current year, this champion may assign the number to another co-driver/rider on the team who participated in all races to win the class championship.

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