

# CLUB RULES 2020 (162114/144)

In the interests of safety and friendly co-operation, the committee of the Western Cape
Off- Road Club (Juniors and Seniors) has compiled the following rules and guidelines for all members:

- 1. The committee of WCOC reserves the right to withhold any member's membership or entry (in accordance with GCR 99 & 100) due to bad conduct of the parents/member.
- 2. No abuse of any riders by parents or other riders is allowed at any time. The aim of the club is to provide a fun riding environment for all. No foul language is permitted by any persons at the track. There are women and small children around and their rights need to be respected.
- 3. Abuse of officials by competitors and/or their family members and/or members of their pit crew. Such breach of the rules may result in the competitors concerned, if found guilty following a hearing, being suspended for a period of up to six months or for up to six events (whichever is more appropriate), for a first offence.
- 4. Any proceeding or act prejudicial to the interests of MSA or of motor sport generally shall be deemed a breach of the regulations and disciplinary action may be taken against offenders. By way of clarification, it is confirmed that the following shall be included in the definition of "prejudicial acts" as per the above:
  - Intimidation, either on track or off track.
  - Verbal and or physical abuse.
  - The distribution/publication via e-mail, cell phone text message or internet website and social media of comments which may be deemed abusive and/or slanderous and/or demeaning and/or inappropriate.
  - Acts (including comments and or gestures) which would reasonably be considered by the general public to be offensive or inappropriate.

It is stressed that the above list is not exhaustive, and that each case will be treated on an individual basis.

- 5. All Entrants and Riders must hold a valid MSA competition license applicable to the status of the event. WOW License holders will not be eligible to score towards any Club Championships only towards a WOW challenge.
- 6. Should you partake in three or more WOW events per year, your will automatically be upgraded to a Club Annual Membership.

- 7. In order to have a club championship, there needs to be a minimum of three club member starters per class.
  - 7.1 If there are insufficient members in a class for the year then the club reserves the right to withhold the floating trophy for that specific class.
  - 7.2 If there are three and less riders entered in a specific class then only first place will be handed out on the day.
  - 7.3 All members are to look after their floating trophies and return them at the last race of the year, in the condition it was received.
- 8. All riders are to wear protective gear, including helmet, goggles, gloves and adequate boots, long pants and chest protector whenever entering the track. No rider is permitted to ride a motorcycle or quad without at least a helmet on in the pit area.
- 9. The motorcycle and/or quad must have:
  - ball ended clutch and brake levers
  - a closing throttle
  - a working kill switch
  - brakes operating on the front as well as on the back wheels
  - a OK / X sign
  - a first aid kit on bike/quad at all times as well as a pencil and piece of paper
- 10. All riders under the age of 16 are to have parents or guardians in attendance at all times.
- 11. All club members are allowed a discounted entry fee structure for race days and non- members are to pay a higher entry fee.
- 12. All spectators and parents are to maintain a safe distance from the pit lane at all times whilst riding is in progress. The club cannot be held liable for any injury to any parent or spectator at any time. There is full public liability cover on MSA sanctioned race days only.
- 13. All riders and parents are to familiarize themselves with the current versions of the MSA handbooks which include the general regulations applicable to race meetings.
- 14. We ask that members please adhere to the above rules and assist us in building WCOC up to be the best standards.
- 15. If you get podium for 2 consecutive years (Championship) in the following classes you must upgrade the following year to a more competitive class: Ladies Intro Bikes, Social Bikes, Social Quads, WOW Bikes.

# 16. Club Classes:

**ALL** ages to be decided in the year in which their birthday occurs.

#### 16.1 Junior Classes

The classes listed below ride for 60min and have a sighting lap.

Junior PW50cc Bikes: PW50cc auto clutch

(Ages 4 - 9yrs)

Junior 50cc Bikes: 50cc auto clutch Max 110 4-stroke

(Ages **4 – 9yrs**)

Junior 50cc Quads: 50cc auto clutch, modifications on engine and after-market pipes can

be fitted.

(Ages **4 – 7yrs**)

# The classes listed below ride for 2hrs and have NO sighting lap

Junior 65cc Bikes: 65cc 2-stroke/110 4-stroke/85cc auto

(Year in which the rider turns **8 – 12yrs** to the 31<sup>st</sup> Dec of which their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday occurs)

Junior 85cc Bikes: 85cc 2-stroke/125cc 4-stroke

(Year in which the rider turns **9 – 12yrs** to the 31 Dec of which their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday occurs)

Senior 85cc Bikes: 85cc 2-stroke/150cc 4-stroke

(Year in which the rider turns **12 – 15yrs** to the 31 Dec of which their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday occurs)

## These classes listed below ride for 3hrs and have NO sighting lap

125cc Bikes: 125cc 2-stroke

(The year in which the rider turns **14 - 17yrs**) **Open Bikes:** 201cc 2-stroke/250cc 4-stroke

(Year in which the rider turns **16 - 17yrs**, to the 31 Dec of which their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday occurs) **Junior Sportsman Quads:** 200cc 2-stroke air cooled, engine and chassis configuration

are to remain as supplied by the manufacturer. Refer to SSR 369(e) - No Hybrids

(The year in which the rider turns **10 – 15yrs**) **Junior Open Quads:** 250cc 2-stroke/450cc 4-stroke

(The year in which the rider turns 14 – 17ys)

#### 16.2 <u>Senior Classes</u>

The classes listed below ride for 2hrs and have NO sighting lap (Refer SSR325)

**Ladies Introduction Bikes:** Unrestricted capacity (junior ladies bike capacity determined by age)

(Ages 10 years and older)

Social Bikes: Unrestricted capacity

(Ages 16 years and older)

Social Quads (Snr): Unrestricted capacity

(Ages 16 years and older)

The classes listed below ride for 3hrs and have NO sighting lap (Refer SSR325 for competitors 16 – 17yrs of age for capacity restrictions)

**200cc Bikes:** max 200cc 2-stroke / 250cc 4-stroke **Open Bikes:** Unrestricted capacity, ages 18 and older.

**Senior Bikes**: Unrestricted capacity, riders between 38 years to 46 years. **Master Bikes**: Unrestricted capacity, riders between 46 years and older. **Ladies Bikes**: Unrestricted capacity 16 years and older.

Q1 Quads: Unrestricted capacity, 16 years and

older.

**Senior Quads:** Unrestricted capacity, 35 years

and older.

Ladies Quads: Unlimited capacity, 16 years &

older

The WCOC committee reserves the right to change and combine classes and starting orders on the day of an event.

# 17. General:

- ❖ The Club Championship will consist of 8 events of which all 8 events will count towards the championship. All members would need to complete at least 50% of the race season to qualify for the championship.
- ❖ A time bar as per notice board after the winner has finished, will be imposed for all riders still on the track, which may be extended at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course in exceptional circumstances 9 in accordance with SSR 323 (d)
- Once the first rider in the Bike or Quad category completes the required 1 hour junior race and 2/3-hour senior race period, he/she will receive the checkered flag and all other competitors will be flagged off, per race;
- The object is to complete the most number of laps within the designated race time without incurring penalties on the same motorcycle or quad;
- ❖ To qualify as a finisher all of the following conditions must have been met:
  - a) Must compete for the full period of the race and complete at least 50% (rounded down) of the leader's laps.
  - b) Must cross the finish line
  - c) In the case where a rider has broken down on the track, competitor's teams/parents should advise race control as soon as they are aware of these rider's situation to facilitate the start/delay of the next event.
  - d) Lapped competitors will be classified behind all competitors completing the same number of laps as the leader.

#### 18. <u>Service Crews / Outside Assistance:</u>

- a) Service crews and/or service vehicles are not permitted on the racing route. They may be present at DSP's but may not render assistance in any form whatsoever, except at these points.
- b) Service crews may not establish "spares depots", or leave spares, tyres, fuel, lubricants etc. at any point other than the DSP's, whether on the racing route or accessible from the racing route. Furthermore, so called ghost riders as entered by teams having riders enter races carrying an abnormal number of spares to assist other team riders will not be allowed under any circumstances. The decision by the Clerk of the Course will decide what a reasonable number of spares is to be carried by a competitor, but should only be sufficient for his own use, such as spare cables, fuses etc.
- c) Outside assistance may be given by:
  - An official (listed in the SSR's and/or Final Instructions as being authorized to assist competitors) of the event. If a competitor is assisted by an official as listed in the SSR's the competitor must remain co-responsible to adhere to the SSR's and event regulations, breach thereof in spite of actions by officials, unless the competitor can prove that he/she was unable to persuade the official to act within the rules. Assistance by an official is limited to helping around or over obstacles etc. which assistance must

be offered to all competitors. However, this precludes the providing of spares or parts for a motorcycle or quad or the towing of a motorcycle or quad by an official.

- By another competitor who is still actively racing and eligible to be classified as a finisher.
- Competitors who have retired or crossed the finishing line may not render assistance. Outside assistance from any other source is prohibited. Refer SSR 351 g) iv).
- No assistance by service crews will be allowed at re-fuel points which are not DSP's.

#### 19. Scoring:

<u> </u>					
1 <sup>st</sup>	-	400	2 <sup>nd</sup>	-	360
3 <sup>rd</sup>	-	330	4 <sup>th</sup>	-	300
5 <sup>th</sup>	-	270	6 <sup>th</sup>	-	250
7 <sup>th</sup>	-	230	8 <sup>th</sup>	-	210
9 <sup>th</sup>	-	190	10 <sup>th</sup>	-	180
11 <sup>th</sup>	-	170	12 <sup>th</sup>	-	160
13 <sup>th</sup>	-	150	14 <sup>th</sup>	-	150
15 <sup>th</sup>	-	140	16 <sup>th</sup>	-	130
17 <sup>th</sup>	-	120	18 <sup>th</sup>	-	110
19 <sup>th</sup>	-	100	20 <sup>th</sup>	-	90

# 20. Consumption of Alcohol:

It is forbidden for any competitor to consume alcohol while taking part in an event, or in the time period between a competitor completing an event and the relevant race officials at the event giving a decision on any protest and/or appeal that he/she may have lodged. Offenders shall be excluded from the event and shall be reported to MSA for possible further action. Likewise, action may be taken against any competitor where persons associated with him/her cause unnecessary problems for the race officials as a result of being under the influence of alcohol.

#### 21. Penalties:

- 21.1 Any parent not acting in the best interest of their child racing at any event, will cause their child to be excluded from the results and/or refused to continue with the race after such incident and may be banned from competing in future events.
- 21.2 If any penalties or exclusions are applied, all possible steps will be taken to inform the competitor(s), prior to the posting of provisional results.
- 21.3 The COC/CMO will have the right to stop a competitor from further competing at any event for safety or medical reasons. Time compensation, if held up unnecessarily, will be afforded to the affected rider by the COC, at his discretion.
- 21.4 The penalty for speeding in the pit lane (exceeding walking pace) refer to SSR 351.b.ii
- 21.5 A penalty of 10mins will be given to any rider that is caught not stopping to check on an injured rider during the race.
- 21.6 Should you be caught not pulling off, when safe to do so, for another rider you will be penalized 10mins.