

REGULATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE 2020 WESTERN CAPE CROSS COUNTRY SENIOR MOTORCYCLE CHAMPIONSHIP (162092/144) VERSION 2 AS AT 20.08.2020

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<mark>18</mark>	Immediate effect	<mark>20.08.2020</mark>	Wording deleted and added

All race meetings shall be held under the General Competition Rules (GCR's), Standing Supplementary Regulations (SSR's) of Motorsport South Africa (MSA), these Regional Regulations, the event Supplementary Regulations (SR's) and any applicable Circulars of MSA for Cross Country Motorcycles & Quads. In the event that there is any conflict between Regional and National rules, the National rules shall, at all times prevail.

1. CONTROLLERS

Will be the Motorsport South Africa (herein referred to as MSA) Western Cape Regional Motorsport Committee.

2. <u>AMENDMENTS.</u>

<u>ANY</u> proposed/desired changes to these Championship Regulations <u>must</u> be submitted to the Controllers for consideration at their next Regional Committee Meeting.

The Controllers reserve the right to introduce new Regulations and/or amend existing Regulations. Such changes to these Regulations **<u>shall</u>** be issued on a MSA Circular at least SEVEN (7) days prior to the next event being held.



3. <u>AIM OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP</u>

The MSA Western Cape Regional Motorsport Committee at its sole discretion shall declare the winners of the 2020 Western Cape Regional Championship in the following classes:

OPEN CLASS (OR1):

Open to competitors from the year of their 18th birthday and older.

Two stroke motorcycles with an engine capacity in excess of 251cc and four stroke motorcycles with an engine capacity in excess of 401cc.

200cc CLASS (OR3)

Open to competitors from the year of their 16th birthday and older. Two stroke motorcycles with an engine capacity not exceeding 201cc and four stroke motorcycles with an engine capacity not exceeding 251cc.

4. INCIDENT REPORTS

- 4.1 Every competitor is to return his / her completed Incident Report Form to the Organizers within 1 hour of retiring from the event.
- 4.2 **Non finishing** competitors who fail to hand in an Incident Report Form render themselves liable for a minimum fine of R100.00.

5. <u>ELIGIBILITY OF RIDERS</u> – Refer to Cross Country SSR 325.

The Western Cape Regional Championship shall be open to all riders who are domiciled in the area under the jurisdiction of the MSA Western Cape Regional Committee as well as any other suitably licensed competitor not taking part in any other MSA-sanctioned Regional Championship series / event for reasons acceptable to the MSA Western Cape Regional Motorsport Committee. All eligible riders must hold a minimum of a current valid Regional Cross Country competition license as issued by MSA and these must be produced at documentation.

6. MINIMUM NUMBER OF STARTERS

There must be a minimum of six (6) starters per class at each event.

7. ELIGIBILITY AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS OF MOTORCYCLES

Motorcycles must comply with the relevant safety specifications for motorcycles and quads as set out in Cross Country SSR 328.



8. RACE AND DURATION

- 8.1 A lap or loop on any event may be covered more than three times.
- 8.2 The minimum distance for a Regional Championship event shall be between 150 and 180 km's or 3 hours racing for the leading competitor.
- 8.3 All events shall comprise one racing section.

9. <u>PENALTIES</u>

The penalties will be applied by the Clerk of the Course – Refer Cross Country SSR 351.

10. EXCLUSIONS

Refer Cross Country SSR 351 (g):

- 10.1 Any competitor observed on any section or part thereof of the route to be used for the event, during the two (2) weeks prior to the start of the event, will be considered to be practising.
- 10.2 When a competitor has, with the approval of the organisers, assisted with the organisation/planning of the event, the penalty of exclusion will not apply. The names of the competitors who have "officially" assisted <u>must</u> be reported as such in the Clerk of the Course report for the event.

11. ASSISTANCE RENDERED AT THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT PENALTIES

Competitors who fail to stop on arriving upon a scene of an accident where no medical board is displayed or where a red X is displayed, are guilty of an offence of the Motorsport Regulations and may be excluded from the results and / or reported to the Stewards for appropriate disciplinary action. Stationary competitors not injured who fail to display the Green Board shall be subject to investigation by the Clerk of the Course and referred to the Stewards of the event for disciplinary action and referral to MSA for further action where necessary.

COMPENSATION FOR COMPETITORS RENDERING ASSISTANCE

Competitors, who render "bona fide" assistance in complying with the instruction set out above and in the Regulations, shall not suffer serious prejudice as a result of their action.

However, the onus rests on the competitor to prove that such assistance was rendered. substantiation will be required, normally in the form of a statement from the competitor who had received the assistance.

The Clerk of the Course at his discretion will award compensation.

12. <u>NUMBERS</u>

Numbers will only be allocated by MSA Head Office. REFER: Cross Country SSR 329.



13. ORDER OF STARTING

The order in which competitors will be started shall be decided by the previous year's overall points from highest to lowest to determine the starting order for the first event of the season. From then on by overall points gained in the championship thus far, from highest to lowest, thereafter the riders with class points but no overall points will be seeded as follows: Motorcycles: Open (OR1), 200cc (OR3), Seniors, Masters, Silver, Club. Late entries will start at the back.

14. PLACING AND RESULTS

CLASSIFICATION

To be classified as a finisher of an event a competitor must complete two-thirds of the full distance of the event (as specified in the Supplementary Regulations and Final Instructions or any Official Notices issued by the organisers) within the time provided - refer to GCR 274.

14.1 Cessation of Racing

Refer GCR 152 (vii) and SSR 323 (b).

14.2 Race Stopped Prematurely

Once started a race will not, except for the reasons stated above, be halted. If a race is stopped before the leading competitor has reached half distance of the racing section it shall be declared invalid and no points will be awarded. If the leading competitor has reached at least half distance the race shall be declared finished and points awarded.

15. <u>ROUTE MARKING</u>

REFER: Cross Country SSR 339.

16. <u>GENERAL</u>

16.1 N.B. RIDERS ARE ALLOWED TO RIDE INTO THE RE-FUEL AREA *IN FIRST GEAR AT WALKING PACE.*

RIDERS MUST DISMOUNT/ SWITCH ENGINE OFF BEFORE RE-FUELLING.

RIDERS WHO DO NOT RE-FUEL MAY PROCEED THROUGH THIS AREA AT WALKING PACE UP TO THE EXIT MARSHAL.

16.2 The use of an Environmental mat or similar device by competitors and / or service crew <u>is</u> <u>compulsory</u>.



17. POINT SCORING

1 st	400 points	16 th	120 points
2 nd	360 points	17 th	110 points
3 rd	330 points	18 th	100 points
4 th	300 points	19 th	90 points
5 th	270 points	20 th	85 points
6 th	250 points	21 st	80 points
7 th	230 points	22 nd	75 points
8 th	210 points	23 rd	70 points
9 th	190 points	24 th	65 points
10 th	180 points	25 th	60 points
11 th	170 points	26 th	55 points
12 th	160 points	27 th	50 points
13 th	150 points	28 th	45 points
14^{th}	140 points	29 th	40 points
15^{th}	130 points	30 th	35 points
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31st to 60th position decreasing by 1 point per position (from 30 downwards)

- 17.1 In order for a class to qualify for Regional Championship status at each round, there must be a minimum of six (6) eligible starters.
- 17.2 Full points will be awarded to eligible competitors, irrespective of the number of starters for the event. These points, so allocated, will be included in the total points scored by the competitors in determining the final championship positions at the end of the year.

However, in order for the Championship to be declared, the Championship must still meet the minimum criteria in terms of number of events run with the minimum number of eligible starters per event.

- 17.3 Championship points are awarded as above, except that club licence holders do not score.
- 17.4 Competitors who are not eligible for the championship will be ignored for the purpose of championship points and number of eligible starters. Organisers must indicate these competitors on the results.

18. NUMBER OF EVENTS TO COUNT

There will be five (5) qualifying EVENTS. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic which shortened the racing season, there will be four (4) qualifying events. All events to count in determining the final positions, however. should less than five (5) qualifying events be held, the championship will not be declared.



Championship events for 2020:

1 February 2020		-	Round 1
	7 March 2020		Round 2
	<mark>30 & 31 May 2020</mark>		Round 3 & 4
	12 September		Round 2
	24 October 2020	-	Round 5 3
	14 November 2020	-	Round 4

19. <u>SEPARATION OF TIES</u>

Any ties will be in favour of the competitor with the greater number of firsts. If this fails, the greater number of seconds will count, then thirds and so on. If the tie still remains, performance in all championship events will be taken into consideration and if this is ineffective, the MSA Western Cape Regional Committee will declare the winners on any basis it may deem fit.

20. ANNOUNCEMENT OF POINTS AWARDED

Championship scoring will be available on the Motorsport SA website (<u>www.motorsport.co.za</u>) and any objections concerning the scoring must be received by MSA in writing not later than 7 days following the publication of the scoring. MSA reserves the right to correct clerical errors at any time.

21. DECLARATION OF CHAMPIONS

The MSA Western Cape Regional Committee at its sole discretion is responsible for declaring the winner of the champion or to withhold such declaration.

22. IMPASSABLE SECTIONS

If, in the course of an event, the Clerk of the Course decides that a section of the course has become impassable or that it's condition is such that it cannot be negotiated without outside assistance he may take out the entire section which has become impassable. This may only be done if it does not prejudice competitors who have already completed (or entered) such a section.

23. TRANSPONDERS

Transponders may be used and any additional cost will be added to the entry fees.



24. SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media, including, but not restricted to, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, WhatsApp etc. is a powerful and wide-reaching medium for the expression of views and opinions, and the sharing of photographs and videos. As such, competitors should be aware that their conduct on social media regarding MSA, the Championship, the Club, its drivers and sponsors should reflect the impact social media has. If a competitor is considered to have brought the Championship and/or MSA into disrepute in the opinion of the Championship Controllers, they may be subject to a penalty or disqualification from the championship. Additionally, competitors are reminded that MSA monitor social media and any remarks that are deemed to bring the sport into disrepute can lead to penalties. For clarity, it is accepted that crashes are an inevitable feature of motor-racing and the posting on social media of imagery containing a crash does not bring motorsport into disrepute, but competitors are reminded that careless associated comments may do.

APPROVED BY: Western Cape Regional Committee on 02 October 2019.