

# 2014 National Short Sheet

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Based on the voting outcome of the RCPs, the following is being distributed to the general membership of QMA to be **effective January 1, 2015 unless otherwise noted**. If any member has specific questions regarding the process, they must **first** contact their Club President and then if necessary their Regional Director, who will contact a member of the National Board of Directors. Regions one, two and four through thirteen were represented at the meeting. The approved changes are listed below with any addendums or motions to clarify wording.

Rule Change Proposal's (RCPs) and including any changes from the annual meeting are to be incorporated into the existing QMA Racing Rules and Administrative Guidelines.

#### **RCPS**

- RCP 1 Passed
- RCPs 2, 3 & 4 Failed
- RCPs 5 & 6 were pulled and given to Tech and BOD for discussion
- RCP 7 & 8 Failed
- RCP 9 was amended and Passed

# RCP #1

Drivers will be issued purple card upon graduation from novice for one year, early move up will consist of the following options: Purple card one year restricted classes Pink car Early move up to GX160 class and or Sr Animal class, must meet all current age and weight requirements. White card Any class that the driver meets age and weight requirements.

#### RCP #9

	*Competitors will be able to choose a 4.50/6.50 or 4.50/8.00 set.  *Tire sales will open early in the morning of A-Main day to give handlers plenty of time to	-
	mount tires.	
	*Tire sales will be CASH ONLY, rounded to an easy to handle dollar amount.	
	*Vega tire can handle tire sales that day or sale the tires to QMA for the organization to distribute.	
	*Competitors will receive tires from random boxes, in the open, for everyone to see. This will eliminate speculation of special tires.	
	*Times will be set for classes to come to the tire compound to purchase their tires. This will reduce waiting lines and reduce tension during an already stressful day.	
	*In the case of an accident, competitors will be able to change a flat tire during the race.	
	Both tires must be made available to tech for inspection. Only tires that have gone flat will be eligible for changing.	
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#### National Office Updates - Membership:

- Online QMA renewals have begun for the 2015 Racing Season on the QMA website at www.quartermidgets.org. Hard copy application process will be retained for new members and, if requested, for renewals. These are available from the QMA National Office.
- Regional Directors and Club Presidents need to update their information including officers, Secretary Emails, track directions, and club website. Club Secretary's email addresses need to be "up to date" for online renewals to operate properly.

#### **Tires**

#### Item 1

National Spec tire effective 9/1/15 will be Dunlop for the 2016/2017 seasons.

#### Item 2

For Dirt ONLY - Spec tire provision

Local Option Only- At a club or regional level excluding the States Race, it may be decided to run a spec tire or tires. If the spec tire option is elected, no less than a two weeks notice must be provided and made public knowledge, via club website, etc... (at a minimum)

#### **Safety Notes:**

Discussions on various topics. See motions from floor

#### **Tech Presentation**

- Honda Specs
- Tech manual(s) may be changed to accommodate less tolerance/variance, that do not change performance
- Tech will be hosting Local/Regional Seminar in Kansas City area to be discussed further with RD's and Tech Director
- Infractions proposal some infractions should be reduced to an event DQ only instead of a 30 day suspension. Tech Director will create a list for review by the NBOD.
- Intake Manifold for Animal new 90 degree bend to accommodate certain chassis, testing shows no performance difference. Cost to be approx \$50.
- Best form of contact to Kevin, is via email.

#### **Motions from floor:**

Item 1 - Safety Driver Suits

All drivers will be required to wear a one or two piece driving suit. Jeans are no longer allowed. See below.

Pg 24 section 5 and 7 will be combined and read as...

Suites, jacket and pant

5. Jackets, Suits and Pants

5A. same

5b. same

5c. Pants must be waist to ankle length and not allow exposed skin.

Effective April 1, 2015, a one piece or two piece driving suit, with a mimimum sfi approved (3.2A/1) must be worn by all drivers.

Recommendation – socks that are long enough to cover the entire length of the lower leg to prevent skin exposure.

5d. All jackets, suits and pants must carry the minimum sfi rating ofxxx, xxx...

*Xxx* = *verify sfi ratings prior to printing in rulebook*.

Safety item - no vote taken. But verbally agreement

Item 2 - Neck Collar and Head & Neck Restraint Systems

- Add to safety sheet
- Separate pg 24 item 6 in to two items.

6 (new x) – Neck Collar (Verify "horse collar" has no date requirement) Wording OK

6 (new x) – Head and Neck Restraint Systems Must met sfi dating of 5 years

# Item 3 - Seat Belts (Recommendation)

Recommendation to be included in rulebook. Under Seat Belt section, add...

Recommendation by Safety Director - "Pull up" lap belts, i.e. the loose ends of the lap belts will be pulled toward the latch versus toward the belly pan.

Item #4 - Judging

Add a 6<sup>th</sup> call to the judging rules

#### 6.) Loss of Control

An accident where a single car loses control and additional cars become part of the incident, that single car, will be assigned a Charged Yellow – Loss of Control, the offending car will be put to the back of the lineup and assigned a charged yellow.

### <u>Item # 5</u> - Grand National Event Format

"Roll and Go" at the Grands

Discussion regarding the timliness of racing at the Grands. Limiting warm up and "Roll and Go" was discussed. The National Race Director will determine the racing format for all Grands events. To include the possibility of "Roll and Go" beginning in 2015.

#### Item #6 - Dirt Track Tire Provision

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#### Item #7 - Dirt Grands

Strike from the rule book that the West can only bid for the Dirt Grands every 4 years. All Dirt clubs can bid every year.

# Page 9 Section 7

Grand's Bidding. Any club bidding for a Grand National event must submit electronically a bid proposal (not just a letter of intent) to the National Office and National Secretary time stamped on or before September 15th of the year of the vote. Each Club bidding for the next year's Grand National Event is required to include in their proposal a statement to the effect that the host Club's Board of Directors will remain in office during the National year as assurance to the membership of QMA that all agreements and proposals will be fulfilled as stated in the Grand's contract. Bid proposals will be distributed with the RCP's for Regional Director and membership review. The Grand's locations will be selected at the National Meeting by a vote of all of the Regional Directors and the NBOD. All three events will be considered as a group. The impact of location and timing of all three events must be considered in addition to all other standard criteria. The intent of these provisions is to provide the most positive racing experience for all competitors, as well as to encourage maximum participation. The rotation of the three Grand's may be changed from year to year to achieve the best possible results. The Dirt Grand's must be offered to West Coast clubs once every four years, minimum. If those clubs are unable to host the Dirt Grand's, any other club may apply. All three Grand National events must be held between the last week of June that ends in July and the first full week of August.