



## 2018 National Short Sheet

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Based on the voting outcome of the RFCs, the following is being distributed to the general membership of QMA to be **effective January 1, 2019 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. The approved changes are listed below with any addendums or motions to clarify wording.

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

### **RFC #1**

#### **Article 8 Racing Rules and Procedures Section #2 Racing Rules #1 (H)**

No electronic driver communication systems permitted at any QMA sanctioned event. Any single channel UHF Race RECEIVER designed for race use is permitted for local use only. Transmitter use must be limited to designated track official only. Any unauthorized transmitter use will require a DQ for the event.

### **RFC #2**

#### **Article 4 Equipment Dimensions and Specifications Section#2 Car Construction #16 Fuel Lines**

##### 16. Fuel Lines

- 16. (A) All fuel fittings must be automotive type. Fuel line must be attached with any positive stop clamp.
- 16. (B) All Fuel lines must be rated for Gasoline/Methanol use and be in good condition. No clear vinyl/PVC type tubing.
- 16. (C) A Fire-resistant sleeve must be used over any fuel lines that are not a heavy wall SAE/USCG line or stainless braided fuel line. Fire-resistant cover must be one piece not a wrap. The cover must fit well and be in good condition.
- 16. (D) No cool cans or other device for cooling the fuel in any class. No device used to reduce the temperature or remove energy from the fuel system, including dry ice in the fuel tank.

### **RFC CHANGE #4**

## Article 5 Class and Division Structure Section #2 Division Jumping #2 (c)

Remove: from rule book and scoring procedures

*”Per scoring procedures, heavy classes start in front of light classes”*

## Article 7 Novice Rules and Procedure Section #4 Racing

Remove: from rule book

*6. One Safety Man shall be present on each corner for every Novice race.*

*7. During the Novice race, if a driver makes an infraction of a racing rule and the judges determine they were 100 percent at fault for the incident, the race will be stopped. The driver will receive a Charged Yellow and if it is not their third Charged Yellow they will be put to the back of the restart line up. If it is their third Charged Yellow then they will be given the black flag and scored with a DNF. An explanation will be given to the driver of what he or she did wrong and why it should not be done.*

*8. On the first day of Novice competition, the driver shall be entered in all races at the back of the lineup of the race for which he has qualified regardless of qualifying position.*

*9. Infractions such as liberating fluids, dropping safety parts (as per judging rules), etc., are not driving infractions and drivers should not be given a second chance before disqualification. These infractions would result in immediate disqualification. The third time violation for disqualification relates only to driving offenses, such as chopping, charging, and racing room violations*

## Article 8 Racing Rules and Procedures Section #3 Racing 4 (F)

Change to:

*4. (F) The yellow flag is to be displayed whenever a car(s) stop on the track or the track is under an unsafe condition (debris, fluids, ~~wall-repair~~, etc.). NO LAP, INCLUDING THE WHITE FLAG LAP IS EXEMPT FROM A YELLOW FLAG. If an accident occurs before the checkered flag has been thrown, a yellow flag should be displayed and the unsafe area or where the car(s) have stopped on the track is to be pointed to.*

## Article 8 Racing Rules and Procedures Section #2 All QMA Events 1 (P)

Change to:

*1. (P) Four Corner workers are necessary for each race. All Corner workers are to be located on the outside of each turn or at least two at each outside end of the track must wear florescent shirt or vest. No corner workers are allowed in the infield and are the only people allowed on the track in the event of a caution during a race*

## Article 8 Racing Rules and Procedures Section #1 Qualifying Fees 2 (H)

Change to:

Table - Qualifying Race Fee Structures

	<i>Max. Pit fee to be charged</i>	<i>Amt. to be sent to QMA*</i>
<i>Qualifier Race</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>	<i>\$2.00</i>
<i>National</i>	<i>\$60.00</i>	<i>\$30.00</i>

## Article 2 National Administrative Guidelines and Procedure Section #2 Annual Meeting

Change to:

*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 Secretary time stamped on or before November 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the vote. Each Club that will be 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 to the Regional Director for review. The Grand's locations will be selected on a conference call in November or 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. If those clubs are unable to host the Dirt Grand's, any other club may apply.*

## **Article 2 National Administrative Guidelines and Procedure Section #1 Elections**

Remove: from rule book

1. (C) *The ballot is to include voting and submission instructions for the voting members to submit their paper or electronic ballot to QMA designated party.*

## **Article 2 National Administrative Guidelines and Procedure Section #1 Elections**

Change to:

1. (D) *The Election Committee is to receive and verify the votes shown, and they are to furnish a final report to the National Board.*

## **Article 2 National Administrative Guidelines and Procedure : Section #1 Elections 3 (B)**

Change to

3. (B) *QMA National Board will contact all candidates on November 15<sup>th</sup> with the results of the election. Results to be published in the monthly newsletter and at [www.quartermidgets.org](http://www.quartermidgets.org)*

## **Article 3 Local Administrative Guidelines and Procedure: Section #4 QMA Code of Conduct 3 & 4**

Change to

3. *Therefore, acts detrimental (including all forms of electric communications) to QMA or its members will be reviewed by QMA Club Boards, QMA Regional Boards, and/or the QMA National Board of Directors and will be subject to the QMA Code of conduct guidelines and procedures for disciplinary actions.*
4. *Published QMA COC procedures must be followed for all conduct matters. Exception: Any conflict between members may be resolved by the club officials at the time of occurrence. The maximum action that may be taken is to remove offending member(s) from the facility for that day only. If all parties involved in the conflict agree, the matter is closed and no further action will be necessary. Any disciplinary action, including probation that continues beyond the day of occurrence will require the use of the QMA COC procedure with correct documentation. Level 1 & 2 Suspension level at the local level as to where it occurred. Level 3 & 4 National Level of suspension. A copy of these procedures may be obtained on the QMA web site, your club President or the QMA Procedure Manual. The Code of Conduct list will be distributed by the National Secretary monthly or as they occur.*

## **Article 5 Class and Division Structure: Section #1 Classes 1 (c)**

Change to

- A driver shall be allowed to run as many cars as they choose to run within the same division (Example Sr Honda, Lt 160, Mod, B, Light World)*

## **Article 6 Engines: Section #1 Honda, World Formula, Animal Engines 1 (A), 1 (B), 1 (C), 1 (D)**

Change to

1. (A) *First offense – Event DQ from participating in the respective class*
1. (B) *A second offense within a one year of first infraction – 30 Day suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class.*
1. (C) *Third Offense within a one year of first infraction – Six Month suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class.*
1. (D) *Fourth offense within a one year of first infraction – One-year suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class.*

## **Article 6 B Deco/Continental & ½ Class Suspension Rules 1 (A), 1 (B), 1 (C), 1 (D)**

Change to

1. (A) *First offense – Event DQ from participating in the respective class*
1. (B) *A second offense within a one year of first infraction – 30 Day suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class.*
1. (C) *Third Offense within a one year of first infraction – Six Month suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class.*
1. (D) *Fourth offense within a one year of first infraction – One-year suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class*

## **Article 7 Novice Rules and Procedure Section #4 Racing 3 (A)**

Change to

3. (A) *Any alteration to Jr. or Sr. Novice Restrictor Plates – First offense – Event DQ from participating in the respective class. ) A second offense within a one year of first infraction – 30 Day suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class. Third Offense within a one year of first infraction – Six Month suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class. Fourth offense within a one year of first infraction – One-year suspension for handler and driver from participating in the respective class*

## **Article 9 Inspections Section #2 Weighing Procedure- Drivers Weight 1 (B)**

## Changed to

1. (B) (1) Minimum weight of heavyweight is to be without any racing gear (normal street attire). Gear includes driving suits, shoes, helmet, gloves, and safety equipment, no weighted belt buckles. There will be no weights in pockets or concealed in or under clothing (racing gear and shoes will be included in the total combined weight). Drivers in heavyweight division will be weighed in at all events during the safety check without shoes or driver's equipment. This weight will be the certified weight for the remainder of the event.

## **Article 2 National Administrative - Guidelines and Procedure Section #7 QMA Membership**

Add to:

Grands Event Regular Membership – A Grands Event Membership dues are \$150.00 (US Funds) annually. This membership is only valid to run all three Grands events only. Grands Event membership has no voting rights at the National or Local Levels.

## **Article 4 Equipment Dimensions and Specifications Section #2 Tires**

Changed to:

34. (A) Effective 1/1/18 through 12/31/19 for all Pavement QMA events, the required right-side tire for all classes except novice shall be the Hoosier tire. The RFC process will no longer be used to change the spec tire.

34. (D) Effective 1/1/19 through 12/31/19 all Dirt QMA events, the required right-side tire for all classes except novice shall be the Hoosier A35, D10 only. The RFC process will no longer be used to change the spec tire.

## **Article 8 Racing Rules and Procedures Section #2 Protest**

Add to:

2. (D) All protest filled at a Grands event is to be handled as they are filed. Race Director has the right to declare a protest as invalid.

## **ARTICLE 3 Section 5 TRACK CONSTRUCTION (Permanent Track)**

Change to:

1. All new tracks must be constructed per the specifications in Diagram 3-1. Blue prints must be submitted to your Regional Director and National Safety Director for review and final approval from the NBOD. Any tracks outside of current track dimensions are to be approved by the National Board.

### **Speed Breakers**

A club can use a 36" or bigger disc on PAVEMENT ONLY with prior approval from the National Board. QMA recommends not using the disk on dirt tracks. If your clubs choose to use them you MUST get approval by the National Board. (Add an example for a "plow disc")

### **Front Suspension (Add Section)**

Add to rule book

No rocker arm, bell crank, or cantilever type suspension is allowed. If rear torsion bar suspension or a rear sway bar is used, the bottom of the rear shocks may be mounted to the arm that connects the birdcage to the torsion/sway bar. All shocks and springs must be mounted from the chassis down to the axle, birdcage, and/or rear torsion/sway bar in a manner that keeps the shock and spring in an upright position; no greater than a 30-degree angle. The shock and spring will be on a vertical plane from the chassis to the axle, birdcage, and/or rear torsion/sway bar arm; to which the bottom of the shock is connected.

### **By Law Changes**

Article 2 Section 12            Voting

In the matter of any item requiring a vote by the membership, special or otherwise, proposed to the general membership by QMA, each family holding a Regular membership will be entitled to one vote. It is the responsibility of the Election Committee(3 non-running National Board Members and 3 non-running Regional Directors) to provide instructions and means for electronic voting to each regular member in good standing. Electronic voting will be by an independent third-party vendor. The ballot is to include voting and submission instructions for the voting members to submit their electronic ballot to QMA designated party. The designated independent third party is to receive, verify and count the votes shown on the ballots and they are to furnish a final report to the Election Committee. A National master mailing list will also be furnished to the third party or organization to use to verify and count votes. No member, regardless of Directorship or Chairmanship assigned, can have more than one vote – one ballot per Regular membership. Also, Regular membership cannot split their votes. (One vote per family) No club will be permitted to vote as a block – only individual ballots will be considered valid.

**ARTICLE IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS Section 2 (a)**

Section 2 a            Vacancies

Vacancies within the National Board of Directors, excluding the Presidency, will be filled by a majority vote of the remaining National Board of Directors, with one vote from the combined 13 Regional Directors. The person appointed will fill the position until the next annual election of that position and the elected member assumes responsibility of the position per these bylaws.

**Article IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS Section 4**

Section 4            Elections

The National Board of Directors shall be elected by the membership –at- large by referendum vote. The referendum shall be conducted by the Election Committee(3 non-running National Board Members and 3 non-running Regional Directors) and shall consist of electronic voting. Election Committee is to provide instructions and means for electronic voting to each regular member in good standing. Electronic voting will be an independent third - party vendor. Each ballot is to consist of nominees for each of the vacating directors. Each family holding a Regular membership will be entitled to one vote.

National Board Members may not be related to any other National Board Members. Related as defined as siblings, lineal relationship, by marriage, or by two individuals cohabiting together.

**Article IV, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Section 2.**

Section 2            Terms of Office

Each Board of Directors shall be elected for two years. Term of office for President, Safety Director, Treasurer and Publicity Director shall begin Jan 1 of odd numbered years. Terms of office for Vice President, Secretary, and Technical Director will begin Jan 1 of even years. Each National Director shall hold their respective office until his/her successor is elected by a National Election and assumes the duties of office.

**Article IX Regional Directors Section 2.**

Each Region shall be presided over by its Regional Director who shall be assisted by the assistant Regional Director, Regional Secretary, Regional Treasurer, Regional Technical Director, Regional Safety Director, and a Regional Publicity Director, all of whom must be Regular QMA members on or before they take office and during their term. The regional officers shall be elected as prescribed by the QMA Bylaws. It is the responsibility of the National Board of Directors to receive and record each candidate's resume from each individual region.

Candidates for Regional Director must be current Regular QMA members and paid for the next year and shall be elected by a membership vote within their region. If a position is vacated or no candidate runs for the position, an RD will be appointed by the National Board of Directors.

No member, regardless of directorship or chairmanship assigned, can have more than one vote. One ballot per member, also Regular membership cannot split their vote (one vote per family). No club will be permitted to vote as a block, only individual ballots will be considered, no write-in votes will be accepted. The referendum shall be held during each calendar year, during a month to be designated by the QMA National Board of Directors and printed in the yearly calendar. Odd number Regions will elect Regional Directors for odd numbered calendar years. Even numbered Regions will elect Regional Directors for even numbered calendar years.

Resolutions adopted by a majority vote at any Regional meeting shall be binding on all the clubs in the region, if conformity with the Bylaws of Quarter Midgets of America, Inc., unless disapproved by the QMA National Board of Directors. Each Regional Secretary shall send, promptly to the President of Quarter Midgets of America, Inc., a copy of all amendments made to the Bylaws of the Region. Regional bylaws, as well as amendments thereto, shall not be effective until approved by the National Board of Directors of Quarter Midgets of America, Inc., or as the Board of Directors shall direct

#### Special Needs Committee

QMA will have a committee to help Special Needs Drivers with Sunny Phillips as head of the committee.

#### Super Senior Exhibition

Super Senior exhibition class will no longer be offered after 1/1/2019