



2026

GENERAL

RULES

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2026 Rule Book Disclaimer

The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. These rules shall govern the condition of all events, and by participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules.

No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from publications of or compliance with these rules and/or regulations. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no ways a guarantee against injury, or death to participant, spectator or official.

The race director shall be empowered to permit minor deviation from any of the specifications herein or impose any further restrictions that in his opinion do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. No expressed or implied warranty or safety shall result from such alterations of specifications. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to discretion of the officials. Their decision is final!

Any Part of the car not specifically mentioned or covered in these rules must remain stock. Stock parts are those found in the OEM Parts Book.

All engine, chassis and equipment changes or modifications not covered by these rules must be submitted to the speedway for approval or rejection. No engine chassis or any other equipment will be considered as having been approved by passing through inspection unobserved. The management reserves the right to all final decisions on the interpretation of any rule or rules.

See you at the Races....

THE MANAGEMENT OF PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY

PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY 2000 LTD.

1. 2026 GENERAL RULES

- a. Minimum age of driver 16 years, unless cleared by management.
- b. Association with a car is not required.
- c. NO DRUGS OR DRINKING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE PIT AREA. Any person with signs of use and/or impairment about him/her will not be permitted in the pit area.
- d. ALL PERSONS ENTERING THE PIT AREA MUST SIGN A RELEASE IN PERSON AND WILL NOT BE ADMITTED UNTIL THEY DO SO.
- e. All cars must be REGISTERED with the TRACK DIRECTOR along with details. He should be notified of any and all changes.
- f. In the case of issuing numbers, drivers will retain existing number in cases where a car change occurs.
- g. All drivers, car owners, or mechanics when running a car around the track at any time must wear a recognized high quality approved racing helmet and have approved 5-point harness properly done up. They must wear proper fire protective apparel.
- h. All cars are subject to inspection at any time. It is the responsibility of the driver, mechanic and car owner, individually and severally to have their car free from mechanical defects and in safe racing condition.
- i. Any additional weight or ballast must be metal and securely fastened to the frame of the car in a safe manner. For safety all ballast must be painted white.
- j. Helmets must be equal to or surpass 2020 SA Snell Foundation standards. HELMETS AND SAFETY BELT AND HARNESS ARE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION AT ANY TIME BY TRACK PERSONNEL.

2. BEHAVIOUR

- a. All drivers shall act like gentlemen at the track and see to it their crew members do likewise. The driver is responsible for the actions of his crew.

- b. **FIGHTING OR ACTS DETRIMENTAL TO RACING.** Any driver or crew member who engages in a fight in the pits or on the track shall be subject to a fine, disqualification and/or suspension deemed proper by the Track Director. No pit members may subject any officials to abusive or improper language at any time. The penalties shall be the same as above. The AGGRESSOR in any fight will be suspended for the balance of the race meet, and lose all points and money accumulated in the racing meet for the car they are associated with. Further suspension and penalties may be imposed at the discretion of the Race Director. If anyone commits a second offence, the suspension will be doubled. If a third offence occurs the suspension will be for one calendar year. If the other party makes no attempt to defend himself, namely by staying in the car, then no penalty shall be levied against him/her. If the other party retaliates, then they are subject to a suspension for the balance of the race meet and will lose all of their points and money accumulated to that point.

Anyone coming to the defense of anyone on the track will be considered an aggressor, and will be subject to the above suspension. **THIS RULE WILL BE IN EFFECT BOTH PRIOR TO AND AFTER EACH RACE MEET AND WHILE ON SPEEDWAY PROPERTY.**

No one under suspension will be allowed in the pit area either prior to, during or after any race meet. However, the car may return with a different driver.

Any driver, car owner or crew member assaulting any official at Peterborough Speedway 2000 Ltd. at any time whether prior to, after or during a race meet will be suspended for one calendar year or longer.

- c. No participant shall approach the track. Anyone on the track who is not authorized will cause penalties to be imposed on the car they are associated with. Confusion is caused by these crowds and slow clearing of the track for racing.
- d. A driver who willfully disobeys the flag or light signal may subject to any penalty deemed by the Track Director.
- e. When race results are announced and there is a question as to your announced finish, contact the Race Director.
- f. No warm up laps after the races have begun. Exceptions allowed at the discretion of the Track Director.
- g. Special events may have altered time schedules.

3. IN CASE OF RAIN AFTER RACES HAVE STARTED

- a. If (6) six heats have not been run off, a complete program will be run the following week.
- b. If all qualifying races are completed, there will be a feature the following week. Only the cars qualified from the rain-out are eligible to run the make-up race. This will be the first event of the schedule.
- c. If a substitute driver is running the make-up race then they must start scratch.

- d. If one-half of the main event is run the race will be considered final. If not, the race will be resumed the following week as the cars were running when the rain-out occurred.

4. INJURIES

- a. Any injury sustained at the track must be reported to the Race Director on the SAME DAY.

5. INSPECTION

- a. Any car is subject to full inspection by any track official at any time. Failure to comply will result in disqualification. P & G tester will be used when applicable.
- b. Post-race only one crew member is permitted at car prior to scaling

6. PROTEST AND APPEALS

- a. Decisions of the Track Director on interpretation of rules concerning the races will be considered final. Any protest may be made to the Race Director by a car owner or driver only. All protests to be made shall be in writing with the prescribed amount of cash. Only a driver who is competing that night may protest another car.

7. VISUAL & NON VISUAL PROTEST

- a. VISUAL PROTESTS must be made BEFORE each race. Visual shall be interpreted to mean any infraction relating to equipment which is outwardly visible. INCLUDING under the hood or covering accessible to observation without tools except weight requirements. This protest will be used when the violation can be detected or observed without the use of tools, except for a tape measure. This protest will be used in the case of a minor violation such as bumper height and width, etc. It does not include the use of scales, any illegal chassis components or misaligned suspension parts or internal engine, transmission, rear end or driveline parts or components. Any car visually protested and found to be illegal will lose all points and monies accumulated to that point in the race meet. A \$50.00 cash fee is required for this protest.
- b. NON-VISUAL PROTESTS. Such protests including weight requirements should be properly filed, prior to the start of the race and be accompanied by a cash bond of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each item being protested. Pit crew of the car to be inspected must tear down their own car when necessary, the removal of one cylinder head constitutes a tear down for cubic inches. If the car is deemed legal, the owner of the inspected car will receive (\$100.00) one hundred dollars. If the car is found illegal, (\$100.00) one hundred dollars is returned to complainant and results for the race will be adjusted accordingly. ENGINES SEE RULE #8.

8. ENGINE PROTEST

- a. Engine protests must specify in writing the part being protested and accompanied by \$250.00 cash and given to the Track Director prior to the start of the race. Car to be inspected will be weighed before crew removes cylinder head. The protester will also be inspected for the same inspection.
- b. If the car protested is deemed legal, the owner shall receive \$150.00. If the car protested is deemed illegal the protestor receives \$150.00 back. Illegal cars shall forfeit ALL EARNINGS AND POINTS for the race meet. Note: cubic inch displacement checked will be supplied only to the person protesting.

9. **PROTEST PROCEDURE**

- a. INSPECTION. Any car is subject to full inspection by any track official at any time and failure to comply will result in disqualification. P & G tester will be used when applicable.
- b. SUBJECT TO PROTEST. Protests are limited to violations that would give an illegal car a performance advantage.
- c. PROTEST SUBMISSION. All protest must be in writing and filed with the proper official prior to the start of the feature race. Statement must include number and driver of the car to be inspected, suspected illegal aspects of car and signed by the driver registering the complaint accompanied with the proper fees. Only a driver who is competing that night, in that class, may protest another car with the complaining driver's car automatically inspected.
- d. TRACK TEAR DOWN. The track has the right to tear down any car at any time. If the car is deemed legal the car owner may, at the tracks discretion, receive \$50.00 to \$150.00 for gaskets depending on the extent of tear down (on engine tear downs only).
- e. FORFEITURE. Any car found illegal shall forfeit all earnings and points for the race meet.
- f. CLAIM PROCEDURES. As stated in specific division rules certain items may be claimed by the track or competitors for the amounts specified in the applicable rule after that nights feature event. A registered competitor with 80% attendance is eligible to claim the specific item as long as they competed in the nights feature event finishing on the lead lap. Any one claiming a part must run that part in the next applicable points event they compete in. Anyone having an item claimed may claim the same part from the competitor laying the claim for the base claim amount (no track or removal fees would apply). All claims must be submitted in writing to tech director accompanied with the applicable cash. All claims must be approved by management in the fairness of competition.

10. **IN-PROGRESS RACE DECISIONS**

- a. The starter and race director shall make all decisions during the race.
- b. Any penalties imposed by the starter may be subject to appeal after the race is completed.
- c. Special observers will be used to spot rough driving, passing under caution or other infractions and based on their observations; the Race Director may impose penalties either during or after the race.

11. **PENALTIES**

- a. Total Disqualification / Short term disqualification
- b. Fines
- c. Loss of Points and or Money
- d. Loss of position(s) / Loss of Laps

12. QUALIFIED CARS

- a. Drivers may not borrow any qualified car for the feature event. The driver of any qualified car may borrow a car that has not qualified but must start in the scratch position. All points and money are awarded to the car as well as penalties. You are allowed to have a substitute driver/car for a maximum of 2 points nights if registered as a single driver. If you are registered as a team you are allowed a substitute driver/car 1 night only. It is the driver's responsibility to notify the track handicapper of any driver changes. Failure to do so will result in the loss of all points and money earned for the race meet. All driver changes must be made before the feature event cars pull onto the racing surface.
- b. On any regular race meet all cars must be signed in and registered to compete 1 1/2 hour prior to the scheduled start of the races. Any cars signing in after this time will run in the scratch position for both their heat races.

For regular point and invitational races, the top 26 cars will qualify through a pair of heats, a single heat or time trails. The line-up for heats will be determined by drawing numbers when signing in each night. In Late Model and Super Stocks and Renegade Trucks 10 or more cars will be split into two heats, all other classes will be split after 12 or more cars. If utilized the second heat will be an invert of the first heats original line up. If there are more than 26 cars, than 20 will qualify through the heats and the remaining cars will qualify through a last chance race. If two or more cars are tied for points after the heat races, the car with the best finish in the first heat will receive the better starting position in case of a tie in finishing positions – the draw number will be used to determine the qualifying position. The Race Director has the option to add cars to the feature event.

Non registered cars or cars missing the previous two points events will start scratch in both heats and cannot qualify better than 6th place for the feature event.

Feature Inversion – after qualifying has been completed the driver with the highest points will role a single dice for the inversion for the feature event, if there 16 or more cars two dice will be used. A roll of two “1” will institute no inversion. After the starting field has been determined, any driver who won their previous regular points night feature will start no higher than 10th. Management reserves the right to adjust any position.

Any car which appears to be poorly driven or unusually uncontrollable will start in the scratch position until the Race Director feels an acceptable performance has been reached. Rookie drivers will be scratched a MINIMUM of the first 2 nights.

- c. Any driver caught driving a car in a manner detrimental to the safety of other persons in the pit area shall be suspended for the balance of the race meet. Any further occurrences will result in suspension of one to four weeks.
- d. All cars and drivers must be registered with scoring along with details. It is the driver's responsibility to see that scoring is notified of any and all changes.
- e. When the race results are announced and there is a question as to your announced finish, you must contact the Race Director so that a scoring re-check can be made. After the re-check has been completed all results will be considered final. Any complaints are registered with the head scorer in writing, through the Race Director. At no time is a competitor to approach the scoring area or starters stand in order to dispute a decision.

13. MISCELLANEOUS RULES

- a.1 NO REPAIRS TO BE MADE OTHER THAN THOSE IN THE PIT AREA. The driver is responsible for the actions of his crew. It is our goal to run a safe, competitive race with as few problems as possible. If you, the competitor bear this in mind and co-operate with us, we can have a good show.
- a.2 The track officials will have the right to deem if any loose parts constitute a safety hazard. During feature races flat tires may be switched, cars can only re-enter the track under a yellow condition. Once the field is doubled race control will wait three laps to give drivers a change to return to the racing surface if required, a driver will receive this three lap grace period only once per feature event.
- a.3 Peterborough Speedway 2000 Ltd reserves the right to exchange any component of any car competing in a race event at the speedway, at any time during the course of the event.
- b. GREEN FLAG: Starts race, ORIGINAL START. All cars remain in line until they pass starter. Any cars passing before the start finish line will be penalized two position for each car passed. RESTART. Cars may begin passing as soon as the green flag is shown. The green flag will be shown as the cars are coming out of turn 4, pace car speed must be maintained until the green – The starter starts the race not the drivers. Cars will restart double up. ABSOLUTELY NO PASSING until the green flag. Any cars passing before the green will be penalized two position for each car passed. Any car jumping a start will be moved one position in their respective row.
- c. DEFINITION OF RESTARTS & INVOLVED CARS
 - c.1 COMPLETE & LAST LAP RESTARTS First lap accidents in all races will be a complete restart. All cars will be restarted in their original position except those involved in the accident. This applies in all complete restarts. One attempt at a “green, white, checkers” restart will be made after the white flag has been given to the lead car in feature events only. Heat races will be considered complete once the white flag has been displayed to the lead car.
 - c.2 RESTART: When a race is stopped after the completion of one lap, cars shall line up in the order in which they were running at the completion of the last full lap before being stopped. Those cars involved in the accident, if any, shall start to the rear of those not involved. Regardless of the number of laps they have covered, this rule shall apply at all times and should enough laps have been covered for the race to be called a complete race, drivers will be scored and paid on the positions they would have held in the restart.
 - c.3 INVOLVED CARS: Any car spinning out, or involved in an accident that brings out the yellow or red flag will restart the race in scratch position or may be black flagged. Any car leaving the racing surface must come to a stop before re-entering the racing surface in a safe manner. Any car going into the infield and spreading debris on the racing surface intentionally will restart the race in the scratch position. Any cars spinning after the caution is out will receive their spot back. Any car bringing out an excessive number of cautions may be parked for that race. Even if a caution is not displayed on the final lap, cars involved in an altercation may have their positions changed as if the caution was displayed.

- d. **YELLOW FLAG:** This flag signifies danger on the track. This is the one that can make or break a race. Please pay close attention to this. When the yellow is displayed all cars will slow down immediately and pull into line behind the car ahead. If two cars are running side by side when the flag is show, the inside car shall take preference. Please assist to make this race as sportsman-like and professional as possible in this situation. If you were signalled by the assistant starter to get into a position while running the yellow and refuse to do so penalties may be imposed at the discretion of the Race Director. Any competitor causing an intentional caution will be docked one lap by scoring.
- e. **RED FLAG:** Bad wreck or extremely bad condition on race track. The red flag means stop your car as quickly and safely as possible. DO NOT proceed to the start/finish line, but STOP immediately. Try not to block the track. When conditions are clear the yellow light will come on. Then proceed to the start/finish line for alignment. If the Red Flag comes out as a primary flag, line up shall be as you were running on the last completed green flag lap with the exception of those cars "INVOLVED". While under the red flag conditions a driver may not work on his car with tools, lift his hood or have any of his crew enter onto the race track. Violation of this rule will cause the car to go to the rear of the line-up. Cars moving under a red will be black flagged from the race.
- F **BLACK FLAG:** Go to the infield only. If you have received a black flag because of mechanical problems in the race you will still receive points and or money for your finishing position. If black flag is given for a rule infraction such as rough driving, or any act detrimental to the rules of the speedway you will be disqualified from the race. Any retaliation during a caution period (before, during or after the race) will result in an automatic disqualification.
- g. **BLUE FLAG WITH ORANGE STRIPE:** Passing flag. You are about to be lapped – stay to the inside. Do no try to race the leaders. If two cars are running side by side the outside car must fall into line behind the inside car once they receive the passing flag.
- h. **EXITING THE RACING SURFACE –** Any car pulling off of the racing surface under green condition must do so into the infield pit lane. If a car attempts to exit the track under green to the pits either via the pit gate or around the tech building will be disqualified.
- i. **PASSING IN THE GRASS –** any car trying to better their position by dropping below the rumble strip or edge of the asphalt will be docked 2 positions at the next caution or completion of the race whichever comes first

14. **POINTS**

Points are awarded for both heat races and feature events. Heat winners earn 20 points which drop 1 point per position. Feature points are awarded as follows 1st – 45, 2nd – 40, 3rd – 37, remaining spots drop by one point per position. Any registered car failing to take the green in all there feature race will be awarded show up points in the missed race as follows – 6 points less than the last place car. A qualified driver for the feature race who fails to take the green will be awarded tow money.

15. **REGISTRATION / POINTS FUND / PIT PADS**

All drivers competing on a regular basis must register with the speedway for that current season. Drivers will be allowed 1 night's grace. Registration fees are non-refundable or transferable under any circumstance. To qualify for Rookie of the Year you must be a rookie in the division who has not ran more than 3 nights in that class. If you are moving down divisions, or coming over from another track where you have completed more than 3 races in that division you do not qualify for Rookie of the Year.

A year end points fund will be paid out to any driver who finishes within the top ten in his/her respective division with a minimum of an 80% attendance. The driver must be present in person at the yearend banquet to be entitled to and receive any monies awarded.

Concrete pit pads are available for rental for each season. Pads cannot be transferred, or given away without written consent from speedway management. Pads will not be held open after a driver does not attend two consecutive points nights, upon return. (excluding first night back) The pit pad will once again be held open. Pad rental does not apply The Autumn Colours Classic.

17. First time drivers under the age of 18 will be permitted to use radios for coaching, the use of these will be monitored and will be revoked once deemed that they are no longer required. The maximum time they will be permitted is one complete season.

16. **GENERAL**

All cars will be subject to a check list safety inspection at the time of first entry and periodically thereafter, at the discretion of the officials. Any car regarded as unsafe for competition in any respect will be refused entry to the race meet until it is brought up to specifications.

PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY 2000 LTD. reserves the right to all final decisions on the interpretation of any rule or rules. Any driver may compete in more than one class on a regular event with an additional entry fee. Any rules omitted should be brought to the attention of track officials. The Race Director's decision on any rule is final.

Management reserves the right to accept or deny any entry, admission fee, or participation in any racing event at PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY 2000 LTD. Entry or admission fee and acceptance of accompanying privileges shall be a sign of full acknowledgement by you, of acceptance of, and agreement to abide by the rules, regulations, procedures and policies of PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY 2000 LTD.

Anyone entering the pit area at PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY 2000 LTD. must sign a waiver release form at the gate. Anyone under the age of 18 years must supply PETERBOROUGH SPEEDWAY 2000 LTD. with a properly signed and notarized minor release form. This form is available from management and may be accepted or denied at the Race Director's discretion. We, at Peterborough Speedway 2000 Ltd. Would like to extend a warm welcome to all drivers, car owners and pit crew. Thanks for all your support which does not go unnoticed, and GOOD LUCK!