



# 2018 Empire State MX Rider Guidebook

## Why Empire State Motocross?

Thank you for joining Empire State Motocross. The promoters sponsoring this organization share the deep history of motocross racing in New York. Together, Area51, Palmyra Racing Association, Pavilion MX, Silver Springs Motocross Park and Sick Brothers have many year's combined promoting experience. Each track offers a unique feel and style guaranteed to challenge riders of all ages and skill levels.

### Why Join Empire State Motocross:

- Promoter owned & operated with many year's combined experience in motocross
- Membership growing year over year
- National and Regional support growing year over year
- **Manufacturers Contingency** support from **ALL 6 Manufacturers!!!**  
**\$377,030 in Contingency money for 2018! - Yamaha, Honda, Kawasaki, Suzuki, KTM and Husqvarna**
- **Thousands of \$\$\$** in **FLY** support given to riders throughout the season
- **Rocky Mountain Gas cards given away for every event entry**
- **Huge Series Awards**, Spring, Summer, Fall, and the **Year End Series Awards!**

It is the  rider's responsibility  to read this guidebook prior to participating in any Empire State Motocross event.

## RULE BOOK DISCLAIMER

The rules and/or regulations set forth herein by Empire State Motocross 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 expressed 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 way a guarantee against injury or death to a participant, spectator or official. Supplemental rules can be added and adjusted at any time.

The race promoter or referee 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 of safety shall result from such alteration of specifications.** Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. Their decision is final. **~Empire State Motocross**

### **All riders are responsible for their own medical insurance.**

Other reminders:

- Race results and other Empire State Motocross info can be found at [www.empirestatemx.com](http://www.empirestatemx.com).
- All Riders must sign waiver of liability when entering facility and all required registration forms signed prior to being permitted to practice or race. If the rider is a minor, a parent or authorized adult must accompany the rider to sign up to fill out the appropriate forms. The parent/guardian must be present for the entire day.
- Any rider who has not raced in the past 3 years may elect to race one lower class with approval of the day's referee. All decisions are subject to review.
- The cut-off date is Jan 1<sup>st</sup> for classes with age restrictions.
- Mini riders advancing to a big bike class must ride novice.
- Mini riders advancing are not guaranteed to keep their bike number for the following year.
- Please observe the facilities quiet hours.
- All pets must be on a leash at all times and are the responsibility of the owner
- No PIT Riding

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## Rocky Mountain Cash

Rocky Mountain Cash will be awarded to every rider for every class you enter for at all Empire State Motocross events. You do not have to do anything except for to show up on race day!



Rocky Mountain ATV/MC has an exciting support program that gives back to the riders in our great sport...

Race Gas is a **FREE PROGRAM** that we're offering to help drive up response to races, rallies, and many other programs in the powersport industry.

Every rider of a participating organization/event will receive a  
***\$10 RM CASH ACCOUNT CREDIT\****

**\$10**

\* One credit per person per event

It's simple...

Participants earn **\$10 in RM Cash** when they sign up for a race, attend Rallies and more with a participating organizer. This program is available for new or renewing members and all of the riders at races and rallies.

There is no cost to you. Participants love it because it's free cash for doing something they love to do!

**\$13,430 Gift cards awarded in 2017**

## **Manufacturer's Contingency**

Empire State MX is proud to offer rider's the following manufacturer's contingency for 2018:

<b>Yamaha</b>	<a href="http://www.yamaha-motor.com">www.yamaha-motor.com</a>	5 events for a total of \$16,150 in contingency \$
<b>Suzuki</b>	<a href="http://www.suzukicycles.com">www.suzukicycles.com</a>	10 events for a total of \$81,500 in contingency \$
<b>Kawasaki</b>	<a href="http://www.kawasaki.com">www.kawasaki.com</a>	8 events for a total of \$38,400 in contingency \$
<b>Honda</b>	<a href="http://www.powersports.honda.com">www.powersports.honda.com</a>	15 events for a total of \$64,500 in contingency \$
<b>KTM</b>	<a href="http://www.ktmcash.com">www.ktmcash.com</a>	31 events for a total of \$170,500 in contingency \$
<b>Husqvarna</b>	<a href="http://www.racehusky.com">www.racehusky.com</a>	31 events for a total of \$61,380 in contingency \$
A Grand Total of 96 events worth		<b>\$432,430</b>

### **Q. What are manufacturer's contingencies?**

A. Manufacturer's support a select number of amateur Motocross organization's and events with contingency dollars. Contingency earnings are allocated based on rider placement. See manufacturer's websites for requirements and details

### **Q. How do they work?**

A. Each rider signs up directly with manufacturer by going to manufacture's online website. After a contingency race, Empire State MX sends manufacturer the race results and the rider gets paid directly from the manufacturer. See manufacturer's website for details. Rules are different for each manufacture.

### **Q. How do I know if I'm eligible to participate?**

A. Refer to your manufacturer's web site to see what the eligibility rules are.

## **FLY Bucks**

Empire State Motocross is proud to once again be partnering with FLY Racing for the 2018 season. As the official gear sponsor of Empire State Motocross, FLY has given Empire State Motocross

**\$8000 in FLY Bucks** to be given away to our riders throughout the 2018 season.

### **Q. What are FLY Bucks?**

A. FLY Bucks is FLY money that can be used to purchase FLY products at our local FLY dealers.

### **Q. Who is eligible for FLY Bucks?**

A. FLY has structured the program to give back to those individuals that do not get podium finishes so **FLY Bucks will not be used** for the top 3 finishers or for expert classes.

### **Q. How are FLY Bucks distributed?**

A. FLY Bucks will be distributed in a variety of different creative ways

### **Q. What races will FLY Bucks be distributed at?**

A. FLY Event dates have been identified on the calendar



Dunlop and Scott will also be proud sponsors of Empire State Motocross for the 2018 season. More details to come! Keep an eye out on the website [www.empirestatemx.com](http://www.empirestatemx.com) for more details.



## Empire State Motocross

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## WHAT EVERY RACER SHOULD KNOW

Motocross, like all sporting events, is meant to be fun, and like all sporting events there are certain rules and regulations that apply to everyone. So that there are no unnecessary surprises or disappointments we have summarized here the activities/actions described throughout this rulebook that could cost you points, prizes, or the privilege to participate.

### Infraction

### Penalty

Bike specifications must be as outlined

Machine and rider disqualified

Switching bikes or riders between motos

Rider disqualified/Loss of points and/or prizes

Falsifying your riding status

Loss of points and/or prizes

Pit Riding - **Pit riding** is considered anything except walking the bike with the engine off or outside the designated areas.

Review by the referee of the day

Reckless riding

Disqualification and/or suspension

Unsportsmanlike conduct of rider and/or pit crew

Rider disqualification, and Empire State Motocross board review

Alcohol or drug consumption by a rider

Immediate disqualification and/or suspension

Rider or any member of his party entering restricted areas

Disqualification

Riding in other than your designated practice

Loss of line position in first moto (last place pick) or disqualification

Assistance of any rider to restart their bike during a moto by *anyone* other than track personnel.

Penalty at Referees discretion. Max penalty: Rider disqualification for that moto

Jumping the start

Penalized at referee's discretion

Cutting or Leaving the track

Penalized at referee's discretion

**Passing or jumping on yellow or red cross flags**

Discretion of the referee. Max penalty: Disqualification

The decision of the Referee is final and fully backed by the Board. Any rider disqualified or suspended forfeits all points and or prizes and all fees paid. We don't like to penalize anyone, but in fairness to the majority these rules will be enforced. We trust everyone will follow the rules and have a great day.

## **RACING LICENSE**

**You must have a current Empire State Motocross License to be eligible for series awards!** Series Points accumulated prior to becoming an Empire State Motocross member do not count toward Series Awards.

The fee for an Empire State Motocross license is \$30.00 per member.

Empire State Motocross will honor current valid motocross racing district cards. The rider will have to produce this license card in order to race, and will race in their ranked class. All other non-licensed riders that do not hold a district card from another district will pay a \$5.00 fee each race. This fee is not to be applied towards a racing license with the Empire State Motocross. Riders without an Empire State Motocross license won't be eligible for series/ year-end awards and prizes.

## **MOTOCROSS RACING SEASON**

The season shall be run from April through October. The period of time will be determined by the yearly-published schedule. Points will be accumulated, recorded, and carried forward as necessary by Empire State Motocross.

Empire State Motocross race promoters may conduct races outside the race season limits but may not have Empire State Motocross sanctioning.

## RIDER ADVANCEMENT APPEAL

Once you have achieved a class rank, you cannot move down unless you petition the Empire State Motocross referee committee through the appeal process only. A rider who wants to appeal their class rank, must submit the **“Rider Advancement Appeal/Classification Form”** located on the Empirestatemx.com website within 14 days of advancement notification to be considered. They should include supporting documentation including race results as well as appeal fee. The petition will be reviewed at the next scheduled Empire State Motocross board meeting. Any rider who has not raced in the past 3 years may elect to race one lower class with the approval of the referee for the day. Riders returned to a lower class are only those who are considered a safety concern and/or are completely noncompetitive in the class they are leaving and who won't dominate the class they are returning to. Those who are granted their appeal will be monitored by the referee of the day and Empire State Motocross referee committee at each event. Should the rider's abilities and finishes reflect competency and competitiveness, Empire State Motocross has the right to move the rider back to their previously ranked class at any time. Once you have accumulated promotional points in your class and the series ends, your new ranking status begins. **An exception may be made if you are qualifying for the Loretta Lynn Amateur National Race, in which case you may fill out the “Rider Advancement Appeal/ Classification Form” and submit required appeal fee to delay such action until after the Loretta Lynn's Amateur Area/Regional Qualifiers or National event is over whichever comes first. During that time, you will not be eligible for any race day points and awards, series points and series awards.** All decisions are subject to the Appeals board review.

## CLASSES

All classes must be run and should be advertised. Point standings shall be kept for all classes.

The cut-off date is before January 1st for any class having a maximum age limit. If a rider's birth date is January 1st or after he can elect to stay in the class until the end of the year.

A rider can elect to ride in any class that has a Minimum Age after they have celebrated their respective birthday.

Once a rider moves to the next higher age class they cannot return to the lower age class, or ride in both age groups.

## AGE

The minimum age for amateur riders is 12 years of age.

A rider must be 14 years of age or older to ride a 250cc – 449cc motorcycle.

A rider must be 16 years of age or older to ride a 450cc or larger motorcycle.

**BEGINNER:** First year rider and /or limited to riders who have not accumulated 3 trophies or have not raced in a higher class. A rider may not race this ranking for more than 2 years. (Trophies are carried over each year)

**NOVICE:** This class is for riders who have advanced from the Beginner class, or have not accumulated 150 points and 3 overall top 3 finishes in the Novice class while having a minimum of 8 riders signed up for the race for the day, or have not raced in a higher class. Mini riders advance to Novice. If a Mini rider advancing has less than 50 points they may petition Empire State MX to advance to the Beginner class.

**AMATEUR:** This class is for experienced riders who have advanced from a lower class and have not accumulated 300 points and 5 overall top 3 finishes in the Amateur class while having a minimum of 8 riders signed up for the race that day and have not raced as an Expert with any other organization.

**EXPERT:** This class is our highest advanced classification. If a rider has EVER carried a pro card they must race in this ranking. If a pro card was carried and you do not feel that you should be an Expert ranking you can follow the appeal process listed on page 10.

**+25 A:** These riders must be of Expert status and will be paid back according to the Expert payback schedule.

**+25 B-C:** These riders must be of Beginner, Novice or Amateur status.

**SENIOR CLASSES:** Senior riders must be 30, 40 or 50 (depending on which class) years old or older on race day. Seniors will be divided based on your ranking. Beginner riders may race in the C labeled classes. +30 A, +40 A, and +50 A will be 100% cash payback. If a senior rider EVER held a pro license they must ride the Senior A classes.

**WOMENS:** These riders must be female.

**GIRLS:** These riders must be female.

**NOTE FOR RIDERS WHO DOUBLE CLASS:** Your status does not change regardless of the cc class you run. The only exception is a Mini rider who also rides a big bike class. On the big bike classes you are considered a **NOVICE**.

A rider may advance to the next higher ranking without pointing out at their discretion. After that choice they may not move back down without petitioning the Board.

**Please consult Empire State MX Rider Advisors or referee with any questions.**

## CLASS DEFINITIONS

Classes	Age	Engine Size	Engine Type	Notes
51cc Oil Injected	4-8 Yrs	51cc	2-Stroke	The 51cc Oil Injected Class will include stock automatic single-speed oil-injected machines, max wheelbase 36 inch, wheel size 10 inch, seat height 222mm, round intake. <i>See 51cc Class Specifications below.</i>
51cc Pee-Wee Jr.	4-6 Yrs	51cc	Any	The Pee-Wee Jr. Class will include all machines eligible for AMA classes 1,3 and 4, single or multi-speed automatic, max wheelbase 38 inch wheel size 10 inch seat ht 244mm round intake. <i>See 51cc Class Specifications below.</i>
51cc Open	4-8 Yrs	51cc	Any	Single-speed automatic. 2 Stroke. Maximum wheelbase 41 inches. Maximum wheel size 12 inches. Retrofitted 12-inch wheels are permitted on all class 2 motorcycles. No larger than 19mm round intake. <i>See 51cc Class Specifications below.</i>
51cc Pee-Wee Sr.	7-8 Yrs	51cc	Any	The Pee-Wee Sr. Class will include all machines eligible for AMA class 2,3 and 4, max wheelbase 41 inch, wheel size 129mm, round intake. <i>See 51cc Class Specifications below.</i>
65cc 7-9	7-9 Yrs	60cc - 65cc 53cc - 125cc	2-Stroke 4-Stroke	Minimum wheel size of 10" and a maximum wheel size of 14", a maximum wheel base of 42".
65cc 10-11	10-11 Yrs	60cc - 65cc 53cc - 125cc	2-Stroke 4-Stroke	Minimum wheel size of 10" and a maximum wheel size of 14", a maximum wheel base of 42".
65cc 7-11	7-11 Yrs	60cc - 65cc 53cc - 125cc	2-Stroke 4-Stroke	Minimum wheel size of 10" and a maximum wheel size of 14", a maximum wheel base of 42".
Junior Mini	7-12 Yrs	59cc - 85cc	2-Stroke	
Senior Mini	12-15 Yrs	79cc - 85cc	2-Stroke	
Open Mini	10-16 Yrs	79cc - 112cc 75cc - 150cc	2-Stroke 4-Stroke	
Schoolboy	12-16 Yrs	85cc - 250cc	Any	No Expert Riders!
College Boy	*14-24 Yrs	122cc - Open	Any	
+25 B-C	25 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+25 A	25 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+30 C	30 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+30 B	30 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+30 A	30 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+40 C	40 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+40 B	40 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+40 A	40 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+50 B-C	50 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
+50 A	50 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
Schoolgirl	7-15 Yrs	65cc - 112cc 90cc - 150cc	2-Stroke 4-Stroke	
125cc 2-Stroke	12 Yrs & Over	122cc - 125cc	2-Stroke	
Women	12 Yrs & Over	85cc - Open	Any	
250cc Beginner	*12 Yrs & Over	122cc - 250cc	Any	
250cc Novice	*12 Yrs & Over	122cc - 250cc	Any	
250cc Amateur	*12 Yrs & Over	122cc - 250cc	Any	
250cc Expert	*14 Yrs & Over	122cc - 250cc	Any	
Open Beginner	*12 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
Open Novice	*12 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
Open Amateur	*12 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	
Open Expert	*14 Yrs & Over	122cc - Open	Any	

\* No Rider under the age of 16 years may ride a 450cc or larger motorcycle.  
A rider must be 14 years of age or older to ride a 250cc - 449cc motorcycle.

## 50CC CLASS SPECIFICATIONS

51cc Oil Injected	51cc 4-6 Pee Wee Junior	51cc Open 4-8	51cc Pee Wee Senior 7-8	
Yamaha PW 50 Cobra PW3 OI KTM SX Mini Husky TC Mini	Yamaha PW 50 Suzuki JR 50 Kawasaki KDX50 KTM Mini Adventure SX Cobra PW3 OI KTM Mini LC Cobra CM50 KTM Junior	All 50cc Bikes Eligible	KTM 50 Sr Adventure KTM SX Pro JR LC KTM SX Pro SR LC COBRA KING COBRA CH2 COBRA CM COBRA R2 POLINI X1 WORKS KTM SX	POLINI X3 WORKS LEM R3 CONTI RX 50 FACTORY PHANTOM R12 PRC LX PRC LX-R PRC LX-RR PHANTOM R12/1 Husky TC

## GENERAL EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

1. One engine, with a maximum displacement of the cc limit.
2. Gasoline only. Octane boosters will be permitted.
3. All motorcycles shall have: a frame, wheels and axles, handlebars, proper working controls, forks, gas tanks, fenders, manual transmissions, exhaust systems, and tires per approval of Empire State Motocross. Motorcycles will have no sharp protruding objects. **No** studded tires will be allowed. Kickstands must be removed and any lights and/or gauges must be taped. All glass or plastic must be taped.
4. Number plates must be securely mounted. **Numbers must at least 5" for 100cc and below. 6" or higher for anything larger than 100cc bore.** Numbers must be standard type block lettering, and appear on each side and front of the motorcycle. Background and number plate colors shall be as follows:

### **BLACK BACKGROUND WITH WHITE NOS.**

PW50's, 51cc 4-6, 51cc 7-8, 65cc, 80cc,  
Beginner and Novice

### **YELLOW BACKGROUND WITH BLACK NOS.**

Amateur

### **WHITE BACKGROUND WITH BLACK NOS.**

Expert

## PRO NATIONAL RIDERS HOLDING A CURRENT LICENSE:

These backgrounds and numbers take precedence over Empire State MX regulations. However, somewhere on the number plates a small “n” be displayed in a contrasting color.

5. It is the rider’s responsibility to be sure their rider number is displayed visibly and clearly for scoring purposes. **If the rider is not riding their Empire State MX designated number, it is the rider’s responsibility to notify the sign up personnel with the sign up form that day or the rider will be disqualified for that moto.**

Permanent riding numbers assigned by Empire State MX will take precedence in case of duplications. Big bike numbers have precedence over mini-bike riders moving up. National numbers will be accepted one week before and after the National event.

6. The referee shall have the power to disqualify any motorcycle that does not meet the rules and standards.

7. Apparel: Riders, during practice and competition, must wear a DOT & Snell approved helmet (full-face helmets are highly recommended), shatterproof motocross goggles, gloves, protective pants and jerseys, and protective over-the-ankle leather boots. All other protective clothing is recommended but not required. All visible numbers must be corresponding.

8. Maximum allowance noise level shall be 99dB for Empire State MX events. The standard MIC/SAE J1287 sound test will be the district standard test.

## **RIDER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Each rider is responsible for the actions of his or her family and pit crew.** Unnecessary trouble caused by a rider's family or crew makes that rider subject to disqualification. No alcohol or drug consumption by any participant will be permitted. **ALL VIOLATORS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**
2. Actions of a person or persons in dealing with Track Officials, with the exception of Empire State MX Rider Advisor, shall be considered the responsibility of the rider and the rider shall be subject to referee decisions pertaining to unsportsmanlike conduct of the person(s) so specified.
3. Any rider found to have falsified his or her rider status rank or age will lose points, awards, and/or cash prizes.
4. Pit Riding – NO PIT RIDING. Pit riding is considered anything except walking the bike with the engine off. The fine will result in review by the referee of the day.
5. No one but the rider may establish his position on the starting line. Once established, pit crewmembers will be allowed to hold rider position. Once the two minute warning on the line has been activated, the rider is the only one on the line. No parent or pit crew will be allowed on the starting line during this time.
6. In the event of a rider jumping the start, he or she shall be penalized at the discretion of the referee.
7. Any rider leaving the track shall only continue the race from the point where he/she exited. If it is unsafe or impossible to re-enter at the point of exit, the rider must re-enter somewhere near the point of exit. A rider who completely exits the race course area before receiving the checkered flag, will be considered to have completed their race. In no case shall the rider advance a position. Penalty for failure to do so will be at the discretion of the referee.
8. When entering or leaving the pit area, a rider must use the designated entrance and exit lanes. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.
9. All appeals for change of class shall be submitted in writing, and must include reasons for the appeal. Appeals may be presented to any Board Member. Approval or denial will be returned in writing.
- 10. All riders are responsible for their own medical insurance!**



11. It is the rider's responsibility to monitor their points for advancement and awards. If the rider has not picked up their award or trophy for the year end and/or series, their award will be discarded.

If you are under 18, a parent or an authorized guardian **MUST** accompany you to sign-up **EACH WEEK** where you must both sign insurance releases, and **MUST** remain present at all times during your participation in any sanctioned event. An authorized guardian must have notarized authorization signed by the rider's parent or legal guardian. A blanket authorization will not be accepted. Authorizations must specify the date and track and will be retained by the track for their records.



## RACE ROTATION

Race #	Race Order	Time in Minutes
1	51cc Oil Injected (4-8)	8
2	51cc Pee-Wee Jr (4-6)	8
3	51cc Pee-Wee Sr (7-8)	8
4	51cc Open (4-8)	8
5	Open Expert	16
	Open Amateur	12
6	65cc 7-9	8
	65cc 10-11	8
7	Open Novice	10
8	Open Beginner	10
9	+50 A	12
	+50 B-C	12
	Women 85-Open	12
10	Open Mini (10-16)	10
11	Collegeboy	12
12	+25 A	12
	+25 B-C	12
13	Schoolgirl 7-15	10
	65cc 7-11	10
	Schoolboy	12
14	+40 A	12
	+40 B	12
	+40 C	12
15	250cc Expert	16
	250cc Amateur	16
16	Junior Mini (7-12)	10
17	250cc Novice	10
18	250cc Beginner	10
19	Senior Mini (12-15)	10
20	+30A	16
	+30B	12
	+30 C	12
21	122-125cc 2-Stroke Only	10

This Race order is subject to change at anytime!

Race Rotation will cycle/rotate each week by having the last class moving to the top of the order the following week and so on except 51cc classes.

NOTE: Classes for the day may be combined by the promoter with the approval of the Empire State MX Referee. They must, however, be stagger started. The 51cc and 65cc classes should never be combined.

**SIGN-UP:**    **Sat**            7:00-9:00 p.m.  
                  **Sun**            7:00 - 9:00 a.m.        **PRACTICE:**        8:30 a.m.  
**RIDERS' MEETING:**    8:15 a.m.                **FIRST RACE:**     9:45 a.m.

**REFUNDS are at the discretion of the promoter.**

## **PRACTICE**

Practice order is at the discretion of the Promoter

Late/Second Bike: **NO MINI RIDERS** (At the discretion of the referee). This practice is for riders who have missed their distinctive practice class. **Note:** You must practice with your ranked class.

1. Practice rotation is up to the discretion of the promoters. At the discretion of the promoter, any practice may be split and the practice starting time adjusted. Riders should check at the riders' meeting for any changes to the above practice schedule. Any other changes after the riders' meeting will be posted and announced by the promoter. Race changes and classes being combined will be posted by 9:30 a.m. that morning. It is the rider's responsibility to check the posting board at 9:30 a.m. for schedule or class changes.

2. Any rider who feels he qualifies for a second practice must first have the approval of the Head Starter or the Promoter. No matter how many classes you sign up for, you must practice with your group only.

## **GENERAL**

1. Under penalty of disqualification, a rider shall not use any bike in a meet other than the one they have used in the first moto.

No rider is permitted to qualify more than one bike for any class, except when a meet includes events requiring equipment of a different classification or displacement. (Classification, unless otherwise specified in the rulebook, will be according to the manufacturer's piston displacement specification for the make of motorcycle and/or engine.)

Maximum allowable overbore for 51cc is .020 inches. For all other classes, bike must fit within limits of the class.

2. The bike that appears at the starting line for the rider's first heat or moto shall be deemed the qualified bike for the day's meet in the class. Two contestants may use one bike as long as they are entered in different classes.

3. Practice shall be limited to the designated racecourse. Riders riding or permitting their bike to be ridden outside of the boundaries shall be excluded from the meet.

4. A rider whose bike is disabled before he reaches the finish line may, by his own unaided muscular energy, push or carry his bike (in the direction of the track) across the finish line to receive the checkered flag, and under such conditions will be considered as having completed the event.

5. Riders must not be assisted off the starting line. If, during the course of the race, a rider stops for any reason whatsoever, he must restart without any outside assistance, except for a 51cc bike. Should he fall, so as to block the course and endanger other riders, he may be assisted or his machine pushed to the side of the course. **Any attempt to assist other than in this manner will entail immediate disqualification for the rider assisted.**

6. In the case, at the discretion of the Referee, it is necessary to stop an event, the race will be considered completed if 1/2 or more of the moto has been run. The rider shall be scored according to their position in the lap **preceding** the lap in which they were RED-FLAGGED. Restarts will be at the discretion of the referee.

7. No rider shall at any time ride in such a manner which endangers the safety of other riders, officials, track personnel, or the public, and when in violation of this rule, shall be subject to immediate **disqualification** and/or **suspension**, permanent or otherwise, by the Referee.

8. The maximum number of riders allowed to start in any event is one rider per gate. The starting riders shall be a stipulated number of fastest qualifiers by reason of time trial or qualifying heats. At no time will more riders be permitted to start in a consolation event than were deemed numerically safe for competition in any of the earlier events.

9. Empire State MX will not limit the number of classes any rider may race.

## **STARTS**

Uniform starts will be practiced. A two-minute warning will be displayed. A one-minute warning will also be displayed. The Starter will perform a "Ready" review of the riders by going down the line pointing at each rider. A "yes" head nod is required. If a rider has an issue they must raise their hand. This is the only signal that will be accepted. The starter will hold the start for two minutes maximum or until the rider signals ready. A rider is allowed only one (1) issue per moto. The Starter will repeat the Ready process again. This will only be done once for split gate starts before the first gate drop. After the first gate drop there will be no wave off accepted. A ready signal will be given, the 1 minute board turned sideways, and the start will occur as soon as possible thereafter. When the race promoter has acceptable facilities the referee may allow electronically controlled starting lights. Promoter will discuss the light (red, yellow, green) definition at the riders meeting. In no instance will a start be delayed beyond two minutes from the time the first warning was displayed. All starts will be made with a mechanical gate. Gate position for the first moto of each class will be decided by a computer generated random list. Gate position for 2nd moto is determined by finish in 1st moto. 1st place/1st choice and so on. When a moto is split into 2 heats the 1st place rider in heat 1 will get 1st choice, 1st place in 2nd heat will get 2nd choice and so on. No shovels or foreign substances such as but not limited to, stickem, brake cleaner, speedy dry may be used. You may clean the starting area behind the gate with your boot or a broom for concrete. At no time may the rider or anyone with the rider be in front of the gates. You may request the Starter to remove any large rocks that are in your line that may be a safety issue or cause an equipment issue such as a bent rim.

### **Mechanical Gate Starts:**

1. A rear marker should be placed no more than 8 ft. behind the starting gate drop bars.
2. A rider must keep his rear tire in front of and off of any established rear marker. In the event there is no rear marker, the front tire must not be more than 12 in. from the starting gate drop bar.
3. Bikes must be lined up on the straight section of the drop bar. Lining up between the drop bars will not be allowed.
4. In the event of a breakdown in equipment, the referee will coordinate a flag start.

## **False Starts:**

1. An official must be stationed at the side of the course, under orders of the starter or Referee.
2. In the event of a false start, which will be indicated to the starter by a prearranged signal, the starter will display a red flag to stop the race as soon as practical.

## **PROTESTS**

1. All disqualification's and/or penalties shall be made by the head Referee only and will be upheld by the promoter. The Referee's decision is final.
2. All Protests must be filed in writing within 30 minutes after the protested moto results are posted and must be accompanied with a \$10.00 fee for standard protests, If the protest is upheld, fees will be returned to the protesting rider. If the protest is overruled, the \$10.00 fee will be forfeited to Empire State MX.
3. Tear Down Protests. The fee for a Tear Down Protest is \$250.00. The protesting rider must fill out the Empire State MX Tear Down protest form. If the protest is upheld the fee will be returned to the protesting rider and protested rider will pay Empire State MX \$250.00 for the teardown costs and forfeit all points for the day and if they are an Empire State MX member will forfeit all points for the current race series. If the protest is overturned the protesting rider will forfeit the \$250 to Empire State MX. Protested bikes will be torn down after the second moto.

If a rider needs to file a protest, the rider will need to fill out a protest sheet and fill this out prior to speaking with the referee. The rider must be specific about the protest. (i.e. Overbored, carburetor, etc.) These sheets will be located at the sign up area at each track.

## **POINTS AND SCORING**

Pro points format will be used for scoring. Points will be awarded per moto with a maximum of 50 points awarded for a 1/1 finish.

Finish Placement and points awarded:

1 – 25	5 – 16	9 – 12	13 – 08	17 - 04
2 – 22	6 – 15	10 – 11	14 – 07	18 - 03
3 – 20	7 – 14	11 – 10	15 – 06	19 - 02
4 – 18	8 – 13	12 – 09	16 – 05	20 - 01

### **How to calculate your finish:**

Your 1st moto finish + your 2nd moto finish = your score. The rider with the lowest score is awarded 1st place overall. The rider with the 2nd lowest score is awarded 2nd place overall, and so on. In the case of two or more riders receiving the same total score, the 2nd moto finish position will be used to break the tie.

In the event of a one moto format, you will be scored on the 1<sup>st</sup> moto finish. You will earn double points for however you finish in moto 1.

### **Example:**

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Moto</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Moto</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Overall</b>
Rider No. 1	1	3	4	3
Rider No. 2	3	1	4	1
Rider No. 3	2	2	4	2
Rider No. 4	4	4	8	4

**DNS** = Did Not Start

- 1) Never came to the gate. Riders that do not appear on the score sheets in any of the laps will be given a DNS

**DNF** = Did Not Finish. A rider must meet both criteria below in order to be scored or will be given a DNF.

- 1) Complete  $\frac{1}{2}$  the laps of the leader, rounded down. For example, if the leader completes 5 laps, the rider must complete at least 2 laps to be scored
- 2) Cross the finish line with the checkered flag waving

**DSQ** = Disqualified by Referee.

If you do not complete the entire moto your finish position will be determined by the laps you complete. (I.e. 28 riders start; 26 riders complete an entire 6 lap

moto, 1 rider completes only 4 laps, and 1 rider completes only 3 laps. The rider who completed 4 laps would be given 27th place and the rider who completed 3 laps would be given 28th place.

Any class that has over 40 riders must be split into two heat races. The top 16 riders from each heat will advance directly to the main. Riders who did not advance to the main from the two heat races are eligible to race the consolidation race. The top 8 rider's from the consolidation race will advance to the main. This will be a two-lap format. There are NO separate awards/points given for a consolidation event.

### **Advancement**

Points are carried from series to series and year to year for ADVANCEMENT to the next higher class. Advancement points will follow the rider and will accumulate from year to year. If a rider competes in both size classes (250 and Open) the highest points to carry in both classes to be used for advancement only.

A rider who accumulates enough points to advance during a series may elect to remain in the class he began the series in until the end of that series (except for Beginners), BUT must advance to the next higher class at the conclusion of that series. Advancement points will be set to 0 once advanced to the next higher ranking and will carry over from year to year.

The following chart will be used to determine Advancement points:

<b>Finish</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Finish</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Finish</b>	<b>Points</b>
<b>1</b>	20	<b>6</b>	10	<b>11</b>	5
<b>2</b>	17	<b>7</b>	9	<b>12</b>	4
<b>3</b>	15	<b>8</b>	8	<b>13</b>	3
<b>4</b>	13	<b>9</b>	7	<b>14</b>	2
<b>5</b>	11	<b>10</b>	6	<b>15</b>	1

**All promotions** shall be subject to review by the referee.



## Points Required for Advancement:

Beginner to Novice	3 trophies
Novice to Amateur	150 points and 3 Overall top 3 finishes with a minimum of 8 riders
Amateur to Expert	Must be at least 16 years old with 300 points and 5 Overall top 3 finishes with a minimum of 8 riders. An Amateur under the age of 16 may elect to ride Expert with written parental consent.
+25 B to +25 A	150 points and 5 overall top 3 finishes with minimum of 8 riders
+30 C to +30 B	150 points and 3 overall top 3 finishes with minimum of 8 riders
+30 B to +30 A	300 points and 5 overall top 3 finishes with minimum of 8 riders
+40 C to +40 B	150 points and 3 overall top 3 finishes with a minimum of 8 riders
+40 B to +40 A	300 points and 5 overall top 3 finishes with a minimum of 8 riders
+50 B-C to +50A	300 points and 5 overall top 3 finishes with a minimum of 8 riders.

If there are not 8 racers signed up for an event then only half of the advancement points will be assigned for that event.

**Race Results to be posted online at: [www.Empirestatemx.com](http://www.Empirestatemx.com)**

The following classes **do not** carry points forward:

All Expert Classes	51cc & 65cc
Schoolboy	Women's
Collegeboy	Schoolgirl
Open Mini	
Senior Mini	
Junior Mini	
125cc 2-Stroke	

**NOTE:** It is recommended that any rider participating in a National event and placing in the top 5 move to the next higher class than he currently rides in Empire State MX at the start of the next season (providing there were 20 or more entries in the National event class).

**NOTE:** Beginner classes will not carry any series, Year end or advancement points.

**NOTE:** Mini riders who double class or move to a 125cc bike - Rider status for the 125 class will be NOVICE.

**NOTE:** Riders who advance from any single class automatically advance in all other classes.

**Series Points:**

Series Points will be accumulated based on the riders finish. The lowest finish in a series will be dropped. A non-attended race will be used as your dropped finish. If a rider advanced during the previous series in the same year their points will be added to the higher ranked class.

Series Awards.

- You **MUST** be an Empire State MX License holder and attend 40% of the events to be eligible for Series Awards.
- Series Points accumulated prior to becoming an Empire State member do not count toward Series Awards.
- Expert Series Awards Purse will be paid out at the annual awards banquet. They will be paid out at 1 for 3.
- In the event of a Tie, Series Awards will be decided in order of the following: Number of Events Attended, then Rider with best overall finishes.
- Riders may also take Empire State MX bucks instead of a series award.
- Series Awards will only be held until the completion of the next series. Spring and Summer Series awards will be held at the track where they were handed out at. Fall Series and Overall Series awards will be held at Area 51 until after the Empire State MX banquet.

**Example:**

A rider competes in the Spring Series as a Novice then advances to Amateur. Only the points earned during that spring series will be added to their Amateur points towards the Overall Series or overall Series points.

**Year End Awards**

Throughout the 2018 race season, all points a rider accumulates are tallied throughout the year.

Points are totaled per series for overall series awards. All series are totaled together for overall year-end awards. All riders that advance by points out of Novice, and Amateur classes will be recognized for year end awards. If a rider is advanced during the year their points will be carried over to the next highest rank for year-end awards.

## **Race Day PRIZES AND PRIZE MONEY**

1. A minimum of at least two (2) award places will be awarded for the first five riders in each class run, with at least one (1) additional award per each four (4) additional riders in that class. If there are not 5 riders in the class, the promoter can pay back only one (1) award. It is recommended that the promoter give one (1) award for every three (3) riders with up to maximum of 10 positions paid back for amateur riders.

2. Prize money for Expert classes will be paid per moto at the ratio of 1 for 2. It is recommended that the promoter pay back one (1) place for every two (2) riders with up to a maximum of 10 positions. The total minimum pay back for both motos will be as follows:

<b>Rider sign-up</b>	<b>Pay back</b>
0-175	100%
176-275	150%
276+	200%

The +30A, +40A and +50A classes will be set at 100%.

3. The trophy payback and expert pay back will be posted prior to the start of the second set of motos.

## FLAGS AND THEIR MEANINGS

The following flags, measuring 30" by 30", shall be used:

GREEN	Start race
WHITE	One lap to go to finish
YELLOW	<b>DANGER ON TRACK. ALL RIDERS TO EXERCISE CAUTION AND HOLD POSITION UNTIL PASSING THE ACCIDENT. ANY RECKLESS RIDING UNDER THE YELLOW FLAG COULD LEAD TO DISQUALIFICATION. ALL FLAGMEN SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH A YELLOW FLAG TO INDICATE DANGER ON THE TRACK. <u>NO JUMPING.</u></b>
BLACK	Disqualification of individual rider, report to Referee at once.
WHITE WITH RED CROSS	<b>DANGER ON TRACK. ALL RIDERS ARE TO EXERCISE CAUTION AND HOLD POSITION UNTIL PASSING THE ACCIDENT. ANY RECKLESS RIDING UNDER THE WHITE WITH RED CROSS FLAG COULD LEAD TO DISQUALIFICATION. <u>NO JUMPING.</u></b>
BLACK AND WHITE CHECKER	Finish - End of Race (Checks 5"x 5")
RED	<b>IMMEDIATELY STOPPING OF RACE FOR ANY EMERGENCY. NO JUMPING.</b>
GREEN & WHITE FLAGS CROSSED	Half the moto is completed. (Required in all classes.)

## **Empire State MX License Forms**

Completed Empire State MX licenses forms, available online at [www.empirestatemx.com](http://www.empirestatemx.com) or from the Empire State MX secretary, are required to race in the Empire State MX. Please complete the forms and send to the address at the top of the License form. Remember to fill in all information and to use the minor release form for all riders under 18. Completing and mailing these forms with appropriate monies assumes that you have read and agree with the rules and regulations set forth in this book. Please call any rider advisor if you have any questions whatsoever (see page 1).

Paperwork required for 2018 Empire State MX Licenses:

### **2018 Empire State MX License - 18 years or older:**

1. License form filled out front and back.
2. Proof of age is required for all riders regardless what class you are riding.

### **2018 Empire State MX License - under 18 years of age:**

1. License form filled out front and back. This includes the requirement of the notary public part filled out and notarized.
2. Proof of age is required for all riders regardless what class you are riding.
3. Minor release form filled out front & back.

Please call any board member or the secretary if you have any questions.

**PROOF OF AGE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL RIDERS REGARDLESS WHAT CLASS YOU ARE RIDING.** It can be a copy of a birth certificate, school record, or driver's license. **If you cannot race this year** but plan to race in the future, you may hold your bike number by becoming an associate racing license.

Any member who is actively engaged in **military service** will have a free License to the Empire state MX for the season. They must provide a current active military ID.

**PLEASE CHECK THE MAILING LABEL** for any errors, and make changes if necessary. **\*\*Payments must be made in U.S. funds.\*\***

## **Empire State MX Annual Year End Awards Banquet**

Empire State MX will hold an annual awards banquet at a location still to be determined. Please see our website for details: [www.Empirestatemx.com](http://www.Empirestatemx.com)

### **Special Year End Awards**

#### **Ron Nye Memorial Award**

This award will be given to the person who acts as an ambassador to the sport of motocross. This person exhibits dedication, commitment and a positive attitude, continuously supporting and encouraging riders of all levels.

#### **Robbie Beck Memorial Award**

This award shall go to the person who exhibits style, smoothness and speed whenever they're on a motocross track. This person shall also promote positive growth of the sport while encouraging all riders to achieve their goals on and off the track.

#### **Moto Mom of the Year Award**

This individual is one who involves herself every weekend with MX racing. From power washing to cleaning air filters to being on the line or in the stands cheering on their racer.

#### **Western NY Motocross Hall of Fame**

Western New York Motocross Hall of Fame was established in 2010 to honor and recognize people who helped to advance the sport of motocross throughout our region. Every progression in the sport is owed a debt to the roots and foundations. At our annual banquet, we will honor past individuals that were both pioneers and significant contributors to the sport we all love.

**Parker Tomczak Memorial Rider of the Year Award:** This award goes to a first year 250 Amateur Rider that exhibits excellence in Riding and Sportsmanship

**Heitzhaus Memorial Rider of the Year Award:** This Award goes to a first year 450Expert Rider exhibiting excellence in riding and sportsmanship.

**Blake Adair Best Effort Rider of the Year Award:** This award goes to a first year 250 Novice Rider promoted from 250 Beginner or a Mini Rider Advancing exhibiting perseverance, riding and sportsmanship.

**Douglas Allen Retterer Mini Rider of the Year Trophy:** This award goes to a Mini rider who has shown continuous progress, determination, pride in himself/herself, and sportsmanship throughout the year.

**Larry Wooster Rooster Tail Photographer of the Year Award:** Awarded to a photographer that shows dedication and loyalty to the riders and the organization. Nominated and voted for by our members.

**#210 Strong Brandon Kuhn Memorial Award:** Awarded to a rider demonstrating strength, determination, and a true passion for racing. This rider appreciates opportunities given to oneself and surrounds themselves with friends and laughter. This rider is admired by fellow competitors and others in the motocross community and helps others when possible.

## **TRACK LOCATIONS AND PROMOTERS**

### **AREA 51 MOTOCROSS**

3323 Harloff Rd., Batavia, NY 14020

Gates Open Saturday: 3 p.m. – 11 p.m. Sunday: 7 a.m.

Information: (585) 345-7433

E-Mail: [Chris@Area51Motocross](mailto:Chris@Area51Motocross) or [Corey@Area51Motocross](mailto:Corey@Area51Motocross)

Website: [www.area51motocross.com](http://www.area51motocross.com)

### **PALMYRA RACING ASSOCIATION**

Hogback Hill Rd., Palmyra, NY

Saturday 3 p.m. - 11 p.m., Sunday 7 a.m.

E-Mail: [rrugaber@rochester.rr.com](mailto:rrugaber@rochester.rr.com)

(Friend us on Facebook: Palmyra Racing Association (Hogback Hill))

Website: [www.palmyramx.com](http://www.palmyramx.com)

### **PAVILION MOTOCROSS PARK**

1054 Taylor Rd., Pavilion, NY 14525

Gates Open: Saturday: 9 a.m. - 11 pm, Sunday: 7 a.m.

Information: (585) 409-8947

E-Mail: [Glenn@pavilionmx.com](mailto:Glenn@pavilionmx.com) (Friend us on Facebook: pavilion mx)

Website: [www.pavilionmx.com](http://www.pavilionmx.com)

### **SICK BROS. MOTOCROSS**

3224 Henry Drum Rd., Cohocton, NY 14826

Information: 585-335-7992

Website: [www.sickbrosmotocross.com](http://www.sickbrosmotocross.com)

### **SILVER SPRINGS MOTO PARK**

5666 Fuller Rd., Silver Springs, NY 14550

Information: 607-382-2223

Email: [ellington44@verizon.net](mailto:ellington44@verizon.net)

Website: [ssmotopark.com](http://ssmotopark.com)

TRASH IS CARRY IN - CARRY OUT FOR ALL TRACKS DURING THE YEAR.

IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT AS TO WHETHER A RACE IS GOING TO BE RUN, YOU MAY CALL THE INDIVIDUAL TRACK OR CHECK THE EMPIRE STATE MOTOCROSS WEBSITE FOR LATE BREAKING NEWS.