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TRACK REGULATIONS & CLASS RULES

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Speedway promotion by committee of members of the Howard County Fair Board. All revenue generated from the speedway is put back into the facility for upkeep and capitol improvements.

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NOTE: Cresco Speedway Officials may make interpretation of or amendment to, these rules and regulations, however, at any time. The rules and regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. These rules and regulations shall govern the condition of all events, and by participating in these events, all licensees are deemed to have complied with these rules and regulations. No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from publications of, or compliance with, these rules and 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 participants, spectators or officials. The race director shall be empowered to permit reasonable and appropriate 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.

GENERAL TRACK REGULATIONS

1. WAIVERS - All drivers, pit members, and all other persons must sign a waiver form before being allowed in pit area. Anyone under 18 years of age must have a signed and notarized consent form from his or her parent or guardian, which must be in addition to the signed waiver. Minimum age to enter pit area during racing program is 14 years of age. Pit Pass **MUST** be in plain site at all times. Anyone that has not signed waiver and is without proper pit pass will be removed from the facility. Should it be determined that a driver, or crew knowingly allowed persons into pit area without signing waiver and receiving a pit pass, the car will be disqualified for the evening, and driver and crew will be removed from the facility. Any entry fees paid will be forfeited to the speedway.

2. SIGNING THE WAIVER form will be considered evidence that the entrant has read and understands the contest rules regulations, program and pay off, and agrees to compete accordingly. No person will be allowed to sign any forms for another person.

3. CONDUCT not becoming a gentleman or lady, lack of cooperation with track officials, violations of contest rules or attempt to influence a competitor to violate contest rules will mean forfeiture of prize moneys and points earned and/or suspension. All drivers and car owners are responsible to see that their crew and families are familiar with the rules and regulations of Cresco Speedway.

4. ALL PARTICIPANTS (driver, crew and families) are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times. The driver is ultimately responsible for the actions of himself, crew and families.

5. DRIVERS will be the person responsible for the actions of their crew and/or family. The drivers shall be the sole spokesmen for the crew and owner in any and all matters pertaining to the program and only the driver shall take part in any arbitration with officials in charge.

6. NO DRIVER, CAR OWNER, CREW MEMBER, OR FAMILY MEMBER shall have claim for damages, expenses or otherwise against Cresco Speedway and its management by reason of disqualification, or damage to, either car or driver or both. Car owner, driver and crew agree that the track is in safe condition if they take part in any racing activity.

7. CRESCO SPEEDWAY reserves the right to subject any car to a mechanical inspection at any time. The speedway further reserves the right to disqualify any member from competition or any car from competition.

8. IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY of the driver and crew to tear down a car for inspection when requested to do so by officials. Failure to do so will result in disqualification and forfeiture of prize moneys and points earned to date, and possible suspension.

9. ANY CAR TAKEN from the premises without first clearing with officials in charge will subject car and driver to disqualification and forfeiture of prize moneys and points earned to date.

10. ALL DRIVERS, CAR OWNERS, CREW AND FAMILIES assume full responsibility for any and all injuries sustained including death and property damage, at any time they are on the speedway property, en route thereto and there from.

11. ONLY ONE TOW VEHICLE per car will be allowed in pit area. Once car enters pit area it cannot leave and return again that evening.

12. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY of all drivers to bring to the attention to an official any unsafe equipment or practices used by any rules infraction of any car or driver.

13. ALL DRIVERS & CAR OWNERS must provide Cresco Speedway with their Social Security number for income tax purposes. IRS tax form 1099 will be issued to drivers or car owners who earn more than \$600 in purse winnings at the end of the racing season.

14. ALL DRIVERS MUST BE at least 14 years of age. Drivers under the age of 18 years must have a signed and notarized parental consent form signed by parent or guardian, and said form must be in possession of Cresco Speedway officials before participation is allowed. Participants may be required to undergo a physical examination before being allowed to compete.

15. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES allowed in pit area. Drinking of alcoholic beverages by driver and crew on the racing premises prior to or during any race program is forbidden. Any persons who show evidence of consumption of alcoholic beverages will be removed from the premises and will be subject to a fine and/or suspension.

16. USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS at any time will be cause for immediate suspension and fine.

17. ANY OFFICIAL may use their discretion in determining whether a person is under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.

18. INSURANCE FOR CRESCO SPEEDWAY is "excess coverage", meaning the injured person's own insurance is primarily responsible for coverage. Any medical expenses (up to a certain limit set by Cresco Speedway) not covered by the injured person's are submitted to the speedway's insurance carrier for payment. Any persons injured must fill out an accident report and provide the Cresco Speedway with all information needed to provide coverage of any claims. In order for speedway insurance coverage to be considered all injuries must be reported the same day as they were incurred. *Any injuries suffered at the speedway that are not reported the same day they occurred to Cresco Speedway officials will disqualify that person's claim for insurance benefits.*

19. INJURIES TO ANY PERSONS DUE TO ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OR REPAIRS to vehicles not owned by the Speedway are not the responsibility of Cresco Speedway.

20. ANY PERSONS RECENTLY INJURED in any type of accident that requires medical attention must provide Cresco Speedway with a waiver to compete signed by the person's doctor, before the person can compete at the speedway.

21. VACATING THE GROUNDS: All persons and vehicles must vacate the property of Cresco Speedway within 90 minutes following the last race of the program.

22. ANY CAR not meeting the minimum standards will not be allowed to compete.

23. EIRI (except in rare instances). Cresco Speedway officials will decide any items not covered by the rules and regulations. Decisions of these officials are final and binding without exception.

PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

1. **DRIVERS ONLY** will be allowed to make protests. To be eligible to do so drivers must have completed the event.
2. **ALL PROTESTS** must be in writing and be filed within one-half hour after the feature race of the specific class involved. A \$50 fee is required with all protests. Protest must be specific in charges and alleged violations committed. In the case of protest of rules violations, the driver protesting is also subject to inspection.
3. **ALL COSTS AND EXPENSES** incurred during protest shall be assessed against the party against whom the decision is rendered.
4. **NO PROTEST** will be allowed after prize money has been paid.
5. **AUTOMATIC PENALTIES** as follows:
 - a. **Rowdyism**, fighting or demonstrating;
 - 1st violation; minimum \$100 fine/suspension.
 - 2nd violation; permanent suspension.
 - b. **Foul driving**; -- 1st violation; disqualification from evening's event, forfeiture of entry fees and prize money earned for that event. -- 2nd violation; fine of \$100 plus same penalty as 1st violation, plus suspension.
 - c. **Rules violations**: Same as "Foul Driving"
 - d. **Repeated violations**, permanent suspension
 - e. **Assault of track official**; permanent suspension and charges by law enforcement officials.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS & SAFETY

1. **BELTS/HARNESSES**: All cars must have an approved type of five-point safety seat belt and shoulder harness equipped with a quick release buckle. Both ends of seat belt must be fastened to the frame of the car with aircraft quality bolts not less than .375 diameter. A steel plate must be welded to the frame on the right side of driver so belt will be brought down in such manner that it will prevent driver from sliding from side to side under the belt. All seat belts must be installed at a 45-degree angle to driver's hips. Shoulder harnesses coming from behind the driver must go over both shoulders so that driver will be held securely in the seat. Seat belts and shoulder harness recommended not being more than one year old. Shoulder harness must be mounted securely to roll cage.
2. **SEATS**: Seats must be fastened to roll cage. All seats must have a headrest. Aluminum racing seat required. NO fiberglass seats.
3. **GLASS**: All glass must be removed from the car. No mirrors. No radio communication allowed.
2. **ALL CLASSES, DRIVER'S EQUIPMENT** -- SNELL SA90, SA 95 or SA 2000 approved type racing helmets are to be used. No miner's, football, motorcycle or plastic helmets. Helmet must be worn at all times car is on speedway, and must be with car at time of inspection. *SFI approved full fire suit, fire retardant gloves, fire retardant shoes and neck brace required by all drivers in all classes.*
3. **ALL CARS MUST HAVE FULL SIZE DRIVER'S WINDOW NET** (minimum size 16" x 20") or driver arm restraints. Window net shall be mounted on driver's side so latch is at top front of window.
4. **EACH PIT** crew shall have in its possession in working order in its pit area during the race program a fire extinguisher with minimum capacity of 5 pounds.
5. **OFFICIALS** and emergency crews only allowed on track and infield area during racing program.
6. **DRIVER** is to remain belted in car if car is disabled on or near track.

7. **ALL CARS** must have fire extinguisher within reach of the driver with approved bracket (NO tape, etc.). Kill switch required within easy reach of driver. Switch must be clearly marked "OFF" and "ON".
8. **NO CAR** testing or tune up laps unless Flagman is in place.
9. **NO EVENTS** shall be run unless EMTs are on the premises.
10. **NO NITRO** or other liquid oxygen type fuels of a highly volatile nature shall be used or added to the regular fuel supply.
11. **ALL CARS** will be subject to safety inspection at any time by officials.
12. **A CAR INVOLVED** in an accident must be safety checked by Technical Director before it will be allowed to compete again on the same evening.
13. **DRIVE SHAFT LOOP REQUIRED IN ALL CLASSES.** Must be 360-degree loop, constructed of at least .25 inch by 2-inch steel. Must be mounted 6" back from front of drive shaft. *Drive shaft must be painted white.*
14. **ALL CARS MUST** have front and rear tow hooks. All cars must have hood in place during any racing events.
15. **NO TITANIUM, MAGNESIUM or CARBON FIBER** products, parts or components allowed!
16. **NO GUN-DRILLED, TUBULAR or HOLLOW BOLTS OR STUDS. 1" WHEEL LUGS MANDATORY.**
17. **BRAKES:** Cars must have operative 4 wheel brakes, drum or disc combination. Must be able to skid all 4 wheels on command. Brakes will be periodically checked.
18. **TRANSMISSIONS:** No transmission cooling devices in driver's compartment. All transmissions must have forward and reverse gears in good working order.
19. **BUMPERS** must be in stock location. Rear bumpers may be attached to fender.
20. **SHARP EDGES:** all sharp edges, torn body parts and such must be repaired prior to next race.
21. **PIT AREA SAFETY:** Speed limit in pit area and track infield is 10 mph. No careless/reckless driving.

RACE PROCEDURES, LINEUPS

1. **STARTING POSITIONS** for all races shall be by draw/redraw policy. Number of redraw positions will be posted for each race event by Cresco Speedway Officials.
2. **B-MAINS** are lined up straight up with highest finishing non-qualifiers to front.
3. **A-MAINS ARE LINED UP as follows:** Redraw positions from qualifying races will line up first with remainder line-up being straight up from non-qualifiers in heat races and/or "B" feature.
4. **PITTING** during a race (change tire, minor repairs, fueling, etc) must be done in the work area designated by Cresco Speedway Officials. Cars may return to the track only upon direction of a Cresco Speedway Official. Any driver leaving the race track during a caution will start at the back of the field when racing resumes. Any driver entering the track when a race is on progress without the direction of a Cresco Speedway Official will be disqualified from that race.

5. FLAGS:

- **Green**, race is on
- **Yellow**, caution on the track. Drivers are to slow down and remain in current position
- **Red**, all cars must stop immediately. Upon notification by Cresco Speedway Officials drivers may pit on red without penalty. When the red light is turned off drivers must be ready for line-up. The Pit Steward will re-line cars in front of the flag stand. Anyone delaying the race may also be sent to the back.
- **Blue and Yellow** (Lay-Over Flag), race leaders are catching up with you. Hold your line on the track so the first place cars may compete fairly.
- **Black**, Exit the track immediately! If for un-sportsmanlike driving or conduct disqualification from this event has resulted. If for mechanical reasons necessary repairs may be made so you can return to race.
- **White**, Final lap of the race. In the case of a yellow flag condition or red flag condition, any race will be considered a completed event once the race leader has received the white flag.
- **Checkered Flag**, the race is ended.

6. CAR REGISTRATION CUT OFF TIME IS 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO POSTED TIME FOR HOT LAPS. Any car missing the cut-off time will start in the rear of its qualifying race. First heat race starts immediately after hot laps.

7. ANY ONE CAR may participate in only one class per night.

8. NO CHANGING OF DRIVERS once the program has started.

9. IF A DRIVER USES AN ALTERNATE CAR to compete, it must be brought to the attention of the Head Scorer. The car must have the driver's usual number applied on it. *The car that is substituted must meet the rules of the class it is competing in.*

10. ANY DRIVER NOT READY to compete when called for his heat race cannot compete in any other heats, but must run the semi feature, or could be left out of the balance of the program.

11. IF A CLASS HAS 12 OR FEWER CARS REGISTERED, Cresco Speedway officials may schedule a feature event only for that class.

12. ALL CARS MUST JOIN LINEUP ON DEMAND, unaided or go to the rear of that race. Cars entering the track on the parade lap will start at the rear of the field, regardless of their original starting position. All cars must have the capability of starting without being pushed or pulled.

13. WHEN A RACE IS STOPPED after the completion of at least one lap, cars shall be lined up in the order in which they were running at the completion of the last full lap before the race was stopped.

14. ON A RESTART, CARS ARE TO STOP on the inside of the front straight and wait for lineup of cars by Track Steward. Any driver that does not restart from the assigned position will be disqualified from that race.

15. IF A CAR CAUSES a race stoppage twice in the same race, that car will be disqualified from that race.

16. STOPPING ON THE TRACK to deliberately cause a yellow flag will result in a one-lap penalty.

17. ANY CAR BEING LAPPED consistently by the field may be black flagged at the Flagman's discretion.

18. A RACE MAY be stopped at the discretion of the Flagman or Track Officials at any time it is deemed dangerous to continue.

19. NO CAR SHALL RECEIVE ASSISTANCE after the white flag is displayed and all finishes must be made under the car's own power or momentum.

20. RACE IS COMPLETE once the leader receives the white flag. If race is stopped on the last lap, it shall be considered complete upon direction by Head Scorer. Finishing positions shall be determined from last completed lap.

21. A DEAD HEAT may or may not be re-run at the discretion of the Head Scorer. If the dead heat is not re-run the prize money and points for both positions under contention shall be divided equally by participants.

22. NO PERSON IS ALLOWED on the track during a race except Cresco Speedway Officials. Driver will be disqualified from a race if his crew or other parties associated with his car are on the racing surface at any time during the race.

23. PENALTY FOR PASSING ON THE START OR RESTART, before car has reached start/finish line, will be two positions. The penalty will be issued either at next restart in the same race, or in final results of that race.

24. THE DESIGNATED POINT WHERE CARS MAY LEGALLY PASS on a start or restart of a race is the Start/Finish line of the speedway.

25. IF A DRIVER DEMONSTRATES that he cannot safely start a race from his qualified position, the driver will be, for the safety of the other drivers, placed in the rear of the field for that race, or disqualified from the race. The will be left to the judgment of Cresco Speedway Officials.

26. SHOULD A DRIVER QUALIFY for either the "A" or "B" feature and not be able to make the field due to mechanical or other reasons, the driver will be scored in the last position of the race qualified for.

27. CRESCO SPEEDWAY OFFICIALS reserve the right to reject the entry of any car or competitor, call off any event, change the manner of running any program, call off any race that does not fill, or change the distances of any race.

28. CRESCO SPEEDWAY IS UNDER NO OBLIGATION to pay out prize money or award points for any race that is not run, or for any position that is not earned by the competitor.

29. ALL RACE EVENTS will have a 20-minute time limit. This time limit may be modified or otherwise adjusted by Cresco Speedway Officials in case of extra ordinary events during the race, such as weather, red flag condition or other unexpected influences on the race and the program. All races must run ½ of the total distance, plus one lap, in order to be declared an official race.

30. THE TOP FINISHING CARS, or any others as directed by Speedway Officials, must report to the infield inspection area after each event for a post-race inspection and weigh-in (if the class has a weight rule). The finishing positions that are to report will be posted along with the lineups for the particular race. Failure to report will result in disqualification from the race, and driver will forfeit all moneys earned for the event.