



# **RULES AND CONSTITUTION 2024/2025**

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# **UNDER THE INCORPORATED SOCIETIES ACT 1908**

## **THE RULES OF "MEREMERE DIRT TRACK CLUB (INCORPORATED)"**

### **1. The name of the club is "Meremere Dirt Track Club (Incorporated)"**

### **2. The objects for which the club is established are:**

- a. To function as a dirt track Club consisting of persons interested in dirt track racing (both cars and buggies) in and about the vicinity of Meremere or elsewhere and to develop better acquaintance, good fellowship and closer comradeship among dirt track racing drivers.
- b. To purchase, hire or provide for the Club and its members Clubhouse, sheds, machinery, vehicles trailers and other facilities and such gear, accoutrements and other things and appurtenances as may be necessary for or may be conveniently used in connection with the affairs of the Club.
- c. To foster, cultivate and promote the social welfare of members by providing, equipping and furnishing Clubrooms and organising social activities and generally to promote and forward the interests and welfare of the Club and its members in Meremere district and elsewhere.
- d. To cause the Club to become affiliated with any motor racing parent Association whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of this Club and to secede from such affiliation or to otherwise co-operate with any such Association.
- e. To send a delegate or delegates to any Association or body to which this Club is affiliated.
- f. To employ staff full time or part time on such terms as the Management Committee think fit.
- g. To purchase, take on lease or in exchange or hire or otherwise hold mortgage and dispose of any real or personal property and any rights and privileges which the Club shall think necessary or expedient for the purposes of attaining the objects of the Club or any of them.
- h. To sell, lease, hire or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property or any interest therein of the Club and to surrender any lease held by it on such terms and conditions as the Management Committee deems fit.
- i. To keep authentic records of all matters as shall assist in the promotion of the above objects or any of them.
- j. To do such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

### **3. Members**

- a. The membership shall consist of active members and honorary members, both male and female.
- b. The signatories to these Rules shall be the first active members.

- c. Membership of the Club shall not confer on any member thereof any estate or proprietary right, interest or share in the funds and property of the Club, nor shall any member be personally liable for any of the liabilities of the Club.

#### **4. Membership: Classification and New Members**

- a. All members shall be entitled to all of the privileges of the Club and shall be entitled to vote at any meetings of the Club.
- b. All new members shall be admitted to the Club by the Management Committee only. Application for membership shall be made on the prescribed form and an active member of the Club who will also sign his or her name on the prescribed form must recommend every applicant. Such application for membership shall be dealt with at the next Management Committee meeting. On the election of each new member, the Secretary shall notify the fact of his or her election to him or her.

#### **5. Life Members**

Any person nominated for life membership are to be nominated by the committee and put forward to the members at a special general meeting or at an annual general meeting for acceptance.

A member with life membership shall have full club privileges without payment of subscription as a reward for services rendered to the club. (This need not be an annual award).

#### **6. Control of Members**

- a. The committee may at any time by letter invite any member within a specified time to resign for breach by him or her of these Rules or any by-laws or regulations hereunder or for being guilty of misconduct injurious or prejudicial to the character, welfare or interest of the Club and in default of withdrawal from the Club to submit the question of his or her expulsion to a special meeting of the Management Committee to be held within three weeks after the date specified in the letter as the date before which he or she shall have been invited to resign. The member whose expulsion is sought shall have notice of such meeting and of the grounds on which it is sought to expel him or her. At such meeting the member whose expulsion is under consideration shall be allowed to offer an explanation of his or her conduct verbally or in writing and if thereupon 75% of the committee vote for his or her expulsion he or she shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Club provided that the voting at any such special committee meeting shall be by ballot if not less than two members present thereat so demand. It shall be in the power of the Management Committee to exclude such members from all meetings and events of the Club and the Clubhouse and grounds until such special committee meeting shall be held.

- b. The power to expel shall include the power to suspend any member guilty of misconduct described in the preceding paragraph or to deprive of any benefits or privileges of membership any member for so long as the Management Committee shall think fit and the provisions of the next preceding clause hereof shall mutatis mutandi apply to proceedings for any such suspension or deprivation of benefits or privileges of membership.

## **7. Resignation**

Any member may resign his or her membership on payment of any fees then due by giving written notice to that effect to the Secretary.

## **8. Membership Fees**

- a. Annual membership fees which shall be due and payable on the 1st August in each year or on election to membership shall be payable according to such scale and conditions as are fixed at each Annual General Meeting.
- b. Those members who fail to give a written resignation to the Secretary prior to the last day of August in any year shall be liable for the fee for the current year.

## **9. Default in Payment of Fees**

No member whose membership fee is in arrears may speak or vote at any meeting of the Club. If default in payment of fees shall be continued for seven days after application therefore by any member of the Management Committee the Management Committee shall have the power to strike the name of such defaulting member off the membership roll of the club.

## **10. Annual General Meeting**

- a. The club shall hold an Annual General Meeting in the month of either June or July in each year (of which fourteen days notice shall be given by circular to each member) for the purpose of elections of officers, receiving the report of the outgoing committee, the Treasurers statement of receipts and expenditure and Balance Sheet and transaction of any other general business of the Club.
- b. Proposed remits must be read by the proposed or seconded. Alterations to the proposed remit can be made prior to voting as long as the same intention remains and the original proposed and seconded for submission and voting on signs the remit. This rule is to be adhered to during AGMs and any Special General Meeting held during the season.

## **11. Special General Meeting**

The Secretary shall call a special General Meeting of the Club within ten days after receiving a requisition signed by three members of the Management Committee or ten active members. A notice calling such meeting and stating the business to be dealt with shall be given to each member by circular fourteen days before the date of such meeting.

## **12. Management Committee**

- a. The officers who shall constitute the Management Committee shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and nine (9) committee members, all of whom, except Secretary, shall be elected (by ballot if necessary) at each Annual General Meeting. Committee shall appoint the Secretary. If a Secretary/Treasurer is elected then another member may be elected to the Management Committee.
- b. Seven (7) members of the Management Committee shall form a quorum.
- c. Any member of the Management Committee who fails to attend four consecutive meetings of such committee unless he or she furnished satisfactory reasons for such absence shall cease to be a member of such committee.
- d. In the event of any office becoming vacant such vacancy shall be filled by the remaining members of the Management Committee.
- e. The President or any two members of the Management Committee shall have power at all times to instruct the Secretary to call a meeting of the Management Committee.
- f. The Management Committee shall have power to frame rules and regulations for the use of the Club's equipment and gear and for dirt track racing and to alter or vary same when necessary.
- g. The Management Committee shall have power to make by-laws and to alter or rescind them as occasion may require and such by-laws shall have the same effect as the rules of the Club provided they are not inconsistent therewith.
- h. The Management Committee may from time to time raise or borrow or secure the payment of any sums of money for the purposes of the Club.
- i. The Management Committee may raise or secure the payment or repayment of such moneys in such manner upon such terms and conditions in all respects as it may think fit and in particular by the issue of Debentures charged upon all or part of the property of the Club.
- j. Management Committee meetings shall be held at such times at such places as the Committee from time to time deems fit and the Secretary shall give notice to each member thereof of the intention to hold such a meeting.
- k. The funds of the Club shall be kept by the Honorary Treasurer under the supervision of and in such place and the committee shall determine manner as. The committee shall have power to expend the Club funds in such manner as they think fit in accordance with the rules and objects of the Club and to invest any moneys not in the meantime required in such investments as shall from time to time be authorised by law for the investment of trust funds.

### **13 Quorums**

Twenty (20) members actually present shall constitute a quorum at the Annual General Meeting and all Special General Meetings.

#### **14 Absence of Quorum**

If within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum of members is not present the meeting if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to some convenient time and place to be determined by a majority of the members then present and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum of members as provided for in clause thirteen hereof is not present the members then present shall constitute a quorum.

#### **15. Method of Voting**

The voting at all meetings shall be open, i.e. there will be a show of hands or by ballot if demanded by two or more members present. The Chairman shall have a casting vote.

#### **16. President.**

The President of the club shall be chairman at all General Meetings and all Management Committee Meetings at which he shall be present and in his absence the meeting shall elect to the chair any Vice President who may be present or failing a Vice President any other member of the Club or committee as the case may be.

To be eligible of becoming president you must have served a minimum of at least two years prior to being elected.

#### **17. Secretary and Treasurer**

- a. The positions of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one or two members of the Club as decided at the Annual General Meeting.
- b. The Secretary shall convene and attend all General and Special General Meetings both of the Club and the Management Committee and keep regular and correct minutes of the same and shall have the custody of all papers and documents of the club and the Common Seal and shall conduct all correspondence.
- c. The treasurer shall keep proper books of account in respect of the Club finances and shall receive and disburse all moneys keeping an account in the name of the Club into which all moneys not required for current use shall be promptly paid. The President signing conjointly with the Treasurer or either of them conjointly with a committee member shall operate such account on. The treasurer shall submit to each Annual General Meeting a statement of accounts for the past year, which shall have been previously audited and signed by the Auditor elected for that purpose.

#### **18. Auditor**

The Auditor shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting. He or she shall audit the books of the Club and shall when satisfied with the correctness of the statement of accounts append his/her certificate thereto.

## **19. Winding Up**

A majority of the members present at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting convened for that purpose may resolve that the Club be wound up as from the date the resolution is passed and may also direct the disposition of the funds and property of the Club after the winding up thereof which shall be in any manner calculated to encourage the sport of dirt track racing. Such resolution shall be confirmed at a subsequent Annual or Special General Meeting called together for that purpose and held not earlier than thirty days after the date on which the resolution so to be confirmed was passed.

## **20. Alteration of Rules**

No alterations or suspensions of or additions to or rescissions of the Rules shall be made except at a Special or Annual General Meeting. Any member wishing to propose any alterations or suspensions of or additions to or rescissions of the Rules shall give notice in writing of such intention to the Secretary who shall give at least seven days notice to members and shall set forth in such notice the proposed alterations or suspensions of or additions to or rescissions of the Rules. Any such alteration or suspensions of or additions to or rescissions of the rules must be carried by a majority of at least two thirds of the members actually at the meeting.

## **21. Seal**

The Common Seal shall be kept at the registered office of the Club and in the custody of the Secretary and shall be fixed only by resolution of the Management Committee and in the presence of two members of such committee and the Secretary.

## **22. Liability of Officers**

The President or any other officer of the Club who may by the authority of the Management Committee accept or incur any pecuniary liability on behalf of the Club shall be held indemnified by the Club against any personal loss in respect of such liability and this indemnity shall extend to any obligations incurred by any officer or member of the Club provided that the Management Committee or Club shall by resolution ratify or confirm the action of such officer or member.

## **23. Pecuniary Gain**

No member shall derive any pecuniary gain except as a salaried officer from any of the property or operations of the Club.

## **24. Financial Year**

The financial year for the Meremere Dirt Track is from the 1st June - 31st May yearly.



# **RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL COMPETITORS COMPETING AT THE MEREMERE DIRT TRACK CLUB INC,**

## **GENERAL RULES**

### **G1 Membership**

- a.(i) All competitors must be members of the Meremere Dirt Track Club Inc. This includes ladies and mechanics. Any monies paid to comply with regulations for eligibility to race are non refundable.
- (ii) Full members are entitled to 1 x racing number for 1 x Saloon class or Modified and or Offroaders.
- (iii) Associated members are entitled to drive in ladies or mechanics races.
- b. Passengers: Any person between the ages of 11 to 15 years wishing to be a passenger in a race vehicle must carry out the following:
  - (i) Fill out a passenger form at the tower on race day and have their parent or legal guardian also sign the form.
  - (ii) The passenger must be secured in the vehicle to the officials and the clerk of the courses satisfaction.
  - (iii) Crash helmets must fit in a proper manner and comply with all safety standards.
- c. All drivers to pay one race fee for each class they are entered in each race meeting.
- d. Only financial club members, not including day licence drivers, are entitled to race 10 or 15 lap class trophy races.
- e. All competitors wishing to race at the MMDTC Two Day Nationals must be a member of a dirt track club and provide proof of membership.

### **G2 Drivers**

Any person wishing to be a competitor at our track must be of legal drivers age or over, and have a drivers licence or have held one, or have competed in junior class for one full season and be at least 15 years of age.

### **G3 Disputes**

- a. If any driver wishes to dispute a result or incident they must take their dispute firstly to the class rep, who will then present their case to the clerk of the course.
- b. Any and all disputes arising during a race meeting must be brought to the attention of the clerk of the course, by the driver and the class rep. The clerk of the courses decision will be final at the completion.
- c. Any driver who assaults or abuses officials or other competitors will be barred from competing in any remaining events, and if the assault or abuse is severe, will be barred from entering any event for the remainder of the season. This will be implemented at the discretion of the committee.

#### **G4 Conduct**

- a. Any driver found the clerk of the course would deal with racing their car on access ways or in the pit area or any other area deemed to be out of bounds as he sees fit.
- b. At all times the driver assumes responsibility for the action of his or her crew.
- c. Maximum speed limit in the pit area is 5kph.
- d. All cars must be kept in a tidy and presentable condition.
- e. Any helmets being mistreated will be CONFISCATED AND DESTROYED.
- f. No ALCOHOL or DRUGS are to be consumed in the pit area by spectators or competitors.
- g. No driver is to consume ALCOHOL or DRUGS before or during any race meeting. This rule includes ladies and mechanics and also passengers.
- h. Any person violating this ruling will be barred from racing for the duration of the race meeting. Should any competitor be found actually competing under the influence of alcohol or drugs they will be barred for the season. This ruling is to be implemented by the committee or the clerk of the course.

#### **G5 Drivers Briefing**

- a. All drivers must attend the drivers briefing at each meeting.
- b. Drivers briefing shall be held before the first race.
- c. The clerk of the course shall conduct all drivers' briefings and he is to inform drivers of the track conditions and any other relevant information.

#### **G6 Clerk of the Course**

The clerk of the course has the power to disqualify a competitor either of his or her points, placing or participation in further races for failure to observe the statutory rules.

#### **G7 Club Captain**

A person shall be nominated by the Management Committee as a representative of the Club members during race days and other events, who is invited to attend committee meetings as a non voting member.

### **TRACK RULES**

#### **T1 Scrutineering/Sign Up**

- a. All cars will be required to be scrutineered no later than 10am by the official scrutineer, working to the rules covering car construction, safety and classification.
- b. Cars requiring scrutineering after 10am shall be fined \$5.00. The second offence \$10.00 and thereafter \$10.00.
- c. No vehicle is permitted on the track until passed by the scrutineer as being up to standard.
- d. A small sticker shall be attached to the pillar in the right hand corner on passing scrutineering.

- e. Every race vehicle must carry its own scrutineering book. This same book must be presented at scrutineering. NO BOOK NO RACE.
- f. All drivers including ladies and mechanics must be signed up by 10am. Late entries accepted at the discretion of the race organisers.

## T2 Flags

- a. Drivers are required when approaching a steward to take notice of the flags on display.
 

Green Flag:	Race starts.
Blue Flag:	Caution retains position until past obstacle.
White Flag:	One lap to go.
Chequered Flag:	Race finished.
White Flag with Red Crosses:	Medic required.
Yellow Flag:	Will indicate an incident or some other obstruction on the track. All drivers must slow down and proceed with caution. Vehicles are allowed to bunch up but under no circumstances are vehicles allowed to pass each other. The race will restart from the start finish line with the green flag.
Red Flag:	Will indicate that a major accident has occurred and all cars must come to a complete stop as quickly and safely as possible.
Black Flag:	Pointed at a car means that there is something dangerous hanging from the car etc, or the driver has broken one of the rules outlined in the rule book and must leave the track as soon as possible.
Yellow Blue Flag Crossed:	Indicates a return to a restart/re-gridding situation.
- b. If one full lap has been completed when the yellow flag comes out the race will restart on a rolling start, single file. If less than one full lap has been completed there will be a complete restart from the original grid position.
- c. Any vehicle causing a red or yellow flag to be displayed will go to the rear of the field at the restart.
- d. When a vehicle fails to move off the line at race start the red flag will be displayed. Vehicles will be re-gridded with the car causing the red flag starting from the back of the grid. Should it fail to start the second time it shall be excluded from the race.
- e. After a red flag is displayed and the obstruction is cleared the yellow and blue flags crossed will be displayed indicating a return to a restart situation.

### **T3. Classes**

No car can run out of the class they are built for

- A. A altered 8 cylinder space framed car only.
- B. B altered 6 cylinder and Rotary space framed car only.
- C. C altered 4 cylinder space framed car only.
- D. A hot rod 8 cylinder car only.
- E. B hot rod 6 cylinder and Rotary car only.
- F. C hot rod 4 cylinder car only.
- G. Production saloon e.g. 4 cylinder up to 2 litre only.
- H. 0-1600 level class only.
- I. Ladies - any car except modified sportsman and off roaders.
- J. Mechanics - any class of car except modified sportsman and off roaders.
- K. Juniors – 6 cylinder production, production saloon and 0-1600 class cars only.
- L. A vehicle entered as a saloon may only run saloon classes. The same applies for modifieds and off roaders.
- M. Only two wheel drive vehicles are permitted to race.
- N. 6 Cylinder Production
- O. Demonstration Class for the Type of vehicle and construction at Clerk of the Courses and Committees prior approval where a genuine opportunity exists of a type of vehicle to join as a class.
- P. Lefties Saloons, All Competitors race in an anti-clockwise direction
- Q. Ministocks
- R. Grass Karts

### **T4. Class Races**

- a. All class races are to be non-handicap events. i.e. all positions to be drawn.
- b. Points for the first to eighth place will be accumulated over the season.

1st	10 points
2nd	8 points
3rd	6 points
4th	5 points
5th	4 points
6th	3 points
7th	2 points
8th	1 point
- c. Points will only be given on finishing a race. Any competitor causing a yellow or red flag to be shown shall rejoin the race at the back of the field.
- d. Class races shall be the first three rounds of each meeting.
- e. Rolling starts may be used.
- f. Any driver who changes classes during a season will forfeit any points gained in any other class prior to that date.

## **T5. Handicap Races**

- a. Competitors in handicap races will score points (see Class Races, paragraph b) to be totaled over the season to give an overall point's winner. Points will be taken from the top eight placings gained out of all races entered at each meeting.
- b. The format for saloon handicap racing will be decided each year by the committee.
- c. Cars will be placed in four heats. A car unable or not ready to take its place in its drawn heat will not be able to participate in any other heat.
- d. All races will be sponsored by business houses if possible; otherwise the organising body will sponsor them. All drivers and/or teams must participate in a minimum of 50% of the available race meetings to qualify for end of season trophies. This includes 10 and 15 lap trophy races.
- e. Rolling starts may be used.
- f. Any competitor causing a red or yellow flag to be shown will rejoin the race at the back of the field.

## **T6. Grids**

- a. A dummy grid shall be formed as the preceding race starts.
- b. Competitors numbers shall be displayed on a board in the pit area along with their grid position.
- c. Any competitor not on the starting grid when the other competitors are in place will be excluded from the race.

## **T7. Racing Courtesy**

- a. No deliberate charging or shunting.
- b. All drivers, at all times, must respect their fellow competitors cars and remember that not all drivers can afford to continually panel beat and paint their cars.
- c. Any driver who in the opinion of the clerk of the course has violated rule T7 a, will be black flagged and will have any points gained in that race in which the incident occurred, deleted from the appropriate points table.
- d. If the driver holds the pole line into a corner he has the right of way.
- e. All drivers must bear in mind that auto racing is a close and competitive sport and as such accidents minor and major can occur. As such is the case, the organisers can accept no responsibility or liability what so ever, although the organising body will do all in it's power to make sure that the rules and safety standards are upheld.
- f. It is the responsibility of both the overtaking and overtaken driver to assure safe passing at racing speeds. A car travelling alone may use the full width of the track. However, if it is challenged by a faster car, the driver must hold their driving line. Passing may be either right or left depending on the conditions of the moment. Not through that car!.

## **T8 Safety Car and Driver**

- a. Safety belts are compulsory in all classes, and must have approved type full harness seat belts with one release point, this ruling also applies to passenger seats. Seat belts must be securely mounted with approved seat belt bolts, mounting eye plates to N.Z. Safety Standards. Mounting position and condition of belts will be up to the discretion of the scrutineers.
- b. Crash helmets must be worn by all competitors and passengers while racing and must meet N.Z.S. 1884 or 1885 or other N.Z. motor sport standards, and will be checked at each scrutineering, and may also be checked at random.

- c. All drivers and passengers will be required to have safety harness tension and helmet straps checked as cars pass through the pit gate from the dummy grid to the start grid. Belts are to fit across the lap and not halfway up the body.
- d. Fire extinguishers are compulsory in all classes and must be a min. of 1kg of extinguishant, weight of container excluded.
- e. All fire extinguishers must meet N.Z. Standards 4503 and carry a current service sticker with legible date stamp. All extinguishers must have the racecar number painted on the body of the extinguisher.
- f. All drivers and passengers must wear full overalls (minimum requirement 100% cotton and/or overalls manufactured from fire retardant or self extinguishing materials, polycotton blends not permitted), socks (not ankle sock or polycotton blends) must be worn so there is an overlap with overalls. Lace up shoes must be worn. No bare feet, jandals or gumboots allowed.  
*Exceptions:* If approved fire retardant race boots are worn and have an overlap with overalls then socks are optional.
- g. Anyone or group wishing to race methanol must supply their own fully trained and equipped fire crew (including visiting cars).
- h. All drivers and passengers must wear neck brace or "hans" style device.
- i. No race vehicles to be fitted with or raced under liquefied or compressed gas.
- k. All classes must be fitted with a kill switch, which must stop the engine and turn off all other electrical equipment. On and off positions must be clearly marked.
- l. All vehicles not fitted with a windscreen must be fitted with a full steel mesh screen with a maximum hole size of 75mm x 75mm and a minimum wire size of 2.6mm. Windscreens not recommended.
- m. All fuel tanks fitted with a breather must be of approved fuel hose/pipe and do 3 full turns either vertically around the tank or in a pigtail arrangement above the tank and must end below the bottom of the tank, or be fitted with an approved check vale (not plastic).

## **T9 Junior Class**

- a. All competitors must have a Parent or Guardian at all race meetings which that competitor wishes to compete in and must have a Parent/Guardian or Registered Driver, excluding Junior in the passenger's seat for one full season, or if the clerk of the course deems the driver is competent to race on their own.
- b. All competitors must produce suitable proof of date of birth when registering for the season.
- c. Competitors must have turned 12 years old to enter this class. Once a competitor turns 16 years old, they may complete the current season. A competitor may start at 16 years old and complete the season. Any junior class competitor reaching 15 years of age or over and has competed in junior class for at least one full season, may change class. A competitor cannot stay in junior class for more than three full years.
- d. All competitors must be able to reach all vehicle controls e.g. Gear stick, throttle, brake, clutch, steering wheel and battery kill switch etc. while fully and suitably harnessed in the vehicle. To comply with club safety rules.

- e. All competitors must be able to drive to the Head Clerk of the Course's satisfaction before racing. Management or committee to arrange a time throughout the season for juniors to show the clerk of the course their ability to drive, e.g. wheel pack, lunch time, end of a meeting etc.
- f. Juniors to race as an individual class at each meeting.
- g. 6 Cylinder Production, Production Saloon and 0-1600cc Class cars only.

### **T10 Rookies Race Rules**

- a. You must have not driven at Meremere Dirt Track Club Raceway at all.
- b. Race three meetings free of charge then join the club and go into a class.
- c. You must hold a drivers license.
- d. You must sign an indemnity form.
- e. Attend a drivers briefing when called.

### **T11 Mirrors-All classes**

Cars can only have one rearward facing mirror which must be inside the cabin.  
Position of mirror is to the scrutineers discretion.

### **T12 Teams Racing**

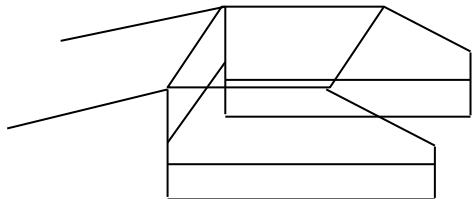
#### **Rule**

- Teams Racing Rules are applicable to all classes
- Teams racing rules apply at all events held by the Meremere Dirt Track Club
- A team can only enter in one class
- Minimum of 2 drivers per team
- Once you have signed up your team for the season / special event you may not change the drivers of that team
- Both drivers in a team must be paid up financial members for that season/ special event they wish to race
- If a driver leaves a team for any reason throughout that season/ special event, all points gained by that team will be removed & they will no longer be recognized as a team.
- Only 1 car allowed per team , no changing of vehicles throughout the season or race meetings are allowed
- Both drivers must pay the full race day fee upon signing up each meeting
- Each team ( not individual ) must complete at least 50% of that seasons racing to be eligible for overall points
- A list of which driver who is competing in each individual race is to be presented to the handicapper at the beginning of each race meeting and must be adhered to

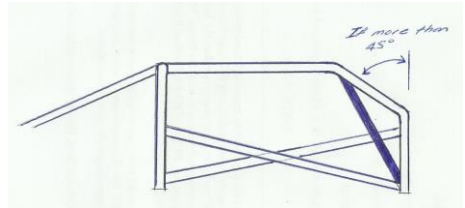


## VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: A, B, C HOTRODS

1. Abbreviations for this class are:  
A Hotrod - 8 cylinder cars  
B Hotrod - 6 cylinder cars  
C Hotrod - 4 cylinder cars
2. Any motor modification permitted
3. All body shells must resemble factory made vehicles, they may be constructed from original panels, fibreglass or handmade panel steel. They must be on factory made floor pans. Alterations allowed to motor, gearbox, differential and suspension mounts, but suspension must not mount directly to roll cage or any brackets, pipe work or part of the roll cage. The roll cage connected to original body or floor pan may support suspension mounts. Chassis strengthening necessitated by changed power plants etc. is to the scrutineers discretion and satisfaction.  
E.g. - A hotrod class car must be able to be mobile with all internal pipe work removed.
4. Any car with cut or altered firewall must have an approved type scatter blanket or scatter shield 1/4" steel plate (min) and must cover the top 180 degree of the bell housing.
5. Full roll cages are compulsory, minimum specification for roll cages being 40mm outside diameter. **BLACK** steel tube with 3mm wall thickness for main hoop and a minimum of 32mm outside diameter, 3mm for the internal supports.  
Alternatively, a full roll cage built of genuine roll cage tube 38.1mm outside diameter 2.6mm wall thickness may also be used throughout. Bends must be smooth and free of deformity.  
All fixing plates to be a minimum of 5mm thick and not less than 100mm x 100mm. The floor area where roll cages are mounted must be of sound condition – stitch welding recommended.  
All cages must have support bars across top of the windscreen opening and also between the main hoop of the cage 2/3rds from base of seat (in case of seat failure).
6. When the roll cage pipe on the 'A' pillar (beside windscreen opening) exceeds 45 degrees from the vertical, additional bracing is required to help prevent the collapse of the 'A' pillar in the event of a roll over. Ideally an additional straight pipe will be added that runs from near the top of the 'A' pillar pipe (top of windscreen opening) to the bottom of the 'A' pillar pipe near floor or to side intrusion bar of cage. Due to space constraints caused by things like steering wheel, legroom to pedals and access to entering vehicle, variations to the above design can be accepted at the discretion of the head scrutineer.



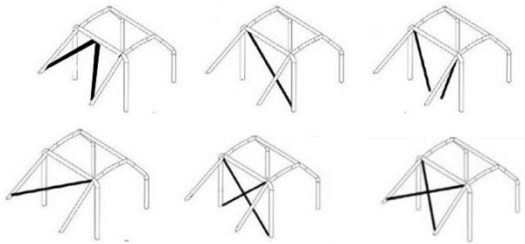
Minimum material size to be 32mm OD pipe x 3mm wall black pipe, or, 38.1mm OD x 2.6mm wall roll cage tube. Dark line on following illustration shows bar in this remit. Above additional pipes are not compulsory until 2020/21 season.



7. A minimum of one diagonal brace starting at either top corner of main hoop going to opposite side of car to either the bottom of the main hoop or lower end of rear roll cage brace. Two diagonal braces running in opposite directions are preferred.

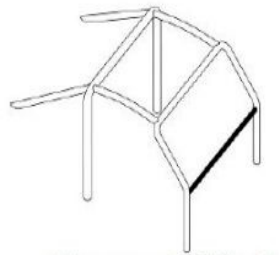
Alternatively, a matching pair of diagonal braces that go from the center line of the car and angle outwards to each side of the car. One end of each pipe to be welded to main hoop and the other end to the lower end of rear roll cage brace or to the original shell of car provided that a fixing plate not less than 200mm x 100mm x 3mm is used.

These diagonal braces to have no bends. Minimum material size to be 32mm OD pipe x 3mm wall black pipe, or, 38.1mm OD x 2.6mm wall roll cage tube. Dark lines on following illustrations shows proposed bars and options in this remit.



Above additional pipes are not compulsory until 2020/21 season.

8. A horizontal support bar to run between the roll cage 'A' pillar pipes across the bottom of the windscreen opening, at a height that will not obscure drivers' vision or encroach on driver or passenger legroom. Minimum material size to be 32mm OD pipe x 3mm wall black pipe, or, 38.1mm OD x 2.6mm wall roll cage tube. Above additional pipes are not compulsory until 2020/21 season.



9. Hip/intrusion bars to be fitted to all vehicles at a position not lower than level with driver's legs (knees to hips). Hip plates of a minimum of 3mm (1/8") thickness, 300mm (12" high and 600mm 24") long welded on three sides must be

included. If passengers are to be carried then a similar hip plate must be fitted on the passenger's side.

OR: Cross bars in the door area to be mounted between front hoop and centre hoop. First bar to be mounted at hip height or 350mm from floor level (whichever is more suitable) on centre hoop and sloped down to join front hoop at floor level. Second bar to start at the same height as first, welded to front hoop and sloped down to meet centre hoop at floor level. Pipe to be 2mm x 34mm minimum. Triangles on 2mm sheet and centre square to help join all plates recommended. These are minimum requirements.

10. The driver must be completely isolated from the motor cooling system, and driveline by adequate firewall and transmission cover.
11. Petrol caps must be screw on or firmly secured, no rubber fuel caps permitted. No fuel container to be mounted inside drivers compartment, no plastic fuel lines or plastic or glass fuel filters.  
Cars running methanol to display the letter "M" in fluorescent paint on their cars.
12. Original wheelbase to be maintained.
13. All cars must have high back seats or headrests.
14. All seats must be fixed securely front and rear of seat.
15. Front and rear bumpers, pipe size 32mm OD black/galvanised. A single pipe may be fitted but pipe must wrap around the front or rear bumper/guard as original bumpers/guard did or do but no more than original bumpers/guards. No pipe work may protrude further than 75mm from the cars panels outside of the pipe. All ends to be capped. Original bumpers may be put over these bars providing the inside of the bumper is also no further than standard bumpers. A hoop may be fitted on the top of the bar, but must not extend along more than the inside of the headlight and be no more than 200mm in height to the outside of the pipe. Rear hoop not to extend along more than the outside of the taillights and be no more than 200mm in height. The bumper rule applies to all saloon cars.
16. Four wheel drive vehicles are not permitted to race in these classes.
17. All exhaust systems must extend at least level with and away from the driver's door.
18. No hotrod car will be permitted to have any external steel work including tow bars with the exception to front and rear bumpers.

19. No excessively knobbly tyres permitted (e.g.: desert dogs, town and country, mud grips etc). Rally tyres and cross grooves are acceptable along with racing tyres. Dual wheels not permitted.
20. All vehicles to display their competition numbers on both sides of the vehicle. Numbers to be no less than 400mm in height and be of a contrasting colour to vehicle.
21. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that the competition numbers remain legible.
22. All batteries must be securely mounted; batteries may be mounted in the driver's compartment so long as anchorage, cover and positioning are to scrutineer's satisfaction.
23. A battery kill switch must be fitted within reach of the driver when strapped in.
24. If any car has less than two working doors, there must be exits available not less than .360sq metres in area.
25. All cars must be fitted with a drive shaft loop just behind the front universal.
26. All vehicles to have a starter motor that works, jump starting is time consuming and will be discouraged.
27. Two return springs to be fitted in a manner so as to close throttle shaft.
28. All vehicles to have adequate brakes (Scrutineers discretion)

## **Vehicle Construction: 6 Cylinder Production**

1. Engine and car type to match make and model. Maximum factory motor size 4.1 litre 6 cylinder. Twin OHC fuel injection permitted.
2. Non-forced induction type engines.
3. No four-wheel drive.
4. No after market computers. All vehicles must use the standard ecu that is originally manufactured and supplied for the make and model of the engine. Under no circumstances is the hardware or software of the ecu to be altered in anyway.
5. Maximum tyre size of 235 or equivalent road tyres only, no knobbly tyres.
6. Racing tyres with exception-of rally tyres allowed for non-class racing.
7. Extractors and pod filters allowed as optional. Exhaust pipe may be shortened with straight through muffler.
8. Suspension and brakes may be up rated to standard type of suspension to remain.
9. All steering locks to be removed.
10. Battery isolating switch to be in reach of driver in the belted up position.
11. All exterior lamps and glass to be removed.
12. Entire front screen opening to be covered by a steel mesh measuring no greater than 75mm opening and a minimum wire size of 2.6mm. Laminate windscreens acceptable but not recommended.
13. All plastic and interior trim to be removed with the exception of the dashboard and front seats. The dashboard may be replaced and the seats replaced by a race type or safer seat.
14. The exhaust pipe must exit behind drivers seat or further and must be directed away from the fuel tank.

15. After market flares, skirts and spoilers may be fitted.
16. All panels to remain uncut with the exception of the front inner door panels which may be removed only to allow side intrusion bars to run along the inside of the outer door panel.
17. Batteries may be relocated but must be mounted away from the fuel tank. If located in the passenger compartment they must be suitably mounted and contained or enclosed.
18. Standard fuel tanks may be replaced. Fuel tanks if plastic, must be in approved fuel containers with appropriate standard markings.
19. All hotrod construction rules apply with the inclusion of these above rules.
20. Safety rules as per T8, page 1, 1 to be adhered to.
21. Two return springs to be fitted in a manner so as to close throttle shaft.
22. No Rotary Engines.
23. No engine set back or cut firewalls.
24. Fuel – Pump gas or av gas only.
25. Lock diffs are optional.
26. Larger radiators permitted in original position only.

## **VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: PRODUCTION SALOON**

1. Max motor size 2000cc 4 cylinder.
2. Max tyre size 205 std; road radial, no knobbly tyres. Wider tyres permitted outside class races. No racing tyres permitted.
3. Original single carbs for motor, no 4 barrels, twin carbs, super chargers, turbo or fuel injection, all vehicles to run factory type suspension for that vehicle.
4. No rotary motors, twin cams, or multi valves.
5. Standard exhaust manifolds or extractors are accepted.
6. No engine set back or cut firewalls.
7. Body must remain original. *Exceptions:* Inner door skin may be cut only to allow side intrusion bars to have clearance.
8. All hotrod construction rules apply with the inclusion of these above rules.

## **VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: ALTERED CLASSES A, B & C**

1. Chassis: Chassis may follow builder's own design using any materials he would like, but must include roll cage as part of the chassis.
2. Roll cage: Roll cage must be constructed of 3mm wall steel pipe of a minimum outside diameter 40mm and must be of full cage design with adequate lateral support. Alternatively, a full roll cage built of genuine roll cage tube 38.1mm outside diameter 2.6mm wall thickness may also be used throughout. Bends must be smooth and free of deformity.
3. Transmission: The transmission may be set up in any way required. But must be covered by a floor plate with the bell housing covered by a scatter shield covering the top 180% of the bell housing and made of 1/4" or metric equivalent (6mm) plate.
4. Differential: Once again the differential may be set up in any way desired, but the drive shaft must have a safety loop placed immediately behind the gearbox yoke.

5. Battery: The battery may be placed in the driver's compartment but must be completely covered and securely mounted. If placed elsewhere the battery may be exposed but must be securely mounted.
6. Body: All body shells must resemble factory made vehicles. They may be constructed from original panels, fibreglass, aluminium or panel steel.
7. Fuel Lines: Fuel lines must be of an approved material and securely installed. No plastic lines or filters, no fuel lines in drivers compartment unless covered by an approved material, i.e.: panel steel, aluminium.
8. Bumpers: This class may have front and rear bumpers of a diameter no more than 32mm OD. All bumper ends to be capped.
9. Brakes: All vehicles to have adequate brakes (scrutineer's discretion).
10. Engine: The engine may be placed anywhere within the chassis, providing safety regulations are adhered to.
11. The driver must be suitably isolated from the motor cooling system, and driveline by adequate firewall and transmission cover.
12. Petrol caps must be screw on or firmly secured, no rubber fuel caps permitted. No fuel container to be mounted inside drivers compartment, no plastic fuel lines or plastic or glass fuel filters.  
Cars running methanol to display the letter "M" in fluorescent paint on their cars.
13. All cars must have high back seats or headrests.
14. All seats must be fixed securely front and rear of seat.
15. No altered car will be permitted to have any external steel work including tow bars with the exception to front and rear bumpers.
16. No excessively knobbly tyres permitted (e.g.: desert dogs, town and country, mud grips etc). Rally tyres and cross grooves are acceptable along with racing tyres. Dual wheels not permitted.
17. All vehicles to display their competition numbers on both sides of the vehicle. Numbers to be no less than 400mm in height and be of a contrasting colour to vehicle.
18. If any car has less than two working doors, there must be exits available not less than .360 sq. metres in area.



19. A battery kill switch must be fitted within reach of the driver when strapped in.
20. All vehicles to have a starter motor that works, jump starting is time consuming and will be discouraged.
21. Two return springs to be fitted in a manner so as to close throttle shaft.
22. Hip/intrusion bars to be fitted to all vehicles at a position not lower than level with driver's legs (knees to hips). Hip plates of a minimum of 3mm (1/8") thickness, 300mm (12" high and 600mm 24") long welded on three sides must be included. If passengers are to be carried then a similar hip plate must be fitted on the passenger's side.  
  
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23. All cars must be fitted with a drive shaft loop just behind the front universal unless the drive shaft is mounted above the floor plate and fully enclosed in suitable material to the scrutineers satisfaction.

### **VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: 0 - 1600CC LEVEL CLASS**

1. Engine and car type to match make and model.
2. Non-forced induction type engines.
3. No four-wheel drive
4. No after market computers.
5. Maximum tyre size of 205 or equivalent road tyres only.
6. Racing tyres with exception-of rally tyres allowed for non-class racing.
7. Extractors allowed as optional.
8. Suspension and brakes may be up rated but standard type of suspension to remain.

9. All steering locks to be removed.
10. Battery isolating switch to be in reach of driver in the belted up position.
11. All exterior lamps and glass to be removed.
12. Entire front screen opening to be covered by a steel mesh measuring no greater than 75mm opening and a minimum wire size of 2.6mm.
13. All plastic and interior trim to be removed with the exception of the dashboard and front seats. The dashboard may be replaced and the seats can be replaced by a race type or safer seat.
14. The exhaust pipe must exit behind the drivers seat or further and must be directed away from the fuel tank.
15. After market flares, skirts and spoilers may be fitted.
16. All panels to remain uncut with the exception of the front inner door panels which may be removed only to allow side intrusion bars to run along the inside of the outer door panel.
17. Batteries may be relocated but must be mounted away from the fuel tank.
18. Standard fuel tanks may be replaced.
19. All hotrod construction rules apply with the inclusion of these above rules.
20. Safety rules as per T8, Page 1; 1 to be adhered to.
21. Two return springs to be fitted in a manner so as to close throttle shaft.
22. All vehicles must use the standard ecu that is originally manufactured and supplied for the make and model of the engine. Under no circumstances is the hardware or software of the ecu be altered in anyway.

### **VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: LEFTIE SALOON LEVEL CLASS**

1. Vehicle construction to comply with our current rule book. Vehicle construction Altered Classes A, B, C No's 1-23 or A,B,C Hotrods No's 1-28.
2. Fire extinguishers can be located on trailer in pit area or fixed in race car.
3. All vehicles must start without the assistance of a push vehicle.

4. Current Green sheeted Speedway NZ & CTRA vehicles will be eligible to run in this class

### **VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: MINISTOCKS**

1. All cars must have current green sheet and or comply with CTRA rules.

### **VEHICLE CONSTRUCTION: GRASS KARTS**

#### **Kart Construction:**

1. Engine: To be Air-cooled 4-stroke up to 250cc motorbike engine with clutch. Must be naturally aspirated, (no forced air, turbo etc, No NOS kits)

#### **Kart Dimensions:**

2. 1800mm long x 1350mm wide maximum (bumper to bumper and the outside of the rear wheels).

#### **Bumpers:**

3. Must not exceed the rear wheel and rim total width. Must have rounded corners and be adequately constructed. Can be flush to the outside of the rear wheels but no more than 50mm inside of that line. Must be a minimum of 100mm deep and vertically up and down (90deg to the ground) and have at least 2 vertical bars fitted. Front bumper must not exceed the inside turning of either front tyre and have at least two vertical bars fitted. Front vertical bars must be of metal construction and welded or bolted in.

#### **Side Bars:**

4. These are to be constructed of minimum 19mm OD tube, the lower bar must be no more than 130mm from the ground at any point, and no closer than 50mm to the ground. The upper bar must be a minimum of 100mm and maximum of 200mm directly above the lower bar and must meet general kart dimensions. Front of bars must be no more than 200mm from the front wheels (with the wheels straight ahead), and no more than 50mm inside wheels. Plastic side pods may be used but must meet all general Kart dimensions.

#### **Chain Guard:**

5. Must be fitted to cover the top of all of the drive chain. Must continue downward at the rear to a maximum of the axle centre line and must be able to deflect the chain downwards in the event of a break.

Fuel tanks and lines:

6. Must be securely mounted and retain fuel from spillage. No fuel tanks to be mounted above (over) the engine. Fuel shut off valves to be fitted and be accessible on all types of fuel systems. Fuel shut off valves can be fitted to the tank or a maximum of 150mm down the supply line from the tank. They must be clearly visible. Fuel lines must be secured at all joints. Fuel breathers or check valves must be fitted and so designed that is completely prevents all spillage.
7. Pump or aviation gas only to be used. No Methanol or alcohol fuels. No NOS kits allowed.

Kill Switch:

8. Must be accessible and CLEARLY IDENTIFIED. Must be working. Must be mounted on the steering column or the steering wheel. Must isolate electric fuel pump where fitted.

Numbers:

9. Must be mounted Front, Back and a minimum of left side, both sides are preferred. Numbers must be either numbers on white or white numbers on black. Must be cleaned prior to each race. Must read horizontally. Must be visible.

Floor pans:

10. Front of the floor pan must be installed and adequately secured. Bolts must be used to the floor pan with lock nuts on top of the floor pan.

Mud Flaps:

11. Fitted to the rear bumper, no higher than 20mm off the ground. The top of the mud flap must be 25mm higher than the top of the rear wheel. Must cover the rear tyre and rim in total width plus a minimum of 5mm either side. Any damaged mud flaps should be replaced. Mud flaps must be effective but not metal and be securely attached (not cable ties only).

Wheels:

12. Four wheels per Kart. No duals. No tyre tampering e.g. Hand grooving.

Brakes:

13. Must have operating brakes fitted to rear.

Protection:

14. Helmets – Must be approved motorcycle helmet. Must be always worn when in Kart. Must fit correctly. Not damaged, chipped or cracked. No Go-Pro type cameras to be attached to helmet. Will be scrutinized prior to racing.

Protective Clothing:

15. Suitable protective footwear, eye protection, gloves and overalls (full length and long sleeved) or racing suits must always be worn when in Kart. Neck braces are compulsory. A minimum of bare skin should be showing. All hair must be contained within the helmet or overalls/race suit.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **FOREST EVENTS**

- a. All safety rules shall apply.
- b. All vehicle classifications shall apply
- c. All vehicles must have spark arrestors.
- d. All vehicles must have rear view mirrors.
- e. Entry to the forest events are only open to financial members of the Meremere Dirt Track Club Inc. who have competed in no less than three race meetings during the current season.
- f. Entry will also be open to members who in the opinion of the committee warrant entry due to special circumstances, e.g.: regular mechanic who finishes car construction in time for the event.
- g. The committee on written application made three weeks prior to the event will only consider special entry.
- h. All fire extinguishers must carry a current service sticker no less than six months old.





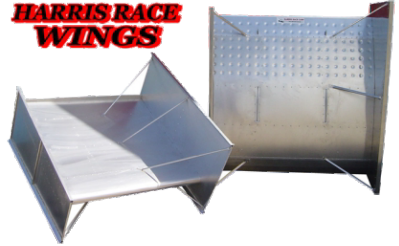
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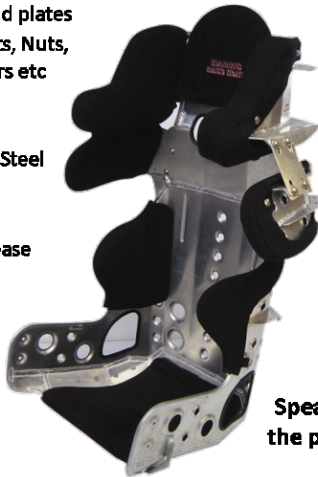


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