

# 2025



## **NHRA WEST CENTRAL**

## **DIVISION**

## **SUMMIT ET FINALS**

## **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

# 1 – PRE-RACE PROCEDURES

## 1-1 CONTESTANT CREDENTIALS

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Each driver/rider of a vehicle entered in any event conducted at an NHRA member track must have a valid NHRA Driver's License or NHRA Competition number. Licenses are subject to inspection by officials at any time. Additionally, participation in any NHRA sanctioned event requires a current NHRA Membership.

Anyone requiring a number or membership must obtain them from the National Hot Rod Association prior to event. They must bring their membership and license cards or temporaries with them to the race. ANY MEMBERSHIP OR NUMBER REQUEST AT THE EVENT WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL \$10.00 PROCESSING FEE.

See Section 7: Penalties and Fines

NOTICE: If a competitor is listed on the final team roster and is discovered to have not competed at the track being represented, the TRACK WILL LOSE ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION THE FOLLOWING SEASON'S SUMMIT ET FINALS. See Section 7: Penalties and Fines

A Contestant may be entered in two separate eliminators as long as they have two separate vehicles. **One car cannot be used in more than one eliminator.**

A contestant must represent only ONE (1) track. They cannot run one vehicle in one class for one track and run another vehicle in another class for a second track. They may run for (2) two different teams from the same track.

## 1-2 NHRA LICENSE PROGRAM

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The license issued by NHRA is to be used only by the driver to whom it is assigned, and it is restricted to the categories listed on the license. The license is valid until its expiration date or until revoked by NHRA. The license is intended only to signify that the driver has demonstrated basic qualifications for drag racing classes up to and including the one in which the driver has qualified. The license does not convey a privilege to engage in racing events.

### 1-2.1 GENERAL

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Any vehicle except E.T. Motorcycle or snowmobile running faster than 135 mph must meet minimum requirements for 9.99-second vehicles including driver credentials and protective clothing. The 135-mph rule does not apply to E.T. Motorcycle or snowmobile. E.T. Motorcycle & snowmobile must comply with 9.99-second E.T. restrictions.

- (1) All license applicants must be at least **16** years of age.
- (2) All Level 1-3 license applicants are required to pass a physical examination prior to making any test runs. Any abnormalities in this examination may be referred to an NHRA medical consultant for review and may be cause for rejection. **The license is valid for a period of (two) 2 years from the physical date.** Starting at the age of 55 all drivers must have an electrocardiogram (EKG) included in their physical examination.
- (3) If there is any question concerning licenses, contact the Division Office.

### **1-3 ENTRY AGREEMENT**

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In consideration of being allowed to enter and by being issued credentials to an NHRA event or an event at an NHRA member track, the vehicle owner, the vehicle driver, crewmembers, extra crewmembers, and other holders of credentials (the participants) agree as follows:

- (1) All rights to advertising, promotion, filming, recording, exhibition, and other exploitations of the event, the participants and vehicles entered in the event, and their activities at the site of the event before, during, and after the event and reasonable related to the event, are reserved to NHRA and its assigns:
- (2) Participants hereby grant NHRA and its assigns (a) full and unconditional permission to make still or motion pictures and any other type(s) of audio or visual recordings of their and vehicles' participation in the event and their activities at the site of the event before, during and after the event and reasonably related to the event; and (b) the exclusive, worldwide and perpetual rights to use the same, together with the names, likeness, and biographies of participants, and the names, likeness, and date of, or relating to, their entered vehicles for publicity, advertising, exhibition or exploitation, whether or not for profit, in print, audio, video, and other communications media by reproduction and sale or other distribution by any and all means now known or hereafter developed;
- (3) Participants agree (a) that, without the prior written consent of NHRA, they shall not take any still or motion pictures or make any audio or visual recording of the event, participants therein, or activities at the site of the event for use other than personal, in home use of the participant, or cause or permit others to do so or to use the same; and (b) that NHRA shall have exclusive worldwide, perpetual, and universal use of any pictures or recordings made or used in violation of this paragraph; and (c) that NHRA shall be irreparably harmed by the making or use of such pictures or recordings in such fashion without such permission.
- (4) Participants agree that, without the prior written consent of NHRA, they shall not offer for sale, sell, give away, or otherwise distribute, at the site of the event, any token, any souvenir, any product, or thing of value, or permit others to do so, and that NHRA shall be irreparably harmed by a violation of this paragraph.

### **1-4 ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

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The participant agrees that by entering an event, the participant acknowledges that the event site is safe and suitable for racing and the participant acknowledges that by participating in the event the participant may suffer bodily injury or death or loss or damage to property.

The participant further acknowledges that the participant has voluntarily assumed the risk of such losses and waives any claims for such losses against NHRA, the NHRA event officials, the event sponsors, the racetrack operators and other participants, discharges such persons from responsibility for such losses and covenants not to sue such persons for such losses. All participants shall be required as a condition of participation to sign all required entry forms, including such releases as shall be required by NHRA insurance policies. For purposes of the Rulebook and Policy Manual, the term "participant" shall include any person directly or indirectly associated with any vehicle which has been permitted to enter an event site for the purpose of competition, including, but not limited to owners, drivers and crewmembers.

NHRA makes no representations or express or implied warranties that compliance with the rules and regulations published during the course of the year in National Dragster will prevent or guarantee against injury or death to spectators or participants or damage to personal property. These rules and regulations constitute the minimum acceptance standards for competition and are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport. Safety is the responsibility of equipment manufacturers, builders and the participants in the event.

### **1-5 TECHNICAL INSPECTION**

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**All tech cards will be submitted online via a link provided prior to the event. No paper tech cards will be accepted. Making a run without a correctly submitted tech card is grounds for disqualification from the event. This will be strictly enforced. The team representative may request to compare their roster to received tech cards list prior to the first day of competition.**

NHRA reserves the right at any time to inspect, seal for inspection and/or tear down a participant's vehicle. Breaking of seal without authorization from the Technical Department may result in immediate disqualification from the event. Misrepresentation or modifications not allowed by the Rule Book (i.e.: bell housing) of products required to meet certain specs (i.e.: SFI, SNELL, DOT, etc.) is grounds for disqualification. When these products have "obviously" been modified, the certification label (SFI, SNELL, etc.) shall be removed and the product impounded for at least the duration of the contestant's participation in the event. Additional punitive action, as determined appropriate in the sole and absolute discretion of the NHRA, may be taken.

Vehicles participating in drag racing events must be presentable in appearance at all times; those considered improperly prepared may be rejected by the technical inspector. The appearance of personnel attending contestant vehicles is equally important and is subject to the same considerations. Each member of a contestant's crew must be fully attired when present in the staging, starting, and competition areas of the racetrack. **Shoes are mandatory. Shorts, bare legs, tank tops, or bare torsos are prohibited while driving a race vehicle.**

## 2 – PIT AREA REGULATIONS

### 2-1 PIT SPACES – GENERAL

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Each contestant must always confine their pit space in an orderly manner and follow the normal flow of traffic. Once parked, trailers may not be relocated without NHRA Officials approval.

EXCESSIVE SPEED OR BURNOUTS IN THE PIT AREA, STAGING LANES, OR RETURN ROADS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED!

**Team rosters** must be sent into the West Central Division office no later than the **Tuesday before the event** and pit spaces will be provided for the number of members on the roster only. Each individual team is responsible for parking within the assigned space provided. Pit area requests are determined by the final Team Point Totals from the previous year's ET Finals.

### 2-2 TRAILER REQUIREMENTS

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Roadways to the rear of all trailers must be unobstructed by doors, tailgates, ramps, awnings, etc. Competitors using lift gate type rear doors must close doors after loading and unloading procedures are completed. All extended ramps must be stowed after use. Maximum width of trailer and awning is 22 feet.

For security, pit control and emergency personnel to better identify a contestant's trailer, it is requested that vehicle number and class be applied to the tip right hand corner of the rear door.

### 2-3 WARM UP PROCEDURES

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It is mandatory that a driver be seated in the race vehicle in the normal driving position anytime the engine is running, unless coupler or driveline is removed from vehicle. When starting engines in the pits, all vehicles must be on jack stands or have coupler / driveline removed. **THE PRACTICE OF TRANSBRAKE TESTING, CONVERTER STALLS, LINE-LOC TESTING, AND/OR TRANSMISSION WARMING IS PROHIBITED IN ALL CLASSES**, in all areas of the event except in starting line approach areas beyond staging (water box), or unless vehicle is on jack stands. NON-COMPLIANCE IS GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION.

### 2-4 AUXILIARY PIT VEHICLES

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All contestants using auxiliary pit vehicles (mini-bikes, ATV's, golf carts, scooters, etc.) must have their **competition number** displayed on those vehicles. Pit vehicles without such identification will NOT be allowed in the pit area and may be impounded.

All auxiliary pit vehicles must be used for necessary transportation only. NO recreational or fun riding allowed. NO OPERATORS UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE PERMITTED. Vehicles will be impounded if excessive speed or careless riding practices are used. CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO RIDE TRICYCLES, BICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER BLADES, SCOOTERS, ETC. IN THE PIT AREA AT ANY TIME.

## 3 – RESTRICTED AREA POLICY

### 3-1 DEFINITION OF RESTRICTED AREA

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Due to the insurance conditions, some operational realities have a dramatic effect on race procedures. It is essential that all drivers and crew members read and understand the following rules and regulations.

To fully understand these rules, the term “RESTRICTED AREA” must be defined. At all NHRA events, the RESTRICTED AREA IS:

- a) THE AREA PAST THE HEAD OF STAGING LANES
- b) THE BURNOUT AND ADJACENT AREAS
- c) THE DRAGSTRIP AND SHUTDOWN AREA
- d) THE RETURN ROAD TO POINT OF ENTRY TO PITS
- e) TRACKSIDE AREAS BETWEEN THE GUARDWALLS AND PRIMARY SPECTATOR FENCES

### 3-2 AGE LIMITATIONS

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All individuals (drivers, crewmembers, officials, sponsors, media, etc.) entering a Restricted Area must sign the appropriate Waiver and Liability Releases. To enter any Restricted Area, each individual must be at least 14 years of age plus possess and display a valid *RESTRICTED AREA PASS*. Minors under the age of 14 will be issued a special *RESTRICTED AREA PASS* but **MUST REMAIN WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE TOW VEHICLE WHENEVER IN A RESTRICTED AREA** (must be inside cab of a truck or car - NOT on a golf cart, scooter, or ATV). All drivers at NHRA National Events must be at least 18 years of age.

All minors, under the age of 18 must have a Minor Release Form signed by **BOTH PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS**. In the case of a single parent (by means of divorce, death, or court order), or a legal guardian (by court order), a written notation must be made on the Minor Release Form.

### 3-3 RESTRICTED AREA PASS CONDITIONS

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Only the individual to whom they were issued may use *RESTRICTED AREA PASSES*. If an exchange of passes is deemed necessary, the original pass must be turned in to NHRA and voided. A New Pass will then be issued upon proper execution of the appropriate Waiver for the new individual.

## 4 – RACE PROCEDURES

### 4-1 RUN SESSIONS / DIAL-INS

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Each contestant must have a valid RESTRICTED AREA PASS before making a Time Trial. The driver's RESTRICTED AREA PASS serves as proof of Inspection and Waiver signing. A contestant making a run prior to obtaining a RESTRICTED AREA PASS will be disqualified from the event. If a session is interrupted and terminated by weather, darkness, curfew, or other conditions, the time trial sessions remaining may have to be terminated.

Dial ins should be placed on the front glass and side windows so that the Tower can read them. They should be large enough and legible, so the tower personnel can read the dial in easily. **Once a pair of cars pass the marked commitment line, they can NO longer change the dial in on their vehicle, unless the normal flow of racing is halted due to rain, track clean up or an incident.** If there happens to be a re-run, dial-ins may be changed between runs.

### 4-2 BURNOUTS

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All pre-race burnouts are restricted to designated areas, using water only. If a contestant's car should break and cannot back up or be pushed back, it is not permitted to turn around on the track and drive back to the starting line. Crossing the center line on a burn out is not a disqualification. No person is permitted to hold or touch cars during burnouts.

### 4-3 READY LINE

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Once in the final staging area, all pre-race crew procedures must be complete. No crew member may touch or perform any function on the vehicle when in this Zone. Procedures such as the following must be completed prior to staging (i.e.: lining up vehicle after burnout, removing parachute pins, wiping tires, etc.)

### 4-4 STAGING

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**A driver must verify dial in before PRE-STAGING. Once PRE-STAGED, driver accepts all conditions of the race, including whether Crosstalk is ON or OFF.** Once vehicles reach the front of the staging lanes for a run, they are considered a pair and must be prepared to fire and race. Once to this point the two vehicles are considered a pair. If a competitor breaks after this point, they will have **one minute** to fire the car before his competition will receive a competition bye.

If a competitor loses fire after the burnout, they will have approximately **30 seconds** to refire and stage the car. The final decision will be up to the starter.

Deep Staging is allowed, in all classes except Super Pro, with the courtesy of the word "DEEP" being written on the window so that the competition and the starter can see it. It is the responsibility of the driver to get in deep without holding up the other competitor. If both cars in a pair are marked as "DEEP", the starter will hold the switch until both drivers have gone deep, otherwise, no accommodations are made for deep staging.

To be a legitimate race winner, a contestant's vehicle must self-start and self-stage. This rule also applies to single runs. Push starting a vehicle or push staging any vehicle is prohibited. Staging must be done in a forward motion going from pre-stage to stage position.

The application or use of any device, mechanical or electronic, that permits the driver to ascertain the position of their vehicle in relation to the starting line, is prohibited.

### 4-4 STAGING (cont.)

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A reasonable amount of time will be permitted for drivers to stage. The starter will determine the time limit. Failure to stage upon the starter's instructions is possible grounds for disqualification. After proper staging and receiving the starters signal to go, a re-staging

for a second time is prohibited. Auto-Start and cross talk will be used at the ET Finals. The Auto-Start system will start once drivers are pre-staged, unless the starter overrides the system. **Once the PRE-STAGE bulb is lit, there is NO changing dial ins or crosstalk.**

If both drivers of a race leave the line before the start system is activated, both times are disqualified for the run. A driver on a single run would advance, however, any ET or MPH posted will be void.

If both vehicles in a race experience mechanical problems and neither can cross the finish line, both would be eliminated. Drivers or crew cannot push their vehicles to complete a run. If this should occur in a final round, a rerun would be called for in a time frame determined by the Event Director.

#### **4-5 STARTER'S AUTHORITY**

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The official starter has the final starting line control of each race as it is being conducted.

After proper staging and receiving the starters signal to go, it is not allowable to re-stage for a second attempt. Failure to stage upon the starter's instructions is grounds for disqualification.

Any driver leaving the starting line before the start system is activated, or is instructed by the Official Starter, will have his/her time voided for the run. If both vehicles leave the starting line before the system is activated, then both vehicles will be disqualified.

#### **4-6 CREW – TOW VEHICLES**

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Tow vehicle use is reserved for Super Pro & Super Pro Bike competitors ONLY

Any vehicle used as a tow vehicle must display the driver's Competition Number. LIMIT of 6 crewmembers inside the tow vehicle. Crewmembers must be completely within the truck bed or inside the cab area. ***NO SITTING ON THE SIDES OF THE BED OR TAILGATE.***

Each member of a participant crew must be fully attired when present in the staging, starting and competition areas of the racetrack. Shoes are mandatory.

#### **4-7 LANE CHOICE**

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If there is a dispute as to who has the lane choice, the staging director will assign a lane or drivers can determine lane choice by the flip of a coin. Otherwise, the odd lanes are left lane and the even lanes are right lane as the competitors come into the staging lanes.

#### **4-8 BREAK OUT RULES**

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Contestants who run below their dial-in during eliminations are disqualified with the following exceptions:

- (1) When an opponent foul starts or crosses a boundary line
- (2) On a single run
- (3) When both drivers run under the dial-in, the driver who is the least under is the winner



#### 4-9 RETENTION OF VEHICLES/PARTS

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Participant hereby grants NHRA and its assigns the full and unconditional permission to collect and retain vehicles and parts of vehicles owned by or in the possession of participant, including such vehicles and parts of vehicles which have been involved in accidents when NHRA determines in its sole and absolute discretion that such actions are necessary incident to the investigation of an accident, the inspection of testing of such parts or vehicles, or for any other purpose.

#### 4-10 TWO-WAY RADIO COMMUNICATION

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The use of two-way radios for the sole purpose of voice communication between driver and crew is acceptable in all classes.

#### 4-11 OCCUPANTS

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Any time a race vehicle is started, whether in the pits, staging lanes, with self-starter, or anywhere else on the facility, a competent driver must be in the driver's seat unless coupler or driveline is removed. Non – compliance is grounds for disqualification from the event.

#### 4-12 TEAM SIZE

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Each track may bring two (2) teams consisting of **36** racers. This **36**-member team can be a combination of any of the 4 classes. In addition, each track may bring up to four (4) high school students and their points will also count toward the team total. **The High School competitors may not race in any other category.** Each team is also eligible to bring two (4) Jr. Street competitors per team. Jr. Street **WILL** earn team points. Each track is eligible to bring two (2) electric vehicles contestants. These contestants do not earn team points. **Beginning in 2025, Street Legal EV will NOT be contested at the World Finals in Las Vegas.**

Beginning in 2024, a race will be contested in 5.30, 5.80, 6.50 and 7.50 Index Classes. Each track may bring up to two (2) representatives in each class. These representatives may NOT compete in any other class at the Team Finals, but are eligible to compete in Gambler's Races. Index classes are open to traditional doorslammers only and vehicles may not compete in any other Summit ET category.

**Track points list** must be in the West Central Division Office no later than the **Tuesday following Labor Day**. It must be computer generated or typed. **The actual team roster must be submitted via a link that will be provided to each track.** This will be the only way rosters will be accepted. The deadline for rosters is the **Tuesday before the event** is scheduled to begin. Track penalty for failure to send in points list and team list by the deadline set up by the NHRA West Central Division Office, will be \$300.00. The \$300.00 will go to the ET account. See section 7: penalties and fines

Final Team Roster may be amended with no more than 6 changes and these amendments must be finalized by the time registration closes on Thursday, prior to racing on Friday.

Each track is allowed to list two alternates in addition to their 36-member team roster. The alternates may replace a team member until the close of NHRA registration on Friday. The alternates are also eligible to enter the gamblers races.

**If a competitor is listed on the final team roster and is discovered to have not competed at the represented track being represented a MINIMUM of two events in the current season, the TRACK WILL LOSE ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION THE FOLLOWING SEASON'S SUMMIT ET FINALS.** See Section 7: Penalties and Fines

**SUPER PRO ..... 6.50 TO 11.99 (4.00-7.99 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile)**

Computer, unless OEM stock, and Stutter boxes – PROHIBITED Delay boxes, transbrake, four-wheel line-loc, automated shifter, throttle control and starting line and or “high side” rev limiters permitted. Data Recorders. – permitted. Lower engine containment device required for all vehicles running 9.99 or quicker.

**PRO ET ..... 8.50 TO 13.99 (no electronics)**

Computers, unless OEM stock, Data Recorders, Stutter boxes, Throttle stops and Delay boxes are PROHIBITED. Transbrake/Dual line-loc’s are allowed as long as the wiring consists of a single continuous wire from the power source to a switch and a single continuous wire from the switch to the transbrake or line-loc. All Trans-Brake/Line Loc buttons must be NHRA Accepted (List of accepted buttons can be found on NHRA.com) Two step rev limiter – Permitted. Automated shifters– Permitted. NO TOW VEHICLES, Lower engine containment device required for all vehicles running 9.99 or quicker.

**SPORTSMAN..... 11.60 TO 19.99 (no electronics)**

Computer (unless OEM), Data Recorders, Delay boxes, Transbrake, automated shifter (unless OEM), Throttle stops and Stutter Boxes PROHIBITED. Two wheel line loc's only are permitted. **Ignition:** Single stage, ‘high side’ rev limiter permitted. Starting line rev limiter prohibited. Rev limiter or any other rpm limiting devices, legal unto themselves but altered or installed in so as to function as a down-track rpm controller prohibited. Crank Trigger is PROHIBITED unless OEM Distributor less ignition. Slicks are permitted and mufflers are optional.

**PRO BIKE ..... 7.50 TO 14.00 (electronics)**

Same rules apply as in Super Pro (Lower engine containment device not required)

**HIGH SCHOOL..... 11.60 & SLOWER (no electronics)**

Reserved for full bodied cars with full fenders, hood, grille, top, windshield, and functional doors. Nitrous prohibited.

**INDEX ..... 5.30, 5.80, 6.50, 7.50 (eighth-mile. .400 Pro Tree)**

Door cars only (Motorcycles, Dragsters, Altereds, and Roadsters are not permitted). Must have front clip, hood, grille, and bumper installed. Delay boxes, Electric/Pneumatic Throttle Stops, Stutter Boxes, Timers and similar devices are PROHIBITED. Hard Stops are permitted. After-market Traction Control Devices are PROHIBITED. **5.30 Index limited to 275/60/15 or 28x10.5 (non-W) tires.** All other classes are permitted to run any size radial or slick.

**JR STREET.....** Approved vehicles must be registered, insured, legal to drive on public roadways with mufflers and DOT stamped and approved street tires (slicks prohibited) and run 9.00 seconds and slower. If a racer runs faster than 8.50 seconds during class time trials or eliminations, he or she will be disqualified for the remainder of the event and may face further action deemed appropriate by NHRA, in NHRA's sole and absolute discretion. NHRA Jr. Street is for drivers of full-bodied cars, trucks, vans, or SUVs. Prohibited vehicles include open-top SUVs or open-top SUV-type vehicles. Convertible tops are allowed but must be closed at all times. Motorcycles are prohibited. Vehicle may not be equipped with drive wheel tubs or be back-halved. Roll bars are permitted. Vehicles must also have the correct state issued license plate (dealer tags, paper tags, temporary tags, etc. prohibited), a valid state vehicle registration, a valid state inspection (if required), and proof of current insurance. Vehicles must be able to pass all state highway safety requirements for the state in which the vehicle is registered.

Participants may not compete in any other class and a valid NHRA Jr. Street program participant license and NHRA membership are mandatory.

**Summit EV..... NHRA SUMMIT RACING SERIES STREET LEGAL EV RULES**

DESIGNATION - SEV, proceeded by competition number

The NHRA Summit Racing Series Street Legal EV category is reserved only for foreign and domestic OEM production Electric Vehicle automobiles and trucks. All vehicles must be street driven and drivers must carry a state-issued proof of registration and valid insurance information. All vehicles must also display a valid license plate(s).

Vehicles participating in NHRA Summit Racing Series Street Legal EV must be able to pass all state highway safety requirements for the state in which the vehicle is registered and retain all OEM safety features.

The following requirements and specifications will be affective for the NHRA Summit Racing Series Street Legal EV:

2008-2013 OEM model-year production cars are permitted to run no quicker than 10.00 and/or no faster than 135 mph (\*6.40 eighth mile).

2014-Curent OEM model-year production cars are permitted to run no quicker than 9.00 and/or faster than 150 mph (\*5.65 eighth mile).

Drivers in vehicles running slower than 11.50 (\*7.35 eighth mile) and / or slower than 135 mph are required to wear long pants, and a NHRA accepted helmet.

Drivers in vehicles quicker than 11.49 (\*7.35 eighth mile) or slower than 9.00 (\*5.65 eighth mile) or faster than 135 mph or slower than 150 mph are required to wear a minimum SFI 3.2A/1 jacket, long pants, and helmet. See General Regulations 10:7 for helmet requirements.

Unaltered OEM, antilock brakes, airbag functions, stock frame\unibody construction, including floors and firewall, as well as all other OEM safety related systems (including propulsion and battery systems, seats, and seatbelts), must be functioning as per manufacturer's specifications.

Car must not be in self-drive mode (non-autonomous), application and release of throttle and brakes must be a function of the driver.

Delay boxes are prohibited.

Tires used may be other than OEM, but they must be DOT-approved.

Convertibles quicker than 13.49 (\*8.25 eighth mile) and T-tops quicker than 11.49 (\*7.35 eighth mile) must meet Summit Racing Series roll-bar and roll-cage requirements.

An NHRA Level 6 or 7 license is required for all drivers.

At designated NHRA Summit Racing Series Street Legal EV events, only legitimate street-legal machines are permitted to participate.

Batteries may be recharged in pits or other designated areas only. Batteries must be charged utilizing either the original unaltered OEM Charger, or an unaltered commercially available charging system, that will watch individual cell levels and have redundant ways to shut off the charging system in case of an overcharged.

#### 4-14 RACE OF CHAMPIONS

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There will be a “Race of Champions” in each category at the ET Finals with the exception of the Summit EV class & Index. For a track to be eligible, they must have at least **five (5)** registered participants in the ET Finals. Each track’s representative will be determined solely by that track. Car/Bike must be entered in the ET Finals to be able to compete in the Race of Champions.

#### 4-15 HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITORS

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The High School Bracket will be open to any high school student that currently holds a valid state driver’s license, complying with any restrictions listed OR a current NHRA Level 7 license. Competitors also must be currently enrolled or have graduated from high school the previous spring semester preceding the current NHRA/Summit Racing Series ET Finals. Home school students must have a letter stating they are being home schooled by a parent. High school competitors will not be allowed to enter any other eliminator. High school competitors will need to have a permanent NHRA number and a full or an associate membership. This class will be a foot brake only class and no electronics will be allowed. OEM installed electronics on street-legal entries may be permitted at the discretion of the Tech Department and Race Director. High school round wins will count for points in the team championship.

All participating High School competitors must be teched in by the NHRA Certification Team at the event. Competitors will present their tech cards, credentials, and all relevant safety equipment to a tech official. Approved tech card must then be submitted to NHRA Registration (2025 addition). See Sportsman rules for the technical guidelines

#### 4-16 REPLACEMENT VEHICLES:

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The Event Director has the option of allowing a driver to utilize a replacement vehicle under the following conditions:

- (1) The original entered vehicle is withdrawn from competition and cannot be reinstated.
- (2) Replacement vehicle must be fully certified and submitted for full technical inspection when “race ready” prior to continuation of competition. Driver must have a competition license to drive a replacement vehicle if required.
- (3) A Contestant may be allowed only one vehicle replacement per event.

#### 4-17 BYE’S:

#### 04 Addition

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Starting in Rd 1, until the quarter finals, team letter designations will be put in a hat and drawn out for the bye in each class. If there is no bye in that class then the bye will go to the same team for the next class, so on and so on until that team receives a bye. The byes will be recorded by team until all teams have had the opportunity to have a bye. If there are an odd number of cars in a class but there is no competitor remaining from the team designated for the bye, then another team will be drawn until there is a competitor remaining from the drawn bye team. The bye for the team originally pulled, will be rolled over to the next class. Once the eliminator has reached the quarters (8 cars/bikes or less) byes will be awarded by best reaction time from the previous round for a competitor that HAS NOT received a bye-run earlier in eliminations. Once the bye has been awarded, every effort will be made to separate competitors from the same team. A tracks second team is **not** considered the same team. (This does not include competition byes where the opponent cannot make the round).

**4-18 COMPETITION ENTRIES****04 Addition**

- 1) Multiple entries are not allowed. 1 entry – 1 car. Only one driver will be allowed to drive one car. Two drivers driving the same car in two different eliminators will not be permitted.
- 2) One driver WILL be allowed to drive in two different eliminators, if they drive two different cars.
- 3) One driver will NOT be permitted to drive for TWO different tracks, even if it is in two different classes. They may drive for two separate teams of the same track.
- 4) Each entrant must have competed in a MINIMUM of **two** events in the current season.

**4-19 COMPULINK ET AUTO-START SETTINGS 05 Addition**

Stage minimum	Staged to Start	Total + variance	Total time out ( <i>05 change</i> )
6	1.1	1.7-1.9	10 second

## 5 – TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

### 5-1 TEAM POINTS

Team points will be counted by giving 1 point per team, per round won by each team member (SP, Pro, Sportsman, MC, HS, JRST). All efforts will be given to not pair team members against each other in the early rounds, but it may be impossible in the later rounds. Byes will be determined by random drawing. See Section 4-17: BYE's

If there is a tie for the Team Championship, the tiebreaker will be as follows:  
Each Team Member that is involved in the tie will be given points starting from the quarterfinals to the finals. A Quarterfinalist will receive 2 points; A Semi-Finalist will receive 3 points; Runner-up will receive 4 points and a winner will receive 5 points. The Team with the greater number of total points will be deemed the Team Champion.

## 6 – ENTRY FEES AND PURSE

### 6-1 ENTRY FEES

EVENT CAR AND DRIVER	\$100.00
HIGH SCHOOL CAR AND DRIVER	\$50.00
JR STREET	\$50.00
EVENT CREW PASS	\$55.00
2-DAY CREW PASS	\$40.00

### 6-2 PURSE

CATEGORIES	SUPER PRO	PRO ET	SPORTSMAN	PRO BIKE	HIGH SCHOOL	JR. STREET	SUMMIT EV
WINNER	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1000.00**	\$350.00	Small Wally	Small Wally
**There will be a \$250 bonus to the Pro Bike Champion if a 40-Bike field is achieved.							
RUNNER UP	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 500.00	\$150.00	Plaque	Plaque
SEMI'S	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 250.00	\$50.00		
QUARTER'S	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 100.00			

Beginning with third round losers, \$75.00 round money will be paid, increasing \$25.00 each round to quarter finalist. At quarter finals, the purse above takes over and no round money will be paid.

**Division Summit Racing ET Champions (SP, PRO, SPT, MC) that attend the NHRA West Central Division Championship Banquet will receive a \$500.00 bonus check with runner's up receiving \$250.00. Must be in attendance to receive this bonus money.**

### 6-3 RACE OF CHAMPIONS

CATEGORIES	SUPER PRO	PRO ET	SPORTSMAN	PRO BIKE	INDEX	HIGH SCHOOL	JR. STREET
WINNER	\$ 600.00 + Jacket	\$ 600.00 + Jacket	\$ 600.00 + Jacket	\$ 600.00 + Jacket	\$ 600.00 + Jacket	Prizes + Jacket	Trophy +Jacket
R-UP	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	Prizes	
SEMI'S	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	Prizes	
QUARTER'S	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00*	\$ 50.00		
EIGHTH'S	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00					

(ROC champions excluded from bonus checks at the Champions Banquet)

**Racers only competing in ROC class must buy crew pass to cover all days on site**

\*Pro Bike quarters round payout requires a minimum of 16-bike field.

## 7 – PENALTIES AND FINES

### 7-1 COMPETITORS:

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Competitors may be assessed a \$10.00 processing fee for application of a membership and/or a \$10.00 processing fee for application of a permanent number at the event site.

### 7-2 TRACKS:

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A \$10.00 per occurrence fine will be assessed to the tracks for any competitors who need to apply for a membership or permanent number at the event site. These fines will be assessed following three competitor occurrences, after which the fines will be the same as the competitor fines.

**POINTS LIST REQUIREMENT:** A \$300.00 fine may be assessed to the track if your competitor points list is not in the West Central Division Office by Tuesday following Labor Day. *This list must be computer generated or type written.*

**TEAM LIST REQUIREMENT:** A \$300.00 fine may be assessed to your track if your Team list is not in the West Central Division Office by the Tuesday before the ET Finals begins. *The list must be submitted by supplied jotform link.*

**NOTE:** Final Team Roster may be amended by no more than 6 changes and these amendments must be finalized by the time registration closes on Thursday, prior to racing on Friday. Each track is allowed to list two alternates for each 36-member team roster. The alternates may replace a team member until the close of NHRA registration on Friday. The alternates are also eligible to enter the gamblers races.

**NOTE:** Once a competitor goes through the NHRA ET Finals Registration and receives a run card, they can no longer be replaced on the final Team Roster; with the exception of a listed alternate may be inserted by close of NHRA Registration Friday.

**NOTE:** Loss of eligibility for the following year for any track found to have a competitor on their team that has not competed at the represented track a **MINIMUM of two events** throughout the current season.

THESE GUIDELINES CAN BE MODIFIED OR CHANGED BY NHRA, NHRA WEST CENTRAL DIVISION DIRECTOR OR BY THE NHRA/SUMMIT ET RACING SERIES STEERING COMMITTEE.

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