



Afton Motorsports Park General Rules 2026



The intended purpose of this rule book is to make for an even playing field for all competitors competing at Afton Motorsports Park. The promoters and officials will strive to the best of their abilities, to enforce all rules fairly and with respect. The nature of the sport has proven that questions concerning rules and procedures will arise from time to time. The promoters and officials will deal with these concerns in an orderly and fair manner. ALL COMPETITORS, CREW MEMBERS AND OFFICIALS SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH THE RULES AND PROCEDURES OF THIS BOOK.

RULEBOOK DISCLAIMER: The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. By participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules. NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM PUBLICATIONS OF OR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a participant, spectator or official.

The Promoters shall be empowered to permit minor deviation from any of the specifications herein or impose further restrictions that in their opinion do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM SUCH ALTERATION OF SPECIFICATIONS. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the promoters and officials. Their decision is final.

Tech inspector and track promoters reserve the right to check and deem any car unsafe or illegal based on the following rules. If you do not read a specific rule in this rule book, you will need to check with tech inspector and/or speedway promoters before assuming something will be legal. Items not covered in this rule book will be at the discretion of Afton Motorsports Park officials and promoters.

Any time the word "stock" is used in this rule book to describe cars, parts or components, means available over the counter from the likes of GM, Chrysler or Ford authorized dealers. Also, to mean like stock from the aftermarket.

INSURANCE:

1. Any person who enters the pit area and has signed the waiver release form at the pit entry is entitled to benefits arranged by the speedway. All children entering the pit area must have a minor waiver release form signed by a parent.
2. It is highly recommended that all competitors carry additional life and medical insurance.
3. Anyone involved in an accident while on the racing premises must report the incident to the promoters before leaving the facility that night (if they are not able, someone from their team must report it). Incidents not reported that night, these benefits will not be available per the insurance company.
4. The minimum age to enter the pit area may be changed at any time.
5. Driver's minimum age is class dependent with properly signed waiver release form by a parent. Talk to promoter to get age for each class.

SPEEDWAY FACILITY:

1. There will be NO drinking, smoking, injecting, or consuming of intoxicants by anyone entering the pit area prior to or during any racing event. Anyone in the pit area suspected of drinking alcohol before or during an event will be removed from the pit area and possible suspension.

2. At all racing events, driver and owner assumes the responsibilities of not only their own actions, but also the actions of their crew. This goes for actions anywhere on speedway premises and social media. The driver and/or owner shall be the only spokesperson for the team.
3. In the event of a disagreement, anyone taking to physical action for any reason will be subject to suspension and/or fines. This will include the person and the car they are associated with. Suspension and/or fine will be determined by the speedway promoters.
4. There is local law enforcement on the speedway grounds at all times during a racing event in the case any arrest needs to be made.
5. **NO** one shall enter the tower or flag stand during or after the racing event other than track officials. Anyone doing so will face suspension and fines for themselves and the team they are affiliated with. Anyone wanting to discuss a scoring decision must report to the pit steward to contact the appropriate official.
6. Anyone deliberately disobeying an order from any track official is subject to suspension and/or fine as well as the car they are affiliated with.
7. Any driver and/or owner found violating any of the rules or procedures of this rule book shall be subject to suspension and/or fines.
8. Any fines need to be paid in full before that person can enter the pit area again.
9. The promoters have the right to prohibit anyone suspended from another racetrack from entering the pit area for the length of their suspension.

DRIVER:

1. Driver's seat must be securely fastened to frame or cage in at least six spots, (4 bottom 2 back) with minimum 3/8" bolts. Seats mounted over drive lines must have minimum 1/8" steel plate under and up the back 4" at least the width of the seat.
2. Seats must be high back aluminum racing seat .090 minimum thickness. No fiberglass, plastic or bucket seats.
3. Mandatory shock resistant roll bar padding on all bars that the driver's head or other body parts may encounter while strapped in the seat. On cars with center steering, both housings must be covered with same type padding.
4. Mandatory while driving: Full face helmet, Snell approved 2020 or newer and no older than 5 years old from production date. Must be in good condition and no hard-hit marks. Fire suit: Minimum SFI 3-2A/1, 1 or 2 pieces. Must be in good condition, no tears, holes or broken zippers. Gloves: Must be minimum Nomex single layer and in good condition. Neck support: either collar type or SFI rated neck support system. Recommended: Nomex underwear, socks, hood and fireproof driving shoes.
BELTS: Must be SFI dated and tagged by manufacturer, cannot be older than 5 years from the production date. Any belts not tagged will be considered expired. Recommend replacing all belts after any strong impacts. Any belts in an unsafe condition must be replaced regardless of age. Must be minimum 5-point harness with minimum 3" wide lap and shoulder belt and 2" wide submarine belt and quick disconnect. All belts must be mounted as per manufactures instructions to the frame or cage.
5. All crews must have operable fire extinguishers capable of putting out fuel and oil fires.

CAR:

1. All cars are subject to inspection at any time and must be free from mechanical defects and be in safe condition.
2. Drive Shaft Cover is mandatory. All cars with open shafts must have a tunnel, min. 1/8" steel from 2" under front edge of seat to back of transmission covering shaft and "U" joint on top and both sides down to floor. It must be held in place with at least four (4) 3/8" bolts minimum, to a substantial cross member. A 360-degree aluminum tubing of no less than ¼" wall 6061-T6 material will be accepted providing it covers complete shaft and "U" joint back to seat. No cast or welded tubing. The drive shaft cover must be solid, no cutaways for lightening purposes. Drive shafts must be painted white.

NOTE: Closed drive type cars, torque tubes or bells that already have a 360-degree covering from "U" joint to seat will be accepted.

3. Any car that has a suspension link such as a torque arm, coil over or trailer bar in the drivers compartment, must have a steel cable (min ¼") or clamp around it to limit its range should it break loose from its mount. Should be free of sharp edges and padded if possible.
4. All classes require a drive shaft loop that must go completely around the drive shaft made of substantial material.
5. Mandatory windshield screen of substantial material (no chicken wire or aluminum) must cover the entire windshield area. Full fender cars must have a center windshield post connected to the cage.
6. All cars MUST have a fuel shut off within reach of the driver and clearly labeled ON and OFF. All fuel lines running through the driver's compartment should be run in a safe manner. Braided fuel lines recommended. Lines should be run through rubber or steel conduit. No cast fittings.
7. All wheels must have minimum of five (5) lug nuts.
8. Exhaust must be safe from driver and exit past the driver's seat. All cars must have mufflers.
9. No mirrors.
10. All cars should be neatly painted with bold neat numbers on both doors and the roof minimum 16" tall and numbers on the front and rear of car.
11. Inspector reserves the right to request body sheet metal to be replaced and painted if it has been severely damaged.
12. Fuel cells must be securely mounted by at least two (2) steel straps, each 1" wide minimum. Each strap must be mounted with at least two (2) 5/16" bolts. Fuel system must have tip over safety and breather valves. A reinforcing cage or chassis bar must be installed behind the fuel cell.
13. Must have two (2) throttle return springs and a steel toe loop on the gas pedal.
14. All cars will have an ignition switch and master disconnect switch within reach of the driver boldly labeled ON and OFF.
15. All cars must be equipped with a quick release steering wheel.

PITS:

1. No excessive speeding in the pits. Penalties will be issued for speeding.
2. All cars must be staged before their event goes on the track or will have to start in the rear. If a car will not start in the staging area, it may be pushed started and keep their original starting position as long as they do not hold up the start of the race. If they hold up the start of the race they will have to start in the rear.
3. We will not wait for any cars to start a race. Must be ready when your race comes on the track. If not on the track for the original green flag you will not be able to run.
4. When entering or exiting the race track you must keep your car under control, to avoid other cars and crew members in the pits.
5. There is NO use of the horse track other than crossing over it when entering the pits and exiting the track. The only two exceptions to this rule is to access victory lane and for the scale cars to exit turn 2 and utilize the horse track to go directly to the scale barn.
6. No drums of fuel allowed in pit area.
7. During feature events only, we will try to give a race team two (2) caution laps to change a flat tire or make a minor repair. This rule is in effect if there is allowable time due to curfew.
8. Final finishing orders will be brought to the payout window. Any discrepancies must be made then to the pit steward to get resolved. Payoff will be shortly after at the pit shack.

TRACK:

1. The flagger's lap count is official.
2. Flagger has complete charge of track while racing. No protest allowed on flagger's decision.
3. Only track officials, safety and wrecker crews will be allowed on the track in the event of an accident. NO crew members are allowed on the track. Violation may cause disqualification and/or suspension.
4. No repairs can be made on the track. You must report to the pit area and return to the rear of the field.
5. Under caution, any car that goes to the pits must return to the rear of the field.
6. All cars must take the initial green flag in the feature to be eligible for points and money.
7. Any car that is involved, spins or stops to avoid an accident is considered part of the caution and must start in the rear.
8. If the caution comes out for an accident in turn one and someone spins in turn three after the original caution has been displayed, they are not considered part of the caution and can remain in their position.
9. Anytime the red flag is displayed all cars are to stop as soon as safely possible. No cars can enter the pits or be worked on as long as the red is displayed.
10. Any car causing three (3) cautions in the same event will be sent to the pits. The flagger may black flag any car causing unnecessary delays or for safety reasons. If given the black flag report to the pits immediately or be disqualified.
11. Any driver violating any of the flag rules will be penalized.
12. Rough riding WILL BE penalized. If occasion warrants, driver may be fined and/or suspended. All fines and suspensions are at the discretion of the track promoters.
13. All starts are at the cone/tire/line in turn four (4). All cars must stay in line until reaching the flag stand. Anyone jumping the start will be penalized. First penalty for jumping any start is two (2) positions either at the next caution or at the end of the race. Second time to the rear, third time to the pits.
14. In the event of a caution before one (1) lap is completed, it will be considered an original restart except for the car(s) involved in the caution. Any cars in the caution must go to the rear.
15. All restarts will be double file until 5 laps to go in the race. At 5 to go, restarts will be single file. If during double file restarts the field does not complete a lap in two (2) tries, field will be lined up single file as up to race control.
16. The race leader has choice of inside or outside on restarts. NOT the original start. The leader paces the start either on the inside or outside on restarts only.
17. Original Starts: the front row fires together at the start tire or line. The front row will get two attempts at a good start before the whole row gets moved back and row 2 moves up.
18. Restart: the leader gets to choose inside or outside. The leader fires first within the restart zone, not before. If the leader does not go within the zone, the second-place car has every right to fire at the end of the zone (start line/tire).
19. When the caution comes out all cars are to get single file. This is so the scorers can review the lineup and to make it easier for safety and wrecker crews to attend to an accident.
20. The scorer will communicate with the drivers and track officials as to what the correct line up is. Anyone that challenges their position will be sent to the rear.
21. No driver is permitted to stop at the flagger stand for any reason. The only time a driver should communicate with a track official during a race is for debris on the track or some other unsafe situation. Pull to the inside of track and talk to one of the corner flaggers.
22. There may be a time limit put on feature events for curfew or threatening weather reasons. You will be notified before the start of your feature if this is going to be enforced.
23. Any competitor that uses their car at any time for retaliation purposes will be disqualified for that event and possible suspension and/or fines.
24. There will be no re-entry to the speedway under green. This is a huge safety issue that has been brought up. This will eliminate speeding cars in the pits and rushing to get back on track. Cars may only enter the track once the yellow flies or will be held by track officials on a restart to tag the field.
25. 10 or more cars is required to have a heat race. 9 or less competitors will result in a feature only event.

26. No passing before the flag stand. Afton's flag stand is even closer to turn 4 than a lot of other tracks, so please abide by this rule or spots will be taken at the next yellow or checkered flag. Stay in line, no pulling out.
27. All cars are required to do a cool down lap following the checkered flag. Please remember do an extra lap slowing to caution pace before exiting in turn 2. Drivers will be reminded on the one way radio. This helps avoid wrecks after the finish & gives every competitor a chance to race over the line.

WEIGHING:

1. At the end of each feature event the top five (5) cars are to report directly to the scale area in the TECH BUILDING. Cars that are supposed to report to scales and do not will be disqualified. Scorer will notify the cars that need to report to scale area.
2. On occasion there could be a random finishing position drawn to be weighed at the end of the feature also. That car will be told on the radio after the race or may be determined before the feature events start.
3. Any car tampered with before weighing will be disqualified.
4. All weights are dry with driver, just the way you finished the race. If car is under weight, we will weigh the rest of the cars and give you a second chance without leaving the scale area. If under weight on second reading you will be disqualified.
5. Track scales are official. NO tolerance. No protest or appealed allowed.
6. Any car can voluntarily be weighed when the scales are open, preferably before heat races start. Voluntary weights will only be shared with the driver.
7. The first car to cross the scales must be the winning car before going to victory lane.
8. Tech Shed: Only 1 crew member plus the driver allowed in tech. Failure to comply will result in a DQ.
9. Scale cars are announced as going off the track and must directly report to the tech barn via the horse track. If you stop in your pit for any reason, you will lose your qualified position or redraw spot.

TRANSPONDERS:

1. All cars must have a Transponder. It is not guaranteed hand scoring will occur for any events.
2. Transponders are available for rent at the Tech Building for a fee. Limited supplies available.
3. If you race at the Afton Motorsports Park, you need a AMB MyLaps Transponder. No exceptions.
4. Transponders must be securely mounted (as per mounting rule) and in working condition at all times.

RADIO COMMUNICATION:

1. One-way radios are MANDATORY in ALL divisions racing at Afton Motorsports Park.
2. Radio frequency used by the speedway for drivers is 454.000 with alternate 454.100 as needed per staff.
3. Cars not equipped with one-way radios will not be able to compete.
4. One-way radios are used by scorer and track officials to communicate with drivers, for line ups and cautions. Also, for any driver that is to be penalized for an on track incident.
5. Under caution ALL cars are to get single file, track scorer will radio any wrong positions. Any drivers protesting their restart position will be sent to the rear.
6. Radios are considered a working part of the race car. Be sure that they are working. Track will run periodic test.
7. No two-way radio communication between driver and crew.

DUMPING OIL AND TIRES:

1. The law prohibits the dumping of oil or leaving old tires on the speedway premises. Track will supply a barrel to dump used oil in at the pit shack.
2. Any race team found dumping oil on the grounds will be fined \$100, disqualified and turned over to local authorities for prosecution. Any team found leaving old tires on the grounds will be fined \$100 per tire. Team is suspended till fines are paid.

PROTEST:

1. Only a driver and/or owner may file a protest.
2. All protest must be in writing and given to the pit steward within ten minutes of the conclusion of the event. The written protest must state exactly what is being protested on the car in question. Only one (1) part per protest. Written protest must include money.
3. Any crew member interfering with the protest process will cause the protest to either be disallowed or disqualification of the protested car depending on which car the crew member is from.
4. Results and findings by track officials will be final.
5. Depending on the infraction, car may be disqualified and scored as such. Also, you will have to be reinspected and any fines paid in order to race again.
6. If a formal protest is made, the payoff may be delayed until the protest is satisfied.
7. Any finishing order discrepancies must be made within ten (10) minutes of official posting at the pit board to the pit steward. A check of the scoring will be reviewed, and the official finish will either be recertified or corrected.
8. Any protest deemed retaliatory or lacking substance may be disallowed at the discretion of track officials and/or promoters.
9. Visuals inspections and protest may be done before the event begins.

FINES:

Afton Motorsports Park and Penn Can Speedway management has developed the following schedule of fines for infractions at the speedway. The fines below are minimum amounts and you could also receive suspension from the speedway.

- Exiting your car on the speedway (without imminent danger or fire): \$50
- Any action deemed offensive or harmful to speedway officials, staff competitors or fans: \$100
- Any physical altercation in view of spectators on track: \$250
- Any physical assault of a Track Official, Sub-Contractor or Volunteer: \$1,000, Criminal Charges and potential suspension
- Using race car for any retaliation: \$100 fine and receive no points or money.
- Entering another competitor's pit in a confrontational manner: \$100
- Any fight including those involving a weapon or article utilized as a weapon: \$250 fine, Criminal Charges and potential suspension Fines must be paid in full prior to said driver or team competing again at Afton Motorsports Park or Penn Can Speedway.

PROTEST FEES:

Complete GM Crate 602 Tear Down - \$8,000 cash bond (\$100 Protest Fee)

Partial GM 602 Crate Tear Down - \$1,750 cash bond (\$100 Protest Fee)

General Protest: \$500 cash bond (\$100 Protest Fee)

Fuel Protest: \$300 cash bond (\$100 Protest Fee) Officials reserve the right to ask for a legality test at any time. Refusal of such by a race team will result in a disqualification. Officials also reserve the right to deny any Protest Request.

Visual Protests may be filed up to 30 minutes prior to the start of a feature and must be accompanied by a cash bond of \$250 (\$50 Protest Fee). Officials have sole discretion as to what is considered a visual protest.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

1. Afton Motorsports Park defines social media as all means of electronic communication or posting of information/content of any sort on the internet. This includes but is not limited to your own or someone else's web blogs, personal websites, social networking, or affinity website, whether or not directly or afflicted with the Speedway.
2. This includes but is not limited to Facebook, Snapchat, Twitter/X, Instagram, Youtube, and TikTok. Although forums may seem informal, individuals are solely responsible for what is posted online whether by themselves and/or allowing others the ability to post online content for them.
3. Any social media interaction or contribution that adversely affects Afton Motorsports Park, other members, or others directly/indirectly related to the Afton Motorsports Park may result in disciplinary action against individuals, up to and including exclusion from the Afton Motorsports Park indefinitely. Absolutely NO track bashing.
4. This social media policy applies to all Speedway competitors, crew, track officials, track owners and Speedway officials. A competitor is a driver, entrant, family member, crew member (non-driver), or any other individual or entity who is a member and/or participates in any Speedway sanctioned event. All drivers are responsible for the actions of their crew.
5. An official is all authorized Speedway officers, employees, agents, representatives, and subcontractors. Speedway reserves the right to apply the policy to other members as it deems appropriate.
6. Examples of inappropriate postings, statements, photographs, video, or audio may include discriminatory remarks, harassment, and threats of violence or similar inappropriate or unlawful conduct and is prohibited. Avoid content that reasonably could be viewed as malicious, obscene, threatening or intimidating, that disparages others or that might constitute harassment or bullying. Any mistake should be corrected immediately.

Be Respectful: If an individual posts complaints or criticism, avoid using statements, photographs, video, or audio that reasonably could be viewed as malicious, obscene, and threatening or intimidating, that disparages others or that might constitute harassment or bullying. Example of such conduct might include offensive posts meant to intentionally harm someone's reputation or posts that could contribute to a hostile trackside environment based on race, sex, disability, religion, or any other status protected by law, rule, or policy.

Be Honest and Accurate: Posts are "on the record" whether the online medium is public or private and is accessible to the media, public, sponsors, and other business partners and is subject to discovery in litigation matters. Rumors, speculation or information about Speedway or others are not to be posted until an official announcement, release or other post by official social media accounts have been made to the public and media.

Retaliation: Retaliation is prohibited. Speedway prohibits taking negative action against any member or other for reporting or for cooperating in a policy investigation. Member(s) who retaliate against another member for reporting or for cooperating in an investigation will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including exclusion from the speedway. Social media plays an integral role in reaching out to and growing fan bases, engagement, marketing, and promotion to all entities. It is a way to give fans direct interaction with the Speedway, drivers, teams, tracks, and sponsors.

Please remember that we are here because of the Fans, Promoters, and the Sponsors. If they do not benefit...we will not. While we understand that this Competition involves substantial financial stakes, there is no excuse for bad or unruly behavior, which would tend to bring the Speedway into disrepute.

The Speedway is a professional organization and will conduct itself so in its dealings with everyone, including Fans, Drivers, Team Members, Sponsors, Team Sponsors, Tracks, and the Press. The Speedway therefore expects the same from its Drivers, Team Members and Team Sponsors. The Speedway organizers and officials therefore reserve the right to take disciplinary action against anyone who brings the Speedway into disrepute by their actions, either on or off the track.

Disciplinary action may also include, but is not limited to, the right of the Speedway organizers and officials to suspend either temporarily, or permanently, any driver, team member or team sponsor whose actions, in the sole opinion and discretion of the Speedway organizers and officials, may have resulted in, or may result in, harm or detriment to Speedway Events.

The Speedway organizers and officials also reserve the Right to request the removal of any derogatory or distasteful statements on any racecar or hauler. Failure to comply with this request for removal may result in disqualification from some or all the Speedway Events.

The decisions made, and the disciplinary actions taken, by the Speedway organizers and Officials hereunder shall not be appealed by the Driver, Team Member or Team Sponsor affected thereby.

Any Driver entering and competing in an Afton Motorsports Park event acknowledges and accepts the following: Speedway and its officials may use the Driver's names, pictures, likeness, and performances in any way, medium, or material. Including without limitations by and through, television, radio airwave, cable and satellite broadcasts, film for productions, videotape reproductions, audiotape reproductions, transmissions over the Internet and public and private online service authorized by Speedway and the like, before, during and after the event for promoting, advertising, recording, or reporting in the event or any other Speedway event and do hereby relinquish all rights there to for these purposes, provided however that the car owner and driver shall retain the exclusive use of its or his name; picture and likeness in connection with product endorsements and the sale of products, services, concessions, and merchandise.

MISC:

AMP and its officials reserve the right to deny entry to the facility of anyone they see unfit without justification. AMP is meant to be a safe, fun and enjoyable environment for all will remove or deny entry to any driver, crew member, or fan as deemed necessary by speedway officials.