# **2022 SUPPLEMENTAL RULES**

### 2022 AMA AMATEUR NATIONAL MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP SUPPLEMENTAL RULES

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# **RIDER ELIGIBILITY AND CLASSIFICATION**

1. The following professional licensed riders (motocross or supercross) are not eligible to participate in the National program:

a. Riders competing in the Final 40 in Pro Motocross (250 or 450 class) and earning more than 40 Pro Motocross points (250 or 450 class) in the current year, subject to section 2.a. below.

b. Riders competing in a Supercross main event (250SX or 450SX class) in the current or previous year; or

c. Riders competing in the Final 40 in an FIM MXGP or MX2 Grand Prix event outside of the United States in the current year.

 The following professional licensed riders are eligible to compete in the Open Pro Sport and 250 Pro Sport classes only:

a. Riders competing in the Final 40 in Pro Motocross (250 or 450 class) in the current or previous year; Provided, that riders may earn up to 40 Pro Motocross points (250 or 450 class) in the current year, so long as they did not compete in more than 3 professional motocross events prior to the Amateur National. The total number of points earned applies at the time of the entry of the professional motocross event, not after.

b. Riders competing in the Final 40 in Pro Supercross (250SX or 450SX class) in the current or previous year; or

c. Riders competing in the Final 40 in an FIM MXGP or MX2 Grand Prix event outside of the United States in the previous year.

d. The eligibility to compete by any foreign or non-US citizen holding a

professional license in any country other than the U.S., is subject to the sole discretion of AMA pursuant to Section A.11 below.

- Professional licensed riders who earned an AMA professional point in any year are not eligible for any "B", "C", or "Sportsman" class, i.e., College (18-24), Vet 30+ or Senior 45+ To verify a result, visit *The Vault*; Riders listed in *The Vault* who have earned a professional point are not eligible to compete in these classes. <u>www.vault.racerxonline.com</u>.
- 4. Professional licensed racers who have not competed in the Final 40 in either Pro Motocross or Pro Supercross in the current or previous year, or who have not competed in the Final 40 in an FIM MXGP or MX2 Grand Prix event in the previous year, are eligible for all classes subject to further eligibility requirements.
- 5. **WMX** (122-250cc) (Must be 14 to race 250cc). A women's class. Former WMX professional licensed riders are eligible for class, unless otherwise ineligible.
- 6. The top 42 overall riders in the Open Pro Sport and 250 Pro Sport classes at the National will be eligible to obtain an AMA Pro Motocross License in the current and subsequent year without further qualification if age eligible.
- 7. "A" class riders may not compete in any "Youth" class (i.e., classes 5, 10-12, and 22-36). *AMA Racing Rule, Section 1.1.G.5.*
- Riders who placed in the Top-5 overall in the 250B/250B Limited or 450B/450B Limited class at the 2021 National and who are 17 years or older as of January 1, 2022, are not eligible to compete in a "B" or "B/C" division. Riders who placed in the Top-5 overall in the Schoolboy 2 class at the 2021 National and who are 17 years or older as of January 1, 2022, are not eligible to compete in the Schoolboy 2 class.
- Riders may not participate in a "C" class if they have ever:
   a. Participated at the National in any previous year in any class, with the exception of any Micro, Girls or Youth Beginner (2011) class, as well as any Women Amateur class riders finishing outside of the top 10;
  - b. Received any type of OEM factory support in any class (excluding OEM

contingency and trackside support);

- c. Held an AMA professional motorcycle racing license in any discipline;
- d. Held a WMX professional license at any time;
- e. Earned a Rider Performance Value (RPV) of 15.0 or higher the previous advancement year (Nov. 1, 2020 Oct. 31, 2021) in any class, including youth divisions; or
- f. If they have raced in a "C" division in 2020 and 2021 and have an RPV of 13.0 or higher as of Oct. 31, 2021.
- g. For more information regarding "C" class eligibility and/or reclassification, or to check RPV status, visit <u>https://americanmotorcyclist.com/</u>.
- 10.Once qualified for the National, riders may not voluntarily advance in class prior to competing at the National.
- 11. Foreign or Non-US citizens must obtain eligibility approval from the AMA prior to participating in the National program at any level (Qualifier, Regional or National Final). With the exception of Canada, foreign citizens are not eligible for a "C" designated class. Click **HERE** for AMA International License Eligibility Application.
- 12. Challenges to rider eligibility must be received by the AMA no later than June 30, 2022. Challenges must be in writing and sent by certified mail or email to the following addresses: AMA, Attn: MX Manager, 13515 Yarmouth Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147 or to mxracing@ama-cycle.org. Rider eligibility challenges received after this date will be accepted at the sole discretion of AMA.

## **B. MACHINE ELIGIBILITY AND CLASSIFICATION**

- 1. **2023** model machines, crankcases, cylinders, or internal engine components are NOT eligible in any class.
- 2. Electric motorcycles are only permitted in the Mini-E class.
- 3. Only production tires readily available to the general public may be used in any class.

 Mini-E (4-7) Limited Class Restrictions: Battery Energy limited to 1kWh. Maximum (adjusted length) wheelbase 41 inches; Maximum wheel size 12 inches; Maximum seat height 28 inches. Retrofitted 12-inch wheels are permitted. OEM parts must be used.

#### 5. Limited Classes:

a. AMA Limited Class Rules apply; refer to the AMA 2022 Motocross Limited Clarification Chart for details **HERE**.

b. All parts of the exhaust system as designed by the manufacturer (OEM) for a particular model and year must remain stock. Updating to a more recent year exhaust is prohibited unless the OEM part number is the same. The silencer end cap may be changed for the sole purpose of inserting a spark arrestor, so long as there is no performance enhancement.

c. Changes that are cosmetic in nature are allowed, so long as there is no performance advantage.

d. Limited motorcycles are eligible for a non-limited class.

e. Violations of the Limited Class rules as determined by the protest process or by the event referee may result in disqualification from the class, or at the Qualifier level, re-assignment to the appropriate class if deemed unintentional by the event referee. A second violation within one calendar year may result in a disqualification from the class and a suspension from AMA competition for one year.

6. For mini-cycle classes (Classes 23-33 and 36), fuel injection is permitted only if it is standard equipment on the production model.

### **C. REGISTRATION**

- 1. Proof of age must be available upon request by MX Sports at any time.
- 2. Rider Age:

a. For all Youth classes and Amateur classes 5, 10, 11 and 12, the age of the rider on **January 1, 2022**, will determine their age for the remainder of the year. A rider may move to the next higher age class in the Youth Division only

if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the calendar year.

b. For all other Amateur classes, the age of the rider is determined as of the date of the Area Qualifier.

c. For all Vet classes, the age of the rider is determined as of the first day of National competition (August 2, 2022).

d. A rider must be **14 years** of age on the day of the Area Qualifier in order to ride a 250cc machine in any class.

e. A rider must be **12 years** of age on the day of the Area Qualifier in order to ride a Supermini in any class.

- 3. Riders under the age of 18 years must have a parent present or a duly notarized parental consent form, as required by the AMA Rules and Regulations, in order to participate.
- 4. Qualifying Fees: In order to participate in the qualifying program at the Area Qualifier and Regional levels, riders will be charged a program fee by MX Sports and a separate event registration fee by the event organizer. The MX Sports program fee is \$15 at the Area Qualifier and \$60 pre/\$80 post at the Regional.

# **D. QUALIFYING PROCEDURES**

 Qualifying for the AMA Amateur National Motocross Championship requires:

 a. A two-step process of qualification from an Area Qualifier to a Regional Championship, then qualification from a Regional Championship to the National Championship.

b. Classes are assigned to either an Amateur, Youth or Vet Regional Championship. See, **NATIONAL CLASSES**.

c. Riders may enter a total of 4 classes per day at the Area Qualifier level and 4 classes at the Regional level.

d. Riders may enter as many Area Qualifiers in as many Regions as they choose.

e. In some geographic regions there may be more than 40 riders eligible to

participate in the Regional Championship. If there are more riders at the Regional than the starting gate can accommodate, then qualifying races will be run.

- 2. Riders in any 51cc or Mini-E class ("Micro" classes) may attempt to qualify in multiple Micro classes at the Area Qualifier and Regional level; however, they may only compete in one Micro class at the National.
- 3. A 2-moto format will apply to all Area Qualifiers; a 3-moto format will apply to all Regional Championships; a 2-moto format will apply to *combined* (Amateur, Youth and Vet) Regional Championships.

#### 4. Regional Weekend Schedule:

- Thursday: Registration
- Friday: Registration & Practice (2 Rotations)
- Saturday: Site Lap & Motos
- Sunday: Site Lap & Motos
- 5. Regional Moto Length (weather permitting):
  - 12-minutes: Micro, Girls, Senior (45+), Masters (50+) and "C" classes
  - 20-minutes: Open Pro Sport and 250 Pro Sport
  - 15-minutes: All other classes
  - 4 Laps: Consolation Race
- 6. Riders who qualify in more than one Regional Championship will advance to the National from the rider's "home" region. If the rider did not qualify from his home region then the selection will be from the Region in which the rider had the better finish. If there are multiple equal finishes, then the rider will be selected from the Region in which he first qualified. All riders will move up one position in the Region in which a rider was not selected due to qualifying in more than one region.
- Area Qualifier Advancement: Riders finishing in the top positions listed below are guaranteed to advance from Area Qualifiers to Regional Championships.

#### 8. Regional Qualifier Advancement:

a. Riders finishing in National Classes at the regionals in the positions listed below are guaranteed to advance from the Regional Championship to the National:

Regionals	Advance fromArea Qualifier	Advance fromRegional
Northeast	9	6
Southeast	9	6
Mid-East	9	6
North Central	9	6
South Central	9	6
Northwest*	15	4
Mid-West*	12	4
Southwest*	12	4

9. b. Regional (+) Plus Classes: \*With the exception of the Northwest, Mid-West and Southwest Regionals, riders may compete in Regional Plus Classes for AMA Regional Championships at the regionals. Registration is open (preregistration is NOT required), and Regional Plus Classes do not require advancement from Area Qualifiers. Regional Plus Classes will NOT advance to the National Championship. Rider and machine eligibility requirements set forth herein apply to Regional Plus Classes. Regional Plus classes will run both days.

### **E. NATIONAL PROCEDURES**

1. National Roster: The final National Roster will consist of 42 riders per class.

- 2. Riders may compete and practice in only two (2) classes at the National.
- 3. Alternates: Alternate selection at the National is based on a Power Ranking calculated as follows: *Finish position divided by number of riders with a numeric finish or DNF result in the class; Multiply the result by 100 and then subtract from 100. For purposes of the power ranking calculation a DNS is not a class result.* The higher Power Ranking value will determine the Alternate selection. In the event of a tie in the Power Ranking value, the rider with the higher overall Regional place finish will be selected; In the event of a further tie, the rider with the higher overall Area Qualifier place finish within that region will be selected. A minimum of 50% of the guaranteed qualifying positions from each Regional will advance to the National, regardless of the riders' power ranking. In the event a rider registers for the national and subsequently attends another regional and betters their finish, they must notify MX Sports by email (results@mxsports.com) in order to upgrade their power ranking.
- 4. **Forfeiting Gate Position.** A rider who fails to report to staging in Moto 1 without explanation forfeits their start gate position for Motos 2 and 3 and an Alternate will be placed in their position. This applies to Moto 1 only.

CLASS	PLATE	NUMBER	
"Pro Sport"	White	Black	
"B"	Yellow	Black	
"C"	Black	White	
WMX	Blue*	White	*Process Blue
All other classes	White	Black	

5. The following number plate and number color scheme shall apply:

- 6. National Moto Length (weather permitting):
  - 4 Laps: Micro-E

- 15-minutes: Micro (51cc), Girls, Senior (45+), Masters (50+) and "C" classes
- 25-minutes: Open Pro Sport and 250 Pro Sport
- 20-minutes: All other classes
- 7. Specific Penalties at the National:
  - Jumping on the red cross flag: 2 positions
  - Jumping the start gate: 1 lap
  - Passing the Monday Practice Sighting Lap Leader: Last Gate Pick for Moto

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### **F. RACE FINISHES**

- At the Area Qualifier level, riders must receive a numeric Finish position in at least one moto in order to advance to the Regional level. At the Regional level, riders must receive a numeric Finish position in at least one moto in order to advance to the National.
- 2. In order to receive a numeric Finish position in a moto, a rider must complete at least one-half the laps of the leader *and* take the checkered flag. At the Area Qualifier and Regional level, a rider who fails to complete at least one full lap will receive a "DNS" (Did Not Start). At the National, a rider who fails to report to staging will receive a "DNS" (Did Not Start). A DNS results in moto points equal to the total number of riders in the class, plus 30 points. In all other instances, the rider will be considered a "DNF" (Did Not Finish). A DNF results in moto points equal to the total number of riders in the total number of riders in the class, but never less than 20.
- 3. Disqualification: A "Moto DQ" ("Disqualification") results in moto points equal to the total number of riders in the class, plus 40 points. A "Class DQ" results in exclusion from the class results in all motos for that class only. A "Meet DQ" results in exclusion from all classes in all motos for the entire meet.

## **G. PROTESTS & PENALTIES**

- Protests must comply with the AMA Racing Rulebook. Protests must in writing and delivered to the referee no later than 30 minutes after results have been posted. The AMA Racing National Championship Protest Form and applicable fees apply and will be made available from the Official.
- 2. In the event of a technical protest involving a teardown or removal of the engine from the frame, the protested rider may elect for the inspection to occur either before or after the final moto involving the protested machine. In the event the inspection is made after the final moto, the machine will be impounded between motos and/or the engine sealed pending the inspection, with the exception that minor repairs and maintenance may be made under MX Sports supervision.
- Technical inspections will be conducted in private by race officials and any technical persons deemed necessary by race officials to conduct the inspection. The protesting rider and the protested rider may have an observer present during the inspection process.
- 4. The claiming rule value is two times the Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) at the National event.
- 5. Penalties will be assessed at the discretion of the official based on the severity of the offense, and may include one or more of the following: position(s), lap(s), time adjustment, disqualification, suspension, loss of championship points, fine, probation, warning, etc. In the Limited classes, if a violation is deemed by the referee to be cosmetic in nature, with no performance advantage or willful misconduct involved, a warning or fine may be issued in lieu of disqualification.
- 6. Technical protests must have a good faith basis in fact. Protests deemed by the Race Official to be frivolous or filed with the intention of harassing, annoying or disturbing the protested rider, may not be accepted and may be subject to penalty for conduct detrimental to the sport of motocross.