

CANAAN FAIR SPEEDWAY 2009 RACE PROCEDURES

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SECTION 1 ~ SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

- 1-1 Alcohol, illegal drugs, or substances that are defined under State and Federal Law and in this drug policy are prohibited from the property of Canaan Fair Speedway in all areas including the parking lots or other property used by or in connection with the operation of Canaan Fair Speedway during the hours of competition.**
- 1-2 Any participant (including but not limited to drivers, car owners, mechanics, crew members, sponsors, track officials or spectators) found in possession of or under the influence of alcohol or any illegal non-prescribed drug or substances at Canaan Fair Speedway shall be immediately suspended from competition and removed from the premises where such competition takes place.**
- 1-3 Any person in the pit area who has evidence of substance abuse (beer, wine, liquor) about him or her or is seen using any substances during a race event shall be barred from the pit area or participation in any race for the remainder of said event. If the race is over for that class, a suspension may be imposed. CFS Officials have the right to let the ambulance crew examine any member or driver for substance abuse at any time.**

SECTION 2 ~ PROTESTS / APPEALS

- 2-1 Only the car owner or driver of a car that has participated in that event shall have the right to protest another car. Protests may only be made within the division of the owner/driver making the protest.**
- 2-2 No protest will be allowed during an event. Protests must be made in writing within 20 minutes of the conclusion of the feature event being protested. These forms will be available in the tech shed.**
- 2-3 Any protest not made in accordance with these rules will not be considered valid.**
- 2-4 The technical committee will be responsible for determining the legality of a protested item. All fines and penalties will be up to the discretion of the Track Promoter and Head Technical Inspector.**

- 2-5 During any inspection, only the tech officials and four (4) crew members of the car being inspected shall be allowed at or near the car. Violation of the number of crew members or unauthorized persons in the inspection area will be subjected to disqualification for the night's events.
- 2-6 Any protests performed require a \$100.00 per item bond. Any protest on an engine part is \$250.00 per item and you must take off what you are protesting on your car as well. The protest and bond must be filed with the Head Tech. Inspector. An Official Protest form must be completed for each item in question. The protest forms will be available from the Head Tech Inspector.
- 2-7 The protesting owner/driver will be allowed to inspect the part or parts under protest after disassembly and tech inspection. Tech Officials will notify protester.
- 2-8 If the car is found to be legal, that car will be paid its purse for the night plus the posted bond money. In the event that something other than the protested part is found illegal, the car will still receive the posted bond money, but will still be found illegal and disqualified. Any part in question of legality shall be immediately confiscated and not returned by Canaan Fair Speedway. The part that is illegal will become the property of Canaan Fair Speedway. Failure to turn over any illegal parts will be subject to suspension and/ or fine.
- 2-9 No equipment shall be considered as having been approved by having passed through any inspection unobserved.
- 2-10 Any parts that have any identification or serial numbers removed or modified will be considered out of stock (illegal).

SECTION 3 ~ PENALTIES / FINES

3-1 DISQUALIFICATIONS

A. If you are disqualified from an event, heat or feature, your points and money for that event will be discussed and a reasonable solution satisfactory to CFS officials will be instated.

B. If you are disqualified from a qualifying race and there is not a full field , the car may start the feature at the rear of the field at the discretion of CFS Officials.

3-2 FIGHTING POLICY

A. If a person goes to another pit to argue, the person of whos car is in the wrong pit will be fined 50 points.

B. If a person goes to another pit area and fights, they shall be fined \$250.00 and the driver/owner that the person is associated with will lose all money and points for the night.

C. If a person goes into another pit and fights a second time, they will be suspended for the year and lose all Canaan Fair Speedway benefits.

Owners and Drivers are responsible for their crew members. All fines will go to the Canaan Fair Speedway.

SECTION 4 ~ TRACK RULES

4-1 BACKUP CARS / BORROWED CARS

- A. Backup cars are allowed, but must stay in the same division that the car has competed in.**
- B. Any driver using a backup car that is previously qualified by another driver, shall start the feature event from the rear.**
- C. The car that physically qualified will be the car to race in the feature event. If the backup car is not qualified and there are more than 24 cars you will have to see handicap tower for a provisional start**

4-2 Cars may only enter the track when designated by an Official.

4-3 At no time shall any member of a pit crew be allowed on the track. In the event of an accident, if the crews help is needed a Canaan Fair Speedway Official will ask.

4-4 All repairs shall be made in the pits. No work may be performed to the car on the race track. The infield and safety crews will not do repairs to any cars. Their responsibility will be to inform the driver of any apparent damage. Driver may exit car in pit area to help work on it and will be allowed to go back racing when car is repaired.

4-5 Any car leaving the track after the initial green flag during the heat race shall not return.

4-6 Drivers must remain in their seat with their seat belts buckled and helmets strapped on at all times during the race when on the racing surface. The only exception is if there is a fire or the safety crew member asks the competitor to exit the car. Anyone who does leave his/her seat or undoes his/her belts or unstraps his/her helmet without being told on the racing surface it will be considered as leaving the race at that time and will not be allowed to return to the track.

4-7 Drivers involved in an accident where the car is stopped on the track, should lower their window net to signal track officials that the driver is okay.

4-8 LAPPED TRAFFIC

- A. Any car one lap down that is not up to speed may be put to the rear of the field under caution. The decision will be up to the discretion of the track officials.**
- B. All cars more than one lap down will go to the rear for all restarts.**

4-9 Cars spinning 3 times on their own and drawing a caution will be sent to the pits for the remainder of the night's event.

4-10 Drivers can not change cars during any race.

4-11 A race may be stopped at any time at the discretion of the Race Director or if the Race Promoter considers the track surface unsafe to continue, or time restraints require it to be stopped.

- 4-12 Retaliation involving contact between two (2) or more cars during a caution or under green flag conditions, may result in disqualifications of one (1) or all cars and may be subject to point and monetary fines at the discretion of CFS officials.
- 4-13 **CURFEW** ~ Racing must be completed by 11:00 pm per Town of Canaan ordinance and will be enforced by the Canaan Police Department.
- 4-14
- A. Cars involved in an altercation on the track that results in spinning another car, whether it's the leader or not, they will be penalized to the rear of the field. The car being spun will also restart in the rear one (1) spot ahead of the penalized car.
 - B. If you are sent to the rear for spinning a car that is your warning. If you spin the same car or another car a second time, then you will be disqualified from the nights events with the possibility of loss of points and money.
 - C. If the leader gets spun on the final lap, then the car that was leading will be scored as the next to last car on the lead lap and the penalized car will be scored as the last car on the lead lap.
 - D. If you spin, are spun, or stop while attempting to miss a wreck you will be realigned as the scorers had you scored on the previous lap. You will be determined in the wreck if you touch the initial car, have to go to the pits or need assistance from the wrecker service.
- 4-15 Upon completion of cleanup on the race track from a caution. When track officials are ready to resume the race, the green flag will be given, no courtesy laps
- 4-16 **STARTS / RESTARTS**
- A. Pace lap speed will be set by the pace car and must be maintained by competitors. The pace the front row is at when the Starter gives the one to go signal, will be the pace down to the green flag. Any brake checking or side by side swerving or banging will result in a false start and the offenders put to the rear of the field
 - B. When the Starter gives one to go, no more weaving back and forth.
 - C. The pole position car determines the start of the race out of turn four.
 - D. The race will start as designated by the Race Director.
 - E. If there is a false start, the cars causing the false start will be given one (1) warning. If there is a second false start, the offending driver or drivers will restart the race from the rear of the field.
 - F. On restarts, passing may occur at anytime after the green flag has been displayed.
 - G. No passing before the start/finish line on the initial start of the race.
 - H. Cars hanging back attempting to jump the green flag will be penalized and put to the rear of the field.
 - I. If the top 10 cars are in their starting positions any cars lagging behind them will suffer the consequences.
- 4-17 **SINGLE FILE RESTARTS**
- A. On single file restarts, you can pass only on the right side after the start/finish line.
 - B. Single file restarts will be imposed in the feature with five laps or less remaining
 - C. If the race turns into a crashfest then the number of laps will be reduced and a five lap single file shoot out will be instituted
- 4-18 **PRE-RACE PROCEDURES**
- A. All cars will be weighed with the driver prior to lineup as designated by tech official.
 - B. Failure to meet weight requirements will result in going to the rear of the inspection line and starting from the rear of the event providing the car meets the weight requirements.

- C. Cars will proceed directly from the scales to their starting position in the lineup.
- D. Cars shall not be allowed to have work performed on the vehicle while in the lineup, with the exception of adding/subtracting or maintaining air pressure in the tires and or work involving 2 way radio communication. Performing work on cars in the staging area shall result in that car starting in the rear of the field. At the discretion of the Canaan Fair Speedway Officials, you may be required to rescale your car.
- E. It is recommended that all Owners/Drivers attend the weekly pre race meeting. These meetings are to your teams benefits.
- F. If a team is called to the scale house more than 3 times they will start in the rear for that event.

4-19 RADIOS

- A. Radios will be allowed in all divisions.
- B. Canaan Fair Speedway Officials reserves the right to monitor all contact between crews and drivers.
- C. Canaan Fair Speedway Officials reserves the right to remove radio communication from any race team if teams misuse the radios. Definition of misuse of radios would be but not limited to blocking tactics, break jobs, or waiting for a particular car. Misuse of radios will result in losing use of radios for 2 weeks, with a second offense resulting in losing use of radios for the remainder of the season.
- D. There will be a designated spotters tower. All teams are recommended to have a spotter in the spotters tower with a Canaan Fair Speedway Official. Any team who does not have a spotter in the spotters tower when their division rolls on the track will have to be responsible on their own for track to driver communication.

4-20 Any member involved in an accident, or otherwise injured while on the speedway property, if asked to do so, shall be subjected to a medical examination by the track medical crew.

SECTION 5 ~ FLAG RULES

5-1 Green Flag

- A. Starts the race.
- B. Initial green flag starts at least one lap must be counted by scorers to be considered complete.
- C. On restarts, After the green flag has been displayed for the restart, passing may occur before the start/finish line. This is on restarts ONLY.
- D. In order for a car to be considered to have officially started the race, the car must have taken the initial green flag. Those cars not taking the initial green flag will not be allowed to enter the race.
- E. On the initial green flag, if there is a caution before the first lap of the race is completed, this will still be considered the initial start of the race and any car not taking that initial green will be subject to the above rule "D" of this section.
- F. Hot laps are not considered the start of any race. The number of hot laps to be run, will be determined by the Race Director.

5-2 Blue Flag With Diagonal Strip

- A. This is the passing flag. This flag, when displayed, is to let the slow traffic know the leaders are coming and to stay low on the speedway and let the leaders and faster cars by in the outside lane.

- B. Any car not heeding the passing flag and not staying to the bottom of the race track, may be Black flagged and sent to the pit for the remainder of the event with the possibility of losing points and monies for the night.

5-3 Yellow Flag

- A. Slow down and hold your position and get single file.
- B. No weaving in the area of the accident scene. Be cautious of the safety workers and give the safety vehicles the room needed to clean the race track.
- C. Hot laps maybe needed at times to blow off the speed-dri. If a car spins while blowing off the speed-dri, then that car will get it's position back.
- D. When a caution does come out, the field will be lined up according to the last completed green flag lap with the exception of the car or cars involved in the accident. Caution cars will be lined up according to how the scorers have them scored. Any accident cars coming out of the accident before another, but goes to the pit for repairs and rejoins the race, will do so and join the field at the rear.
- E. When directed from a Canaan Fair Speedway Official to get lined up in a starting spot for the restart, all drivers will have one (1) lap to go where they are instructed. Failure to do so, will result in restarting from the rear.
- F. If a caution does come out anytime during the race, all caution cars will restart in the rear. If a lead lap car spins or is involved in an accident, the lead lap car will restart at the tail of the field. If the lead lap car pits under caution, then that car will start at the tail end of the field.
If you spin, are spun, or stop while attempting to miss a wreck you will be realigned as the scorers had you scored on the previous lap. You will be determined in the wreck if you touch the initial car, have to go to the pits or need assistance from wrecker service.
The FORWARD MOMENTUM THEORY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN THIS RULE IN ANY WAY.
- G. Any vehicle thought to be leaking fluid will be stopped and checked on the racing surface.
- H. Intentional yellows. Any car that brings out an intentional yellow for any reason, your race is over, and you will be scored as a did not finish and may be penalized with loss of points and monies for the event.
- I. If a caution comes out on the initial start of the race and all cars are able to continue without assistance from the wrecker service or going into the pits we will go back to the original lineup as was posted in the pit area.

5-4 Red Flag

- A. The race must be stopped immediately regardless of the position of the cars on the track.
- B. When the red flag is out, no car shall move. The flag that is hanging on the flag stand will over rule the lights. If the red flag is hanging over the flag stand and the caution light is turned on for whatever reason, you are still in a red flag situation and no cars can move.
- C. If any competitor is in an uncomfortable position on the track, they must ask the track officials or safety crew for permission to move.
- D. When the red flag is pulled and the caution flag is shown and the lights are yellow, then you may proceed towards the start/finish line....not before.
- E. Any car failing to stop immediately or does stop and then moves while the red flag is still displayed, then that car or cars will be disqualified from the nights event.

5-5 Black Flag

- A. Consultation flag.
- B. Go to the pits immediately and report to an official in the pits.
- C. The black flag does not mean immediate disqualification.

D. Failure to comply with the black flag after 3 laps will result in stopping of the event and having the car removed with possible point and money penalties.

5-6 White Flag

A. This flag indicates to the field, one (1) lap to go.

5-7 Checkered Flag

A. End of race.

B. If a caution occurs on the last lap, the yellow/checkered may be displayed, and ending the race.

C. If the race is ended with a checkered /yellow, the finishing running order will be determined by the last completed green flag lap, except any car that Canaan Fair Speedway Officials consider as being involved in the caution.

All procedures are subject to change if deemed necessary by CFS officials to improve the quality of racing.