

# 2023 RULES

All Semi-Pro, Amateur and Youth events ran at CNYMRA tracks will be conducted according to the 2023 AMA rules and the following supplementary rules:

## MEMBERSHIP

1. AMA membership is required of all riders participating in a CNYMRA event. In addition, riders must be a member of CNYMRA or have a membership card from another AMA District or AMA Chartered Club otherwise you must pay an additional \$10.00 Day Pass Fee at each event. A first-time rider without a district card may race one time without joining CNYMRA. He must buy a \$10.00 non-member pass, which may be applied to the cost of joining CNYMRA, if he decides to race again.
2. Non AMA Organizations membership cards will no longer be honored.
3. Should an individual acquire non-member points during a season, and at a later date choose to become a member, the non-member points will NOT be considered valid for year-end point trophies or prizes.

## MOTOCROSS RACING SEASON

- \*1. 50th Anniversary Season will include Spring Series from April 16 to July 16, Fall Series will be July 23 thru October 22. Must attend a minimum of 10 Events per series to be eligible for series prizes.
2. The period of time race points may be accumulated and recorded by CNYMRA will extend from April 1 to October 31.
3. Race promoters may conduct races outside the race season limits; however, points will not be recorded nor will referees be provided.
4. A race which is cancelled due to severe weather may be rescheduled on a Saturday before their next event.
5. Awards will be given at end of year banquet.
6. Year end awards will be paid back three places based on membership and rider participation per class.
7. Holiday dates will be run on Saturday & Sunday instead of Sunday & Monday.
8. CNYMRA board meetings are held via Zoom and in person as needed.  
In person meetings are at Grants, 546 Silver Street, Ilion, NY 13357

- \*9. No Double Points races after September 10th.
10. Selection of race dates: Track representatives will meet at an agreed upon location in November of each year preceding regular November meeting, providing all national dates are confirmed. The process of picking dates will be at the discretion of track representatives with the CNYMRA president present serving as moderator in the picking of the race dates.

Special dates are defined as Non-CNY events which are scheduled on dates that might otherwise be CNY points dates.

## \*CLASSES

All CNYMRA points paying meets will run all CNYMRA classes unless otherwise stated on the schedule. Point standings will be kept for the following:

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| <b>1</b> 51cc Pee-Wee Jr. 4-6 yrs                                | <b>11</b> Plus-25 Expert (A)      | <b>24</b> 122-250cc Expert (A)      |
| <b>2</b> *51cc Pee-Wee Sr. 7-8 yrs / E Bike                      | <b>12</b> Plus-30 Amateur (B/C)   | <b>25</b> 122-Open Novice (C)       |
| <b>3</b> *51cc Open 4-8 yrs / E Bike                             | <b>13</b> Plus-30 Expert (A)      | <b>26</b> 122-Open cc Amateur (B)   |
| <b>4</b> 65cc 7-11 2-stroke                                      | <b>14</b> Plus-40 Am (B/C)        | <b>27</b> 122-Open cc Expert (A)    |
| <b>5</b> Junior Mini 9-11 59-85cc 2-stroke                       | <b>15</b> Plus-40 Expert (A)      | <b>28</b> Quad Novice (C)           |
| <b>6</b> Sr. Mini 12-15 79-85cc 2-stroke                         | <b>16</b> Plus-45 Amateur (B/C)   | <b>29</b> Quad Amateur (B)          |
| <b>7</b> Open Mini 79-112cc 2-stk (10-16 Inc. 75-150cc 4-stroke) | <b>17</b> Plus-45 Expert (A)      | <b>30</b> Quad Expert (A)           |
| <b>8</b> Schoolboy (12-16) 86-150 2-stroke Inc. 126-250 4-stroke | <b>18</b> Plus-50 (A)-(B/C)       | <b>31</b> Plus 25 Quad              |
| <b>9</b> **Collegeboy (17-24)                                    | <b>19</b> Women 85-250cc          | <b>32</b> Mini Quad 50cc Production |
| <b>10</b> Plus-25 Amateur (B/C)                                  | <b>20</b> *Girls 10-16            | <b>33</b> Mini Quad 51-90cc Open    |
|  | <b>21</b> 122-125cc 2-Stroke Only | <b>34</b> Quad Schoolboy 10-16 Mod  |
|  | <b>22</b> 122-250cc Novice (C)    |                                     |
|  | <b>23</b> 122-250cc Amateur (B)   |                                     |

(Pit Bikes will be run on Sat or Sun as an Exhibition Class, Non AMA, Max 12" Rear Wheel size, Mod class.)

No Expert (A) riders allowed in Open Mini or Schoolboy.

\*\*Collegeboy is designated as "second class only".

No 250 2 strokes allowed in Schoolboy class.

The Pee-Wee Jr Class will include all machines eligible for AMA classes 1,3 and 4, single or multi-speed automatic, max wheelbase 38", max wheel sz 10", max seat ht 24", 14mm round intake. The Pee-Wee Sr Class will include all machines eligible for AMA class 2,3 and 4, max wheelbase 41", max wheel sz 12", 19mm round intake.

\* Girls Class 65cc-150cc 2 stroke.

51cc Open is for all AMA Jr., Sr. and E-Bike machines.

E Bike's will be aloud to run with 51cc open & 51cc 7-8 classes only.

Mini Quad Classes, 50cc Production (ages 4-8), 51-90cc Production (ages 8-15) 51-90cc 2-stroke & 70-125cc 4-stroke, Quad Schoolboy (ages 10-16) mod, 71-240cc 2-stroke, 91-300cc 4 stroke (no 250R motors will be allowed) - **following ATVA Rules**

(10-11 yr olds must compete on 70-90cc 2-strokes or 70-150 4-strokes only)

1. **Production Rule:** OEM motor and matching frame combination model required. Frame geometry must remain as designed by the OEM, including all suspension pivot points. Material may be added for strength but not removed from the OEM frame. Engine modifications, frame reinforcements, and aftermarket A-arms, swing-arms and suspension are permitted. No engine displacement reduction permitted.
2. **Modified:** All non-production classes are modified. Custom frames are permitted. Production machines are eligible for modified classes.
3. **Big Wheel Minicycles:** with 19" front wheel and 16" rear wheels are only eligible for the open mini and schoolboy classes.

All non-CNY Plus-25, Plus-30 and Plus-40 class riders must sign up in the Expert category or show a card from their home district which classifies them as an Amateur or Novice.

\*Points classes must average at least 3 riders per event to qualify for year-end awards in that class.

Does not apply to the 122-250 Expert, 250/Open Expert or Quad Expert classes.

## CLASS AGE RESTRICTIONS

### CUT-OFF FOR AGE IN YOUTH CLASSES IS JAN 1.

The minimum age for amateur riders is 12. A rider must be 14 or older to ride a 201cc up to a 350cc motorcycle. A rider must be 16 or older to ride a 351cc or above motorcycle. The age of the rider is determined as of the date of the event, youth riders are not exempt. See ATV Motocross section 1.4 for ATV age limitations.

Quads: A 15 year old may compete in Quad Nov class but only on appropriate size machine (Min. 200cc 2-stroke - 300cc 4-stroke).

Any rider under age 16 whose birth certificate is NOT on file in the CNY office will not receive a CNYMRA card, but will be allowed to sign-up using their receipt for membership fee paid for a period of 30 days from the date on the receipt.

## PROMOTION

Per "AMA National Advancement System".

1. **MINI CLASSES:** Mini riders will retain their amateur status when leaving the youth category unless they normally finished with a 15% or lower RPV in their mini class.
2. **NOVICE CLASSES:** No rider shall participate in a CNYMRA Novice event without a current novice card from his home district. Promotion of first year Novices may be delayed until after they have finished their participation in the current years Amateur National program. Proof of finish at the Area or Regional qualifier must be provided. A Novice rider will be allowed to stay in the class for the season at which time their promotion will be calculated by the AMA 15.0 RPV method. Novice riders may self promote at any time.
3. **AMATEUR CLASSES:** Amateur riders will be promoted to Expert at the end of each season using a performance evaluation based on the AMA National Advancement System. Percentage of possible points earned will be calculated for all riders participating in more than 6 events. Those riders may be promoted if they have earned an RPV value of 15 percent or higher.

## RETURN TO AMATEUR STATUS

Riders returning to a lower class are only those who officials consider completely non-competitive in the class they are leaving and will not dominate the class they are returning to. A rider returning to competition after one or more years must request to be reverted and cannot move back a class automatically or without AMA or district permission.

## DROP DATES:

4 Drop Dates have been added to allow for L/L, graduations and weddings. Riders lowest 4 point races will be dropped in the case that they attend all events.

\* In order to be eligible for year end awards you must attend a minimum of 8 CNY events.

## POINTS

CNYMRA members participating in CNYMRA meets will earn points according to the AMA points chart below:

### NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EVENT

FINISH	1 to 4	5 to 20	Over 20	FINISH	5 to 20	Over 20
1st	10	20	30	11th	4	10
2nd	7	16	25	12th	3	9
3rd	4	13	21	13th	2	8
4th	1	11	18	14th	1	7
5th		10	16	15th		6
6th		9	15	16th		5
7th		8	14	17th		4
8th		7	13	18th		3
9th		6	12	19th		2
10th		5	11	20th		1

## MISREPRESENTATION OF RIDER RANK OR STATUS

Any rider found to have falsified his or her rider rank or age (if applicable), will lose points, trophies or cash prizes for the meet, and may be suspended by AMA for one year.

## EARNED RIDING NUMBERS

Riding numbers 1-10 will be assigned to the 10 riders with the most points earned in the 250 and Open Expert classes. Numbers 11-20 will be assigned to the 10 riders with the most points earned in the 250 and Open Amateur classes, plus any Expert points they have earned if they have been promoted. Numbers 1Y-10Y will be assigned to the 10 riders with the most points earned in the 65cc classes, 85cc classes, Open Mini and Schoolboy classes. Numbers 1Q-5Q will be assigned to the top 5 Quad Experts and numbers 6Q-10Q will be assigned to the top 5 Quad Amateurs. Numbers 1QY thru 5QY will be assigned to the top 5 riders out of the Mini Quad 51-90cc and Quad Schoolboy classes. Riders who participate in more than one class will have both classes points listed in the overall standings, but only the best total will earn a number.

## RIDERS RESPONSIBILITY

Each rider is responsible for the actions of his or her family and pit crew. Unnecessary trouble or excessive use of alcohol by a riders family or crew makes that rider subject to disqualification from the meet and/or fine. Riders responsibility extends to acts of vandalism and excessive littering by himself or members of his party.

Actions of a person or persons in dealing with track officials, with the exception of a CNYMRA Rider Rep, shall be considered a responsibility of the rider and the RIDER shall be subject to any referee decision pertaining to sportsmanlike conduct of the person or persons as specified.

## RIDING RULES

1. **Rider must be at least 14 years of age to race a 250cc. Rider must be at least 16 years of age to race a 450cc.**
2. Permanent riding numbers assigned by CNYMRA will take precedence in the case of duplication.
3. The individual rider shall be responsible for displaying his riding number to the scorers on each lap.
4. Three securely attached number plates will be required. Black numbers, a minimum of 5" high will be displayed on the following backgrounds: Amateur - Yellow; Expert - White. Novice plates will be Black backgrounds with White numbers. All quads shall have a vertical number plate not extended above the handlebars and a rear grab rail number plate with minimum 6 inch block numbers on both plates. Additional numbers are suggested on helmet and jersey for all racers.
5. Pit riding, except in locations designated by the promoter, will be grounds for immediate disqualification from the meet. Designated pit riding locations will be announced at the riders meeting. Repeat offenders will be subject to a fine of \$50. Rider Reps, referees and all track officials will assist in the enforcement of this rule. Any rider caught pit riding after the second moto of the day will, in addition to disqualification from the meet, be fined \$50 and will not be allowed to ride in a CNYMRA event until the fine is paid.
6. Under penalty of disqualification from the entire meet for the day in all events, a rider shall not use any machine in a meet other than the one he registered and started in the first moto.
7. A machine may be entered in only those classes which include its actual displacement. The use of kits or sleeving to change displacement is allowed in all modified classes, and must have displacement stamped on the side of the cylinder.
8. 50cc are allowed to double class.
9. Riders under the age of 18 must be accompanied to sign-up by a parent or authorized guardian. Participants in classes where age is a determining factor must carry proof of age and display same to any official upon request. Parents must remain at the event until rider is finished competing.
10. If anyone other than the parent is bringing a minor rider to an event, this person must accompany rider to signup and have a notarized letter from the parent in order for the minor racer to compete (see page 23).
11. Uniform starts will be practiced. A #2 board will be displayed, signaling Riders to start their machines, at this time the starter will check down the line and turn the card over to the #1 he then will check down the line one last time and if all riders are ready the #1 board will go sideways and the gate will drop in less then 5 seconds. In no instance will the start be delayed beyond two minutes from the first #2 board display.

## RIDING RULES, continued

12. No one but the rider with his machine may establish his position on the starting line. In the case of a staggered start, the faster group may pick their spots first. The slower group may either pick an open spot, or may line up behind one of the faster group and then move into that spot after the first group leaves the line. When a rider chooses his position on the starting line, he may not change that position.
13. In the event of a rider jumping the start, he shall be penalized one lap.
14. In the case of a re-start, riders will return to their original positions on the starting line.
15. Any rider leaving the course shall continue the event from the point where he left the course. If it is unsafe or impossible to re-enter at his point of exit, the rider may re-enter at the first point where he can safely do so, without interfering with other riders and without gaining an advantage. Penalty for failure to do so will be loss of a minimum of one finishing position in that moto.
16. An official CNYMRA referee will be present at all meets. His decision is final. Protests must be filed with the referee not later than after 30 minutes of the results being posted. A rider may file protests on any matter regarding an event in which they were a participant, including but not limited to, the conformity of a machine or the eligibility of a rider. Each protest must be filed separately and in writing, signed by the protesting rider. Each protest must specify the violation of AMA or CNYMRA rules or procedures which is alleged, and must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee. Protest fees are \$50 for each item or component protested. For a technical protest requiring measurement or teardown of an engine, there is an additional fee of \$150 for air-cooled 2-stroke engines, \$150 for 2-stroke engines, \$300 for 4-stroke engines and an additional \$100 is required for measurement of any engine that must be removed from the frame for inspection. For further information on protest procedures, consult the AMA rulebook.
17. No rider will practice with any class other than the one he has signed up for. Failure to do this could result in disqualification from the meet. One practice ticket per rider (not per machine) will be handed out at sign-up. 50cc riders will be permitted to ride bigger bike for practice also.
18. When a yellow flag or a white with red cross flag is displayed, riders must ride cautiously with no jumping and no passing between the flag and the incident that caused the flag. Failure to do so may result in the rider being docked from one position all the way to disqualification from the event, subject to the referee's discretion.
19. Riders in any 50cc class may be accompanied to the starting line by no more than one parent or guardian. That person must leave the starting area when the 30 second card is displayed, or face disqualification of his rider for the day. One parent/guardian per rider may stand trackside at a designated area. In the case of a parent/guardian entering the course without permission from the referee, the penalty will be a minimum of loss of two finishing positions, up to a maximum of rider disqualification for the day.
20. A rider who is disqualified due to illegal equipment in a 50cc stock class may lose all CNYMRA points earned up to the date of the disqualification and may be subject to a fine of up to \$50. If a fine is imposed, the offender will not be eligible to compete in CNYMRA until the fine is paid.
21. (50cc only) one parent per rider (bike and quad) may assist track staff, only after they have signed release forms and are wearing reflective vests issued by track promoter.
- \*22. **All helmets must be intact, and no modification may be made to their construction that alters the helmet from the condition it was tested and approved. The helmet is made to provide protection and is not a platform to attach foreign objects. For example, cameras or other accessories are NOT permitted to be attached to the rider's helmet.**

## TRACK RULES

1. Local zoning board approval is necessary before a new track may apply for membership in CNYMRA. Application for membership must be made no later than the September meeting to be eligible to choose dates for the following season. A \$200 bond must be posted at the time of application for membership, to be returned at the tracks first meet or with refusal of application by the board. New tracks must be inspected and approved by one or more CNYMRA rider reps.
2. Non-motorcycle events or activities which take up unnecessary time and/or create a danger to CNY riders will not be scheduled at a CNY points-paying meet. Promoters who violate this rule may be subject to a \$100 fine.
3. If the referee finds a major track problem which cannot be corrected on race day, he will notify the CNYMRA President and the Board of Directors by registered mail. The problem must be rectified at least five days prior to the next sanctioned meet.
4. Each track will post a sign-up closing time of 8:30 AM. Any and all riders signing up or changing classes after the posted sign-up closing time will be charged a \$10 fine, to be retained by the promoter. No sign-up will be allowed after practice ends.
5. The referee of the day shall determine moto length by laps per class. The referee will use the AMAs recommended moto length, track and weather conditions, and number of participants in making his determination.
6. Key track personnel must be equipped with 2-way radios, with a minimum of six radios required.
7. Flaggers must be at least 16 years of age. A flaggers meeting with the referee of the day will be held 30 min. before scheduled practice time.
8. A mandatory riders meeting will be held before practice.
9. No refunds after practice has started.
10. The Expert purse will be a minimum of 100% of total expert sign-up and admission fees collected, paid at a minimum ratio of one place for every three riders. Purse will be paid per moto. Purse shall be posted near the order of events as soon as possible after sign-up ends.
11. The track promoter shall introduce the referee of the day at the riders meeting.
12. Riders must be notified at sign-up or at the riders meeting if there is a charge for ambulance service.
13. A CNYMRA referee must be used at each CNYMRA meet. Any track promoting a meet without a CNYMRA referee will be penalized in the following manner: 1st offense- A fine of \$500, 2nd offense- Fine of \$500 and loss of a date pick, 3rd offense- Removal from District 3 CNYMRA. A CNYMRA referee who is also a participant in the days events cannot make a ruling in regard to any class where his child or other family member is participating. A CNYMRA referee who is also a promoter may not referee at his own track.
14. No vehicles or equipment will be allowed on the track during a race or practice.
15. The CNYMRA referee of the day shall be paid a minimum fee of \$75 for the day and he will be expected to pay for his admission and entry fee (if any).
16. The track promoter shall provide an additional copy of the race results at the end of the race day for CNYMRA publicity purposes.

## TRACK RULES, continued

17. AMA race reports must be completed on race day and submitted to the referee for his signature. A copy of the referee report and all race results must be sent to CNYMRA no later than two DAYS after the meet. A fine of \$50 per day will be assessed for late reports.
18. Promoters and/or their Representatives must attend all but 1 meeting a year or they will forfeit their first round date pick for next seasons dates.
19. The promoter will contribute \$1.00 per rider entry to the CNYMRA points fund after each meet. This money will be used for the CNYMRA Championship Series and Year End Awards. A \$10.00 day pass will be collected for no district card. If a promoter doesn't at least make an attempt to collect a day pass, they will pay \$100 in addition to their \$1.00 per rider fee to CNYMRA.
20. Cancellation of a scheduled meet by a promoter for reasons other than weather, must be reported to the CNY board at least 45 days in advance of the scheduled date. Unjustifiable cancellations may result in the loss of a first round pick in the following years date selection.
21. Two clubs or promoters may not use the same track for the purpose of getting more race dates. Dates will be picked by location only.
22. No CNYMRA points will be given for meets not picked at the yearly CNYMRA date selection meeting. Any exceptions must be approved by the board of directors.
23. CNY Rules: All promoters will agree to abide by the current CNY rules and any rules or decisions which may be adopted in the future by a majority vote of the CNY Board of Directors.
24. Any CNY track which fails to meet the above requirements will be subject to any or all of the following: A fine of \$50 to \$500, Loss of CNY points for their next meet, Loss of their first round pick for next seasons dates, Permanent loss of membership in CNYMRA. Any fines levied against a track must be paid prior to their next scheduled meet.
25. No CNYMRA Club or Promoting Organization shall allow a Competition, Practice or a like event at their facility, IE: MX vs MX, against another CNYMRA Club or Organization's weekend event, without previously:
  1. Requesting in writing permission from the point event holder with CC to CNYMRA. The club or promoting organization in violation of this procedure shall forfeit two (2) point events for each infraction. To be taken from the upcoming next season, and will be subject to CNYMRA review.
26. All Tracks must use the following procedure for flagging:
  - YELLOW FLAG:** All flagmen shall be provided with a yellow flag to indicate an obstruction on the track. (No passing on yellow flag).
  - WHITE FLAG WITH RED CROSS:** Ambulance on track. Moto will continue.
  - RED FLAG:** Stopping of race for an emergency situation.
  - BLACK FLAG:** Rider disqualification must see referee immediately.
  - WHITE FLAG:** One lap to go to the finish.
  - BLACK & WHITE CHECKERED FLAG:** End of the race.
  - WHITE FLAG WITH BLACK "W":** Water on the track.



**MINIMUM TRACK REQUIREMENTS**

1. Water Supply: Promoters must take adequate measures to prevent dust on the track and provide access to at least a limited supply of water for riders use.
2. P.A. System: Does not have to be elaborate, but must be adequate for riders meeting and making announcements to the starting area.
3. Bathroom Facilities: In accordance with local health codes.
4. Starting Gate: Must be installed before a tracks second year of CNY membership.
5. Track Maintenance: Promoter will prepare and maintain the track prior to each meet.
6. Track Design: Tracks should avoid high-speed sections and any man-made jumps should be of the roll-over type. The course must have a minimum width of 20 feet and the starting area should be free of humps, jumps, gullies and hard-to-see irregularities.
7. Race-Day Personnel: Promoter will provide sufficient personnel to efficiently run the days meet. Required personnel include flaggers, starting and staging area help, scorers and ambulance crew.
8. Insurance: Promoters must name AMA, District #3, and CNYMRA as additional insured parties on their legal liability insurance policies. A copy of the insurance policy endorsement page should be sent to CNY prior to the promoter’s first event each season.

**ATTENTION ALL RIDERS UNDER 18 YRS OF AGE  
And their Parents.**

If you are under 18, a parent, legal guardian or an authorized adult **MUST** accompany you to sign up EACH WEEK and sign the permission form in front of sign up personnel.

An authorized adult is a person over the age of 18 who has NOTARIZED authorization from your parent or legal guardian to allow you to register and race that day. A blanket authorization will not be accepted. It must specify the date and track and will be retained by the track for their records.

The authorization form should be similar to the **sample** form below:

I, John Doe, as parent/legal guardian of John Doe, Jr., hereby assign Jim Smith as the authorized adult who will accompany my son/daughter to sign-up at Royal Mountain on June 1, 2023, and who will remain present during his/her participation in that days events.

Signed parent

Date date signed

Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_