



# SALOON BASED, MODIFIED & MINISTOCK

## Racing Rules

SECTION: R11-4

Version 2

**R11-4**  
**RACING RULES:**  
**MODIFIED, SUPER SALOON, SALOON, PRODUCTION SALOON AND MINISTOCK**

**SIGNALS**

**R11-4-1** The following lights and flags are used to signal competitors on the track:

Green Flag & Light	Start of race
Green Light	Race in progress
Yellow Flag & Light	Proceed with caution
Red Flag & Light	Stop immediately
White Flag	One lap remaining
Black Flag/Board	Offending competitor to retire from race immediately.
Black & White Chequered	Race complete

**R11-4-2** The green light to be on continuously while race is in progress.

**BEFORE THE RACE**

**R11-4-3** The maximum number of competitors in the race will be decided by the Steward.

**R11-4-4** Vehicles must leave the pits under their own power.

**R11-4-5** Vehicles not on the track when the pit gate is shut are not eligible to start.

**R11-4-6** Vehicles proceeding to the start must not be driven at excessive speed.

**R11-4-7** Vehicles will grid up as directed by the Clerk of the Course.

**R11-4-8** Any vehicle failing to grid up after leaving the pits within the time limit of three minutes is not eligible to start the race.

**R11-4-9** The Referee is the sole judge of R11-4-8 above and can only allow one 3 minute delay per race. The 3 minute delay cannot be used in the event of a re-run.

**R11-4-10** The Clerk of the Course will advise the Referee that the track is clear and ready for racing.

**R11-4-11** The Starter will initiate each race when instructed to do so by the Referee.

**R11-4-12** All competitors are under the jurisdiction of the Referee from the point that the referee signals the race is about to start as per regulation R11-4-14.

**RACE START**

**R11-4-13** All races are rolling starts, with grid 2 setting the pace. Grid 2 also sets the position on the track and must allow adequate racing room for Grid 1 on the bottom side of the track

**R11-4-14** The Referee will signal that the race is about to start by turning off the yellow lights at least half a lap prior to the start.

**R11-4-15** The race commences when the green flag is waved and green lights activated.

Option: The race commences when both front row vehicles have entered the start box at a reasonable pace.

**R11-4-16** In the case of a false start the Referee can order a re-run by activating the yellow light.

**R11-4-17** Any vacant grids to be held, failure to do so can result in a penalty.

**RACE IN PROGRESS**

**R11-4-18** The race will be in an anti-clockwise direction.

**R11-4-19** Vehicles are not to be driven in the wrong direction.

**R11-4-20** The following racing practices are not permitted:-

- (i) Contact: Deliberate or accidental.
- (ii) Forcing another competitor off their racing line.
- (iii) Cutting Off.
- (iv) Blocking.
- (v) Any other foul or unfair practice.

Penalties will apply as per Section M7-2.

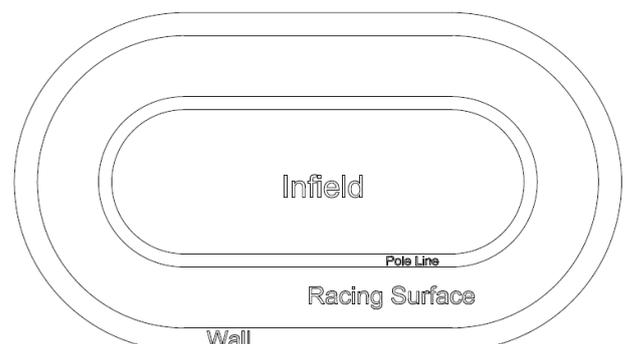
**R11-4-21** In any race of less than 20 laps, lapped competitors can be black flagged.

**POLELINE/INFIELD**

**R11-4-22** Refer to explanatory diagram right for a definition of terms.

**R11-4-23** A competitor can be penalised for placing one or more wheels off the racing surface, unless taking evasive action.

**R11-4-24** If a vehicle is forced, spun, or driven to the infield during the race, the competitor must wait until the track is clear before returning to the racing surface.



## SUSPENSION OF RACING

**R11-4-25** Racing can be suspended at any time by the activation of the yellow or red lights

- (i) Yellow lights: all vehicles must slow immediately.
- (ii) Red lights: all vehicles must stop **quickly and safely, and if possible allow for rescue vehicle access.**

### **R11-4-26 First Lap Incident**

When the race is suspended before one full lap is completed:-

- (i) it will be completely rerun over the original number of laps
- (ii) the original grid positions will apply, except for the prime cause of the stoppage who will restart from the rear of the field Note: currently applies to yellow lights only
- (iii) no 3 minute bells are permitted
- (iv) competitors may not change their vehicles
- (v) vehicles on the infield at the time of the race suspension are permitted to take part in the restart.

### **R11-4-27 Race Resumption**

When the race is suspended after one full lap is completed the race will resume as follows:-

- (a) Single File under yellow lights
  - (i) The lead car will take the safest course past any incident.
  - (ii) The rest of the field will follow in Single File.
  - (iii) Any car breaking file will be immediately excluded.
  - (iv) The vehicles will restart in the order they were in at the last completed lap prior to the caution period.
- (b) Vehicles involved in the incident are permitted to restart:
  - (i) The primary cause from the rear of the field.
  - (ii) All other vehicles in the position they were in at the time of the last completed lap.
- (c) The Referee will signal that the race is about to recommence by turning off the yellow lights at least half a lap prior to the start/finish line.
- (d) The race restarts when the green flag is waved and green lights activated.
- (e) Laps run on the yellow lights are not counted as race laps.

## HEALTH & SAFETY

**R11-4-28** Vehicle must be operated by one competitor only, with no passengers permitted.

**R11-4-29** If a competitor unclips their seatbelts or window net during the race they are deemed to have retired.

**R11-4-30** No competitor will drive with an arm or any part of their body outside the vehicle.

**R11-4-31** If a vehicle becomes unsafe during the race it will be removed by the Referee.

**R11-4-32** If a vehicle receives a flat outside tyre the competitor must immediately retire from the race.

**R11-4-33** Competitors in stationary vehicles must remain in their seat with belts on until they are permitted to get out by an Official. This does not apply in the case of fire.

**R11-4-34** Refuelling is not permitted on the track at any time.

## OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

**R11-4-35** Communication with the driver, other than by Officials or competitors in the race is not permitted.

**R11-4-36** Physical contact with a vehicle by someone other than the driver is not permitted unless:-

- (i) it is to ascertain if the vehicle is fit to continue to race
- (ii) the vehicle has stopped in an incident. Providing it is not the primary cause, the vehicle can be untangled, restarted or push started.

## RETIRING FROM THE RACE

**R11-4-37** Any competitor withdrawing from a race must move safely to the infield and remain there until the end of the race.

**R11-4-38** Any competitor deliberately causing a race stoppage or caution period will be immediately excluded from the race.

**R11-4-39** Any competitor refusing to retire infield when instructed, forcing a race stoppage, will be immediately suspended for 3 race meetings. This suspension cannot be protested or appealed.

## FINISH OF RACE

**R11-4-40** A race is not finished until the chequered flag is displayed, regardless of the number of laps run.

**R11-4-41** Racing will continue until all able vehicles have completed the lap they are on when the chequered flag is shown.

**R11-4-42** All placings are determined by the finishing order and number of laps completed by each vehicle as recorded by the approved lap scoring system.

**R11-4-43** Any vehicle that has withdrawn from a race will receive finishing points in the order of retirement.

**R11-4-44** In the case of two or more cars retiring together, points will be awarded in order of the previous complete recorded lap.

## **DISRUPTED RACE FINISH**

### **R11-4-46 Yellow light finish**

If the yellow lights are activated after the lead car has finished the race, all competitors that follow through the finish line are counted in order of passing the line. **Exception to this is that the vehicle that has caused the yellow, their finishing place will be the last car on their finishing lap when they received the chequered flag**

### **R11-4-47 Red light finish**

If the race is stopped on red lights after one or more vehicles have received the chequered flag:-

- (i) placings will be given in order for finished vehicles.
- (ii) The remainder of the field will be counted as finishers as per their race placings recorded on the lap preceding the stoppage. This excludes any competitor causing the stoppage unless that competitor has already finished.

## **DECLARED RACE**

**R11-4-48** The Clerk of the Course can declare a race during a suspension of racing.

**R11-4-49** The results will be as per the last completed lap.

**R11-4-50** The Referee can exclude any competitor deemed to be the primary cause of the stoppage.

**R11-4-51** Exception: Rules R11-4-48, 49 and 50 do not apply to Allocated titles.

## **LOCAL RULES**

**R11-4-52** The rules in this section may be amended by the unanimous decision of a Senior Official if in attendance, or the Steward of the Meeting, **the Referee**, the relevant Class Representative, and the Clerk of the Course, bearing in mind the following 3 factors:

- (i) safety of Competitors
- (ii) safety of Spectators
- (iii) better promotion of events.

**Exception to rule: Local rules are not permitted in Youth classes** (Dec 2019)

**R11-4-53** Local rules are only valid for the meeting at which they are enacted, and must be posted on the track noticeboard in order to be considered in effect.