



## 2017 LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN RULES AND REGULATIONS

### GENERAL RULES:

1. THE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS SET FORTH HEREIN DOES NOT EXPRESS OR IMPLIES WARRANTY OF SAFETY, FROM PUBLICATION OF, OR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS. THEY ARE INTENDED AS A GUIDELINE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN DIVISION, AND ARE IN NO WAY A GUARANTEE AGAINST INJURY TO PARTICIPANTS.
2. THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS WILL APPLY TO ALL CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SANCTIONED EVENTS.
3. CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN OFFICIALS SHALL HAVE FULL AUTHORITY OVER SAID SANCTIONED EVENTS, AND IN THE EVENT OF ANY DISPUTE, THE HEAD OFFICIAL'S DECISION WILL BE FINAL.
4. ALL ARE SUBJECT TO BE INSPECTED BY CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN TECHNICAL INSPECTORS AT ANY TIME DURING THE EVENT.
5. **THE SERIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONFISCATE ANY SUSPICIOUS, OR DEEMED ILLEGAL, COMPONENTS.**
6. CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN OFFICIALS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ALTER OR AMEND THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS IN THE INTEREST OF FAIR COMPETITION.
7. THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN DIVISION HAVE BEEN SANCTIONED AND APPROVED BY CRATE RACIN' USA, P.O. BOX 1346, CARTERSVILLE, GA 30120, AND ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT [WWW.NeSMITHRACING.COM](http://WWW.NeSMITHRACING.COM).

### MEMBERSHIP AND ENTRY FEES:

1. ALL DRIVERS PARTICIPATING IN CRATE RACIN' USA(dba NeSMITH) LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SANCTIONED TRACKS AND EVENTS MUST PURCHASE AN ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AT A COST OF \$75 PER YEAR. THIS MEMBERSHIP MAKES THE DRIVER ELIGIBLE FOR ANY LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES POINTS FUND MONIES AND CONTINGENCY AWARDS.
2. A DRIVER VISITING AND NOT COMPETING AT A WEEKLY SANCTIONED TRACK ON A REGULAR BASIS MAY PURCHASE A TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP OF \$20 PER RACE. SANCTIONED TRACKS WILL BE UPDATED OF RACERS' MEMBERSHIP STATUS ON A WEEKLY BASIS VIA EMAIL.
3. ANY DRIVER COMPETING AT A WEEKLY SANCTIONED RACE TRACK AND EVENT MUST PAY A \$10 ENTRY FEE.

## RACE PROCEDURES:

1. RACE PROCEDURES AT WEEKLY TRACKS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF INDIVIDUAL SPEEDWAYS. RACE TRACKS SHOULD BE CONSISTENT AND FAIR IN THEIR RACE FORMATS AND PROCEDURES AT ALL TIMES, KEEPING IN MIND THAT RACERS ARE ALSO COMPETING AGAINST COMPETITORS AT ALL OTHER WEEKLY SANCTIONED TRACKS AT THE SAME TIME.
2. WEEKLY TRACKS MAY NOT HAVE A DOUBLE POINTS RACE FOR WEEKLY RACING SERIES POINTS. HOWEVER, IN THE EVENT OF EXCESSIVE RAIN OUTS AND MAKE UP RACES ARE NEEDED, A TRACK MAY RUN A DOUBLE FEATURE EVENT. NOTICE OF A DOUBLE FEATURE EVENT MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE SERIES DIRECTOR, ADAM STEWART, BY CALLING THE NeSMITH RACING OFFICE AT (678) 719-8888, NO LATER THAN 5 P.M. ON MONDAY IN ADVANCE OF THE SCHEDULED DOUBLE FEATURE EVENT TO PROMOTE AND LET ALL RACERS KNOW WHAT IS TAKING PLACE AT YOUR SPEEDWAY.
3. IN THE EVENT OF RAIN AT A SANCTIONED SPEEDWAY DURING A SCHEDULED WEEKLY RACING EVENT: IF THE FEATURE EVENT HAS NOT COMPLETED MORE THAN HALF OF THE ADVERTISED LAPS, THAT EVENT MUST BE EITHER CANCELLED COMPLETELY OR MADE UP THE NEXT WEEK AS A DOUBLE FEATURE. THE FIELD WILL BE SET AS QUALIFIED FROM THE PREVIOUS ATTEMPT TO RACE.

## EVENT CONDUCT AND PENALTIES:

1. UNDER GREEN FLAG OR CAUTION FLAG CONDITIONS, THE SERIES DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO INVOKE PENALTIES AND/OR SUSPENSIONS OF ANY DRIVER WHO'S ACTIONS ARE DEEMED TO BE OVERLY AGGRESSIVE, OR FALL INTO THE CATEGORY OF ROUGH DRIVING.
2. DRIVERS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF PENALTIES THAT HAVE BEEN LEVIED BY THE SERIES DIRECTOR. ALL DECISIONS SHALL BE FINAL.
3. NOTE: THIS RULE IS NOT INTENDED TO ELIMINATE COMPETITION OR ACCIDENTAL CONTACT. HOWEVER, IT IS INTENDED THAT DELIBERATE CONTACT AND/OR OVER-DRIVING WILL BE PENALIZED.
4. ANY COMPETITOR THAT VERBALLY ABUSES A SERIES OFFICIAL BY USING PROFANE AND/OR DISRESPECTFUL LANGUAGE IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF \$100 FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE. A \$300 FINE AND ONE-RACE SUSPENSION AND LOSS OF POINTS FOR THE SECOND OFFENSE. MORE THAN TWO OFFENSES AND THE COMPETITORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO A ONE MONTH OR MORE SUSPENSION AND LOSS OF POINTS.
5. ANY PHYSICAL CONFRONTATION, EITHER ON THE RACE TRACK OR IN THE PITS, WILL RESULT IN THE AGGRESSOR OR AGGRESSORS BEING SUSPENDED FOR ONE RACE; A LOSS OF POINTS; AND COMPETITOR WILL BE FINED \$300 FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE. A SECOND OFFENSE WILL INCUR A SUSPENSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON, AND A MINIMUM \$500 FINE.
6. ANY DRIVER WHO ENTERS ANOTHER DRIVER'S PIT AREA WILL BE DEEMED THE AGGRESSOR. AWAY FROM EITHER DRIVER'S PIT AREA, BOTH DRIVERS WILL BE CONSIDERED AGGRESSORS. DRIVERS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THEY WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY MEMBERS OF THEIR RACE TEAM, AND THE ABOVE PENALTIES WILL APPLY EVEN IF THE DRIVER CONCERNED IS NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED.
7. ANY INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR DURING THE LAST FIVE EVENTS OF THE SEASON COULD RESULT IN PENALTIES BEING APPLIED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FOLLOWING SEASON.
8. ANY INCIDENTS THAT ARE JUDGED TO BE DELIBERATE ACTS OF AGGRESSION, WHETHER ON OR OFF THE TRACK, UNDER GREEN OR CAUTION, WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION AND A MONETARY FINE TO BE DETERMINED BY SERIES OFFICIALS.
9. SERIES OFFICIALS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO INCREASE THE ABOVE PENALTIES, DEPENDING ON THE SEVERITY OF THE INCIDENT.
10. ANY DISQUALIFICATION OTHER THAN A WEIGHT VIOLATION WILL RESULT IN NO POINTS AND NO MONEY FOR THE EVENT.

## WEIGHT RULES:

1. CHEVROLET PERFORMANCE CRATE ENGINE PART #88958602 - 2350 LBS. 1LB PER LAP BURN OFF ON HEATS, CONSIG, & FEATURE RACE. (GREEN FLAG LAPS ONLY).
2. ATTACHED WEIGHT MUST BE SECURELY BOLTED TO FRAME WITH 1/2" OR LARGER BOLTS. WEIGHT MUST BE PAINTED WHITE WITH CAR NUMBER DISPLAYED. PENALTY FOR LOSING ATTACHED WEIGHT ON THE RACE TRACK IS DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE EVENT.

## LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN ENGINE RULES:

1. CHEVROLET PERFORMANCE PART NUMBER 88958602/19258602.
2. THESE ENGINES ARE SEALED AT THE INTAKE MANIFOLD, CYLINDER HEAD, FRONT COVER, AND OIL PAN WITH SPECIAL TWIST OFF BOLT HEADS FROM GM. ORIGINAL GM SEAL BOLTS, **OR** CRATE USA GEN. III (YELLOW), **OR** GEN. IV (GREEN) SEALS ARE THE ONLY SEALS ALLOWED. SEALS **NOT** ALLOWED ARE: RM BOLTS, GEN. I (SILVER) OR GEN. II (BLUE) CABLE SEALS. TO COMPETE WITH ANY OTHER SEALING SYSTEM CONTACT CRATE RACIN USA FOR APPROVAL. CRATE ENGINES MUST NOT BE ALTERED, MODIFIED, OR CHANGED FROM FACTORY SPECS.
3. THE SEALED ENGINES MUST REMAIN INTACT AND NOT BE TAMPERED WITH. ANY SEALS THAT HAVE BEEN REMOVED OR TAMPERED WITH WILL MAKE THE ENGINE ILLEGAL AND NOT ELIGIBLE FOR COMPETITION. THE PENALTY FOR ANYONE TAMPERING WITH SEALS, MODIFYING ANY INTERNAL ENGINE PARTS, OR CHANGING THE PARTS FROM STOCK AS DELIVERED SEALED FROM THE FACTORY WILL BE SUBJECT TO EXPULSION FROM RACING WITH ANY CRATE RACIN' USA SANCTIONED EVENT FOR THE REMAINDER OF SEASON AND FUTURE SEASONS.
4. NO CHANGES ARE ALLOWED TO THE ENGINE – INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO INTAKE MANIFOLD, HEADS, VALVE COVERS, FRONT COVER, OIL PAN, HARMONIC BALANCER, OR ANY OTHER PART/OR PARTS ON/OR IN ENGINE.
5. NO VACUUM PUMPS.
6. ALL CRATE ENGINES MUST REMAIN STOCK AS THEY CAME SEALED FROM THE FACTORY. CRATE ENGINES MUST NOT BE ALTERED, MODIFIED, OR CHANGED FROM FACTORY SPECS.
7. ENGINE'S GM SERIAL NUMBER, AND WHEN APPLICABLE, CRATE USA BUILD CERTIFICATION NUMBER, MUST BE CLEARLY VISIBLE TO SERIES TECHNICAL INSPECTORS.
8. ANY VIOLATION OF THE ENGINE RULES AND/OR FACTORY SPECS INSIDE THE SEALING SYSTEM OF THE ENGINE WILL RESULT IN THE DRIVER AND/OR OWNER BEING DISQUALIFIED FROM THAT EVENT, AND SUSPENDED FROM SERIES COMPETITION FOR 365 DAYS AND REQUIRED TO PAY A \$1,000 FINE. AFTER THAT PERIOD, THE DRIVER WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN SERIES EVENTS WITH AN ENGINE EQUIPPED WITH ORIGINAL FACTORY GM SEALING BOLTS OR CRATE USA SEALS FROM AN AUTHORIZED REBUILDER APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED BY CRATE RACIN USA OFFICIALS. DRIVER AND/OR OWNER WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF SERIES DECISION. ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
9. ANY VIOLATION OF THE ENGINE RULES AND/OR FACTORY SPECS OUTSIDE THE SEALING BOLTS OF THE ENGINE WILL RESULT IN THE DRIVER BEING DISQUALIFIED FROM THAT EVENT. DRIVER AND/OR OWNER COULD BE SUSPENDED FROM SERIES COMPETITION FOR UP TO, BUT NOT MORE THAN, 30 DAYS, AND FINED UP TO BUT NOT MORE THAN \$500.00, AT SERIES OFFICIAL'S DISCRETION. DRIVER AND/OR OWNER WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF SERIES DECISION. ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.

## CARBURETOR RULES:

1. ANY 4 BARRELL CARBURETOR.
2. ENGINE MUST BE NATURALLY ASPIRATED.
3. MAY USE ONE 1 INCH, ONE PIECE, CARBURETOR SPACER (.040 TOLERANCE MAXIMUM) AND TWO STANDARD PAPER GASKETS (MAXIMUM 0.070 INCH THICK); ONE GASKET BETWEEN INTAKE TO SPACER AND ONE GASKET BETWEEN SPACER TO CARBURETOR.

### DISTRIBUTOR RULE:

1. ANY ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTOR-TYPE IGNITION SYSTEM. **NO** CRANK TRIGGER, DISTRIBUTORLESS MULTI-COIL, OR MAGNETO IGNITION SYSTEM. IF USING MSD BOX, 6AL OR 6ALN IS **ONLY** IGNITION BOX ALLOWED.
2. NO ELECTRONIC TRACTION CONTROL DEVICES.

### STARTER RULE:

1. ALL CARS MUST HAVE WORKING STARTER.

### WATER PUMP RULES:

1. CAST OR ALUMINUM PERMITTED. STOCK MOUNTED WATER PUMP AND FANS ONLY. NO ELECTRIC FANS.
2. NO ELECTRIC WATER PUMP.

### EXHAUST RULES:

1. COLLECTOR TYPE HEADERS REQUIRED. MUST HAVE FOUR (4) TUBES INTO ONE (1) COLLECTOR OF A CONSISTENT DIAMETER.
2. MUFFLERS NOT REQUIRED UNLESS TRACK MANDATED. IF/WHEN MANDATED: MUFFLERS MUST HAVE SOME TYPE OF INTERNAL NOISE DAMPENING CHARACTERISTICS (BAFFLES, EXTRUDED HOLES, SCREEN, CHAMBERED, ETC.) MUFFLERS MUST MEET LOCAL SPEEDWAY'S NOISE DECIBEL REQUIREMENTS. EXTERNAL MUFFLERS ONLY.
3. NO TRI-Y HEADERS, 180 DEGREE HEADERS, OR MERGED HEADERS ALLOWED
4. NO SQUARE-TUBE HEADERS ALLOWED

### FUEL - FUEL CELL - FUEL PUMP RULES:

1. AN APPROVED FUEL CELL (32 GALLON MAXIMUM) MUST BE SECURELY MOUNTED IN THE TRUNK AREA OF THE CAR, INSIDE A .20 GAUGE METAL BOX SUPPORTED BY A MINIMUM OF TWO 2" BY 1/8" STEEL STRAPS.
2. ALL FUEL CELLS MUST BE COMPLETELY VISIBLE FROM REAR OF CAR.
3. GASOLINE OR RACING GAS **ONLY!** **NO** METHANOL OR ALCOHOL. **NO** NITROUS OXIDE. **NO** PROPYLENE OXIDE. **NO** NITROETHANE. **NO** MTBE. **NO** E-85. FUELS MUST HAVE A SPECIFIC GRAVITY OF LESS THAN .761. ANY FUEL WITH A SPECIFIC GRAVITY OF .762 OR GREATER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. IT IS THE RACER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO KNOW WHAT HE/SHE IS PUTTING IN THE FUEL CELL. SERIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE FUEL SAMPLES AND SEND THEM TO AN INDEPENDENT LAB FOR TESTING AT ANY TIME.
4. STOCK MOUNT MECHANICAL FUEL PUMP ONLY. NO CAM DRIVEN, NO BELT DRIVEN, OR NO ELECTRIC FUEL PUMPS. **REVERSE MOUNT POWER STEERING PUMP OK (10/24/16).**

### EVENT ENGINE PROTESTS:

1. THE PROTEST FEE FOR A COMPLETE TEAR DOWN OF AN ENGINE THAT FINISHES THE A-MAIN IS \$900. THE FEE MUST BE PAID TO THE RACE DIRECTOR OR TECHNICAL DIRECTOR, IN CASH, WITHIN 10 MINUTES AFTER THE CHECKERED FLAG HAS FALLEN ON THE A-MAIN. MUST FINISH IN THE TOP 5 TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PROTEST. \$250 OF PROTEST FEE WILL GO THE SERIES; REMAINING \$650 WILL GO TO WINNER OF PROTEST.
2. AT ANY TIME AN ENGINE IS PROTESTED, AND DRIVER/CAR OWNER ACCEPTS PROTEST AND AGREES TO TEAR DOWN, THE ENGINE BEING PROTESTED MUST BE REMOVED AND IMPOUNDED BY RACE TRACK RIGHT THEN, AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR NATIONAL TECHNICAL DIRECTOR FOR INSPECTION. ANY REFUSAL AT THIS POINT FOR ANY REASON WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION, AND DEALT WITH ACCORDINGLY.
3. ANY CRATE RACIN' USA SANCTIONED RACE TRACK IS AUTHORIZED TO CALL FOR AN ENGINE INSPECTION OR TEAR DOWN BY CRATE RACIN' USA NATIONAL TECHNICAL DIRECTOR. IF THIS HAPPENS, TRACK WILL REMOVE

ENGINE AT RACE TRACK, AND IMPOUND UNTIL INSPECTION DAY CAN BE ARRANGED FOR ALL PARTIES INVOLVED.

4. FAILURE AND/OR REFUSAL TO TEAR DOWN AN ENGINE AND/OR FOR YOUR RACE CAR TO BE INSPECTED BY SERIES OFFICIALS AT ANY TIME WILL RESULT IN A 365-DAY SUSPENSION AND FINE OF A DETERMINED AMOUNT BY SERIES OFFICIALS.
5. ONLY THREE PEOPLE FROM THE PROTESTED CAR AND 1 PERSON DESIGNATED FROM THE TEAM PROTESTING WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE TECH AREA DURING A PROTEST.

#### ENGINE SETBACK RULE:

1. ENGINE SETBACK WILL BE 6" FROM CENTER OF TOP BALL JOINT TO THE #1 SPARK PLUG WITH A 1-INCH TOLERANCE ON ENGINE SETBACK. THERE WILL BE A 50 POUND PENALTY FORWARD OF THE MOTOR PLATE FOR EACH 1/2-INCH OF SET BACK BEYOND SEVEN (7) INCHES OF ENGINE SETBACK. NO CARS WITH MORE THAN AN EIGHT (8) INCH ENGINE SETBACK WILL BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE.

#### BODY RULES:

1. CRATE RACIN' USA BODY RULES WILL APPLY. NO RAISED OR GURNEY LIPS OF ANY TYPE ALLOWED ON BODY. DOORS AND QUARTERS MUST BE FLAT, OR MAY HAVE AN OUTWARD BODY ROLL. NO DOORS OR BODY PANELS ALLOWED TO BE ROLLED OR CURVED INWARD. NO TUNNELING OF ANY TYPE ALLOWED UNDERNEATH BODY, ALONG FRAME, OR AROUND FUEL CELL AREA. A STONE SHIELD FOR REMOTE OIL FILTER OR TRANSMISSION IS ALLOWED, 24" X 24" MAXIMUM LOCATED NEAR REAR ENGINE PLATE. (See illustrations at the end of this Rulebook for further body specifications).
2. SPOILER SIZE - MAXIMUM 8". SPOILERS MUST BE MADE OF A SOLID MATERIAL SUCH AS LEXAN, SHEET ALUMINUM, OR MATERIALS OF EQUAL STRENGTH. SPOILER & SPOILER SUPPORTS SHOULD BE MADE OF EQUAL MATERIAL ON ALL AREAS. NO OPEN SPOILER SUPPORTS. POILER HEIGHT, WIDTH, AND ANGLE MUST BE THE SAME AT ALL TIMES FOR THE ENTIRE AREA OF THE SPOILER. NO VARYING SPOILER HEIGHTS OR SPOILER ANGLES.
3. ROOF SUPPORTS OR "C" PILLARS ON BOTH SIDES MUST BE MADE OF EQUAL MATERIAL. WINDOW OPENINGS ARE ALLOWED, BUT MUST BE THE SAME SIZE OPENING ON LEFT AND RIGHT SIDE. IF CLEAR LEXAN WINDOW IS USED, IT MUST BE USED ON BOTH SIDES. BOTH SIDES OPEN, OR BOTH SIDES CLOSED. CURVED OR ARCED ROOF SUPPORTS ALLOWED; 3" MAXIMUM ARC ALLOWED AT WIDEST POINT, CHECKED WITH STRAIGHT EDGE, EXTENDED FROM ROOF EDGE TO DOOR EDGE.
4. NO MIRRORS.
5. NO RADIOS.

#### FRAME RULES:

1. ALL FRAMES MUST BE OF STEEL CONSTRUCTION.
2. SQUARE OR RECTANGULAR FRAME. MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 2" BY 2" MATERIAL, .083 WALL THICKNESSES.
3. ROUND TUBE FRAME: TUBING MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 1-3/4" OUTSIDE DIAMETER, .083 WALL THICKNESSES.

#### SUSPENSION RULES:

1. STANDARD LATE MODEL SUSPENSIONS ONLY. NO SPRING LOADED OR SHOCK TYPE 4 BAR RODS. ONLY STANDARD SOLID BAR 4 BAR RODS. NO TORSION BAR FRONT OR REAR SUSPENSION. SWAY BAR OK.
2. STANDARD ONE PIECE BIRD CAGES; NO SPLIT BIRD CAGES.
3. 1 MECHANICAL TRACTION DEVICE ALLOWED. EITHER 5<sup>TH</sup> COIL OR TORQUE LINK, NOT BOTH. ONE(1) 90/10 ALLOWED WITH TORQUE LINK, MOUNTED CENTER TOP OF REAREND TO FRAME.
4. ONE(1) COIL SPRING PER WHEEL. NO BUMPSTOPS AND NO STACK SPRINGS ON ANY CORNER INCLUDING 5<sup>TH</sup> COIL. **NO PROGRESSIVE SPRINGS. NO SPRING RUBBERS (1/9/17).** ONE(1) SHOCK AND ONE(1) SPRING PER CORNER OF CAR.

### SHOCK RULE:

1. SHOCKS, AT ANY POSITION ON THE RACE CAR, INCLUDING LIFT BAR OR TORQUE ARM SHOCKS, MUST BE CONSTRUCTED OF MAGNETIC STEEL OR ALUMINUM. SHOCKS OF THE "THRU ROD" STYLE ARE NOT PERMITTED. **SHOCKS MUST HAVE CONCENTRIC, ONE PIECE BODY, AND TAKE APART ON ROD END ONLY. NO REMOVABLE GAS HEADS. NO ADJUSTABLE SHOCKS. NO REMOTE RESERVOIR OR CANNISTER SHOCKS. NO SCHRADER VALVE SHOCKS. NO PIERCING VALVES.** NO REMOTE ADJUSTMENT OF SHOCKS IS PERMITTED, INCLUDING ELECTRONIC ADJUSTMENT WHETHER HARD-WIRED OR WIRELESS. SHOCK/DAMPER DEVICES THAT ARE, OR THAT CAN BE REFERRED TO OR DEFINED AS AN "INERTER" OR REFERRED TO OR DEFINED AS A "J-DAMPER" ARE NOT PERMITTED ANYWHERE ON THE CAR.
2. ONE(1) SHOCK PER WHEEL ONLY. THIS INCLUDES LEFT REAR.
3. SHOCK CLAIM: \$200 PER SHOCK. CAR CLAIMING SHOCKS MUST FINISH IN TOP 5 AND ON THE LEAD LAP. REFUSAL TO ALLOW SHOCKS TO BE CLAIMED OR CONFISCATED WILL RESULT IN DRIVER LOSING ALL POINTS AND MONEY, AND FACE THE FOLLOWING PUNISHMENT: FIRST OFFENSE: 2 WEEK SUSPENSION AND \$250 FINE; SECOND OFFENSE: 30-DAY SUSPENSION AND \$500 FINE; THIRD OFFENSE - \$1,000 FINE AND 365 DAY(ONE YEAR) SUSPENSION.
4. SERIES MAY CONFISCATE OR CLAIM SHOCKS AT ANY TIME. IF CONFISCATED AND SHOCKS ARE DEEMED LEGAL, THEY WILL BE RETURNED TO DRIVER. IF SHOCKS ARE ILLEGAL, DRIVER WILL LOSE ALL POINTS AND MONEY, AND FACE THE FOLLOWING PUNISHMENT: FIRST OFFENSE: 2 WEEK SUSPENSION AND \$250 FINE; SECOND OFFENSE: 30-DAY SUSPENSION AND \$500 FINE; THIRD OFFENSE - \$1,000 FINE AND 365 DAY(ONE YEAR) SUSPENSION.
5. DRIVERS MAY ONLY CLAIM SHOCKS ONE(1) TIME PER SEASON. IF DRIVER BEING CLAIMED REFUSES, THAT WILL NOT COUNT AS CLAIMING DRIVERS ONE CLAIM.

### WHEEL BASE RULE:

1. MINIMUM WHEELBASE WILL BE 103".

### ROLL CAGE RULES:

1. ALL CARS MUST HAVE A SUITABLE STEEL ROLL CAGE PROTECTING THE DRIVER'S COMPARTMENT, INCLUDING HEADREST.
2. SIDE ROLL BARS ARE MANDATORY, AND MUST EXTEND INTO THE DOOR PANELS. A MINIMUM OF THREE (3) BARS MUST BE ON THE LEFT SIDE.
3. EACH BAR MUST BE AT LEAST 1 1/2" DIAMETER, WITH A MINIMUM MATERIAL THICKNESS OF .083".
4. ROLL CAGES MUST BE WELDED TO FRAME.

### SAFETY RULES:

### **DRIVER SAFETY IS THE DRIVER'S RESPONSIBILITY! THIS IS NOT THE AREA OF THE RACE CAR TO TRY AND SAVE MONEY. ANY MONEY SPENT ON DRIVER SAFETY WILL ALWAYS BE WELL WORTH IT!**

1. ALL CARS MUST HAVE 3" SEAT BELTS WITH SHOULDER HARNESS, AND MUST BE ATTACHED TO ROLL CAGE. 3YRS MAXIMUM AGE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.
2. ALL CARS MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH A 2 POUND ABC FIRE EXTINGUISHER. CRATE RACIN' USA STRONGLY RECOMMENDS A 5 POUND HALON SYSTEM.
3. CRATE RACIN' USA STRONGLY URGES AND RECOMMENDS SOME TYPE OF HEAD AND NECK RESTRAINT SYSTEM, BUT IS NOT REQUIRED. CRATE RACIN' USA STRONGLY URGES ALL DRIVERS TO USE A CONTAINMENT TYPE RACING SEAT.
4. ALL DRIVERS MUST WEAR A COMPLETE FIRE SUIT.
5. GLOVES ARE NOT REQUIRED, BUT HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

### TRANSMISSION RULES:

1. MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE FORWARD AND ONE REVERSE GEAR IN WORKING ORDER.
2. NO STRAIGHT DRIVES OR IN-AND-OUT BOXES.
3. DRIVE SHAFTS MUST BE PAINTED WHITE - CARBON FIBER DRIVE SHAFTS ARE LEGAL AND RECOMENDED (Safety).
4. BALL SPLINE TRANSMISSIONS – STRONGLY RECOMMENDED TO RUN CARBON FIBER DRIVE SHAFTS(For your safety!)

#### BRAKE RULES:

1. STEEL BRAKE ROTORS ONLY. NO CARBON FIBER BRAKES. NO TITANIUM BRAKES OR OTHER EXOTIC MATERIAL BRAKE SYSTEMS.

#### WHEEL RULES:

1. ANY BRAND OR TYPE OF WHEEL ALLOWED. MUST BE MOUNTED WITH LUG NUTS.
2. NO KNOCK-OFF OR CENTER LOCK WHEELS.
3. MAXIMUM WHEEL WIDTH - 14".

#### TIRE RULE:

1. HOOSIER D21 STAMPED CRATE RACIN' USA AND SHOULDER PLATED. *(HOOSIER D-55 STAMPED CRATE RACIN' USA AND SHOULDER PLATED MAY BE REQUIRED ON THE RIGHT REAR IN SOME AREAS/SIPING WILL BE ALLOWED ON D-55 TIRE ONLY)*. TIRES MAY BE DUROMETERED AND CRATE RACIN' USA D21 MUST PUNCH 46 OR HARDER WHEN CHECKED COLD. **NO GROOVING, SIPING, OR NEEDLING ALLOWED.** (ONLY ORIGINAL FACTORY GROOVES MAY BE REGROOVED AND REPLACED) ANY TIRE FAILING TO PUNCH PROPERLY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR REMAINDER OF THE RACING EVENT. TIRE/TIRES IN QUESTION WILL BE CONFISCATED. GRINDING/BUFFING TIRES IS PERMITTED. NO VISUAL CUTS SHOULD BE PRESENT ON TIRES. USE OF CARBIDE/NAIL STYLE DISCS IS PROHIBITED. TIRES MUST REMAIN IN FACTORY MANUFACTURED CONDITION. ANY ALTERATIONS FROM FACTORY MANUFACTURED TIRE IS PROHIBITTED. **ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.**

CRATE RACIN USA USES "THE SNIFFER" AS ONE OF ITS TOOLS FOR CHEMICAL DETECTION. AT ANY TIME "THE SNIFFER" DETERMINES THERE IS AN UNAPPROVED CHEMICAL PRESENCE WHETHER INSIDE THE TIRE, WHEEL, OR OUTSIDE THE TIRE, OR WHEEL, THAT DRIVER/DRIVER'S WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE RACING EVENT. TIRE/TIRES IN QUESTION WILL BE CONFISCATED. THE SERIES MAY OR MAY NOT USE LABORATORY TESTING TO TEST FOR CHEMICAL ALTERATION OF TIRES, THE SERIES MAY USE ANY MEANS NECESSARY TO DETERMINE IF TIRES MEET HOOSIER SPECS, AND THAT DECISION IS THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE SERIES. **ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.**

2. IT IS THE DRIVERS RESPONSIBILITY TO KNOW WHAT IS ON THEIR RACE CAR AT ALL TIMES. ANY USED WHEELS OR TIRES THAT MAY BE SUSPECT BY THE DRIVER SHOULD NOT BE USED.
3. **PENALTIES FOR ILLEGAL TIRES:** PENALTIES FOR ANY TIRE FAILING INSPECTION WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:  
**FIRST OFFENSE:** \$500 FINE & 30 DAY SUSPENSION FROM ANY CRATE RACIN' USA SANCTIONED EVENT.  
**SECOND OFFENSE:** \$1,000 FINE & 90 DAY SUSPENSION FROM ANY CRATE RACIN' USA SANCTIONED EVENT.  
**THIRD OFFENSE:** \$2,000 FINE & 365 DAY SUSPENSION FROM ANY CRATE RACIN' USA SANCTIONED EVENT.  
FAILURE TO ALLOW ANY TIRE/TIRES TO BE CONFISCATED WILL RESULT IN ADDITIONAL \$500 PER TIRE FINE, IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER FINES AND PENALTIES. **ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.**

**WARNING:** THE NESMITH LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES (CRATE RACIN' USA) AND HOOSIER RACING TIRES STRICTLY FORBIDS ANY CHEMICAL ALTERATION OF THE TIRE CARCASS AND/OR TREAD COMPOUND, SUCH AS TIRE SOAKING OR USE OF TREAD "SOFTENER". THE NESMITH LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES (CRATE RACIN' USA) AND HOOSIER RACING TIRE STRICTLY FORBIDS THE PHYSICAL DEFACEMENT (REMOVAL, ALTERING, OR COVERING) OF TIRE SIDEWALL MARKINGS IN ANY MANNER. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS WARNING COULD RESULT IN PREMATURE OR CATASTROPHIC TIRE FAILURE AND MAY RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

ATTENTION ALL CAR OWNERS AND DRIVERS:

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE ARE HERE BECAUSE OF THE FANS, PROMOTERS, AND SPONSORS. IF THEY DON'T BENEFIT, WE WON'T BENEFIT. 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 SERIES INTO DISREPUTE.

IN THE EVENT OF ANY FELONY CONVICTION OF A DRIVER, TEAM MEMBER OR TEAM SPONSOR, THE DISCIPLINARY ACTION SHALL BE A MINIMUM 12 MONTH BAN FROM THE SERIES BEGINNING WITH THE DATE OF THE CONVICTION, OR THE DATE OF THE COMPLETION OF ANY INCARCERATION SUBSEQUENT TO SAID CONVICTION, WHICHEVER DATE SHALL LAST OCCUR.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY ALSO INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE RIGHT OF THE SERIES 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 SERIES ORGANIZERS AND OFFICIALS, MAY HAVE RESULTED IN, OR MAY RESULT IN, HARM OR DETRIMENT TO THE NESMITH LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES (CRATE RACIN' USA).

SERIES ORGANIZERS AND OFFICIALS ALSO RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REQUEST THE REMOVAL OF ANY DEROGATORY OR DISTASTEFUL STATEMENTS ON ANY RACE CAR, TRAILER, OR TRANSPORTER. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS REQUEST FOR REMOVAL MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM SOME OR ALL OF THE CRATE RACIN' USA DIRT LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES EVENTS.

THE DECISIONS MADE, AND THE DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TAKEN, BY THE SERIES ORGANIZERS AND OFFICIALS HEREUNDER SHALL NOT BE APPEALED BY THE DRIVER, TEAM MEMBER, OR TEAM SPONSOR AFFECTED THEREBY.

**PLEASE NOTE:** BY ENTERING, QUALIFYING AND/OR RACING IN A NESMITH LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES EVENT, YOU ARE ACCEPTING THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS AS BEING THOSE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE PREPARED TO RACE. ANY DRIVER ENTERING AND COMPETING IN A CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES EVENT ACKNOWLEDGES AND ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING: THE CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES AND ITS ASSIGNS MAY USE THE DRIVERS NAMES, PICTURES, LIKENESS, AND PERFORMANCES IN ANY WAY, MEDIUM, OR MATERIAL; INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION BY AND THROUGH, TELEVISION, RADIO, AIR WAVE: CABLE AND SATELLITE BROADCASTS, FILM PRODUCTIONS, VIDEOTAPE REPRODUCTIONS, AUDIOTAPE REPRODUCTIONS, TRANSMISSIONS OVER THE INTERNET, AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ON-LINE SERVICES AUTHORIZED BY THE CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES AND THE LIKE, BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE EVENT, FOR PROMOTING, ADVERTISING, RECORDING OR REPORTING IN THE EVENT OR ANY OTHER CRATE RACIN' USA LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN SERIES SANCTIONED 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, HIS/HER NAME, PICTURE AND LIKENESS IN CONNECTION WITH PRODUCT ENDORSEMENTS AND THE SALE OF PRODUCTS, SERVICES, CONCESSIONS, AND MERCHANDISE.



**LATE MODEL SPORTSMAN WEEKLY RACING SERIES POINTS SYSTEM:**

**In order to be classified as a Crate Racin' USA Late Model Sportsman Weekly Racing Series sanctioned event earning Crate Racin' USA Late Model Sportsman Weekly Racing Series points, the feature race must pay less than \$501-to-win. Any Late Model Sportsman event at any Crate Racin' USA Late Model Sportsman Weekly Racing Series sanctioned track paying over \$500-to-win is considered by the series to be a non-Crate Racin' USA Late Model Sportsman Weekly Racing Series sanctioned Special Event, and drivers in that event paying over \$500-to-win will not receive Crate Racin' USA Late Model Sportsman Weekly Racing Series points.**

**8 OR MORE CARS:**

1. 50
2. 49
3. 48
4. 47
5. 46
6. 45
7. 44
8. 43
9. 42
- 10-THRU FIELD 41

**LESS THAN 8 CARS:**

1. 40
2. 39
3. 38
4. 37
5. 36
6. 35
7. 34

**NON EVENT QUALIFIER OR DOES NOT START FEATURE RACE:** 25 (MUST PARTICIPATE IN AT LEAST HOT LAPS TO BE COUNTED IN THE CAR COUNT TOTAL FOR THE EVENT AND RECEIVE THE 25 POINTS. JUST ENTERING THE EVENT AND PACKING THE TRACK DOES NOT COUNT AS PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT.)

BEST **14** WEEKLY FINISHES OVER THE WEEKLY RACING SEASON THAT RUNS FROM MARCH 20, 2017 TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2017 WILL BE COUNTED FOR POINT TOTALS.

IF A DRIVER COMPETES IN MULTIPLE EVENTS DURING THE WEEK THAT BEGINS ON MONDAY AND ENDS ON SUNDAY, ONLY THE DRIVER'S HIGHEST EVENT POINT TOTAL FOR THE WEEK WILL COUNT IN THE BEST 14 FINISHES.

THE LOWER EVENT TOTALS FOR MULTIPLE EVENTS DURING A WEEK OF COMPETITION WILL BE DISCARDED.

IN THE EVENT OF TIE IN WEEKLY POINTS, THE TIE WILL BE BROKEN AS FOLLOWS:

- 1ST TIE BREAKER - NUMBER OF 50 POINT RACE WINS.
  - 2ND TIE BREAKER - NUMBER OF 50 POINT RACE SECOND PLACE FINISHES.
  - 3RD TIE BREAKER - NUMBER OF 50 POINT THIRD PLACE FINISHES.
- ALL 50 POINT RACE FINISHES COUNT TOWARD TIE BREAKER, NOT JUST THOSE IN THE NETTED POINTS.