

# 2024

## RULES AND PROCEDURES INTERNATIONAL VET MX ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

The title of this organization will be referred to henceforth as the "International Committee."

### **I. PURPOSE**

To establish rules and procedures under which the member chapters may meet, compete, and conduct business.

### **II. MEMBERSHIP**

A. Membership in the International Committee is limited to official associated chapters of the IVMX (International Vet Motocross Association (hereinafter referred to as IVMX) Association. There are eleven (11) chapters of IVMX consisting of Oregon Chapter, Washington Chapter, British Columbia Chapter, Sierra Chapter, Alberta Chapter, Nevada Chapter, Rocky Mountain Chapter, Idaho Chapter, SoCal Chapter, Arizona Chapter and Las Vegas Chapter. If a chapter decides to go "inactive" and at any later time decides to reactivate their chapter, their seniority goes to the end of the list.

Any chapter which goes "inactive" and later requests reactivation will be considered the same as a new club requesting entry into the IVMX. Reactivation requests must be submitted by June 20<sup>th</sup> to provide time for other chapters to evaluate the "viability" and "fit" of the returning chapter before the annual meeting. Requests should include the proposed zone but any change in the total number of chapters will result in a re-evaluation of which chapters are in each zone. Consideration for reactivations will be given priority over requests for new chapters. Seniority of any reactivated chapter will go to the end of the list of current chapters.

Any new Chapter requesting entry into the IVMX must make their request by June 20<sup>th</sup> to be included with all the Chapters' Rule Change Proposals, in order to give the other Chapters time to evaluate the 'viability' and 'Fit' of the new Chapter. Requests should include the proposed zone but any change in the total number of chapters will result in a re-evaluation of which chapters are in each zone. Any new Chapter must be voted into the International by a majority vote.

Anytime there is a change to the number of Chapters for the next racing season, either an addition or removal, then it will be decided at the current Congress meeting, by the attending Chapter Representatives, which Chapters will be in which zone for the following racing year.

B. These chapters are divided into 3 zones:

- Zone 1 - Alberta, Idaho, Rocky Mountain, British Columbia
- Zone 2 – Washington, Oregon, Sierra
- Zone 3 – SoCal, Arizona, Las Vegas, Nevada (Fernley)

C. Each member chapter shall furnish representatives to the International Committee meetings and provide the name, address, phone number, and email address of a dependable contact. The International Secretary shall

compile this list of all club's Representatives and Presidents each year and send that list to each Rep and President. This shall be done within 30 days of Congress.

- D. Barring Acts of God, an International race must be put on and held in accordance with the rules and spirit of the IVMX to retain a vote at Congress. Any club that chooses to not put on a race, due to financial or economic reasons, shall receive a one-year exemption from the no vote rule, providing they pay their annual Association dues. This Rule shall be reviewed and voted on, every year starting in 2012 until Congress decides the economic factor is no longer an issue and clubs would have to revert to annual races to maintain their vote, at Congress.
- E. Any chapter that does not pay their dues at or by congress shall go to the bottom of the seniority list. Any chapter that does not produce at least a tentative race date at or by congress will lose seniority over a date chosen later if another chapter already has it. In addition, any chapter that disregards IVMX rules (mistakes not withstanding) or does not communicate, which subsequently disrupts the flow of normal IVMX operations may lose their seniority. The majority of chapters will decide.

### **III. AUTHORITY**

- A. The International Committee has overall authority to make decisions, which are fully binding on all members and member chapters at all IVMX events.
- B. Each Chapter representative will have a letter of authorization from the chapter president and a membership card to vote at Congress. The official representative of each member chapter has absolute authority to render decisions, act and/or vote on behalf of his respective chapter at International Committee meetings.
- C. Each chapter representative has one vote on the issues at Congress. There will be no proxy votes or proxy representatives at Congress. Votes on issues shall be counted at Congress only; no rule changes shall be considered, except at Congress. A simple majority will pass a rule proposal. A tie vote is a failure.

### **IV. OFFICERS**

- A. The Chairperson of the annual Congress meeting will be from the hosting chapter.
- B. The Official Spokesperson for the year will be the hosting chapter representative.

Duties of the Spokesperson: Spokesperson will be the point of contact for whatever matters need resolution during the year. Spokesperson will send out a written ballot (or whatever electronic or current method is accepted) for each chapter to vote. These ballots (or electronic records) would be sent to the International Secretary for recording. This process will not be used for making or changing rules. This process is for resolving issues not covered by existing rules. All rules must be created or changed through Congress. As with general Congress voting, a simple majority is what is needed to pass a proposed resolution. A tie vote is a failure.

- A. The secretary will be the IVMX record keeper and Scorekeeper (or can be selected at the meeting). The only official officer is the IVMX Secretary who will be the record keeper and scorekeeper. The Secretary will send out communications regarding race entry forms, race results, notices regarding a particular chapter being out of order according to the rules, etc.

### **V. MEETINGS**

- A. Time and place for the next meeting shall be established before adjournment of the current meeting to include a future special session if necessary to address unfinished business. If there is a need to

address unfinished business before the next official congress meeting, it must be completed prior to commencement of the first round of the next race season. For any unfinished business that requires voting, only those who attend can vote.

- B. The host chapter for the following year will be determined at the Congress meeting according to the established rotating schedule or by adding a new chapter.
- C. Meetings shall be held approximately once a year. At this meeting the Chairman will have no vote on any issues, not even to break a tie.
- D. Meetings shall be conducted informally, except that they shall be in a professional and organized manner according to Roberts Rules of Order. All speakers shall be at the direction of the Chairperson and shall direct their comments to the Chairperson. If a person has a comment they wish to make, they shall put up their hand and wait to be acknowledged by the Chairperson before speaking.
  - 1. The first item on the agenda will be: The set fee for International Awards and expenses will be presented at the Congress meeting of the year completed or the representative present will have no voice or vote during the meeting.
  - 2. The second item on the agenda will be: Each chapter will select their date for the next year's schedule. This is done in Seniority order.
- E. Each chapter shall submit its agenda AND its tentative race schedule date to the International Secretary no later than 90 days prior to Congress. The International Secretary can extend the deadline at her discretion up to but not beyond 80 days prior to Congress. The International Secretary will compile the submitted agendas and email each chapter a copy 70 days prior to Congress. The chapters will then have approximately two (2) weeks to confer, to refine their proposals or "fine tune" scheduling issues, before re-submitting their final version no later than 55 days prior to Congress. If there is no resubmittal, then the original agenda will stand. The International secretary will then email the final agenda items to each Chapter no later than 40 days prior to Congress. so that there is time before Congress for each Chapter to discuss these proposals with their general membership.
- F. 2020 was an exceptional year that required the association to adapt as the Covid-19 pandemic situation progressed. Any actions taken during this year shall not be construed as precedent setting. Any actions taken during this exceptional year may be used as an example during any other extreme or exceptional circumstance.

All Agenda Items must be in final motion format so they can be adopted into the rules as presented without the need for modification, followed by RATIONALE (explanation of the motion) and then followed by the INTENT (the intent of the motion cannot be altered at Congress). Minor changes in wording shall be allowed at Congress, for clarification purposes only, providing the INTENT of the proposal does not change.

After each vote the International Secretary shall read back the final wording, what will be put in the rulebook, just so that it is clear to everyone present. This final wording must receive the consent of the Congress Reps

The International Secretary shall keep a yearly record of the Rationale and Intent of rule change proposals. If a Proposal is submitted without being in final format, including Rationale and Intent, the International Secretary will return it for proper completion.

Note: There is nothing stopping a club that has difficulty formulating a rule in the proper format from asking for help from other Association members that may have the skills to do this. Therefore, there is no excuse for not presenting their proposal in final format with proper Rationale and intent.

## **VI. INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY AWARDS**

- A. Each member chapter will contribute \$300 or variable fee toward the purchase of International awards, plaques, and expenses of the hosting chapter. This fee will be submitted at the Congress meeting to the IVMX Secretary/Treasurer. The IVMX Secretary/Treasurer will be accountable to provide documentation for expenses incurred. The IVMX Secretary/Treasurer shall maintain and carry over a balance of no less than \$1000. Should the balance fall below \$1000, the fee will increase as needed at the following congress until the reserve is restored.
- B. The top ten finishers in each class shall receive trophies or plaques each year. If there are less than ten, all will receive trophies or plaques. The first-place rider in each class will receive a jacket from their own chapter. The embroidering on this jacket will be consistent with Congress' guidelines, i.e., IVMX, (Year), (Class) Champion, and the individual's name on the front.
- C. The club hosting the Congress is responsible for providing plaques for the past-completed year. Plaques will be presented at the Sierra Chapter International next year. The jackets will be presented either at an appropriate chapter meeting or gathering or brought to the Sierra race and presented along with the plaques.
- D. The international scorekeeper will be recognized each year with a jacket, equal to or same as the #1 plate winner. The hosting chapter purchasing the plaques and awards will purchase this jacket, with funds coming from the International Association.
- E. Each year a chapter will be named International Chapter Champion for the previous year. The IVMX Chapter Championship will utilize a positive scoring system. Each Chapter will be scored for its riders participating in each specific event. Also, each year, Chapters will submit names to be placed on this Legends Cup. See Appendix 1 for details on this award.

## **VII. APPLICATION**

These rules are applicable for competition among member chapters at International Championship events.

## **VIII. RIDER ELIGIBILITY**

- A. The rider must reach his Thirtieth birthday prior to the end of the calendar year to be a member of the IVMX Association. A rider's age in the +30,+40,+50, +60, +70 and +80 Classes shall be determined by their birthday reached prior to the end of the calendar year. All riders must produce a legal form of identification that shows proof of age, if asked to do so by any Chapter Rep or by an official of the host Chapter.
- B. Rider must be a paid-up member in good standing of his chapter.
- C. Rider must have current IVMX membership card showing Name, Age, Date of Birth, Chapter, rider classification, Year of Issue. This card will be required to be shown at sign up at an International event. If a rider's class is changed during the racing season, it is the rider's responsibility to obtain a new card for this class change. The membership cards will reflect the class designated by the International Committee, not the club designation.

## **IX. RIDER CLASSIFICATION**

- A. An unclassified rider at International Championship events will be classified by the presiding riding committee (Reps) . If this committee cannot reach a decision, the rider in question will be placed in the INTERMEDIATE class. This new rider will have some form of identification that is dignified, during his first moto so that the residing committee can identify them. This identification could be colored ribbons either on his helmet or on his arm. Should it become apparent that the rider has been improperly classified the rider may be moved up or down.

Points will not be scored for the rider's first moto if he is moved up or down. When a rider is moved up or down a class at an event, the first moto will be the average of the following four. When the decimal point is .5 and above, the finish position will be rounded up. If it is .4 it will be the lower score.

B. The IOTMA has the final say regarding the rider's classification. This may or may not be the same as a rider's local class. It is noted, however, that it is NOT "automatic" for a rider to sign up in a class lower than his/her local chapter. Reps who are familiar with the IOTMA's classes pretty much know their riders and where they fit. This, as well as another classification procedure, is described above in subsection A. If possible, it would be helpful for chapters to submit a rider/class list to the International secretary and the chapter of an upcoming race for comparison purposes. Riders riding in a class lower than their authorized class may be assessed a penalty of from the docking of 1 lap to disqualification. Left to the discretion of the race committee, based on the circumstances. The name of the classification (ex: Novice, Int, etc.) may be the same everywhere but actual skills of those classifications can vary by region or chapter size. This is the reason the IOTMA has final say of a rider's class and why the rider may not be in the same "named" class as locally. This is undoubtedly how rumors of being able to "drop down a class" got started.

C. When a rider has been advised as to his move up or down at any +IVMX event and the rider does not comply with the IVMX decision, the rider in question will be disqualified and shall stay disqualified until such time as he moves into his proper class.

Classes will be designated as:

Plus 30 Novice (D) Class (30-39 years)  
Plus 40 Novice (D) Class (40-49 years)  
Plus 50 Novice (D) Class (50 to 59 years)  
Plus 60 Novice (D) Class (60 years and older)  
Plus 70 Novice (D) Class (70 years and older)

Plus 30 Intermediate (C) Class (30-39 years)  
Plus 40 Intermediate (C) Class (40-49 years)  
Plus 50 Intermediate (C) Class (50-59 years)  
Plus 60 Intermediate (C) Class (60 years and older)  
Plus 70 Intermediate (C) Class (70 years and older)

Plus 30 Expert (B) Class (30-39 years)  
Plus 40 Expert (B) Class (40-49 years)  
Plus 50 Expert (B) Class (50-59 years)  
Plus 60 Expert (B) Class (60 years and older)  
Plus 70 Expert (B) Class (70 years and older)

Plus 30 Master (A) Class (30-39 years)  
Plus 40 Master (A) Class (40-49 years)  
Plus 50 Master (A) Class (50 years and older)  
Plus 60 Master (A) Class (60 years and older)  
Plus 70 Master (A) Class (70 years and older)

Plus 75 class (75 years and older)  
Plus 80 class (80 years and older)  
Plus 90 class (90 years and older)

D. All Plus 40 classes will be limited to riders 40 years and older. This plus 40 classification/term is determined by age and not ability. Plus 40 classes will be Novice, Intermediate, Expert and Master. The Plus 40 class has the option of riding in the Plus 30 class, example: Plus 40 Expert could by choice ride in the Expert class.

All Plus 50 classes will be limited to riders 50 years and older. This plus 50 classification/term is determined by age and not ability. Plus 50 classes will be Novice, Intermediate, Expert and Master. The Plus 50 class has the option of riding in the Plus 40 class, example: Plus 50 Expert could by choice ride in the Expert class.

All Plus 60 classes will be limited to riders 60 years and older. This Plus 60 classification/term is determined by age and not ability. Plus 60 classes will be Novice, Intermediate, Expert, and Master. The Plus 60 class has the option of riding in the Plus 40 or Plus 50 classes.

All Plus 70 classes will be limited to riders 70 years and older. This Plus 70 classification term is determined by age and not ability. Plus 70 classes will be Novice, Intermediate, Expert and Master. The Plus 70 class has the option of riding in the Plus 40 class, plus 50, or plus 60 classes,

The Plus 75 and Plus 80 classes will be limited to riders 75-80 years and older. If the rider has reached his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday he can ride the 80 plus class or wherever he chooses. He can ride if he wants to.

E. We have accepted a computer database formula that determines when a rider should be moved up based on how many riders, they beat in all motos ridden, or move down based on how many riders beat them. This formula will be processed after the last International event has taken place. The moved ups or down will be forwarded to the rider's home chapter for approval or disapproval. When a rider is moved by the system to a higher class and his Rep says no, then his Rep must present reasons for the denial to the other Chapter Reps for review. The other Chapter Reps are then allowed to vote on the move. It would require a majority of "yes, move" votes to override the original "does not move." The approval or disapproval will then be forwarded to the Record keeper. These actions will be taken before the start of the next racing season. When a rider is informed that he is signed up in the wrong class, they will not be allowed to compete in that class. When a rider is moved by the system to a higher class and his rep says yes, he be moved up, he stays there for at least that year before he can move back down. The computer database formula average figure is decreased to 3.0 for all 40, 50, and 60 classes (except Masters).

F. If a rider wishes to move up to a higher class to see if he is competitive in that class, he can try it for two (2) races/events. If he finds he is not competitive in that higher class, he can move back down to his original class. Points will not be counted for the higher class if he moves back down. The rider will be given credit for riding in that zone.

G. If a rider wishes to drop down a class, they must do so by obtaining approval from a minimum of six (6) different club representatives. The International Secretary will be notified of this decision in writing or by the appropriate form

H. No forced move-ups shall be allowed after the IVMX Rider has completed three (3) International events. Except in the situation where the riding committee (Chapter Reps) have determined there was a blatant and obvious attempt to hold back during those three (3) races for purposes of "locking into a class". Process: An accusation of sandbagging (with reasons and supporting information) must be proposed by a Rep and submitted to All Chapter Reps for review. Therefore, if all authorized Reps are not present at an event, this accusation must be written up and submitted to ALL Chapter Reps for review and voting via email or other means, (other than the forum). A "yes" vote to move the rider must be made by a 2/3 (two thirds) majority of ALL IVMX Reps. When a rider is moved up, he will be informed at his/her next race if he/she cannot be notified sooner. A rider moved by this "sandbagger" method will be given credit for the races completed in the lower class for the purposes of zone qualification only, but no points will be carried to their new class and the "points averaging" applicable to other moves will not apply. The rider has the option to get with his/her Rep to appeal the decision. If an appeal is lodged, the rider can state his case and the Reps can take another vote.

I. If a rider leaves the Association for any period, he returns to the same class he left, or obtains approval to move down.

## **X. NUMBER SYSTEM**

A. Numbers of the correct color will be carried on three number plates (front, left, and right sides).

B. Plate colors will be:

Masters	Black with white numbers
Experts	White with black numbers
Intermediates	Yellow with black numbers
Novices	Green with white numbers

70 experts may run black or white backgrounds.

Any IVMX Champion is allowed to wear a RED background with number 1 on their plates or their regular number. This background color option is not to be carried forward if the rider moves up a class.

C. Those riders who do not have the proper color background will be docked a lap for each moto they ride with the wrong color background. This statement will be included on the entry form. A strip of the appropriate colored duct tape applied horizontally above and below the number would be acceptable for single event purposes only. It will not be necessary to add tape to number plates when all the riders on the line are the same rider classification. Riders with the wrong-colored number plates will not receive international Points.

D. Number plates 1-10 are earned numbers and take precedence at an International event.

## **XI. SCORING SYSTEM**

A. A rider must ride at least three International Meets, in at least two (2) of the three (3) zones (total of three races) to receive the number one through ten plate for his class. The total number of events scored for the year for determining overall finishing position will be based upon the number of events held as follows:

<u>Events</u>	<u>Scored</u>
15/14	8
13/12	7
11/10	6
9/8	5

If two riders finish the season with the same figure that constitutes a tie, the greatest number of first place finishes will be utilized for breaking any ties at year end. If there is still a tie, then the most moto wins will break the tie.

B. The IVMX will utilize the negative scoring system for scoring at the actual race events. First place = 1; second place = 2; third place = 3, etc.

C. The International IVMX will utilize a positive scoring system. This International point scoring system will be based on the overall event finish position, not per moto. Following points will be assigned to rider finish position:

<u>Place</u>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	=	30 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	=	27 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	=	25 points

4 <sup>th</sup>	=	23 points
5 <sup>th</sup>	=	21 points
6 <sup>th</sup>	=	19 points
7 <sup>th</sup>	=	17 points
8 <sup>th</sup>	=	15 points
9 <sup>th</sup>	=	13 points
10 <sup>th</sup>	=	11 points
11 <sup>th</sup>	=	10 points

D. All points earned in any given class remain in that class and cannot be carried to another class EXCEPT WHERE IT IS SPECIFICALLY STATED IN THESE RULES. If a rider moves to a new class, either up or down, their actual finishing positions in their previous class and those corresponding points are not used. The rider will be given credit for competing at all events before a move takes place, but this credit will be in the form of zone qualification (credit for racing in the zone where the event is located) and points based on an averaging system. This “point’s average” will not be calculated until the racing year is over because it is based on their average finish position in each event attended after they are moved. This “points average” rule applies to voluntary move ups as well, provided the move up is permanent and not a temporary move as defined by rule: Section IX RIDER CLASSIFICATION, Sub-section G., and the rider completes more races (or at least an equal amount) in the higher class than in the lower class.

E. A rider must begin his moto, or he will be given a did not start (DNS) and points for that moto equal to thirty (30) plus the number of riders in that moto. If a rider starts, but fails to complete one lap, he must inform the lap checkers that he did, in fact, start and he will be given a did not finish (DNF) and points for that moto equal to the number of racers in that moto or twenty (20), whichever is greater. If a rider crashes or breaks during his official IVMX member practice, that rider is considered a participant of the event even if they are unable to start any motos. They will be given all DNS's, credit for the race (as part of their three mandatory races in two different zones) and 10 points. They must notify the scorekeeper. Again, they must have attended the event and rode the track in one of their IVMX member practices or else their entry will be refunded (as per XII. RULES OF THE MEET, subsection Y) and they will not be considered a participant.

F. If there are too many riders in a class for the starting gate or track conditions to handle safely (decision will be made by the hosting chapter), there will be a double gate start with two separate divisions, with equal trophy and payback points for each group.

G. A class may be combined with another class, but there will be separate starts where practical. If there are less than 4 riders in the Master class – those riders have the option to choose to start in a single start with the class, they are combined with. 60 master’s and 60 Experts will be a single start. If a class is combined with a higher class, the moto will be the shorter time of the two - except for the Plus 60 and Plus 70. This combination will maintain the time established for the Plus 50. There will be a maximum of two classes - in most cases.

H. If a moto has a split start and a rider who is in the second gate starts in the first gate, they will be given last place in their class for that moto. Any rider “jumping” the gate will be given a last place for that moto. Any penalty other than last place would be at the discretion of the attending representatives. Any rider who leaves the track and re-enters the track ahead of a rider or riders who were ahead of him/her, or at a place that gives an advantage, that rider will be given last place for that moto. Any rider who purposely and blatantly cuts a sizeable portion of the track to obtain a better position will be disqualified for that moto and receive no points for that moto. Any penalty other than those outlined in the rules will be at the discretion of the attending Reps. All classes will be scored the same both days.

In case of a tie, the last moto will be the tiebreaker.



## **XII. RULES OF THE MEET**

- A. International Championship events will be two-day events. An IVMX member must sign up and pay for both days of an International event. There will be no Sunday only sign up for IVMX classes.
- B. The standard program for an International Race meet shall consist of three (3) motos on Saturday, two (2) motos on Sunday. All pre-entries will have the race schedule indicating there will be three motos on Saturday and two on Sunday. If this schedule is not on the pre-entry, and there are only two “planned” motos on Saturday, it will not be considered an OT International event. Plus 60/70 Novices, Plus 70 Intermediates, plus 70 Experts and 80 classes will have two motos on Saturday and two motos on Sunday. On Saturday and Sunday, the Plus 60/70 will ride in one of the earlier motos, usually no later than 3<sup>rd</sup> moto, to be decided by the hosting club, based upon track and weather conditions. Any fees other than the entry fee must be stated on the Race Entry for, i.e., gate, camping, etc.
- C. Riding times for motos will be:
- Vet Plus 30 Master = 22 minutes
  - Vet Plus 40 Master = 22 minutes
  - Vet Plus 50 Master = 20 minutes
  - Vet Plus 30 Expert = 20 minutes
  - Vet Plus 40 Expert = 20 minutes
  - Vet Plus 50 Expert = 18 minutes
  - Vet Plus 30 Intermediate = 18 minutes
  - Vet Plus 40 Intermediate = 18 minutes
  - Vet Plus 50 Intermediate = 16 minutes
  - Vet Plus 30 Novice = 15 minutes
  - Vet Plus 40 Novice = 15 minutes
  - Vet Plus 50 Novice = 15 minutes
  - Vet Plus 60 Novice, Intermediate, Expert and Master – 15 minutes
  - Vet Plus 70 Novice, Intermediate, Expert and Master = 15 minutes
  - Vet Plus 75 = 15 minutes
  - Vet Plus 80 and Plus 90 = WHATEVER HE CHOOSES

A chapter must not cut the length of motos of the IVMX classes. If they realize they are going to run out of time, they must make up the time through manipulation of the non IVMX classes.

D. IVMX are to practice by themselves. The Masters and Experts will practice for 15 minutes; the Intermediates will practice separately for 10 minutes; the Novices will practice separately for 10 minutes; or if time permits, four ten-minute practices. This will be enforced by the color on the number plates. Should there be a violator practicing in the wrong practice, that violator will be docked a lap in his first moto. Support and Plus 30 practice will not be combined with IVMX.

E. The hosting chapter will determine the practice order of all practices with the following exceptions: First practice may be support (where applicable), second practice shall be all masters and experts, third shall be all 60/70/80 riders.

F. Plus 60, Plus 70, and Plus 80 riders will practice together as a group by themselves for 10 minutes.

G. Plus 30, Plus 40 Master/Expert and Plus 50 Master/Expert shall combine to practice by themselves for 15 minutes. Plus 60 master's and Experts shall be allowed to practice in this group at their discretion.

Plus 30, Plus 40 and Plus 50 Intermediates shall combine to practice by themselves for 10 minutes.

Plus 30, Plus 40 and Plus 50 Novices shall combine to practice by themselves for 10 minutes.

Non-IVMX classes will practice separate from IVMX never on the track at the same time as IVMX.

The hosting chapter will determine the time and length of non-IVMX practices.

H. Proper rider practice will be enforced by the color on the number plates. Should there be a violator practicing in the wrong practice that violator may be docked a lap in his first moto, subject to the discretion of the riding committee.

I. Track watering/preparation during the races shall be coordinated between the hosting chapters and track officials with track safety being the primary factor. It is, however, recommended that track watering be rotated in front of different classes as opposed to mostly being in front of the first motos during the event.

J. On both days of the International event, the program will be standardized so that IVMX classes will run a set of IVMX motos first. Support will not be intermingled with IVMX classes during the schedule. The Novices will begin on Saturday and the master's begin on Sunday. A sample schedule would be:

First moto: All Vet classes: +30, +40, +50, +60, +70, +80  
Support

Second moto: All Vet classes: +30, +40, +50, +60, +70, +80  
Support

Third moto: All Vet classes: +30, +40, +50, +60 Intermediates, Experts, Masters and +70 Masters  
Support

Fourth and fifth motos: Same as second moto.

K. A presiding Riding Committee will be formed at each International Championship race. Each chapter competing will have one representative on this committee. This individual should be a member of his chapter's riding committee; thus, he will be more familiar with his own riders. This committee will meet prior to each day's riders meeting and the meeting time will be part of the printed program. The hosting chapter will post a signup sheet near the race results for each chapter representative to register. This will indicate to riders who their representative is, and to the hosting chapter referee who to refer to for resolution of disputes. On Saturday morning, chapter reps should meet after the first round of motos, to discuss other issues. In addition to the responsibilities previously outlined, the Presiding Riding Committee will rule on the following (their decision will be final):

1. Protests (lodged only by riders in the same moto - nothing else will be considered) shall be lodged with the rider's chapter representative on the Presiding Riding Committee. The protest must be in writing and lodged within one half hour after completion of the moto in question.

- a) The Presiding Riding Committee shall meet only as a group and the decision documented. The documentation shall state the issue, date, and have the signatures of all attending with their vote (yes-no-abstain) following the signature.
- b) If a member of the Presiding Riding Committee is competing in the class in question, he/she shall abstain from voting on that specific issue.

- c) The completed document shall be forwarded to the International Scorekeeper to provide a reference for future events.

2. Riding Committee decisions will be final about verifying rider age, scoring discrepancies, track and equipment safety, and other decisions requiring the attention of the Riding Committee.

L. All members of recognized IVMX chapters will receive a copy of these rules and annual updates from their own chapter along with their national membership and classification card.

M. The International Representatives will meet on Friday; they will walk the track and review for safety. If representatives want change, and hosting chapter does not change the track, all members of the hosting chapter will be penalized and receive -0- points for their final position.

N. Changing motorcycles during a moto will be cause for finishing last in the moto. The Scorekeeper (the person doing the lap scores/sheet results) must be notified of plate number changes when changing motorcycles during the race event. This notification must be done prior to the moto where the different number is used. Failure to notify the Scorekeeper will result in finishing last in the moto.

O. An ambulance or qualified paramedic/EMT with the proper equipment is mandatory at all IVMX events, and they will be at the track before practice can begin.

P. All IVMX events will be covered by liability insurance.

Q. A standard white flag only (not a white flag with blue stripe) will signify last lap.

R. "Yellow – caution" When a yellow flag is displayed, competitors must ride cautiously until they have passed the incident that caused the flag. In motocross, when a yellow flag is displayed there is no passing or jumping between the flag and the incident that caused the yellow flag. Failure to do so may result in the rider being docked from one finishing position all the way to disqualification from the event, subject to the referee's or a majority decision by the Chapter Reps. If a rider violates the yellow flag rule in two or more motos during the weekend, he/she will be disqualified for that event.

S. If a red flag comes out during the moto, and the race is 50% done, it will be called final. If the race is not 50% done, it will be re-started. All rider positions prior to the restart will not count. Any rider who was in the original start but cannot make the restart will be given a DNF and scored according to the rules: Section XI. Scoring System, sub section E. The length of the restarted moto will be equal to the remaining time of the original moto at the point when the red flag came out.

Example: The Novice class is a 15-minute moto. The red flag comes out at the 5-minute mark (approx.). The restarted moto will last 10 minutes (approx.).

T. Each International race MUST have a definite finish line clearly visible to approaching riders as the point to which they are racing for the finish position. Suggestions are chalk line, flags in ground at edge of tract, etc.

U. A standard set of caution flagger rules will be provided for each chapter International event.

V. Abusive language or aggressive conduct toward race officials, scorers, volunteers, or spectators shall not be tolerated. Racers or spectators engaging in this behavior may, at the discretion of the hosting chapter, be ejected from the event and their entry fees and any points forfeited. Repeated issues of abusive behavior once documented will be at the discretion of the Intl Rep committee and result in suspension the remainder of the season and or future seasons with all points and awards forfeited without refund of costs incurred. Spectators

involved in incidents will be asked to immediately leave the facilities, no refund of fees paid. Failure to comply by any involved will result in referral to local Law enforcement to be removed from the facility.

W. No two International IVMX chapters will hold an International event on the same weekend.

X. All pre-entries may be fully refundable to the rider at the club's discretion. The criteria for not returning any entry fee, whether it is a pre-entry or post entry, shall be if the rider starts any practice session.

Y. At least thirty-three (33%) percent trophy award to all classes. Event awards shall have identification on them to clearly signify the event the award was given for: Event Name, Date/Year, and Class. Finish Place position shall be included on awards for participants placing first, second and third.

Z. The trophy presentation will begin with the IVMX members and continue to support.

AA. Earned event trophies must be available to riders 30 minutes after the results are posted with no protests.

BB. In addition to class Champions there will also be an overall Champion known as IVMX Overall Champion for "that year". All points earned will count towards this championship, including points earned before a move up, with the following exception: If a rider qualifies for, and competes in, two different age group classes at an event, only his/her best finish of that event will count. In the case of a yearend tie, the person with the most firsts will win. If the tie continues then the most seconds, etc. If a tie cannot be broken, all winners will receive an award as IVMX Co-Champions.

See Appendix 1.  
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#### History of hosting chapters of the Congress Meeting:

1978 - Los Angeles	2001 – Central Valley	2024 Nevada
1979 - Sierra	2002 - Riverside	2025 Rocky Mount
1980 – Washington	2003 – BC/Alberta	2026 Las Vegas
1981 – BC/Alberta	2004 - Oregon	2027 SoCal
1982 – Oregon	2005 - Nevada	2028 Arizona
1983 – Nevada	2006 – Los Angeles	2029 BC/Alberta
1984 – Los Angeles	2007 - Sierra	2030 Oregon
1985 – Sierra	2008 - Washington	2031 Sierra
1986 - Washington	2009 - Idaho	2032 Washington
1987 – BC/Alberta	2010 – Central Valley	2033 Idaho
1988 – Oregon	2011 - SoCal	
1989 - Nevada	2012 – BC/Alberta	
1990 – Los Angeles	2013 - Oregon	
1991 - Sierra	2014 - Sierra	
1992 – Washington	2015 - Washington	
1993 – Idaho	2016 - Idaho	
1994 – Central Valley	2017 - SoCal	
1995 – BC/Alberta	2018 - Arizona	
1996 – Oregon	2019 – BC/Alberta	
1997 – Nevada	2020 - Oregon	
1998 - Sierra	2021 – Sierra	
1999 – Washington	2022 - Washington	
2000 – Idaho	2023 - Idaho	

## APPENDIX 1 LEGENDARY INDIVIDUAL OLDTIMERS

When submitting agenda items for Congress each year chapters may submit names of past IVMX Congress meetings. Each chapter can submit one or two names each year and Congress will decide on what the correct Number is – one or two. The chapter submitting the name will give a brief explanation why they think this person should have his name on the “Legend Cup” and how his life has benefited all IVMX and his chapter. Once voted on and approved, the chapter submitting the name will pay for the engraving of the name on the “Legend Cup”. The chapter who has possession of the cup at the time will have the engraving done. The name will be ½” to ¾” high and done by a professional engraver. If a chapter submits a name and is turned down for three (3) years in a row, it will be put on the cup the next race season, so by a chapter’s persistence, no name can ever be black balled from the Legend Cup if the Chapter feels strongly about the past member.

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Each year, a club will be named International Club Champion for the previous year completed. If necessary, all clubs will donate a set amount to buy a large trophy that can be passed on to the next Club that wins, year after year - the same trophy. The International Club Championship trophy will be for the riding season starting in 2008. The Trophy will have ample room on it for all future years and the Club winning will pay to have its Name and year engraved on the Trophy on a 2"X1" name plate. The Winning Club will keep it until the first race of the following year and then give it to the next winning club at that race (2010).

#### The rules for the International Club Champion are:

1. The International IVMX Club Championship will utilize a positive scoring system. It will be the same as all IVMX receive now for a weekend of racing. This International point scoring system will be based on the overall event finish position, not per moto. See Section XI (C.) of International rules.
2. Each Club will be scored for its rides as follows. Only 1 OT rider will score for each class, and they will get the same score as they received for finish overall for the weekend of racing. Example Oregon 40+ Expert rider gets 1st place; Oregon gets 30 pts. 2nd place and 3rd are Oregon riders they receive no points. Idaho is the next rider in the Expert Class with 4th place, Idaho scores 18 point for 4th place, next rider is Washington at 5th place they get 16 points. You only get to score 1 position per class. This way the small clubs have a chance at winning too, they only must have one IVMX rider in all 16 Classes to score well. If you have one rider in each class, the minimum you can score for the weekend is 160 points if they all finish below 11th place in each class. Every class will score 30 points but depending on club finish not all class will score 2nd or 3rd etc., etc. The Club member that scores the highest in each class scores the points for the Club Championship for that class, that race. If you finish behind a member of your club, you score no points.
3. If a rider belongs to more than one club, he must declare to the International Secretary which club he is riding for in regards to Club Championship points, otherwise his points will not be counted towards any club’s points.
4. If IVMX member rides 2 classes, only the top score will be counted for 1 class. Example 40+ Master and then 50+ Masters, only 1 class counts. No IVMX member can be counted on a single weekend for more than 1 class.
5. The Club with the most points will win the International Club Champion for that racing year and bragging rights for all next year’s racing. All IVMX classes count, and all International events run will count.
6. The International Score keeper will keep all the records and score all points for the International Club Champion for each year.