



RULES & GUIDELINES

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The **AMA New York Off-Road Association (NYOA) Championship Series** is composed of a series of hare scramble events organized and promoted by individual **AMA** chartered organizations. NYOA is dedicated to the betterment of the sport of Off-Road racing and to providing families and competitors alike, an entertaining, high quality, safe, and challenging event. In addition to all **AMA Rules**, the following **NYOA Rules and Guidelines** will be used to govern the **NYOA Championship Series**. NYOA is an “**AMA Featured Series**”, which means the winner of each class will be awarded an **AMA Number #1 Plate!**

A. Hare Scramble Highlights

All participants should familiarize themselves with these rules and the

AMA <http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/Racing/Get-Started-In-Racing>

- 1) A hare scramble is an event conducted on a closed course, using trails and paths over natural terrain. The course will be a minimum of 8.5 miles for Adult bikes, 6.0 miles for Adult quads and at least 1.5 miles and a 5min. minimum leader lap time for Pee Wee Bike & Pee Wee Quad classes, except where weather and terrain conditions require course changes and length reduction. An official NYOA odometer will be used by a NYOA designated rider during the event. There will be an appeal process for promoters not meeting the minimum requirement.
- 2) The event will be run for a designated amount of time as determined by the specific promoter; however, no combination of motorcycles or quads may run at the same time on the same course.
- 3) Minimum race times are approximately 1hr for the mini and 45 minutes for pee wee riders, and approximately 2 hours for the bike riders and approximately 1½ hours for the quad riders. The peewee course will require the leader to have a minimum of a 5-minute lap time and at least 1.5 miles of course. The maximum mini course will be based on ‘time’ rather than length and all mini course lengths will be within 10-15 minutes per lap
- 4) All riders participating in a NYOA hare scramble will be required to be a member of the AMA. AMA membership is available at all NYOA events or on line at www.nyoa.net which will take you to www.AMADirectlink.com, by going through the NYOA web site AMA provides a kick back to us.
- 5) The promoter undertakes the responsibility to put on a safe event that complies with the AMA and NYOA hare scramble rules. The series event promoter has the right to ban or evict any person or member from their event if they feel said person at their said event attending that event would affect the smooth operations of that race event.
- 6) Un-sportsman like conduct will not be condoned at any event, this includes but not limited to any of the following, cheating, and use of verbal or physically threatening another member on or OFF the track. This may lead to disciplinary action of the offender. The promoting club/ or NYOA referee will handle all final scoring protests and disqualifications. The promoting club/ or NYOA referee will make the final decisions on all event disputes and protests.
- 7) The promoter will patrol the trail with course marshals during the race but is not responsible for removing disabled motorcycles/quads during a race. However, the promoter will provide a sweep crew after each event to aid disabled motorcycles/quads or injured riders.
- 8) Safety is an important consideration in a hare scramble. Common sense is the governing factor. There are a few guidelines that riders must be aware of:
 - a) When approaching a slower rider, make your presence known so that the rider may pull over. Do not expect the slower rider to automatically know you are there and want to pass. When appropriate, the promoter should allow 20 feet on both sides of the trail for passing and obstacles.
 - b) If you see an injured rider, help if you can and report the location at the scoring area or to a patrol rider.

- c) When broken down or stalled, get off the trail. Do not attempt to fix or start your motorcycle/quad in a location that will impede traffic flow or cause a collision. TOWING is not allowed. Racers whose disabled machines are towed back to the pit area by staff or otherwise, for any reason are not eligible to return to competition. Any laps completed by a racer that returns to the course after having been towed back to the pits will be removed. If a racer desires to repair their machine and return to competition, they must decline the offer to tow the machine back to the pits. This rule does not apply to racers towed only a short distance. For example, to dislodge a machine stuck in a track obstacle. Such as mud or ruts or to bump start a machine
 - d) Never ride backward against the trail.
 - e) If you miss a turn, do not turn back without looking as other riders may miss the same turn and collide with you if you turn abruptly.
 - f) Pit riding/racing will not be tolerated. Riders and their families, in addition to all spectators, are in the same area. Riders will only be allowed to ride in 1st gear when traveling to and from their pit area and must be wearing a helmet at all times. In addition, there will be no passengers allowed on any motorcycle or quad. Each promoter may provide a specified area for warm up or jetting.
 - g) No Horn or sound device allowed to be USED during the race as it could cause an unfair/unsafe condition.
 - h) Any infractions of these rules will be subject to: 1). First offense, Disqualification for the day. 2). Second offense, he/she may be suspended from the NYOA series for a year.
- 9) Only one rider per race machine is permitted. Any rider swapping will result in the disqualification of all participants for (2) NYOA events. A second offense will be means for disqualification for the remainder of the year.
 - 10) If a rider is disqualified for any reason at an event that disqualification cannot be dropped and must be counted as "0 points" for year-end in class and overall points.
 - 11) Spectators and/or Pit Crew are **NOT** allowed to impede a racers progress when racing. (Example being on the marked course and in a racers way causing them to have to slow down and loose time on foot or on a bicycle.)

B. Rules/Guidelines for AMA Release & Waiver Forms

Off-Road Adult Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement (also known as the "Print and Sign" form), the Off-Road Minor Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement (page 1, front side) and Minor's Assumption of Risk Acknowledgment (page 2, backside) and the AMA Annual Release Verification card. In addition, a gate fee collection is required for entrance of said event.

1. **ANY ADULT or MINOR RACER** that has the **AMA Annual Release Verification card**. Note: The AMA Annual Release card meets all AMA Release, Waiver, and Assumption of Risk requirements for any type of AMA-sanctioned event. This card is issued by AMA upon receipt and validation of the participants completed and notarized Annual Release. The AMA Annual Release is valid for one calendar year, January 1 to December 31. When the racer presents the Annual Release Verification card and any type of current AMA membership card, they DO NOT need to fill out or complete any additional AMA waivers; including the Off-Road Adult Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement (also known as the "Print and Sign" form), the Off-Road Minor Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement (page 1, front side) and/or Minor's Assumption of Risk Acknowledgment (page 2, back side). AMA promoting clubs are authorized and encouraged to allow those AMA members who show proof of a valid AMA Annual Release card to bypass completion of any additional AMA waivers on-site. The AMA Competition Card no longer serves as proof that an AMA Annual Release and Waiver is on file with AMA.
2. **ANY MINOR RACER UNDER THE AGE OF 18** participating in the event **MUST** submit the Off-Road Minor Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement (page 1, front side) AND Minor's Assumption of Risk Acknowledgment (page 2, back side) with signature(s) by parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s). **If parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) are not present with the minor, an authorized adult acting on behalf of the parents or legal guardians must provide a notarized statement indicating they have been given the authority by the parent or legal guardian to be responsible for the minor during the event.**
3. **ALL ADULT RACERS - ANYONE AGE 18 OR OLDER** participating in the event, **MUST** sign the Off-Road Adult Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement (also known as the "Print and Sign" form) at rider registration/sign-up. **ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 is considered a MINOR and does NOT sign this form.**
4. **Any minor participant without a parent or legal guardian** with them will need to have a Notarized form at every NYOA hare scramble event. An authorized adult (authorized adult is any person over 18 years of age who is given the responsibility in writing and notarized, for a minor on a given day) must print and sign where designated on the Minor Release. The parent, legal guardian or authorized adult **MUST** remain present at all times during participation of the AMA member in any NYOA /AMA sanctioned meet. All releases and notarized statements are then forwarded to the AMA.

5. **All youth participants AND PARENTS must acknowledge they have read the NYOA Sportsmanship Pledge when submitting their membership.**

NYOA SPORTSMANSHIP PLEDGE

This Pledge summarizes important elements of the youth sports experience and sets out your commitment to Sportsmanship and Fair Play. Signing it is a condition of your child's participation in the Western New York Off-Road Association Series.

Important Information about youth and sports:

Kids participate in sports primarily because it's fun. Adults need to keep it fun. Some adults get too emotional about youth sports because they are too concerned about how their kids are doing, have the mistaken belief that winning is very important, or have a desire for glory through their kids' success. That last one is part of the concept of living through your kids.

Kids need to know that if they're trying their best, that that is the most important thing. Parents need to remember that their kids will not be great at everything. Recognizing that, parents can help most by relaxing and enjoying their participation in general. Placing too much pressure on kids to perform well creates stress that can detract from their fun and can affect their self-esteem.

As the parent, I pledge that I will not be disrespectful or negative towards other parents, riders, workers, or spectators. I acknowledge that failing to show respect for people who are doing the best they can sets a bad example for our children and can result in my suspension from the series. If someone else makes an inappropriate comment, I will not make a negative response that could lead to a confrontation.

As a rider, I pledge that I will not be disrespectful or negative towards other racers, workers, or spectators. I should not act in a way that could lead to ejection from a race or embarrassment for myself or family. I recognize that striving to win, rather than winning itself, is what is important in sports and in life. Striving to win means doing the best you can. I acknowledge that making mistakes and losing are part of life. I pledge that I will be tolerant of the mistakes of riders, workers, and others. I recognize that mistakes are opportunities for learning.

I recognize that behaving within the parameters of competition, sportsmanship and fair play are paramount.

I pledge that I will commit to promoting an atmosphere of healthy competition to ensure fun for all participants.

C. General Rules and Guidelines

1. The NYOA Referee shall have the power to suspend, for an indefinite period of time, any rider for flagrant violation of these rules and any actions considered detrimental to the sport of off-road racing. The NYOA referee has this authority regardless of event participation, the only exception would be for a conflict of interest. Example (an issue that occurred in a class the NYOA referee competed in). Conflict of interest will be determined by the NYOA board. Likewise, the NYOA board as well as Official NYOA personnel have discretion in bringing penalties of offences to the Event Referee or Series Referee for assessment/enforcement.
2. Un-sportsmanlike conduct will not be condoned at any NYOA event. This includes but is not limited to any of the following: cheating, use of physical force against anyone, foul/abusive language or gestures used in anyone's presence. ON or OFF the track.
3. Falsifying one's name, age, or ability level, or attempting to compete under any false pretenses is subject to disciplinary action by the Event referee, NYOA referee and/or AMA. The penalty for riding in a lower classification than entitled (i.e., "B" class rider competing in the "C" class) will be:
 - a) 1st Offense – One race suspension from NYOA series event.
 - b) 2nd Offense – Report violation to AMA with a NYOA recommendation of a \$100.00 fine and up to 6 months' suspension from all AMA activities.
 - c) 3rd Offense – Report violation to AMA with a NYOA recommendation of a \$100.00 fine and at least 1 year suspension from all AMA activities.
4. No rider shall at any time ride in such a manner as to endanger the safety of other riders, scoring personnel or spectators. When in violation of this rule, the rider will be subject to immediate disqualification by the Event referee, the NYOA series referee or the event promoter.
5. No rider may compete in a NYOA event while under the influence of any intoxicant or drug which would affect his/her normal physical or mental ability.
6. **All riders, spectators, pit crews, and workers will refrain from smoking within 50 feet of all registration lines, tech lines, start lines and scoring area.**

7. All promoting clubs will discourage the use of foreign substances and alcohol by minors.
8. Riders must wear appropriate protective apparel when competing in NYOA events. Failure to comply is means of disqualification from that event. The following will be enforced:
 - a) All helmets must be full coverage or full-face models and Snell approved.
 - b) Shatterproof goggles or face shields must be worn at the beginning of the event including practice.
 - c) Boots specially designed and constructed to provide ankle and foot protection will be worn (no sneakers, loafers, etc.) They must be at least 8-inches high with any combination of laces, buckles or zippers.
 - d) Protective pants made of durable material and long sleeve shirts must be worn (no shorts, tank tops, etc.)
9. NO RIDER MAY LINE UP PRIOR TO ONE (1) HOUR BEFORE THE START OF SAID EVENT.
10. Riders must remain on the marked course. A rider leaving the course can only continue in the event by returning to the point where he/she left the course or where can safely be done without gaining an advantage. Failure to do so will result in the rider being penalized a minimum of one finishing position for that event. Unless otherwise instructed at the riders' meeting/starting line, riders must not ride beyond 20 feet from the course marking arrows, tape, fence or go to the outside of the trail marker in the case of a corner at any time. If (2) arrows or (2) trail marking, tape, fence, etc. are positioned on each side of the route, riders must remain between the arrows or markings. Violation is subject to loss of a lap or disqualification.
11. Riders encountering a traffic jam or bottleneck may go more than the 20 feet off the course to get around the bottleneck only. However, the rider must re-enter the course as soon as possible and upon approaching this section on the next lap, must ride the original arrowed section of the track if it is clear. If the original marking devices are knocked down, the rider must stay on the original marked course. A "bottleneck" is a section of the track that becomes impassable for any reason with the exception of checkpoints.
12. The course will be arrowed as follows: Black on Orange for Bikes and Quad riders; if different course for Quads it will arrowed as Red on Black– Quad; Blue on White for Mini riders; Black on Pink for Pee Wee riders. A listing displaying what colored arrows are used for what classes will be displayed at rider registration.
13. Occasionally, due to unexpected racing incidents or difficult sections, the course may need to be adjusted during the race to allow for the smooth continuation of the event. If the organizers find the necessity of such changes, the course may be marked with alternate means, such as snow fencing, banners, or arrows. For major changes, or areas easily congested and confused, it is recommended that a track worker be located in this area.
14. The Quad course may be separate from the Bike course, in whole or in part, but will be at least 52" wide. The Mini class should use an easier or abbreviated course. The Pee Wee course will be separate from the Mini course.
15. There is no pitting in the scoring area. The designated scoring area is defined as the first white pole before the scoring gate to the last white pole after the scoring trailer. There is **NO PITTING** in this area.
16. A 10:00 PM quiet time curfew will be enforced at all NYOA events for loud music, partying, howling, and loud noises. All generators over 65 decibels' will be turned off by 10:00pm on Saturday night and will not be turned on before 6:30am on Sunday morning. **ALL PORTABLE GENERATORS ARE TO BE LOCATED AT THE LIVING AREA ENTRANCE SIDE.** It is the promoting clubs' responsibility to check the pit areas and to enforce the 10:00pm curfew.
17. **THE PROMOTING CLUB REFEREE, NYOA REFEREE, PROMOTER, OR ANY OF THE NYOA OFFICERS HAS THE RIGHT TO DISQUALIFY ALL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE VIOLATION OF THESE RULES.** In addition, NYOA referees have the right to suspend persons from participation in future NYOA events. Each promoter will post a sign at the event registration area naming a contact person for all/any emergencies that arise.
18. The Event referee is the principal officer of a meet, acting as general supervisor. The Event referee must be introduced at the riders meeting/start line and be available throughout the protest period. The Event referee's name will be posted at the registration area and may not compete in the event. The Event referee duties are, but not limited to:
 - a) To determine if any changes in the course are necessary.
 - b) To direct the starter to black flag a rider for any safety reasons or NYOA/AMA Competition Rules.
 - c) To receive and decide all protests subject to appeal by the AMA.
 - d) To decide on rider disqualification and disqualify any rider who violates any NYOA/AMA rules.
19. Only the Event referee, NYOA series referee or other NYOA staff are allowed in the NYOA Scoring trailer at any time (during and/or after any event). If at any time, the number of individuals in the NYOA Scoring trailer become bothersome to the scoring personnel, the Scoring Team personnel has the authority to ask an individual(s) to leave the trailer area.
20. Only approved gas containers will be allowed. Violators will receive a warning for not complying.
21. Receiving any form of prohibited outside assistance, including, but not limited to, receiving radio transmission while in competition are not permitted and may be subject to disciplinary actions. A radio may be carried only for use for non-competitive reasons to assist stopped riders.

22. All dogs are to be kept on a leash at all times. Failure to comply will be constituted as a warning for the applicable rider. Aggressive dogs are potentially an issue at the NYOA races; organizers have the right to request the owner and dog to leave the premises. According to the law, a second aggressive action causes a "history of violence" for an animal and can be cause for further legal action. **Furthermore, all dogs must remain behind the marked-off official starting area and no dogs will be allowed on starting line.**
23. NYOA will use a "96 2stroke and 94 4stroke" decibel rating. If a rider fails, either a series or day rider, they may not be allowed to ride that day; and if not permitted to race, entry fees would be reimbursed. Any rider that appears to be in excess of the maximum decibel rating prior to the start of the race may be sound checked with an AMA certified sound meter to determine their sound level. NYOA and the organizers may enforce the sound test levels at any time, in an effort to educate riders that noise levels are a concern for the future of our sport.
24. All areas around or near the event entrance(s), event registration, or other specified areas, must remain clear of vehicles at all times to allow for the free flow of official vehicles, safety crews, ambulances, etc.
25. If any NYOA event needs to be canceled, (due to weather, etc.) the promoter will notify the NYOA president no later than Friday prior to the scheduled event so that the cancellation can be posted to the NYOA website.
26. In the event a situation requires a race to be prematurely ended or not started at all (thrown race), all riders will receive 75% of points available to the rider. Work points remain as earned (25 pts. for those that signed up 3 weeks prior or 20 pts. for those signed up less than 3 weeks in advance).
27. No studding of tires including screws will be allowed.
28. There will be a 100% enforcement of a "working tether-type kill switch" for quad riders. No exceptions (day riders included) will be permitted.
29. Riders are only allowed to walk or ride a bicycle on the course prior to the event.
30. Any Racer to whom is assessed an off-track penalty/penalties, said penalty/penalties will be applied in every class they compete in.
- 31 Violations of Rules will fall into Safety or Non-Safety issue as well as Flagrant or non-flagrant violation and this will impact the actions taken in addressing violation.

D. Protests

1. A competing rider may protest any matter relating to the event by submitting a Rider Protest Form to the Event referee. Each protest must specify the violation of the NYOA /AMA Rule or procedure(s) which is alleged and must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee. There is not a fee for administrative protests, such as scoring issues.
2. The Event referee will only accept protests that are properly made within the 30 minutes following the posting of complete event results. Protests will NOT be accepted after this period. The Event referee will not accept any protest that is not properly submitted and accompanied by the required fee. The only exception to this is Mini and Pee Wee scoring protests, which may be submitted until the last event of the day.
3. Final determination of the timeliness of a protest will rest with the Event referee and such decisions will be final, including protests of race results.
4. The Event referee shall render all decisions on protests as soon as possible. If the Event referee is not present, then the NYOA series referee will handle the protest, if available. The Event referee shall have the authority to disqualify riders as a result of the protest. If the Event referee decides a protest in favor of the protesting party, their protest fee will be returned. If the Event referee decides against the protesting party, the written protest and respective fee will be forwarded to the AMA. If the protesting party wishes to appeal the ruling, they may do so through the AMA.

E. Classification of Riders

NYOA rider classifications are as follows:

1. AA – **You must earn AA status**- see eligibility for "AA" advancement- This is to clarify not a higher skill level than "A" class, but a series based class earned by a rider
2. A – the highest classification
3. B – the classification preceding A
4. C – the classification preceding B
 - a. Non-mini riders are classified by experience level as "C", "B", "A" and "AA" riders.
 - b. Advancement of "C to B" and "B to A" and "A to AA" status will be made at year-end, or during the year if a rider shows to have the experience level of a higher classification within the rider's first three races. At this time NYOA will allow 70% of rider's points to follow with the advancement if NYOA does the promoting.
 - c. All AMA Enduro riders will be considered as equivalent or higher ability hare scramble riders.

- d. The following applies to all NYOA Hare Scramble riders:
 - i. AMA will promote riders based on their points accumulated. If the AMA fails to do so, or NYOA feels a rider needs to be promoted before falling into AMA advancement requirements, NYOA may proceed with the following advancement procedures.
 - ii. Movement among the Hare scramble classes will go before the NYOA Board, which will decide on all class changes, including "AA" changes.
 - iii. Annual overall results will be used as rider performance data but may not be the only factor in determining in NYOA 's decision to move a rider.
 - iv. The NYOA "AA" class will be a premier class of "A" riders that have demonstrated consistent exceptional riding ability and viewed as a role model for aspiring NYOA riders. The "AA" classes may be limited each year to approximately 5% of the active NYOA series for bikes and quads.

Eligibility for "AA" Advancement into the "AA" class will be as follows

- e. Advancement is normally earned only from the "A" hare scramble class of the prior year and the rider had to clearly demonstrate consistent top 5% of the riders in an event overall performance during the prior year.
 - f. The rider must be a NYOA series rider and actively participated in the minimum number of events required for a NYOA year-end Hare Scramble award in the prior year.
 - g. Exceptions will be made for those riders that actively race in a different series and have earned "AA" status through their participation and performance in a class comparable to NYOA "AA" hare scramble class.
 - h. Any rider over 30 years of age who qualifies for the "AA" hare scramble class, but also for a hare scramble age class (Vet A, Senior A, etc.) may run in that alternate hare scramble class. They will not be required to participate in the "AA" hare scramble class unless their performance qualifies them for the AA class and they chose to do so.
 - i. The "AA" hare scramble class will be analyzed at the end of each year by NYOA. Riders determined to be not well suited for this premier "AA" hare scramble class, not meeting the minimum NYOA event participation expectations and/or a possible safety hazard during the event may be moved to a more appropriate NYOA "A" class in the following year.
 - j. Any AA rider from another series that wants to race in NYOA AA Class must be vetted by one of the following NYOA President, Vice President, or Series Referee
 - k. Any Rider wishing to race a AA class, that currently is not a AA rider, either from another series, or currently in the series must submit their request in writing to the series referee to be taken to the competition committee for review.
5. The AA, AA 35+, Vet A, Senior A, Super Senior, Masters, Women, and Utility riders are at the top of their respective skill level. The winners of an "A" age class will not be moved by NYOA to the "AA" class.
 6. All riders who voluntarily initiate movement during the season to a higher class will result in forfeiture of the points earned from the lower class and the rider will not be able to move back to the lower class without approval from AMA.
 7. If a rider feels he/she has been promoted unfairly, he/she may appeal to the AMA in writing via the form available at NYOA registration. The penalty for not advancing or riding in a lower class is loss of all series points accumulated after notification, one race suspension or up to one-year suspension and loss of all series points for continued violations.
 8. Utility Quad riders can elect to move themselves to the "B" Quad class or, with proper age requirements, to the Quad "Vet" or "Senior" class. Movement to the Quad "C" class from the Utility class will be allowed based on demonstrated prior alignment with the Quad "C" class rider capability. If a Utility rider chooses movement to the Quad "C" class, then their specific event results will be monitored by the NYOA Points keeper and the NYOA series referee to ensure proper alignment.
 9. Pee Wee, Teen Quad, Teen Novice Quad, Women, Schoolboy and Masters classes are not classified as A/B/C level in NYOA . Points earned in these classes are not used for rider advancement.

F. Class Requirements, Number & Wave Sequence

- a. The Pee Wee, Mini, Schoolboy, and Teen Quad classes are designed to be age groupings with some equipment limitations for each group. The Pee Wee, Mini, Schoolboy, and Teen Quad classes' age on January 1st will determine his/her age for the entire year. However, a rider may move to the next higher age class if he/she will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Once a rider moves to the higher age class, he/she may not move back to the lower age class. Points earned in a lower age class will not be transferred to the higher age class. The NYOA referee may ask for proof of age upon request.
- b. Series riders will start in front of any day riders in their respective waves if the promoter considers their wave is too large or could be dangerous in the 1st turn for that particular start.
- c. Bike riders must be 12 years of age to race a machine between 151cc -250cc, and 14 years of age to race a machine 251cc or larger. Quad riders must be 16yrs of age to race any machine 450cc or larger.
- d. Under penalty of disqualification, no rider shall compete in any NYOA Hare Scramble event on more than one machine. In other words, NO switching machines during a race.
- e. When a rider ceases to be a contestant in any NYOA hare scramble, the race machine on which the rider was competing is considered disqualified and may not be used in competition during that event by any other person.
- f. Smaller classes may be combined, i.e., Masters with Women, etc. A one-second start time difference may be noted by the Scorekeeper.
- g. All riders must wear proper protective gear: helmet (full face and Snell approved), shatter proof goggles or face shield, long sleeve shirt, long pants, and above the ankle boots. Chest protectors/ body armor and gloves are highly recommended.
- h. Use of electronic communication with the rider or use of a portable electronic device of any kind (i.e. digital music device) that would be considered a distraction while competing during the meet is prohibited.
 - i. All machines must meet NYOA's maximum sound requirement of 96dcb for 2-stroke and 94dcb for 4-stroke or less.
 - ii. All Quads' must have working tether switches.
 - iii. Engine size must fall within class limits.
- i. Standard ATV Race Equipment:
 - Fuel filter
 - Handlebars (no open ends)
 - Handlebar mounts
 - Hand Guards
 - Crossbar pad
 - Decals
 - Serrated foot pegs
 - Nerf bars (if applicable)
 - Chain / sprockets
 - Steering Stabilizer
 - Mud screens
 - Frame gussets
 - Bumpers (round tubing only / no sharp edges)
 - Tires and Wheels (no tire balls)
- j. If a racer has a machine that does not fall into existing classes and feels it should they can apply for a class competition approval waver. The Machine must be inspected by the series referee and a rider representative from that discipline and be approved for the specific class prior to competing in an event to be eligible for any points or finishing positions.

PLEASE REFER TO THE DEFINITIONS ON PAGE 19 FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF CLASS REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS FOR OPEN, STOCK & LIMITED CLASSES. AS WELL AS CURRENT AMA RULES

ANY ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLES MUST USE THE COMPETITION WAIVER ON PG. 23 TO ENTER A CLASS

BIKE CLASSES:

PEE WEE BIKES	- Start Time: 9:30AM – 45 minutes approx.	# Sequence	Wave
<i>(All Pee Wee classes will start with a "Live Engine")</i>			
SR Pee Wee 8 50cc automatic		1-99	1
	-Max wheelbase – 41" -Max rear wheel – 12"		
SR Pee Wee 7 50cc automatic		200-299	2
	Max wheelbase – 41" Max rear wheel – 12"		
SR 4- Stroke Pee Wee 7-8	50cc, Multi-speed Max rear wheel – 12"	300-399	3
SR Pee Wee 6 50cc automatic		400-499	4
	Max wheelbase – 41" Max rear wheel – 12"		
JR Pee Wee 5 50cc automatic		500-599	5
	Max wheelbase – 36" Max rear wheel – 10"		
JR Pee Wee 4 50cc Automatic		600-699	6
	Max wheelbase – 36" Max rear wheel – 10"		
JR 4-Stroke Pee Wee 4-6	50cc, Multi-speed Max rear wheel -- 10"	700-799	7
Pee Wee Girls 4-8 50cc		800-899	8
	Max wheelbase – 41" Max rear wheel – 12"		
Trail Rider (8-9)	70cc-90cc AIR COOLED ONLY	900-999	9

MINI BIKE	- Start Time: 8:00AM – 1hr approx.	#Sequence	Wave
Super Mini (14-15)	79-112cc 2-Stroke 75-150cc 4-Stroke Max wheelbase – 52" Min wheelbase – 48" Max rear wheel – 16" Max front wheel – 19" Min rear wheel – 14"	1-99	1
Super Mini (12-13)	79cc-112cc 2-Stroke 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke Max wheelbase – 52" Min wheelbase – 48" Max rear wheel – 16" Max front wheel – 19" Min rear wheel – 14"	200-299	2
80-85cc (12-15)	66-85cc Max wheelbase – 51" Max rear wheel – 14" Max front wheel – 17" Min rear wheel – 12"	300-399	3
80-85cc (7-11)	66-85cc Max wheelbase – 51"	400-499	4

	Max rear wheel – 14” Max front wheel – 17” Min rear wheel – 12”		
65cc (10-11)	51-65cc 2 stroke 59-112cc 4 stroke (Limited) Max wheelbase – 45” Max rear wheel – 14” Min front wheel – 10”	500-599	5
65cc (7-9)	51-65cc 59-112cc 4 stroke (Limited) Max wheelbase – 45” Max rear wheel – 14” Min front wheel – 10”	600-699	6
Girls (13-15)	51-112cc 2-Stroke 51-150cc 4-Stroke Max wheelbase – 52” Max rear wheel – 16” Max front wheel – 19” Min rear wheel – 10”	700-799	7
4-Stroke (7-11) 4-Stroke (12-15)	75-150cc 4-Stroke air cooled ONLY Max wheelbase – 52” Max rear wheel – 16” (XR80, TTR90, DRZ125, TTR125)	800-899 800-899	8
Girls (7-12)	51-112cc 2-Stroke 51-150cc 4-Stroke Max wheelbase – 52” Max rear wheel – 16” Max front wheel – 19” Min rear wheel – 10”	900-999	9

BIKE	- Start Time: 11:00AM – 2 hours approx.	# Sequence	Wave
AA	Open	1-99	0
Vet AA (35+)	Open	100-199	1
250A	201-250cc	200-299	2
Open A	251cc+	300-399	3
125-200 A	125-200cc	400-499	4
Vet A (30+)	Open	500-599	5
Senior A (40+)	Open	600-699	6
Super Senior A (50+)	Open	700-799	7
250B	201-250cc	800-899	8
Open B	(251cc+)	900-999	9
125-200 B	125-200cc	1000-1099	10
Vet B (30+)	Open	1100-1199	11
Senior B (40+)	Open	1200-1299	12
Super Senior B (50+)	Open	1300-1399	13
Women (12+)	100cc+; minimum 19" front wheel	1400-1499	14
201-250 C+ (22+)	201-250cc	1500-1599.	15
201-250 C (17-21)	201-250cc	1600-1699	16
201-250 C (12-16)	201-250cc	1700-1799	17
Open C	(251cc+)	1800-1899	18
125-200 C+ (16+)*	125-200cc	1900-1999	19
125-200 C (12-15)*	125-200cc	2000-2099	20
Schoolboy 1 (12-16)	98-125cc 2-stroke; 19" Front wheel	2100-2199	21
	98-150cc 4-stroke; 19" Front wheel		
Schoolboy 2 (14-16).	122-250cc	2200-2299	22
Vet C (30+)	Open	2300-2399.	23
Senior C (40+)	Open	2400-2499	24
Super Senior C (50+)	Open	2500-2599	25
Masters (60+)	Open	2600-2699	26
Vintage Line.	Open	2700-2799.	27

Minimum wheelbase 53 inches no mini cycles or Supermini

1990 and older machines

(*125-200 C & C+ class age range subject to change each year depending on pre-season registration)
(ALL ADULT BIKE CLASS MUST HAVE MINIMUM 19" FRONT WHEEL & 16" REAR WHEEL)
(ALL ADULT CLASSES EXCEPT SCHOOLBOY MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 100CC)

QUAD/ATV CLASSES:

PEEWEE QUAD – Start Time: 8:00AM – 1hr approx. # Sequence
Wave

(All Pee Wee classes will start with a Live Engine start. All Machines must have working front and rear brakes.)

50cc Open (6-9)		1-99	1
	Modifications/changes are allowed Modified stock engines No aftermarket frames 50cc ATV's that do not fit the limitations of the 50cc Limited class		
50cc Performance Limited (4-9)	50cc See Limited Class Rules in Definitions for details Page 20 No aftermarket frames	200-299	2
90cc Stock (8-9)	90cc 4 Stroke. See Stock Rules in Definitions for details page 20	300-399.	3
50cc-Open Girls (4-9)	Modifications/changes are allowed Modified stock engines No aftermarket frames	400-499	4
50cc Limited Girls (4-9)	50cc See Limited Class Rules in Definition for details page 20 No Aftermarket Frames	500-599	5
4th & 5th Rows will start together (unless there are more than 3 quads in each class) but be scored separately			
	50cc ATV's that do not fit the limitations of the 50cc Limited class		
90cc Stock (6-7)	90cc 4 Stroke. See Stock Rules in Definitions for details page 20	600-699.	6
50cc Sport Limited (6-9)	50cc See Limited Class Rules in Definitions for details page 20 Kymco, DRR, Apex, and Cobra machines are NOT permitted	700-785	7
50cc Sport Limited (4-5)	50cc See Limited Class Rules in Definitions for details page 20 Kymco, DRR, Apex, and Cobra machines are NOT permitted	800-885	8

PLEASE REFER TO THE DEFINITIONS ON PAGE 20 FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF CLASS REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS FOR OPEN, STOCK & LIMITED CLASSES.

MINI QUAD	- Start Time: 9:30 AM – 45 minutes approx.	# Sequence	Wave
Open (12-15)	71-105cc 2-stroke 71cc-150cc 4-stroke Hybrids Allowed Aftermarket frames allowed Production/Non-Production machines eligible Any quad that does not fit the limitations of the 90cc limited class	1-99	1
Girls (12-15)	71-105cc 2-stroke Open 71cc-150cc 4-Stroke Open Hybrid allowed	200-299	2
90cc/125cc (12-15)	71-90cc 2-stroke Limited 71cc-125cc 4-stroke Open NO Production Hybrids Allowed	300-399	3
90cc Open 2 Stroke (8-12)	71-90cc 2-stroke Hybrids Allowed After-market frames allowed Production/Non-Production machines eligible Any quad that does not fit the limitations of the 90cc limited class	400-499	4
90cc Open 4 Stroke (8-12)	71cc-125cc 4-stroke Hybrids Allowed After-market frames allowed Production/Non-Production machines eligible Any quad that does not fit the limitations of the 90cc limited class	400-499	4
NOTE THE 400 CLASS IS PLANNED TO BE A SPLIT START FOR 2023 (This may change depending on number and type of quads that enter this class) THIS CLASS WILL REEVALUATED AT THE END OF THE 2023 SEASON FOR 2024			
51cc-70cc Open (8-11)	51-70cc Any quad that does not fit the limitations of the 70cc limited class Hybrids Allowed Production/Non-Production machines eligible	500-599	5
Girls (8-12)	70-90cc 2-stroke Open 70cc-125cc 4-Stroke Open NO Production Hybrids Allowed	600-699	6
90cc Limited (8-11)	71-90cc 2-stroke 71cc-125cc 4-stroke NO Production Hybrids Allowed No aftermarket frames Apex with cr85 engines not allowed	700-799	7
90cc Sport Limited (8-15)	71cc-90cc 2-stroke 71cc-125cc 4-Stroke Fully Automatic machines ONLY (no shifter) All non-shifting ATV's are permitted except DRR, APEX, and Cobra machines. No aftermarket frames	800-899	8
90cc Beginner Limited (8-15)	71cc-90cc 2-stroke 71cc-125cc 4-Stroke NO Production Hybrids Allowed No aftermarket frames Apex with cr85 engines not allowed	900-999	9

Competitors must be 1st year racers, having never raced prior to this season.

PLEASE REFER TO THE DEFINITIONS ON PAGE 19 FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF CLASS REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS FOR OPEN, STOCK & LIMITED CLASSES.

QUAD	- Start Time: 2:30PM – 1 1/2 hours approx.	# Sequence	Wave #
AA/AA2	Open	1-99	1
Junior A (22+)	Open	200-299	2
College A (16-21)	Open	300-399	3
Vet A (30+)	Open	400-499	4
Senior A (40+)	Open	500-599	5
Junior B (22+)	Open	600-6996-18)	6
College B (16-18)	Open	700-799	7
College B (19-21)	Open.	800-899	8
Vet B (30+)	Open	900-999	9
4X4	Open	1000-1099	10
Women (13+).	Open.	1100-1199	11
Teen (13-15)	91cc-200cc 2-stroke Open 91cc-300cc 4-stroke Open Hybrids allowed ONLY for Teen (13-15) quads	1200-1299	12
Teen (14-15).	91cc-300cc 2 stroke Open. 91cc-400cc 4 stroke Open (No Hybrids Allowed)	1200-1299	12
Teen (13-15) and Teen (14-15) WILL START, RACE, & BE SCORED TOGETHER			
Junior C (22-24)/(25+)	Open	1300-1399	13
Junior C /(25+)	Open	1400-1499	14
College C (19-21)	Open	1500-1599	15
College C (16-18)	Open.	1600-1699	16
Utility	Open. (FAST RACER MAY BE PROMOTED TO 4X4)	1700-1799	17
First Year C (16+)	Open *NEVER raced prior to this season	1800-1899	18
Senior (40+)	Open	1900-1999	19
Super Senior (50+)	Open	2000-2099	20
Vet C (30+)	Open	2100-2199	21
Teen Novice (13-15)	91cc-200cc 2-stroke Open 91cc-300cc 4-stroke Open No Apex allowed (Hybrids up to 150cc liquid cooled allowed)	2200-2299	22
Teen Novice (14-15).	91-300cc 2-stroke Open 91-400cc 4-stroke Open No Hybrids Allowed	2300-2399.	23
Teen Girls (13–15)	Teen Girls (13-15) 91cc-200cc 2 stroke Open. 91cc-300cc 4 stroke Open Hybrids allowed	2400-2499	24
Women's Novice (13+)	Open	2500-2599	25

(Teen Girls 13-15 can race in the Women's Novice and Women (13+) line. Teen Girls must use age-appropriate machinery. See rules for Teen Girls (13-15) for machinery allowed for Teen Girls)

G. STARTING PROCEDURE

Starter Flagger Procedure- The Starter when starting each line must stand in clear view of the line being started with the green flag in one hand and the tip of the flag on the ground. With the other hand the Starter will point at each racer making sure each racer acknowledges the Starter. After the Starter points at the last racer in the line and is acknowledged, the Starter will raise the green flag straight up within 0-10 seconds to start the line.

All riders will start with dead engine EXCEPT Pee Wee classes (Pee Wee classes are live engine start). When the line is ready to start all parents/pit crew must be behind the Rider and machine. No one (parent/pit crew) may be touching the Rider or machine when starting. Racers must wait until flag is moved from the lowered position to start their engines. Pee Wee racers must wait until flag leaves the lowered position to leave the starting line. Riders must attempt to start machine unassisted a minimum of four (4) times (no touching). If the machine does not start after the fourth (4th) attempt, then parent/pit crew may assist the Rider. An "Attempt" for a machine with an electric start is defined as pressing and holding the starter button for at least one (1) second, releasing, repeated 4 times before being assisted. If a Rider has their machine running before the flag leaves the lowered position or if there is a jump start (leaving the starting line before the flag moves), then the penalties are as follows:

- power reset one that person in a reasonable time 1st offense is a 30 second penalty.
- 2nd offense is a 1 lap penalty.
- 3rd offense or more is disqualification.

The intent of this rule is to prevent parents/pit crews from giving their rider an unfair advantage on the starting line. If a parent/pit crew were to be touching the rider to address a safety issue and no advantage was gained, no penalty will be assessed. This is at the discretion of the event referee.

H. STARTING AREA RULES

- a. **All riders, spectators, pit crews, and workers will refrain from smoking OR vaping within 50 feet of all registration lines, tech lines, start lines and scoring area.**
- b. **NO ALCOHOL is allowed in the Start Area.**
- c. **NO RIDER MAY LINE UP PRIOR TO ONE (1) HOUR BEFORE THE START OF SAID EVENT.**
- d. **All dogs must remain behind the marked-off official starting area and no dogs will be allowed on starting line.**
- e. **No Bicycles, or Pit Vehicles to include (side by sides, golf carts, or pit bikes) are allowed in the Marked off Start area. Unless they are a worker or NYOA official.**
- f. **All racers riding in the Start area to get lined up must be in 1st Gear and be riding at a walking pace. NO WHEELIES.**

IF YOU ARE PASSING SOMEONE

If you are coming up on a slower rider and looking to pass. 1st make sure they know you are there don't just assume they know:

- 1) You are behind them
- 2) You have caught them and are faster than them
- 3) That they know you are not in the same class as them
- 4) They have the same amount of skill and ability you do to get over as soon as you would be able to

When approaching a slower rider to pass we want everyone to use the same language so everyone knows what it means and what to expect.

That said if you are wanting to pass, **MAKE SURE YOU ARE CLOSE ENOUGH TO MAKE THE PASS!!!** Don't yell and rev your engine and then when they slow down you are not able to make the pass and then when the slower rider moves back in front of your path to make the next corner be upset.

When you are close enough to make a pass Yell **NOT IN YOUR CLASS** or **DIFFERENT CLASS**. Then let them know which side you are going to pass them on. YELL "**ON YOUR LEFT**" means you will pass them on their left "**ON YOUR RIGHT**". Means you will pass them on your right. This way they don't have to try to look back to figure out where you are and then inadvertently swerve right into your line.

IF YOU ARE BEING PASSED

ONCE you are aware there is a person behind you, and you hear them say **NOT IN YOUR CLASS OR DIFFERENT CLASS**. We ask you to be courteous and let them pass. If possible, let them know you know they are there. A quick thumbs up, a big helmet nod. IF THEY ARE FASTER THAN YOU!! YOU ARE BETTER OFF TO LET THEM BY AND THEN RACING FORWARD WITH THEM AS LONG AS YOU CAN!!!! This will make you faster and improve your race/lap times more than fighting with them and slowing both of you down.

If you hear **"ON YOUR LEFT"** EXPECT THEM TO PASS ON THE LEFT. HOLD YOUR LINE AND GIVE THEM ROOM. If you hear **"ON YOUR RIGHT"**, YOU CAN EXPECT THEM ON YOUR RIGHT, AGAIN HOLD YOUR LINE AND GIVE THEM ROOM.

DO NOT RUN INTO OR RAM SOMEONE FROM BEHIND WHO STOPPED AND STUCK ANYWHERE, BUT ESPECIALLY IN THESE SITUATIONS, IT IS DANGERS AND CAN CAUSE EXPENSIVE DAMAGE. IT IS RECKLESS RACING AND YOU CAN BE PENALIZED FOR IT.

I. Rider Registration Times- Late registrations may NOT be accepted after registration end times.

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Saturday for ALL Participants
6:30 AM – 7:30 AM	Sunday for Pee Wee Quad & Minibike riders
7:30 AM – 9:15 AM	Sunday for Mini Quad & Pee Wee bike riders
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Sunday for Bike riders
11:30 AM – 2:00 PM	Sunday for Quad riders
2:00 PM	REGISTRATION CLOSSES

J. Numbering System

1. All classes will be issued a helmet number label for use with the CheckPoint Scoring system. These labels will be free of charge and be given at rider's registration when requested. You do not need to bring your helmet to registration unless you need a transponder programmed. You will be responsible for applying your helmet label on the **"lower left and right chin side and on the back"** of your helmet. These labels are required and given at registration; they must be used & not cut or trimmed. No color matching custom numbers will be allowed. It is a rider's responsibility to be scored.
2. Day riders will be issued numbers for their corresponding classes.
3. All riders must use clear numbers on their machines that represents their NYOA Hare Scramble rider number or assigned day rider number. Other numbers cannot be visible. Numbers will be expected on the front and both sides for bikes, for quads front and rear number plate. Numbers must be of a matching size.
4. The reserved numbers 1-25 will be earned numbers for the top overall Bike & Quad riders; numbers 1-10 for Mini bike and Mini quad; and numbers 1-5 for Pee Wee classes. Only the rider that has earned these numbers in those respective groups for year-end will be allowed to use that number for the following year. Riders earning a number will have their 'normal' number held for one year.
5. Riders who have earned a National #1 number may display the number followed with an "E". They may be assigned a different scoring number for their helmet if needed.
6. NYOA now has recommended background/number plate colors for AA through C classes. AA-Red back with White numbers, A-Green back with Black numbers, B-Yellow back with Black numbers, C-Black back with White numbers. These are not mandatory, but rec. to quickly identify another's rider class on track



K. CheckPoint Scoring

It's important that you take the time to become familiar with some of the details of this system. **All** riders will use the CheckPoint Scoring System.

About the Transponder - When issued at rider registration, the pre-programmed transponder will be entered in the data base with your rider number. One transponder can be used for multiple classes. You will only be allowed to have one transponder on at a time per race. The transponder is detected when the rider passes the "gate" at the scoring area. You will be disqualified if you run into the gate. The system isn't cheap, and we expect riders to do their part in helping us keep a quality, reliable system.

1. **The CheckPoint Scoring Area** – A remote display will be available at the scoring area, displaying the rider information. **You must be prepared to come to a complete STOP at the scoring line and you may leave when the flagger releases you. ALL riders must be in control and able to come to a complete stop to ensure proper back up scoring can be kept; it is the rider's responsibility to ensure he/she has been scored and released by the flagger.**

The designated scoring area is defined as the first white pole before the scoring gate to the last white pole after the scoring trailer. There is **NO PITTING** in this area.

Inspection Chute - A starting line inspection chute will be used to confirm the readability of the transponder prior to the start of each race. If the transponder does not work properly, the rider will need to return to registration to purchase a replacement. Every rider must go through an inspection "chute" prior to the start. Inspection will include: monitor/ensure that their transponder is working; checking quads for working tether switches, full-face helmets, goggles, a cursory check of sound level, a proper helmet sticker consistent with rider numbers and class assignment. All bike and quad machines must display a rider number and all quads will need a rear number plate.

The scoring system is easily able to differentiate between riders at the scoring – regardless how close they are together. Riders will go through scoring single file, and there is no problem with proximity between riders.

If you forget your transponder at home, NYOA will have additional transponders available at rider registration for a \$10 charge.

L. NYOA Hare Scramble Membership and Fee Structure

1. Gate fee is \$15.00 per person with no charge for children 10 and under.
2. Event registration fees are as follows:

AA Bike/Quad - \$40.00

35+AA/A/B/C Bike/Quad \$30.00

Mini Bike/Quad \$20.00

Pee Wee Bike/Quad \$15.00

Day Riders (Non-NYOA member) additional \$10.00

(AMA Nationals, GNCC, ECEA and NETRA co-sanctioned events may have different fee structures.)

Overnight parking fees will typically not be charged for NYOA events.

3. Membership fees postmarked by February 14th are \$20 per person for the first application; those postmarked between February 15th & April 15, are \$30.00 per person for the first application.

Mailed applications will NOT be accepted after April 15th.

DOUBLE CLASS applications are \$5.00 each after 1st full price app.

At events, NYOA memberships will be \$40.00 per person. Riders less than 18 years of age must provide a COPY OF THEIR BIRTH CERTIFICATE WITH THEIR APPLICATION (unless one is already on file with NYOA).

There will be a \$5.00 fee to replace a lost NYOA membership card.

A current NYOA card is required to sign-up at an event. \$25.00 bounced check fee will be imposed on any bounced check from any rider. Until that fee is paid, that rider will not be allowed to participate in any NYOA event.

4. All series riders will be using CheckPoint Scoring. The transponder should last at least a season, but if one is misused or broken, lost, or forgotten, you will be required to purchase another one for \$10.00.
4. ALL day riders will need to purchase a \$10.00 transponder.

M. Event Guidelines & Procedure for Rider Registration

The following procedure will be implemented at rider registration at all NYOA hare scramble events.

INFORMATION/AMA MEMBERSHIPS TABLE (NYOA person)

General questions answered

Issue new/renewal/lost AMA memberships and collect AMA membership fees.

NYOA MEMBERSHIP/DAY RIDER PAPERWORK TABLE (unmanned/AMA person)

Current Season NYOA Series Membership Applications

For use if you are planning to sign up for the series for the current season

For use if you are double classing for the current season

For use if you are a series member changing classes for the current season

Current Season Day Rider Applications

For Non-Series members who want to participate in a single series event

For series members who want to change classes for the DAY only

Single Event Minor Release Forms

To be completed by ALL participants under the age of 18 AT EACH AND EVERY EVENT

Annual Adult/Minor Release Forms

To be completed one time per year and turned into the AMA. This form must be notarized or witnessed by a NYOA official

Available for the first third of the season

N. Scoring

2. If necessary, due to the length of the course, observation checks may be set up at the discretion of the promoter to discourage course cutting. Course cutting will not be tolerated, and penalties may be assessed as a time deduction, or lap/laps penalty, or position penalty, and even up to disqualification, they can be assessed by the Event referee, Series referee, Competition Committee, or NYOA Board.
3. The approach and exit from the scoring area should be ribboned and designated as a "NO PASSING" zone. In addition, there will be a track official present at the scoring area. The designated scoring area is defined as the first white pole before the scoring gate to the last white pole after the scoring trailer. Exiting the scoring area will be a "NO SPIN Zone." "NO SPIN Zone" violations may be applied as: 1st Violation= Warning, 2nd Violation = 1 Lap penalty.
4. All riders will be scored using The CheckPoint Scoring system – A remote display will be available at the scoring area displaying the rider information. **You must be prepared to come to a complete STOP at the scoring line and you may leave when the flagger releases you. ALL riders must be in control and able to come to a complete stop to ensure proper back up scoring can be kept; it is the rider's responsibility to ensure he/she has been scored and released by the flagger.**
5. A rider must finish the event to be eligible for awards and points. To finish, a rider needs to complete at least 50% as many laps as the winner of his class. It is not necessary to take the checkered flag to finish. If the class winner turns an odd number of laps, the total will be rounded down to determine finishers. Example: If the winner turns nine laps, all riders completing four or more laps will be scored for points.
6. Prior to the scoring area, once the checkered flag is displayed, riders are given a reasonable amount of time to complete their final lap as follows, unless it is stated prior to the start of the event:
 - Peewees- 20 minutes, after the checkered flag is displayed to finish the race.
 - Minis 40- minutes, after the checkered flag is displayed to finish the race.
 - Bikes/Quads- 1 hour, after the checkered flag is displayed to finish the race.
7. Overall scoring is based on elapsed time from start to finish.
8. Race event results should be posted within 30 minutes after the completion of the event. The event is completed when the sweep riders notify the scoring team that the track is clear. Any participant has 30 minutes after the posted results are posted to file a written protest with the Event referee. After that time, all results are final!
9. Promoters may use a loud air horn to notify riders that results have been posted.

O. Event Awards

1. Thirty minutes (30) must be allowed for final protesting after race results are posted and prior to distribution of the event awards. Posted times will be written on race result sheet(s) that will be posted at the registration area. Riders are responsible for looking at the scoring screen when they ride through the scoring gate. However, when there is a protest made against a particular class that protest period begins again for that class when it is reposted.
2. The payback for all "AA" & "AA 35+" Bike and "AA" Quad classes will be 1 Cash award for every 3 registered riders. Payback is 150% for AA riders and 100% for the AA35+ riders. Promoter discretion to go beyond the minimum of 1 Cash award for every 3 riders and/or 150%-100% payback. It is the promoter discretion to give "AA" riders a plaque. Example: guidelines: 1st 50%, 2nd 30%, and 3rd 20%.
3. All Bike & Adult quad A, B, C classes, Mini Bike and Mini Quad classes will be a minimum of 1 award for every 3 registered riders, plus one for each class.
4. A 100% plaque payback for all Pee Wee bike riders and all Pee Wee quad riders (70cc limited and 50cc) will receive an event award with a placement tag. Each Peewee class will be a minimum of 1 main award for every 3 registered riders plus one for each class and then either a medallion/metal of such may be used in substitution of a main award at the Promoter's discretion.
5. Each class recognized by NYOA must be awarded a minimum of one award.
6. The event award presentation will be consistent for all classes; including Pee Wee, Mini and Youth Quad riders.
7. Any participant that cannot stay at the event to pick up their plaque/award, must make arrangements with that promoter or award may be forfeited
8. **There will be an awards presentation for the top three (3) overall in each race. These results and awards are unofficial until after the allotted protest time.**

P. Series Points

1. Rider points awarded at each event will be:

Placement Finish	Points Awarded	Placement Finish	Points Awarded	Placement Finish	Points Awarded
1 st	20	8 th	8	All riders who	
2 nd	18	9 th	7	finished at least	1
3 rd	16	10 th	6	50 %class leaders	
4 th	14	11 th	5	laps	
5 th	12	12 th	4	Started event but	
6 th	10	13 th	3	completed <50% of	0
7 th	9	14 th	2	the class leaders	
				laps	

Points for a thrown race: In the event, there is a need for a thrown race, all riders will receive 75% of points available to the rider. Work points remain as earned (25pts. for those that signed up 3 weeks prior or 20pts. for those signed up less than 3 weeks in advance).

If a racer moves from one class to another class in the same race-(Adult,Mini,or PeeWee) they will receive yearend awards in the class they have complete the most races in. The other class or classes will count towards the number of races run for yearend awards. Overall points will count in both classes and be credited to the racer's overall yearend total. Note racers must compete in a **minimum of 4** races in another class to earn any **IN CLASS** points. Less than 4 races will earn NO IN CLASS points but will count as an "P" for participation for yearend. Overall points will still be counted for all races.

Overall points will be awarded on a 500 points system 1st – 25th will drop by 5 points for each place (1st= 500, 2nd= 495, 3rd= 499 etc.) 26th and lower will drop by 1 point each (26th= 379, 27th = 378, 28th= 377 etc.). All rounds will be counted for overall year end placement.

Q. Worker Requirements and Points

1. Riders should work a NYOA event to obtain experience of what takes place to make an event happen. It is the rider's responsibility to directly contact the promoting club to work the event.
2. Hare Scramble Work Rule and Timing:
 - a. All riders that provide a minimum of a three (3) week work request for working an event will receive (25) points. If the work request is made with less than three (3) weeks' notice, the work credit will be (20) points. After the 3 weeks, all "W" work credit is final.
 - b. Promoter has the discretion to accept/deny the work request. It is the promoter's discretion on the number of work hours required to earn the work credit.
 - c. Work credit can only be earned for one event per rider per year. However, if a rider works more than 1 event, they will not receive any additional points but will receive a "0 point" credit towards the minimum year-end award requirement.
 - d. A multiple class rider will receive equal work points in all their classes for working one event.
 - e. If you work an event and a tie exists at year-end, **IN CLASS** or in the **OVERALL**.
 - f. **1st TIE BREAKER** is the rider that worked an event would win that placement in question.
 - g. **2nd TIE BREAKER** (If both racers who have tied worked an event the) is who has the most **WINS**
 - h. **3rd TIE BREAKER** who has the most **2nd place finishes**
 - i. **4th TIE BREAKER** who has the most **3rd place finishes and ect.**
 - j. For **IN CLASS** if a **TIE** existed all the way down in "best of" finishes then all race points earned would be used to determine the winner
 - k. For **OVERALL** if a **TIE** existed all the way down with every finish then both racers would be awarded the position.
 - l. **IN CLASS TIES** are decided with **IN CLASS** finishes
 - m. **OVERALL TIES** are decided with **OVERALL** finishes
 - n. anyone who lays out the course, marks it, or who in any way may have an unfair advantage through his involvement in organizing the meet, is prohibited from competing.
 - o. No NYOA series points will be accumulated until a person joins NYOA and their dated membership application is on file with NYOA. The two (2) events prior to signing up for the series, raced as a day rider, may be counted towards the rider's series class & year end points, only after they have joined the series and are riding in the same class

R. Year-End Awards

1. A year-end award will be given at the year-end awards banquet for each participant in the NYOA hare scramble series that met the minimum race requirements for all classes.
2. In addition, an AMA/NYOA #1 plate will be awarded to the overall Champion in all classes.
3. A NYOA WARRIOR award will be given at the year-end award banquet for every participant that earned a **"0 points"** or better at 100% of the series events.
4. A NYOA "Tough as Nails" award (or similar) will be given for any rider that meets the minimum year-end award requirements for both a Bike and a Quad.
5. A "Jr. Tough as Nails" award (or similar) will be given for any youth rider that meets the minimum year-end award requirements for both a Youth Bike and a Youth Quad.
6. A NYOA "Step-It-Up" award (or similar) will be given any Mini rider that meets the minimum year-end award requirement for both a Mini and an Adult class.
7. A NYOA "Mini Step-It-Up" award is for any Pee Wee rider that meets the minimum year end award requirements for both a Pee Wee and a Mini class.
8. NYOA will not be responsible for any undistributed year-end awards.
9. Yearend earned number plates are as follows Adult bike & Quad 1-25 Mini bikes and Quads 1-10 Pee Wee bikes and Quad 1-5
10. For year-end awards **IN CLASS ONLY** the drops will depend on the number of races run that year
 - 10 races = 7 to qualify for yearend awards but will count 8 if the rider raced 8 races
 - 11 races = 8 to qualify for yearend awards but will count 9 if the rider raced 9 races
 - 12-13 races = 10 to qualify for yearend awards but will count 11 if the rider raced 11 races.
 - 14-15 races = 11 to qualify for yearend awards but will count 12 if the rider raced 12 races.

S. Year-End Banquet

1. The Year-End NYOA Awards ceremony will be a banquet.
2. A \$20.00 penalty fee per person will be enforced for banquet reservations that are postmarked and/or requested after the noted cut-off date for banquet reservations.
3. If you do not pay to attend the year-end banquet, you will not be allowed in the banquet room until after the award ceremonies have taken place.

T. NYOA Web Site

1. The NYOA website (www.nyoa.org) is maintained by the NYOA **Board**. The website contains information relating to NYOA (event results, pictures, schedule, directions, etc.) along with links to NYOA 's sponsors.
2. No foul, abusive or slanderous language will be permitted on the NYOA Forum.
3. Anyone that submits a comment to the NYOA forum page must sign his or her real name and not use a factitious (artificial) name. If the name is not clearly identified the item will not be posted on the forum page. All forum postings must be 'civil' common

U. TERMS & DEFINITIONS

COMPETITION BULLETIN- are changes that need to be made usually during the season that cannot wait until a regular scheduled meeting. Competition Bulletins will be created by the Rules committee and approved by the NYOA Board.

AFTERMARKET- replacement parts not produced by the manufacturer of the machine.

ENGINE CASES - are defined as the 2 halves that contact either side of the crankshaft.

HYBRID ATV - Hybrid ATVs are allowed to use production and non-production frames and engines, must fit guidelines for engine displacement/type for the class. Hybrid ATV use engine and/or frame together that were not originally designed and/or produced for that application. All other OPEN rules apply.

LIMITED ATV / SPORT LIMITED ATV – Must be a Stock machine. The following items may be changed from Stock: standard race equipment as well as tires (no tire balls), wheels, complete exhaust systems, sprockets, gearing, clutch, twist throttle, handlebars (no open ends), grips, handlebar pads, front bumper, rear grab bar, air filter and jetting. Fenders may be trimmed, but NO other modifications are allowed INCLUDING to the engine, frame (except for gusseting), ignition, CDI box, suspension, carburetors, and complete air box (air box & lid may only have nonperformance gaining changes such as a cover or duct tape installed).

MODIFIED STOCK- Stock component that have been changed (examples porting or additional coolers).

NON-PRODUCTION - Non-Production parts made by aftermarket companies (example JB, Bud Fisher, Lone Star etc.)

Production Hybrid – An ATV that fits the hybrid definition that is built by a manufacturer (example Apex with a CR85 motor)

OPEN ATV YOUTH CLASSES - Open YOUTH ATVs are to use the stock Frame (Frames may be Gusset) must use Engine cases that the ATV came with from the manufacturer. Modified Stock engine cases allowed. All other components are allowed to be changed.

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OPEN ADULT ATV CLASSES – Hybrids allowed in all Classes unless the class specifically states they are not allowed

PRODUCTION- Production means what was made by the original manufacturer of that make and model machine.

STOCK - Stock means how the machine is built by the manufacturer when new. Standard Race equipment is allowed see pg 7

Utility/4X4 – 4-wheel drive or 2wd. Production models that come with a rack or racks available as standard equipment

Bottleneck – When a machine or machines are not moving (stuck or broken down) and blocking the marked trail making it not possible to continue on the marked trail. SLOW MOVING MACHINES DO NOT QUALIFY as a Bottleneck

PPG- Proper Protection Gear is Helmet (Full face and Snell approved), shatter proof goggles or face shields (must be worn at start), long sleeve shirt, long pants, and above the ankle boots. (Chest protector/body armor and gloves are highly recommended).

DNF- Did Not Finish

DNS- Did Not Start

890 - Disqualified (race will be counted for yearend awards in class and overall, as zero (0) points)

889 – Worker Points

FLAGS

GREEN: Start of race.

WHITE: One lap to go until finish. (courtesy flag)

YELLOW: Caution. When a yellow flag is displayed, competitors must ride cautiously until they have passed the incident that caused the flag.

BLACK: Disqualification of a rider. That rider must report to the referee at once.

BLACK and WHITE CHECKERED: End of race. (Checks are 5 inches square.)

RED: Stopping of a race for any emergency situation.

WHITE WITH RED CROSS: Indicates that ambulances, safety vehicles or emergency personnel are on the course. EXERCISE caution.

Class Competition Approval Waiver

Rider Name: _____

Class Requested to Compete in: _____

Requested Number: _____

Machine Description requesting waiver: _____

Date of Inspection: _____

Series Referee: _____

Rider Representative: _____

Approved for competition in: _____

Any Additional Information needed to be noted about machine: _____
