

RULE BOOK DISCLAIMER

The Lake Erie Speedway Rules are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of motor racing and/or motorsports events and to reduce the always-present risk of injury to both participants and spectators during such events.

A Lake Erie Speedway racing event is a competitive sports event, which is intended to be conducted and officiated in accordance with the Lake Erie Speedway Rules. Any affected member should address any complaint he or she might have regarding officiating to the Lake Erie Speedway Competition Manager.

It is ultimately the obligation of each participant to insure that their conduct and equipment comply with all applicable Lake Erie Speedway rules, as they may be amended from time to time. No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from publication of, or compliance with, these rules. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of automobile racing and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to participants, spectators, or others.

The Lake Erie Speedway Competition Manager shall be empowered to permit minor deviation from any of the specifications herein or impose any further restrictions that in his opinion do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from such alteration of specifications. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. Their decision is final.

2009 Racing Divisions

Late Model: Full ABC bodied premier division.

Modifieds: An affordable open wheel division.

Street Stock: Competitive entry-level division. Affordable racing for the serious beginner racer.

Legends: Cost controlled competitive class of 3/4 scale replica cars.

Bandoleros: An affordable entry-level division for the young and young at heart

Compacts: A stock entry level class consisting of only 4 & 6 cylinder entries.

LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY SCHEDULE

Divisions

Plyer Overhead Door Late Models
Dodge Modifieds
Advance Auto Parts Street Stocks
Career Concepts Legends
Boyer RV Center Bandoleros
Jensens Target Collision Compacts

Standard Race Night Lengths

Heats 10 laps Feature 40 laps
Heats 8 laps Feature 25 laps
Heats 8 laps Feature 25 laps
Heats 8 laps Feature 25 laps
Heats 6 laps Feature 12 laps
Heats 8 laps Feature 15 laps

PIT GATES OPEN AT 3:00 P.M.

PRACTICE BEGINS AT 4:00 P.M.

DRIVER'S MEETINGS AT 4:30P.M.

GRANDSTAND OPEN AT 5:00P.M.

HEAT RACES BEGIN AT 6:00P.M.

FEATURE RACING BEGINS AT 7:05 P.M.

**THE MANAGEMENT OF LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY
2009 INFORMATION AND HIGHLIGHTS**

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2009 Pit Admission Prices

- NASCAR Member- \$25.00 nightly
- Non Member- \$40.00 nightly

2009 NASCAR Membership Prices

- Premiere Division- \$185
- Charger Division- \$90
- Crew Member- \$90

Spectator Gate Admission Prices

Regular Event Pricing:

- Adult General Admission \$10.00
- Children 6-12 \$5.00
- 5 & Under FREE

Sorry NO REFUNDS or EXCHANGES on any ticket for rainouts. Event is considered complete once 51% (Starting of the Feature races) of scheduled laps have been run.

Track Rental

\$600.00 for 4 hours (4 car limit) each additional car is \$100.00.

EMT provided.

Available Racing Gasoline

Track Specified Sunoco 110 and 93 unleaded will be available at the track.

****Late Model Competitors MUST purchase a minimum 5 gallons of race fuel per night. ****

Acceptable forms of Purchase

Cash, Credit Card, Check. Unless; Lake Erie Speedway has had problems in the past with your checks or credit cards.

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Definition of Terms

The following terms, which appear periodically throughout this Rule Book have the following meanings:

1. **Participant** - Means drivers, mechanics, pit crew members, actual officials of the race, announcers, ambulance crews, tow truck crews, push car crews, newsmen, photographers, pit gate workers, and all other persons bearing duly and officially assigned pit passes, providing all persons are limited to those who have clearly defined duties directly allotted to them as respects the staging of the Racing Program, or, are guests of the insured to whom the insured has issued a "Guest Pit Pass" and to whom no admission charge of any kind has been charged. In no case, however, will any member of the general public, or any person otherwise classified as a Spectator be considered 01/a Participant by the terms of this policy.
2. **Official** - Licensed and appointed by Lake Erie Speedway Promoter or Race Director to officiate as an employee or independent contractor at the event.
3. **Member** - An individual or entity who has been accepted by Lake Erie Speedway as a member pursuant to the Lake Erie Speedway Rules, and whose membership has not expired, or been suspended, canceled or terminated.
4. **Event** - A Lake Erie Speedway event, which includes the designated race as well as all periods for registration, inspections, time trials, qualifying races, practice runs, post-race inspections and rain or postponed dates related thereto.
5. **Competitor** - A driver, car/truck owner, mechanic, crew member or other person (other than a Lake Erie Speedway Official) who participates competitively in a Lake Erie Speedway racing event. Whenever the words competitor, driver, car owner, mechanic, or crew member are used, unless the context indicates otherwise, the term used shall be interpreted to include any driver, car owner, mechanic, or crew member assigned to or a member of a race team.
6. **OEM** - Original Equipment Manufacturer.
7. **Stock Car** - A vehicle – automobile, race car, prototype or model – that fits the specifications set forth in the Rule Book.

Section 1 – Lake Erie Speedway Rules

- 1-1 Applicability** - The Lake Erie Speedway Rules section applies to each Lake Erie Speedway competitor. Some items, obviously, do not apply to each class; you can easily determine which rules do not apply to you (if any). You are expected to know the rules; ignorance will not be tolerated as an excuse.
- 1-2 Effective Date** - The Lake Erie Speedway Rules are effective upon the date of publication by Lake Erie Speedway, regardless of when the Competitor receives actual notice.
- 1-3 Interpretation and Application** - If there is a disagreement or dispute regarding the meaning or application of the Lake Erie Speedway Rules, the interpretation and application by the Lake Erie Speedway Officials at the track shall prevail.
- 1-4 Principal Rule of Interpretation and Application** - The Lake Erie Speedway Rules are intended to ensure that Lake Erie Speedway events are conducted in a manner that is as fair as possible for all Competitors, consistent with prompt finality in competition results. On occasion, circumstances will be presented that are either unforeseen or are otherwise extraordinary, in which strict application of the Lake Erie Speedway Rules may not achieve this goal. In such rare circumstances, Lake Erie Speedway Officials, as a practical matter, may make a determination regarding the conduct of the race, the eligibility of a Competitor, or similar matter that is not contemplated by or is inconsistent with the Lake Erie Speedway Rules, in order to achieve this goal.

1-5 Finality of Interpretation and Application - The interpretation and application of the Lake Erie Speedway Rules by the Lake Erie Speedway Officials shall be final and non-appealable. In order to promote automobile/truck racing, to achieve prompt finality in competition results, and in consideration of receiving the numerous benefits available to them, ALL MEMBERS, INCLUDING, COMPETITORS AND OFFICIALS, EXPRESSLY AGREE THAT DETERMINATIONS BY LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY OFFICIALS AS TO THE APPLICABILITY AND INTERPRETATIONS OF THE LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY RULES ARE NON-LITIGABLE, AND THEY COVENANT THAT THEY WILL NOT INITIATE OR MAINTAIN LITIGATION OF ANY KIND AGAINST LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY OR ANYONE ACTING ON BEHALF OF LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY, TO REVERSE OR MODIFY SUCH DETERMINATIONS OR TO RECOVER DAMAGES OR TO SEEK ANY OTHER KIND OF RELIEF ALLEGEDLY INCURRED OR REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF SUCH DETERMINATION, UNLESS THE LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY OFFICIALS MADE SUCH DETERMINATIONS FOR NO PURPOSE OTHER THAN A BAD-FAITH INTENT TO HARM OR CAUSE ECONOMIC LOSS TO THE MEMBER, COMPETITOR OR OFFICIAL. IF A MEMBER, COMPETITOR OR OFFICIAL INITIATES OR MAINTAINS LITIGATION IN VIOLATION OF THIS COVENANT, THAT MEMBER, COMPETITOR OR OFFICIAL AGREES TO REIMBURSE LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY FOR THE COSTS OF SUCH LITIGATION, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES. MEMBER, COMPETITOR OR OFFICIAL FURTHER COVENANTS THAT IN ANY LITIGATION BROUGHT AGAINST LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY FOR ANY REASON, THE MATTER WILL BE TRIED BEFORE A JUDGE OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION AND HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN SUCH ACTION.

1-6 Special Rules - Special rules may be made by Lake Erie Speedway Officials for an event due to extraordinary conditions. Such special rules shall apply to the conduct of that event if they are published or announced prior to the commencement of the event by means of a bulletin, newsletter, telephone fax or pre-race meeting.

1-7 Property - Lake Erie Speedway is private property. Any person on this property without permission of Lake Erie Speedway owners or management is guilty of trespassing and subject to the penalties prescribed by law. Through your license and registration, you have been given the authority and the right to be on this property, in conjunction with racing activities. However, the Administration of Lake Erie Speedway reserves the right to revoke and cancel this authority at any time that it is felt that your presence or conduct is not in the best interest of the sport of auto racing, your fellow competitors, the fans, management and employees of Lake Erie Speedway.

1-8 Event - Any event is completed when over 50% of the scheduled length has been run by the leader or terminated by the Officials for safety reasons.

1-9 Race Surface - Every driver should inspect the racing surface and race track area to learn of any defects, obstructions, or anything which, in his opinion, is unsafe and he shall report that condition to the Competition Manager. Any driver entering any racing event is considered to have inspected the track and all conditions are satisfactory to him/her. If not, HE/SHE SHOULD NOT RACE. This further indicates that he/she is aware that auto racing involves risks and he/she assumes these risks with full awareness and knowledge.

1-10 Damage or Loss - Lake Erie Speedway assumes no responsibility for damage or loss of your equipment, vehicle or any parts by any means whatsoever.

1-11 Protests - All protests as to finishing positions in any race must be made within 10 minutes after the results are posted at the payoff window or pit tower. These protests must be in writing and given to the Competition Manager. Scoring re-check decisions are final, non-appealable and non-litigate. Any decision of the Competition Manager regarding any protest is FINAL, NON-APPEALABLE, AND NON-LITIGATE.

1-12 Inspection - All racing vehicles must be inspected and have a technical inspection sticker before they compete. Racing vehicles that race and are found without a sticker will be disqualified for the night. A competitor must take whatever steps are required, including tear down of the car/truck, as requested by a Lake Erie Speedway Official to facilitate inspection of the car. All cars are subject to

inspection by an Official at any time and in any manner determined by the Officials. If a part is deemed illegal, the driver must prove that the infraction has been corrected before he/she will be permitted to participate at any future event. All decisions by the Official regarding the timing and manner of inspection as well as which cars will be inspected are final, non-appealable and non-reviewable. **Any competitor refusing to do as asked by a LES official will automatically be disqualified for the evening and forfeit all monies and points. Before the competitor resumes competition at the next event, the car must prove legal for the infraction.**

1-13 Rain Checks - If rain checks are given to the spectators, all racing events, monies, and points are voided for that entire date.

1-14 Questions - Any questions you may have concerning your division must be dealt with through your divisions Tech man. This includes: rules on your car, racing, scoring, etc.

1-15 Penalties - Penalties for violation of rules may include, but are not limited to, disqualification, suspension of membership, fines and/or loss of points. A suspension may be for the rest of the season or limited to a certain period of time. All fines assessed will be paid into the Lake Erie Speedway Divisional Point Funds. The driver is responsible for his or her race team members including unpaid fines. Unpaid fines for crewmembers may be deducted from driver purse or point fund monies. **All fines to be paid before DRIVER or CAR can compete again. Unpaid fines will carry over into the next season.**

1-16 Tire Rules – TBD. Any driver in any division that is caught using any type of tire softening agents, whether it is inside or outside the tire, the driver and/or car/truck owner will be suspended for the year. Any tire declared to be illegal by Lake Erie Speedway Officials will be confiscated and destroyed by a Lake Erie Speedway Official. Anyone that does not give tires up for any reason will be admitting guilt and face one of the above-mentioned fines. Any tires left on the Lake Erie Speedway premises, the driver who left them will be fined \$25.00 per tire remaining on the premises. **Late Models will be on a tire allocation program. Any competitor caught with a tire not from their allocation or a tire on the wrong side of the race car will be disqualified. No points or money for that night and may be fined up to \$500.00 and/or suspended.**

TO ALL PARTICIPANTS

Cars participating in ALL DIVISIONS at Lake Erie Speedway are subject to an OVERALL NOISE LEVEL OF 97 db as measured 100 feet from the car/truck at normal competition speed. All participating cars are subject to this regulation and may be tested by TRACK OFFICIALS at anytime prior to, during, and after a race program. You must meet the general noise limit requirement. Failure to meet this requirement may cause you to be disqualified from the event until such time that you can meet this noise requirement.

SECTION 2 – LICENSE AND REGISTRATION

2-1 Numbers to be reserved for the following season are as follows: If a number for a driver/team in a class was not used the year before, it can be reserved on a first come, first served basis. If a new driver/team to the track has a number that was used by a driver/team the year before in that class, the driver/team from the year before would get first choice of that number. If a driver/crew is not new to the track, but wants to change his number in a class to a number in that class that is already being used, the driver/team using the number will have first choice at the number. If a driver/team is moving up from a class to another, but the new class already has that number and the number was run more than 50% of the races the year before, the number will stay with that driver/team and the person moving up will have to select a new number. If the number was not run more than 50% of the races the year before, and the driver/team moving up did run more than 50% of the races in their class, the number will go to the driver/team moving up.

2-2 No member will be allowed in the pit area until he or she has obtained the proper membership credentials, pit passes and has signed all the necessary releases and waivers for each event.

- 2-3 All membership cards and credentials must be visible at all times and are non-transferable. Track memberships are non-transferable and non-assignable. They may only be used by the member to whom it is assigned. If a licensee intentionally or unintentionally transfers, assigns or otherwise permits another person or entity to use or attempt to use the licensee's license, then the licensee shall be subject to disciplinary action.
- 2-4 Lake Erie Speedway reserves the right to accept or reject entry (car owner, mechanic, and/or driver) for any event.
- 2-5 Any member involved in an accident while on the racing premises and who does not report to a Lake Erie Speedway Official before leaving the premises (providing said member is able to make such a report) will not be eligible for benefits prescribed under the Benefit Plan. Any member returning to competition or usual occupation after injury shall be deemed, for the purposes of the benefit plan, to be physically fit, and further disability benefits and/or medical benefits shall cease as of the date of release.
- 2-6 All participants will please stand at attention during the National Anthem. All cars must be stopped with motor off.
- 2-7 No alcoholic beverages will be permitted in the pit area. Anyone using intoxicating beverages before entering into the pit area, or while in the pit area, will be ejected from the pits, suspended, and/or lose of membership privileges. No person or persons involved in the racing events shall be under the influence of intoxicating beverages. **No participant may buy or drink beer at the concession stand until their division's racing events are over for the evening. This includes the Grandstand side concession and stands. Anyone caught will have their wrist bands removed on the spot and will not be allowed to re-enter the pit area. These actions may carry a fine of up to \$300.00 and/or suspension.**
- 2-8 A: Anyone involved in a physical altercation of any kind will be fined and/or suspended. Any driver, crew member, owner, or any person on Speedway property must uphold any and all State and Local Laws, anyone breaking the law will be subject to arrest. (Fighting, D.U.I., Trespassing, etc.)
B. All drivers and crew must follow chain of command and go to the pit steward with a problem. Verbal assault on any official that is trying to perform his duty and run a race will cause an immediate black flag to that person's car and he will be removed from the race. Verbal abuse to an official or any employee of Lake Erie Speedway will carry a fine **and/or** suspension from the track
- 2-9 All persons admitted to restricted area of the track must obey all rules and regulations set forth by the Speedway. Each person so admitted will sign all releases of liability requested by the track.
- 2-10 An Official may eject a licensed competitor from an event or from racing premises in any situation to promote the orderly conduct of any event. An ejection is final, non-appealable and non-reviewable.

SECTION 3 – PARTICIPANTS INSURANCE

- 3-1 Participants legally entering the pits and/or restricted areas are covered by insurance for specific limits. When involved in an accident involving an injury, advise the racing Officials in charge so the necessary insurance forms can be handled properly. **NO CLAIMS WILL BE CONSIDERED UNLESS REPORTED PRIOR TO LEAVING THE SPEEDWAY PROPERTY THAT DAY.**
- 3-2 To all participants. Any insurance claim filed on any injury sustained on the Speedway property, must be filed through your insurance carrier first. Speedway insurance is considered secondary insurance and will cover any charges not covered by your primary insurance carrier. If you do not have insurance, Lake Erie Speedway will become your primary insurance carrier. If you have any questions concerning insurance specifics go to the competition office and ask.

- 3-3 MINORS. Anyone under the age of 18 MUST sign have a minors release form signed by both parents or legal guardian.
- 3-4 Insurance is voided if participant partakes of any alcoholic beverages, stimulants, depressing or tranquilizing drugs, or is otherwise under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or is suspended or not properly admitted to the pit area or restricted areas.
- 3-5 The only people allowed on the racetrack and infield area are Racing Officials. Everyone must stay off the racetrack at all times unless requested by an Official to assist for some special reason. Drivers may seek a place of safety in the infield following disablement. When a driver is involved in an accident and cannot get to the infield area, the driver must remain in his or her car/truck until an Official give you permission to get out of the car/truck. Pit crews, car/truck owners and personnel related to any car/truck are not allowed on the track following an accident or injury.
- 3-6 **If anyone steps on the ramp to the track during competition, without authorization, the penalty schedule will be as follows; \$100 first offense, \$250 and 2 week suspension for the second offense, and the third offense will be an in definite suspension from the track.**
- 3-7 Do not enter the racing surface without express authorization. An Official will direct your entry at the track entrance. **No one is to cross the yellow lines along the fence on the back straight. No standing or crossing through the yellow box area at the track entrance. Absolutely no one is to stand along the fence coming out of turn number two.**

SECTION 4 – SAFETY

- 4-1 All helmets must meet latest Snell specifications. It is mandatory that all drivers wear fire resistant suits that effectively cover the body during all racing activities. No driver will be permitted to compete without the required safety equipment. Fire resistant gloves are recommended to be worn during racing for safety purposes.
- 4-2 No driver shall compete in any event with head or arm extended outside of a closed body race car/truck.
- 4-3 No racecar shall enter the racing premises until the track surface has opened for official practice.
- 4-4 No one will be permitted to ride on the outside of a racecar at any time.
- 4-5 Front drive shaft hoops are mandatory for all divisions, front and rear hoops are mandatory for Late Models and recommended for all other divisions.
- 4-6 All roll cage tubing within 36” of drivers head must be padded.
- 4-7 On board fire extinguishers are mandatory for all divisions.
- 4-8 Driver restraint systems. Each racing vehicle must be equipped with a minimum 5 point driver restraint harness. A 6-point driver restraint is recommended. Seat belts within your restraint system must be a 3 (inch) design with a quick release type latch and a minimum 2(inch) wide shoulder harness. Head and Neck Restraint is highly recommended. A submarine or crotch harness is also recommended. Belts must be dated 2002 or newer. Belts will not be permitted if they are older then 3 years.
- 4-9 Bottom of fuel cell shall be no lower then 10” from the ground. Fuel cell must be safely installed and mounted securely.
- 4-10 A flywheel protection device is recommended to be installed, such as: a shatter and/or explosion proof bell housing, or 1/4” or greater conveyor belt material bolted to outside bottom of floor pan.
- 4-11 1” or greater lug nuts are mandatory on all cars, all chassis, in all divisions, and on all four wheels.
- 4-12 All cars must have window safety net. Window net must be properly installed in driver’s side window and in place while on track.
- 4-13 Full Face Helmets are Mandatory. Must meet the SFI requirement.
- 4-14 Competitors must yield to the safety/clean-up team

4-15 Drivers must go directly to the ambulance after an accident, they will be directed off by the safety team. **ANY DRIVER REFUSING TO COMPLY WITH THIS WILL BE PENALIZED 25 PTS.**

4-16 Any Driver leaving the track through the red light at the crossover will be penalized 25 pts.

SECTION 5 – RACING RULES

- 5-1** All driver changes must be reported to an Official prior to the car/truck going to the staging area. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of the car/truck. When a driver change is made, other than the driver who qualified for that program, the car/truck must start at the rear of the field. In special events a driver change will be permitted without forfeiting position, when car/truck change is made. He or she may start in their same qualifying position that the car/truck has qualified for.
- 5-2** *One Way Radio System* – All divisions (Late Model, Modified, Legends, Bandolero and Street Stock) Mandatory: All cars must be equipped with a one-way radio (scanner) to monitor the race director's instructions. Absolutely no two-way communications permitted, including but not limited to: two-way radios, cell phones, etc... Frequency is 461.4875. Two-way radios will be permitted in the Late Model Class ONLY. Device must be receiving only with no capability to transmit. Teams are not permitted to transmit at all to their car either by any means. The only communication permitted to drivers in their race cars are the one-way radios that LES officials will use. Drivers may not transmit to their crews. No crew-crew communication from grandstand to grandstand. Bottom line: No communication between crew and car (driver), or car (driver) and crew. PENALTY: If found in violation of this rule, driver will be disqualified from race, forfeit all money and points from that event, and be fined an additional 25 points.
- 5-3** LEGENDS/BANDOLEROS/MODIFIEDS/STREET STOCKS CARS ONLY: Legends should purchase the Raceceiver unit that will also be used at INEX Nationals for their one-way radio system. This Frequency is (451.325or Channel 107).
- 5-4** The starter has the authority to start any event whether all cars called onto the track are ready or not.
- 5-5** Line-ups for all events will be posted at the Pit Tower well before the starting time of the event. It is the responsibility of the driver to check their starting position and be ready to race when called for an event. Cars not ready to race may be placed at the rear of the line-up or disqualified from the event.
- 5-6** The Competition Manager reserves the right to move the front row of the field at his discretion on false starts.
- 5-7** All cars must have a number assigned to the driver at all times. Once a car has entered the pit area for a race program the number cannot be changed or assigned to another car except by track Officials to avoid duplications. Numbers must be minimum 19" in height and 4" in width. No reflective numbers. Numbers must stand out in color. Number should be placed so the towards the passenger side window of the car so the tower can read it and it is not upside down. Prize money will be paid to the driver of the participating car/truck number. **All cars please have a number on the right rear of your car. This is to help assist other drivers locate positions via the one-way radios.**
- 5-8** Any car that loses a wheel has a door, hood, or trunk lid come off or open, or is observed to be dragging any part of compartment, or loose door bars or exhaust protruding in width outward from the vehicle may be black flagged at the discretion of the Officials. A race leader will not be black flagged unless, in the opinion of the Officials, the situation could result in danger to the driver or others.
- 5-9** Top five drivers in the Late Model point standings will be guaranteed a starting position in the feature race, except in special events. A driver may qualify only one car per division and a car/truck may be qualified only one time per program. If car is scratched, driver may qualify

- another car/truck if the car has not been qualified already. Failure to report a car/truck being scratched in the feature event three minutes before the start of the race may result in one-week suspension.
- 5-10 Driver must remain with wrecked car to assist wrecker crews.
 - 5-11 No cars will be permitted to leave the pit area after last race has started.
 - 5-12 In all dead heats, the determining factor goes to the inside car.
 - 5-13 **Any competitor that misses the green flag initial start of the race he/she was scheduled to be in will not be allowed to enter that race. However, if there is a caution before one lap is complete, they can join the tail end of the field.**
 - 5-14 No nitrous oxide or alcohol permitted, in any division. Pump gas only.
 - 5-15 On protests where a fee has been paid, the claimant will forfeit the fee to the protested car/truck owner, **minus track fees**, if the protested car/truck is found to be within specifications. If the protested car/truck is in violation of the rules(s) the fee shall be returned to the claimant minus track fees. **All protest will follow the guidelines of the sanctioning division rules. (For example, Late Models, Modifieds, Street Stocks will follow NASCAR'S rulebook section 13-1. Bandolero & Legends will follow INEX rulebook.)**
 - 5-16 Defacing of tires in any division will not be permitted.
 - 5-17 **Practice begins at 4:00 unless otherwise announced. There is no set time or guaranteed rounds. LES will make every effort to hold two rounds of practice per division. Competitors are encouraged to arrive before the first round of practice to ensure first round practice. Second round may not be as long as the first round due to time constraints.**
 - 5-18 **Late Models must go through tech to be weighed prior to feature races. After the car is weighed you must precede right to the line up area. (Car is weighed with the driver in car) Any competitor found returning to his/her pit area will be penalized all points for the race event.**
 - 5-19 Line-ups for every race will be posted on the Pit Tower directly following drivers meeting. Everyone is responsible for knowing which race and starting position he or she is in for that nights events. Everyone is expected to be in their line-up position in the staging area and ready to exit **when called by the pit stewards**. Failure to do so will result in the driver giving up starting position and will start on the tail of the event. We will not hold up a program because of an empty slot in the line-up. We will start the race without them. Anyone making the line-up after the field has pulled out onto the racing surface will take position at the tail of the field. While still in the pits, if someone scratches from the line-up we will move the cars in that row straight forward.
 - 5-20 **Bandolero drivers must not go above the yellow line in the corners or below the yellow line in the corners. (slower traffic may go below the yellow line in the corner to take themselves out of harms way if the faster portion of the field is passing them) Also, drivers must stay below the YELLOW LINE in the straights. Failure to do so may result in a black flag stop and go penalty. (THE YELLOW LINES ARE TECHNICALLY THE WALL)**
 - 5-21 **Other divisions: Only two tires may run the yellow line at any time during the race, unless you were forced down or avoiding an accident. A stop and go penalty may be enforced for violations. You may not advance your position with tires under the yellow line.**
 - 5-22 **When there are five or less laps to go in a feature, lapped cars will be lined up behind the cars on the lead lap.**

SECTION 6 – DISTRIBUTION OF POINTS

- 6-1 Normal, published point standings will be made according to driver points. Division Champions will be determined according to driver's points. **Tie breaker will be most features won.**
- 6-2 Feature Points: 1st – 50 points, and will drop two (2) points per position to the 24th place and from 25th place back will receive two (2) points. Five bonus points will be issued for leading a lap in the feature.

- 6-3 Heat Points: 1st – 10, 2nd – 8, 3rd – 6, 4th – 4 5th -last 2. No points awarded for qualifying.
- 6-4 For special events, cars may qualify for starting positions, fast qualifier will pull pill for invert or will be lined up with a heads-up draw.
- 6-5 In order to receive points or payout for a race event the competitor must receive to initial green flag signaling the official start of the race.
- 6-6 ALL cars must run a transponder. The transponder must be compatible with LES scoring software. (You can buy or rent a transponder from the race track, transponders are limited)
- 6-7 To be eligible for the year end point funds, a driver must (this is for all divisions) some divisions might have different requirements:
PLEASE READ YOUR DRIVER REGISTRATION SHEETS

SECTION 7 – CONDUCT

- 7-1 Upon admittance to the pit area, you must conduct yourself in a manner not detrimental to stock car racing. Profanity in front of race fans, Officials, management, and profane signals on cars/trucks, etc., will not be tolerated **and will be subject to a \$50.00 fine and/or suspension.**
UNSPORTSMAN-LIKE CONDUCT AND/OR ACTS DETRIMENTAL TO THE SPORT OF AUTO RACING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.
- 7-2 General appearance of pit crews must be of neat, clean looking, or they will not be welcome in the pit area.
- 7-3 No driver may stop his or her car on the track to argue or discuss the race with the starter or Officials. Violation may subject you to disqualification from the event or suspension, or fine according to the decision of the Officials.
- 7-4 All drivers are held responsible for the conduct of their crewmembers and will be dealt with accordingly by the Officials. Any driver going to another pit stall and starting a problem may be fined and/or suspended. Remember, drivers are responsible for their crew members and will be responsible for the penalty if any of their crew members are involved in a n altercation detrimental to the sport of auto racing.
- 7-5 The press box is off limits to all participants at all times unless permission is given by the Competition Manager for you to be there. All officials have radio or phone contact with the Race Director during the night.
- 7-6 Any driver who, in the judgment of the Officials, engage in rough driving...deliberately running into, blocking, or swerving in front of another car/truck...may be subject to a fine and/or suspension. **Any racing vehicle intentionally blocking the track will be subject to a fine and/or suspension. (Owner & driver)**

SECTION 8 – OFFICIAL DECISIONS

- 8.1 The scorer's decision will determine the finishing positions in all racing events.
- 8.2 Continuous developments in racing may necessitate changes that we cannot anticipate at the time the rules are formulated, if necessary, we may update, change, modify, delete or add to any rules.
- 8.3 Any situation not specifically covered by the rules will be acted upon by the Officials in charge at the time.
- 8.4 Whenever it is deemed dangerous to continue a race by the Officials in charge, the event may be stopped and terminated at anytime. If a racing program is shortened for any reason, the purse will be paid only for the events in which you participated, provided the rain check period has passed. If rain checks are given to spectators, no purse will be paid.
- 8.5 Drivers, car/truck owners, and/or crewmembers shall have no claims against the Speedway or employees by reason of disqualification or damage to either car, personal property, or physical

- injury. Unsportsmanlike conduct deemed detrimental to continuance of an event is subject to loss of points, money or both without recourse to the Speedway or their agents.
- 8.6 LES officials need to witness an act committed in order to inflict any and all penalties.

SECTION 9 FLAG RULES

- 9-1 **GENERAL:** Lake Erie Speedway Officials will use flags, as set forth in this section, for the purpose of providing drivers the necessary information. Lake Erie Speedway Officials may use light signals in addition to or in lieu of flags, if the drivers are informed of that fact prior to the start of racing activities. If a driver is informed of a decision or event by Lake Erie Speedway Officials in a manner other than use of flags or light signals, then use of flag or light signal in that situation is not necessary.
- 9-2 **GREEN FLAG:**
- A. The green flag signifies the start or restart of racing conditions. At the beginning of the race, when the green flag is displayed by the starter, cars must maintain position as designated by Lake Erie Speedway officials until they have crossed the start/finish line, and the No. 2 qualifier must not beat the No. 1 qualifier to the start/finish line. On restarts, racing conditions will resume immediately when the green flag is displayed.
 - B. All starts/restarts will be made between the double red line and the single red line in turn four.
 - C. All restarts will be double file until the halfway point to go in the race event. Restarts can be adjusted to single file format at the discretion of the Competition Manager.
 - D. On double file restarts there will be no passing until after the start/finish line.
 - E. On single file restarts passing will take place only to the right until after the start/finish line.
 - F. In the judgment of Lake Erie Speedway officials, the start and/or restart is jumped, the competitors that are determined to have jumped the start will be moved to the back of the field.
 - G. Lake Erie Speedway officials will signify one (1) lap to go, a lap before the green flag will again be displayed. After the white flag waves before the green flag there will be no weaving/cleaning or warming of the tires permitted.
 - H. **PLEASE NOTE: ALL STARTS AND RESTARTS WILL BE IN HIGH GEAR. IF YOU ARE SLOW ON THE START THEY RACE WILL BE STOPPED AND YOU WILL BE PUT TAIL. THERE WILL BE ONE CHANCE, NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- 9-3 **YELLOW FLAG (CAUTION):**
- A. The yellow flag signifies a caution period. The yellow flag will be displayed and the caution (yellow) lights illuminated immediately following any cause for the caution period. When the yellow flag is displayed, all cars must reduce their speed to a caution pace, maintain their respective track position and form a single file line behind the leader and/or pace vehicle. The track position of each car will be determined when the caution period begins, and NO PASSING WILL BE PERMITTED, unless directed by Lake Erie Speedway officials. Cars must maintain a reasonable speed considering the conditions that exist on the track. Determination of a reasonable speed is a judgment call and will be made by Lake Erie Speedway officials.
 - B. Competitors will not be permitted to stop in turn two or anywhere on the racing surface to talk to Lake Erie Speedway officials. Competitors will be listening to race command for directions during caution periods.
 - C. **DEFINITION OF BEING INVOLVED:** spinning out, making contact, not proceeding IMMEDIATELY back to the start/finish line, will mean the racing vehicle was involved. Lake Erie Speedway officials will determine if a racing vehicle has been involved in the caution.
 - D. Line-ups after a caution flag will be determined by reverting back to the last completed green flag lap.
 - E. Racing vehicles that cause two cautions in a race event will be told by Lake Erie Speedway officials to report to the pit area for the remainder of the race event.

F. Racing vehicles returning to the race track from the pit area while the yellow flag is out will be lined up at the tail end of the field.

G. Cars may not pass the caution vehicle unless directed to do so by race command. Any cars illegally passing the caution vehicle or race leader will be black flagged.

H. Any competitor causing excessive delays in a race will be disqualified at the Competition Manager's discretion.

I. Racing vehicles may leave the race track to make light repairs; you will receive a courtesy lap to make appropriate repairs. If the leader has received the green flag, the Lake Erie Speedway officials will determine when you may rejoin the race in a safe and controlled manner.

J. Crew members shall not go on the race track for any reason while the cars are racing or while they are running under the yellow flag.

K. Crew members must not service or repair any wrecked or damaged car until the car has been removed from the race track.

9-4 RED FLAG (STOP): A. THE RED FLAG SIGNIFIES THAT THE PRACTICE OR RACE MUST BE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY REGARDLESS OF THE POSITION OF THE CARS ON THE TRACK. The red flag shall be used if, in the opinion of Lake Erie Speedway officials, the practice or race should be stopped. Cars should be brought to a stop in an area designated by Lake Erie Speedway officials. Repairs or service of any nature or refueling will not be permitted when the race is halted due to the red flag. Repairs or service of any kind must be done in the designated pit area.

B. In the event of a postponement in a race due to rain and the cars are pulled off the track into the staging area, NO ONE IS TO TOUCH THE CARS until the race is officially called. If a racing vehicle is touched, the racing vehicle will be lined up at the tail end of the field or if the race does not resume, they will be scored in the last place on the lead lap.

9-5 BLUE WITH YELLOW STRIPE (PASSING FLAG): When the passing flag is shown, it means the leaders are coming up on you and will be putting you a lap down. In this case, all drivers given the passing flag should move to the bottom of the race track and hold a good, safe speed until the lead cars pass, then they can resume racing. If a driver is ever in doubt hold you line. If you see the leaders battling this does not mean it is time for you to attempt a pass, stay single file when the leaders come around.

9-6 BLACK FLAG (REPORT TO INFIELD DESIGNATED SPOT IMMEDIATELY): A. The black flag is a consultation flag and indicates that a driver must go to the infield designated spot for consultation with a race official or a stop and go penalty. The designated spot will be in the center of the "X" in the infield facing turns one and two. (This area may change in the case where there is a special event.)

B. Any driver who fails to heed the black flag and/or black box for more than two laps will have score card pulled and may face fines and/or suspension.

C. Lake Erie Speedway officials will show the cars number in the black box in front of the grandstand and will flash the cars number on the scoreboard.

D. Drivers will be given one free pass to the back of the pack on your first black flag. If you receive a second black flag you will be asked by radio to report to the pit area.

E. Rough driving will not be tolerated. A competitor, that in the Race Director's judgment, is driving rough or because they were driving rough that caused another competitor to be involved in a caution will be sent to the tail of the field.

9-7 WHITE FLAG (ONE LAP TO GO): When the White Flag is shown it means the leader has started his final lap of the race event. All races will end under green/white/checkered finishes.

9-8 CHECKERED FLAG (END OF RACE): A. When the checkered flag is displayed, it means the race event has been completed. When the checkered flag is given to the leader, the balance of the field receives the checkered flag in the same lap. Finishing positions will be paid off according to most laps completed in the least time, whether the car/truck is running or not. The driver receiving the checkered flag first in any feature race must bring his or her racing vehicle to the starting line or designated area and remain there until released by a Lake Erie Speedway Official.

All events will be paid cash. The driver or person designated on entry form to receive W-4 1099 form are the only ones eligible to **RECEIVE** prize money. You are expected to compete in all events you are eligible to race in.

B. There may be a Green-White-Checkered Finish- this consist of consecutive laps, one lap once the green flag is displayed, the next lap the white flag will be displayed and the final lap when the checkered flag will be displayed signifying the end of the race.

C. If the leader has received the white flag and the yellow is displayed-The race will not be restarted. In this circumstance maintain a reasonable speed and hold your position. Lake Erie Speedway officials will determine reasonable speed. Please show consideration for your fellow competitors.

- 9-9 COMPLETION OF RACE:** A. Following the completion of the feature races, the top 3 and up to two mystery guests will go through a post-race technical inspection. The winner will go through the victory lane process then proceed to tech. The second and third place and mystery guests will proceed directly to the tech area. The mystery guest drivers will be informed by race command if they are chosen for a technical inspection. If you fail to present your car or stop at your pit area for post-race inspection you will be disqualified from the event.
- B. During the cool down lap after the checkered flag drop to the Bandolero track and go through turn 4 and come up to exit the track diagonally through the infield. Competitors may be stopped if the line-up area has not been emptied yet.

SECTION 10 RACE PROCEDURES

1. TO BE DETERMINED BEFORE OPENING NIGHT.

SECTION 11 SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

Policies regarding use of and/or possession of illegal substances at Lake Erie Speedway are as follows:

11.1 ILLEGAL DRUGS, DEFINITION: Illegal drugs are those substances defined and prohibited by local, state, and/or federal laws.

11.2 GENERAL PROHIBITION: Possession or use of illegal drugs or drug substances, as defined above, is prohibited in any form, by any participant at Lake Erie Speedway, either on the Speedway ground, or in any area considered to be used in the operation of the Speedway, including but not limited to parking lots, office areas, and/or any and all Lake Erie Speedway property.

11.3 VIOLATION AND PENALTIES: Any person found to be in possession of or under the influence of an illegal drug or drug substance on Lake Erie Speedway property, as defined above, or any person who is arrested by duly-constituted authorities and charged with possession and/or use of illegal drugs or drug substances, or any person who is formally charged by a court of law with illegal drug violations, **SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING PENALTIES BY LAKE ERIE SPEEDWAY:**

A. Suspension from competition and eviction from Lake Erie Speedway property and denial of further entry to the Speedway for a period of time to be determined by Officials.

B. Any Participant who is formally charged by a court of law with illegal drug violation, upon notification to Lake Erie Speedway by that agency, shall be suspended from all forms of

participation at Lake Erie Speedway until such times as the charges are fully adjudicate through the legal process. Any participant convicted of a formal drug charge by such process of law will be prohibited from taking part in any Lake Erie Speedway events for a minimum period of one year from date of conviction.

- 11.4 APPEAL AND HEARING:** Any participant suspended for violation of these rules may be granted an appeal hearing by a board of Officials designated by Lake Erie Speedway, provided the suspended participant requests such a hearing, in writing, within 14 calendar days of the date of suspension. It is the responsibility of the suspended party to make such a request if a hearing is desired.
- 11.5 REINSTATEMENT:** A participant suspended for violations of these rules, **EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF PERSONS CHARGED WITH SELLING DRUGS**, may, as the result of a decision reached through the hearing process detailed above, be reinstated if it is mutually agreed that the participant, at his or her own expense, will produce documentation from a licensed physician of the state, certifying that he or she is drug independent, as a result of random and periodical examinations and urinalysis testing, made at the request of Lake Erie Speedway management.
- 11.6 PRESCRIBED DRUGS:** If a participant is using prescription drugs on the advice of a licensed physician of the state, such use must be reported to the Competition Director or Safety Director prior to the participant's entry into any Speedway activities. Failure to notify will subject participants to penalties as prescribed above.
- 11.7** In the case of drivers who have been injured away from Lake Erie Speedway, or have been hospitalized for treatment and/or undergone surgery, or have been fitted with a cast, brace or prosthesis, or who suffer from chronic or debilitating illness, Lake Erie Speedway reserves the right to require the driver to present certification from the treating physician, stating that participation as a driver will not exacerbate any medical condition or complicate the process of normal healing.