

**2021**  
**THUNDERHILL RACEWAY GENERAL RULES**

**\*\*A single car may enter only one division each race night. If a driver is racing in multiple classes, he or she must buy an armband for each division.**

1. Alcohol beverages, drugs, explosives, or fire arms are not allowed on premises at Thunderhill Raceway. Any person exhibiting intoxication shall be escorted from the track & will be subject to penalty, barring, fined or jailed.

2. All drivers, mechanics, car owners & anyone else will sign insurance release and purchase a pit pass before entering pits. Parents must sign a waiver for anyone under the age of 18.

3. Any persons who enters the pit area, agrees to abide by the rules & regulations of Thunderhill National Raceway.

4. Anyone failing to abide to the track rules, unsportsmanlike conduct, or holding up the race event for any reason will cause the car he is involved with to be penalized, barred, or disqualified.

5. No driver, car owner, or crew member shall have any claims for damages, expenses, or otherwise against the track or officials.

6. All drivers under the age of 18 must have a minors release signed by legal guardian. You can do this at the register building.

7. No one on the track unless instructed by the pit steward to do so. You will cause your car to be disqualified.

8. Any one that touches a car under caution unless instructed to do so by the pit steward will be put to the rear. No car shall pull up to the apron for tires & such to be checked or body repair without being instructed to do so by pit officials; go to front infield marked off.

9. No rear view mirrors in cars.

10. A car cannot leave grounds until 20 minutes after its feature race.

11. No 2-way radios will be allowed. (No transmitting or listening devices in a car). Transceivers may be used by track. No sticks or signaling lights allowed.

12. In cause of inclement weather, if half the show has been completed, track decision on whether the race will be finished the following week along with full show or called a night's race. Points & money will be awarded to the classes that have run.

13. In the event of a rain out we do not issue refunds. We will issue rain checks that will be valid for use at one event during the season the rain check was issued. Rain checks will not be valid for special events unless issued on such!

14. Visual inspection must be called. Has to be done 15 minutes before first event of the night.

15. If a car is found to be illegal, or disqualified the driver will not receive any points or money for that night.

16. All cars must have a hook for lifting purposes; front & rear.

17. All cars must be numbered on each side & roof.

18. Cars that run must have window nets, fire extinguisher, wrecker hooks, fire suits, helmet, head and neck restraint system, proper battery installation or will be disqualified.

19. No person is allowed in tower at any time, except scorers. For any reason, no one is allowed in the tower, so do not go to tower with problems; go to the pit steward after all races are completed.

20. Any person driving in more than ONE class must purchase an extra arm band. This is the driver's responsibility to do. NOT purchasing one will lead to disqualification of race.

21. All cars must pack track when needed or start on rear. (Only when needed).

22. All lead weights must be painted the color white & have drivers name or initial engraved in the lead. Drive shafts will be painted white.

23. Purse winnings must be claimed 30 minutes after last race has completed tech inspection. Any prize money not picked up at the end of race night will be forfeited!

24. In the case of a DNS (do not start) you will be issued a(one) pit band!  
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### **GENERAL RACE PROCEDURES**

1. All races will start when the pole sitter fires coming out of turn four. If anyone jumps the start 1st time he will be rolled back to the rear of the field those behind him will move up. No criss-crossing. Two tries and then we will go to a single file start. Each car must hold its position until the pole sitter fires. The completion of the first lap will be when half the cars cross the start/finish line. On start of race if either inside or outside poll cars spin on their own and causes a caution flag to be thrown then that car rolls back to the rear of pack. Any car on start of race or during race that causes a caution will go to the rear of field.

2. Anyone leaving the track surface will go to the rear. No exceptions.

3. Restarts will be at the LEADERS discretion in single file coming off of turn 4. No passing until after passing the cone on front straight away. IF YOU PASS BEFORE THE LEADER FIRES YOU WILL BE PUT TO THE REAR AT THE NEXT CAUTION OR SCORED LAST AT THE END WHICH EVER COMES FIRST.

4. Any car that does not maintain starting formation will go to rear.

5. Any car that draws two (2) cautions in any race for any reason will have to take it to the pits.

6. Anyone stopping to argue with officials will be blacked flagged and sent to the pits.

7. Maximum car field is 24 unless approved by track official.

8. No one from pits on track surface at any time unless instructed to do so by the pit steward. (Red flag or caution)

9. No car repairs of any kind on the track. Do not pull up to apron without being instructed to do so by track officials. Go to infield for repairs.

10. All lapped cars will go to the rear on all restarts.

11. Move over flag means to hold a straight line as to where you are and do not try to run with the leaders that are lapping you. Holding your line means not up or down the track just simply a straight controlled line. If you hold up the lead pack you will be charged with a caution and scored a lap down. Make it easy on yourself and hold a straight line.

12. The completion of a lap is when everyone crosses the start/finish line. Should a caution occur everyone will go back to the last green lap.

13. A black flag will be given if there appears to be a problem with your car. If you get the flag, go to the pits.

14. If you are disqualified for any reason you will get no money or points for that night.

15. If you spin another car you will be charged with a caution and will go to the rear. Two unassisted cautions and you are disqualified for that race.

16. Drivers will line up cars immediately upon request. If not you will lose your starting position. On qualifying you will start in the rear.

17. No laps will be scored that are run in the infield. You will not be scored if you cross inside the poles.

18. When the leader takes the white flag, there will be no yellow flag. You will race back to the checkered flag. If you spin a car on the last lap you will be scored last on the lead lap, and the car that did spin will be scored where he was running. If there is danger to a driver, or track is completely blocked it will be red flagged. It will be track

officials decision to restart the race or score the race on the last completed lap. Track officials decisions are final

19. If a car has his nose up to driver's door, then he has the right to his lane.
20. Heat races will be determined by drawing numbers at the registration window. Cut off will be 15 minutes before the start of hot laps.
21. No nitrous oxide in any class.
22. All cars are subject to weight check or inspection at any time by track officials.
23. Fast time-chooses inside or outside poll. (Cars that time trial)
24. Drivers cannot change cars during any race once started.

### **GENERAL SAFETY RULES**

1. Cars entering, exiting and traveling through the pit must travel at a slow speed. Violators will be subject to disqualification, fine, or barred. This means everyone in any type of vehicle.
2. All cars must be equipped with a fully charged fire extinguisher and gauge in good working order and installed within easy reach of driver. No duct taping, plastic wiring, or straps will be allowed.
3. Fire resistant suits are required for all divisions.
4. Window nets are required for all divisions except classes prohibited.
5. Driver must be able to exit from both sides of the car.
6. Roll-over valves are required in all classes.
7. All cars must have padding on roll bars in driver's area.
8. All doors must be welded or bolted shut.
9. All glass must be removed.
10. Racing type seat mandatory in all classes with seat frame fastened to roll cage and door bars.
11. A 5 point safety harness is mandatory. Safety belts must come from behind the driver at shoulder height. Must use minimum 3/8" grade 5 bolts for belt installation.
12. If the battery is in the drivers' compartment, it must be in a approved marine battery box top & bottom, and be securely bolted down with 1" x 1/8" metal straps.

13. A drive shaft safety loop made of 1/4"x1" flat bar or 1/4" chain minimum will be installed near front of drive shaft.
14. Drive shafts must be painted white for visibility on track.
15. All flammable materials must be removed from interior of car.
16. Fuel cells are mandatory. Must be, secured, with a minimum of (4) 1" x 1/8" steel straps and 3/8" bolts, if mounted in trunk area with 2 straps each way.
17. Cars must have complete fire wall front and rear.
18. All holes in fire walls and floor pan must be covered with 20 gauge sheet metal or thicker.
19. If fuel line runs inside of car, it must be in metal conduit.
20. All weight added to car must be bolted or welded, and painted white. Drivers name must be engraved on lead. No exception. No sandbags, etc. allowed.
21. All cars must have a minimum of (3) 3/8" diameter bars in windshield area on front of driver.
22. Lexan is permitted in front of driver only.
23. No factory seatbelts are to be used as safety harness.
24. All cars are required to weigh after a feature race and MUST go to scales immediately. Failure to do so will automatically disqualify the car. If car requires assistance to scales, a track official must okay it before doing so.
25. Weighing: The 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th place finishers in all classes: If you fail to weigh, you will be disqualified. If a car incurs weight loss during an event before it reaches the scales at the end of an event and does not weight enough, it is subject to automatic penalties or disqualification. Only exception will be body parts lost during the race that may be added. All ballast weight must be bolted or secured at all times. If car requires assistance to scales, a track official must be present. Driver must accompany car to scales.
26. All heat races will have a 10 minute time limit, and all features will have a 20 minute time limit. (Exceptions may be made in the event of a red flag.)
27. Rough driving will not be permitted or tolerated at Thunderhill Raceway. Anything not covered will be at track officials' discretion.
28. Nerf bars are allowed, they must not protrude outward or have sharp edges.

## **PROTEST RULES**

1. Protest can be made by driver only
2. Protest to be in writing (forms available at tech shed) signed by driver within 15 minutes after end of race.
3. Driver must have finished in top 4
4. 1 car per protest.
5. No backwards protest allowed unless it's a counter protest.
6. Funds must be in cash.
7. Driver must have raced at least 3 races at the track this year in order to protest.
  - \$900 Complete Motor Crate (track retains \$250)
  - \$650 Complete Motor (track retains \$100)
  - \$350 4 Cylinder Complete Motor (track retains \$75)
  - Does NOT include Fly Wheel, Clutch or Transmission
  - \$300 Intake - 1 Head Bore & Stroke(track retains \$50)
  - \$150 4 Cylinder Head – Bore & Stroke (track retains \$25)
8. 1 hour from protests to have transmission out. 1 hour 15 minutes from protests to have motor out.

## **PROTEST REFUSAL**

First Offense: DQ! Lose all points and monies for that event & forfeit the right to protest for the rest of the point's season.

Second Offense: DQ! Lose all points and monies for that event plus lose all points accumulated for the season.

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