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OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Rules and Regulations herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and establish minimum acceptable standards for such events.

DISCLAIMER:

It is the responsibility of each participant in any race meeting to have a copy of and be aware of the contents of rules and all regulations, competitive racing can result in injury and/or death to the participants no implied or expressed safety or warranty shall result from publication of or compliance with these rules and/or regulations, they are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to participants, spectators, officials or others.

INTRODUCTION:

Presented herewith are the official rules of the Australian Self Starting Sprintcar Association hereafter referred to as ASSA. license regulations or sanctions will be issued to all participants binding them to the rules and regulations as herein set forth and will be expected to abide by them in the event of any point arising which is not covered by these rules, ASSA executive committee shall have the power to decide same and any such decision shall be final.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Australian Self-Starting Sprintcar Association is to promote and advance the sport of affordable open wheeled sprintcar racing. It will sanction race meetings, register drivers and cars and licence officials and Race Supervisors. It will also cooperate with and encourage track owners and promoters to improve safety conditions and driver facilities at their tracks.

POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION:

- a) The executive committee of ASSA shall have the power to control and supervise all Sprintcar racing under its jurisdiction (self-starting wingless sprintcars).
- b) ASSA shall grant sanctions, make, construe and interpret rules and render decisions concerning said sanction races.

LICENCES:

- a) ASSA shall license race promoters and race supervisors, licensed officials working for said promoters and race supervisors, race cars and drivers.
- b) The ASSA shall do all things, which in its judgment; further the best interest of sprintcar racing under its jurisdiction.

TRADEMARKS:

- a) Individuals, companies, and manufacturers are not allowed to use the ASSA or Australian self-starting Sprintcar Association name or any of their records, without written permission from ASSA headquarters.

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THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANISATION:

- 1) Promote, administer and manage all aspects of Self Starting Sprintcars under the Australian Self Starting Sprintcar Association (ASSA).
 - a) advertise and market the ASSA
 - b) set up rules for the ASSA
 - c) Train and educate officials for Scrutineering and running race meetings.
- 2) Support Heathcote Park Raceway in its endeavours to promote new classes at Heathcote Park and country tracks.
- 3) Issue competitor licences and insurances to our members.
- 4) Develop relationships with other speedway clubs and associations.
- 5) Develop competitor and supporter database.
- 6) Encourage the building of a social club and junior supporter's program and junior driver programs.

ENGINE RULES:

- 1) All cars to run GM 5.7 alloy LS series motors, LS one series Gen III, VT series II up to VY Series II.
- 2) All engines to have no titanium.
- 3) All cars to run methanol fuel.
- 4) All cars to run oil shock absorbers, (no gas shock absorbers), no cabin operated shock absorbers.
- 5) All cars to run WAV right rear tyre equivalent M.C 2 or Goodyear.
- 6) All cars to be self-starting, no exceptions, if you cannot self-start you cannot race.
- 7) All cars to run standard G.M. ECU modified only by ASSA.
- 8) All cars to have GM electronic fuel injection.
- 9) Battery to be of gel type only, (no wet acid) mounted under driver's seat and mounted to the mainframe at four points to lock into a v sector. Battery may also be mounted in the front of the car between the radiator and the engine fixed to the X brace.
- 10) All cars to have minimum weight with driver, yet to be defined, somewhere between 1,400lb and 1,500lb (To be confirmed).
- 11) Only 1 new right rear tyre per night
- 12) All cars to run parallel side nerf that protrude 25mm outside both wheels and tyres.
- 13) Weight can only be added with steel floor or steel engine plates.
- 14) Cars cannot bolt on weight to any single bar.
- 15) All engine components to be standard and no aftermarket parts except those permitted being valve springs and other listed components.
- 16) No aftermarket CAM Shafts permitted, standard GM CAM Shafts only – NO REGRINDS.
- 17) All cars to remain wet sump.
- 18) No removal of material on any engine components what so ever.
- 19) No aftermarket ignition systems, GM L.S.-1 Gen III only.
- 20) All cars to carry stickers for supporting businesses in development stages and sponsors in getting this class up and running.
- 21) Head casting numbers are - 241-853.
- 22) Cam timing must remain standard, no advance or no retarding.

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DEFINITIONS OF PERSONNEL:

- 1) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. – Executive committee shall have the power to make and construe all rules and regulations regarding the activities of the association.
- 2) SECRETARY. – The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep the records of the association enforce the rules and regulations set forth by the executive committee. To make occasional decisions when necessary keeping the best interest of the ASSA in mind at all times and report these decisions to the officers and executive committee of the ASSA within three days of the decision.
- 3) PROMOTER. – Person, Firm, Organization or Corporation in whose name a sanction is issued authorising the staging of race meetings, acts as the official representative of the association at sanctioned races.
- 4) DRIVERS. – Person who is engaged in the driving of race cars at sanctioned race meetings must be physically and mentally fit and free from drugs and alcohol, and able to pass test of ability when requested to do so by an official of the ASSA, must be currently registered with the association prior to participating.
- 5) RACE SUPERVISOR. – A licensed individual, Firm or Corporation who possesses technical knowledge and experience necessary to properly stage and supervise race meetings.
- 6) RACE OFFICIAL. – Appointed by and under the direction of promoter or race supervisor may be referred to as starter referee scorer etc. or other person connected with the staging of race meetings.
- 7) TECHNICAL INSPECTOR / ADVISOR. – Appointed by ASSA promoter or race supervisor to pass upon the classification and eligibility of race cars.
- 8) TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE INSPECTOR / ADVISOR. – A person appointed by ASSA, promoter or race supervisor to work in conjunction with technical inspector/adviser or a promoter in passing the eligibility and classification of race cars.

GENERAL RULES:

- 1) All participants shall be subject to the rules and regulations of ASSA herein after set forth and such rules and regulations as may be added during the season, a driver, mechanic, competitor, official or contestant when duly licensed and registered by ASSA, is then a licence / member of the ASSA for the balance of the period covered by his licence and is thus subject to all rules contained herein.
- 2) A track owner or promoter or operator sanctioned by ASSA is subject to the regulations provided herein & or the period for his sanction or until such time as notified by ASSA headquarters that he is no longer operating under sanction

LICENCES:

- 1) All licences will be issued by ASSA headquarters only, but an application thereof can be made with local track officials and application for payment licence only until such time as ASSA office issues a regular licence from ASSA headquarters.
- 2) Any ASSA member who allows any person to use or attempt to use his or her license in any manner will be subject to loss of all points and or fine or suspension.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

ASSA participants are not employees of ASSA but are independent contractors and assume all responsibility for all charges, premiums and taxes (If any). Payable on any funds they may receive because of their participation in any events as drivers of ASSA.

TRACK OWNER / PROMOTERS:

1. The track owner/promoter who receives an ASSA sanction has been carefully screened by ASSA officials and awarded this sanction on his ability to comply with the regulations as set forth herein and his devotion and efforts to improve the sport of wingless self-starting sprintcar racing, then he or she is deserving of the support and co-operation of all ASSA participants as long as his or her sanction is in force and all participants are urged to assist him or her in every way possible in order that the well-being of all concerned can be progressively improved and bettered.
2. The track owner / promoter may run any type of race program approved by ASSA headquarters.
3. The track owner / promoter is granted full use of all ASSA trademarks, banners, emblems, logos and may use same in disseminating publicity material and promotions so long as his or her franchise is in force.
4. The track owner / promoter and ASSA headquarters reserve the right to reject the entry of any car, call off any event, change the manner of running any program, or call off any race that does not fill, or change the distance of any event.
5. The track owner / promoter is under no obligation to pay prize money for any race that is not run or any monies position that has not been won by a competitor.
6. The track owner / promoter shall agree to have a public liability insurance policy in force at each of his or her race meetings with a minimum amount of coverage being not less than \$10 million.
7. The track owner / promoter agrees not to allow any participants to compete in any event under the terms of his/her ASSA sanction who have not been licensed or approved. Any track owner / promoter allowing non-members to compete may be subject to suspension of sanction.
8. In the event track owner / promoter does not fulfil his or her obligations to ASSA, his or her track may be put under temporary suspension until such time as the obligations are fulfilled. In no case will their franchise be permanently suspended without a hearing before an ASSA headquarters committee.
9. The track owner / promoter shall be solely responsible for the organization of the racing events, securing of all entries, all notices and materials required, all safety precautions for both spectators, participants, adequate track safety equipment and personnel.
10. Sanctioned events on any night other than the tracks designated night, require special permission from ASSA and requests must be submitted in writing 10 days prior to that event. Failure to comply may result in suspension from running any sanctioned event for six weeks or cancellation of the franchise.
11. The track owner / promoter agrees to file a copy of any special track rules or racing rules with ASSA headquarters along with specifications, and rules for the type of equipment that they intend to have racing on his program, in case of variance of local track safety or EPA enforced rules with ASSA rules, special written exceptions may be issued by ASSA headquarters, but such exceptions must be called to the attention of all members.

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SAFETY PROCEDURES:

1. All cars must have an approved type of safety seatbelt equipped with a quick release buckle.
2. All ends must be fastened to the chassis of the car with aircraft quality bolt not less than 3/8" inch diameter. All ends must be wrapped around chassis bars and go back through double metal lock plates to secure anchorage; all seat belts should prevent the driver from sliding from side to side or under the belt. All seatbelts to be installed at a 45° angle to driver hips. Shoulder harness coming from behind the driver should go over both shoulders so that he / she will be held securely in the seat. Submarine belt to complete five or six-point system as required for the class.
3. No Nitro or other Liquid oxygen type fuels of a highly volatile nature such as acetone additives shall be added or used in regular fuels supply used at any ASSA meeting.
4. Each pit crew shall have in its possession and working order in its pits during a race meeting a fire extinguisher minimum capacity of 4.5Kg dry chemical is the most effective type in a convenient location.
5. No car in competition without approved chassis type construction with minimum bar work as required by VSC / SCCA being minimum standards for ASSA competition.
6. Cars not allowed on the track without qualified officials in position at the start.
7. Approved racing type helmets are to be used.
8. All cars are subject to safety inspection at any time by officials.
9. No ASSA race meeting shall be conducted without the following safety equipment in operation, an emergency vehicle (Ambulance) and qualified rescue personnel.
10. All cars to have full late model containment seat.

ENGINE CHANGES PERMITTED:

1. Aftermarket injectors allowed.
2. Larger fuel rails allowed.
3. Aftermarket valve springs allowed.
4. Aftermarket sump and pick up permitted.
5. Remote oil filter permitted.
6. High-volume electric fuel pump permitted, but must be hardwired into main kill on & off switch.
7. Smaller harmonic balance permitted to slow down water pump and power steering pump to improve temperature of water and lower pressure to power steering box.
8. No head modifications permitted.
9. Compression ratio to remain standard – 10.1:1.
10. Maximum RPM permitted 6500 controlled by the ECU.
11. Engine rules frozen until the 2018.
12. An option to extend these engine rules for a further two years subject to engine availability.
13. ECU can be changed & checked by ASSA at any time.
14. Extractors allowed either factory or homemade.
15. All ECU's to be mounted under bonnet and easily accessible.

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RACE DRIVERS LICENCE:

1. If proof of driving ability of any applicant is deemed necessary, a test shall be conducted at the discretion of ASSA officials, and their decision are and shall be binding on the applicant.
2. A complete physical medical examination will be required to obtain an ASSA driver's licence and will be mandatory every two years.
3. Persons under 18 years of age may at the insistence of the track owner, promoter or ASSA be required to have a written permission to compete, signed by their parents or guardian in front of a notary.
4. Issuance of a race driver's licence by ASSA headquarters binds that driver to the rules as contained in this book, ignorance of these rules is no excuse for infraction thereof. A copy of this rulebook will be issued to each licensee and he or she is required to read and be familiar with the rules herein in acceptance of the licensee he or she agrees to comply with the terms of this rulebook.
5. The valid period of the licence is from the date of issue until June 30 of the year in which a license was issued.
6. All licenses become due and payable on July 1 of each year.
7. Any driver not applying for renewal licence upon expiration of his current licence will be considered in temporary suspension and will not be allowed to compete until he applies for his renewal. ASSA emblems and decals will be furnished to each licensee.

ASSOCIATE LICENCE:

1. Any person above the age of 16 may apply for an associate licence but it is not mandatory, those persons under 18 may be required to have an affidavit from parents or guardians signed in front of a notary or filed with the promoter.
2. The term for an associate licence is annually.
3. ASSA decals and emblems will be issued with each license and must appear on the car.

OFFICIALS LICENCE:

1. The ASSA promoter may recommend to pay ASSA headquarters the licensing of certain officials. These officials will be picked for their auto racing knowledge, experience and judgement. The fee is \$50.00 annually.
2. All licenced officials are required to interpret and administer the rules as contained in this book in partially and fairly with all competitors. Personal reasons will have no bearing on the written rules.
3. All officials will operate under the guidance supervision and decision of the promoter. They will refer all disputes to him.
4. ASSA official shirt emblems and decals will be furnished to licensees, along with monthly newsletters.

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GENERAL REGULATIONS:

1. Drinking of intoxicating beverage by a driver or his crew on the racing premises in advance of, or while competing in any program is strictly forbidden. Any person who shows evidence of having partaken of an alcoholic beverage will be required to leave the premises immediately and may be subjected to a fine of not less than \$250.00. Use of illegal drugs at any time shall be cause for immediate, indefinite suspension and or fine of not less than \$250.00.
2. No driver or crewmember may enter the racing area until he has signed all releases, registrations and/or entry forms.
3. In presenting himself in the pits every ASSA member must be aware of his responsibility to the sport and for his dress and actions no person will be allowed in the pits who are inadequately clothed and are attired in dirty or un-presentable clothing.
4. No person will be allowed to sign the ASSA release sheets for anyone other than himself, violation minimum fine \$250.00.
5. No competitors will be allowed to participate in events until they have made application for ASSA licence.
6. No driver changes will be made at any time without previous notification to ASSA officials. All changes must be made in the pits only.
7. Any driver who competes in a car that he is not eligible to drive shall forfeit all prize money won, points for that event shall be subject to fine or suspension.
8. The driver shall be the person responsible for the actions of his entire pit crew.
9. The driver shall be the sole spokesperson for his car owner and pit crew in any and all matters pertaining to the race and the driver only shall take part in any arbitration with the ASSA officials in charge.
10. No ASSA member shall subject any official to abuse or improper language at any time.
11. No driver, car owner or mechanic shall have claim for damages, expenses or otherwise against the promoter, track owner, ASSA or any of its officials, by reason of disqualification, or damage to either car or driver or by a car owner driver and or both. Mechanics, owners & drivers agree that the track / venue is in a safe condition if they take part in racing activities.
12. ASSA and track owner promoter reserves the right to subject any car to a mechanical inspection at any time and further reserve the right to disqualify any member from competition or any car from competition.
13. It shall be the responsibility of the driver and crew to tear down a car for inspection when requested to do so by officials. Failure to comply will result in disqualification and forfeiture of prize money and points.
14. Any car taken from the racing premises without first clearing with the official in charge, will subject car and driver to disqualification and forfeiture of prize money and points.
15. No ASSA member will take part or participate in any action or activity considered detrimental to ASSA racing.
16. No ASSA member shall participate in fights in the pits or on the racing premises at any time.
17. ASSA members agree to abide by the officials decisions.
18. ASSA reserves the right to have all cars use the same fuel or fuel mixes.
19. All drivers, car owners, mechanics assume full responsibility for any or all injuries sustained including death and property damage. At any time, they are on the racing premises, en route to and from.

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20. All disputes developing as a result of local track rules must be settled at the track by the local representatives.

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PROTESTS:

1. All protests shall be in writing and must be filed with the promoter within one half hour after the race is completed. Such protests must be specific in charges and alleged violations so that the determination can be made, whether they are allowable or rejected. a protests will not affect the outcome of any claim.
2. Protests which involve alteration of scorer's result, engine tear down, etc. will be handled at the track level and must be accompanied with a \$250.00 cash protest deposit. If the protest is not sustained by track officials, the protest deposit will be forfeited and the money forwarded to ASSA headquarters, together with the report of the instance and actions taken. If the protest is allowed the money will be refunded to the protester.
3. All costs and expenses incurred during the protest shall be assessed against the party against whom the decision is rendered.
4. Any situation not covered by these rules shall be referred to the ASSA headquarters for decision.
5. The party against whom the protest is made has the right to know the charges and have a written copy thereof so that he may adequately defend himself against any action. No person, track owner / promoter, official member or other person affiliated with ASSA will be placed under permanent suspension without a hearing before a committee and a final review of the action by the ASSA executive committee.
6. Any driver who is under temporary suspension may not participate in any ASSA event while under such suspension. No car under Temporary suspension may compete while such suspension is in force.
7. No protest of any type will be allowed after prize money has been paid.

Automatic penalties as follows.

- a) Rowdyish behaviour, fighting or demonstrating
 - 1st violation minimum \$200 fine
 - 2nd violation one-year suspension
- b) Dangerous driving
 - 1st violation disqualification from days racing and forfeiture of prize money and points.
 - 2nd violation fine or suspension.
- c) Repeated violations of ASSA rules may be permanent suspension.
- d) Assault of an ASSA, track official, track owner promoter.
 - 1st violation fine of not to exceed \$1000 and or 21 days suspension of driver and or car.The case to be referred to ASSA headquarters while driver is under temporary suspension.