



2025 MID-EAST 525 LATE MODEL RULE BOOK.

A NOTE FROM THE SANCTIONING BODY:

A MID-EAST 525 LATE MODEL EVENT IS A COMPETITIVE RACING EVENT, WHICH IS INTENDED TO BE CONDUCTED AND OFFICIATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES HEREIN (THE 2025 MID-EAST 525 LATE MODEL RULE BOOK). THESE RULES PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR ALL EVENTS. THE RULEBOOK MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME-TO-TIME AND SPECIAL RULES MAY BE PUBLISHED AND/OR ADJUSTED AT ANY EVENT WITH THE PARTICIPANTS RECEIVING PRIOR NOTIFICATION. BY PARTICIPATING IN THESE EVENTS, ALL PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS. THE RULES ARE NOT INTENDED TO EXPRESS OR IMPLY THE WARRANTY OF SAFETY OF HARDWARE OR SOFTWARE AS A RESULT OF PUBLICATION OF, OR COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS AS STATED HEREIN. THE RULES ARE INTENDED TO OFFER A GUIDELINE FOR THE CONDUCT AND OFFICIATING OF AN EVENT. THE SERIES DIRECTOR SHALL BE EMPOWERED TO PERMIT ANY REASONABLE AND/OR APPROPRIATE AMENDMENT FROM ANY OF THE SPECIFICATIONS AND/OR PROCEDURES HEREIN, OR IMPOSE ANY FURTHER RESTRICTIONS THAT IN THEIR OPINION DOES NOT ALTER THE MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE REQUIREMENTS. REVISIONS TO THE RULES ARE NOT INTENDED TO EXPRESS OR IMPLY THE WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL NOT RESULT FROM ANY SUCH DEVIATION OR RESTRICTION OF THE SPECIFICATIONS, RULES AND/OR PROCEDURES. ANY INTERPRETATION OF, DEVIATION FROM, THESE RULES HEREIN, ARE LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE RACING OFFICIALS AND THEIR JURISDICTION IS FINAL. IT IS ULTIMATELY THE OBLIGATION OF EACH PARTICIPANT TO ENSURE THEIR CONDUCT AND EQUIPMENT COMPLIES WITH ALL OF THE APPLICABLE RULES, AS THEY MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME-TO-TIME.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

WEEKLY RACING PROCEDURES ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HOST TRACK. THE BELOW PROCEDURES APPLY AT ALL MID-EAST 604 LATE MODEL TOURING EVENTS.

1.0 GENERAL RULES

1. DRUG AND ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. THOSE FOUND UNDER THE INFLUENCE WHILE RACING WILL NOT RACE AND COULD FACE FINES AND/OR SUSPENSION.
2. EVERYONE MUST HAVE A 1099/W9 ON FILE TO PARTICIPATE
3. ANYTHING THAT COULD BE CONSIDERED UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.
 - a. THIS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, FIGHTING AND VERBAL ALTERCATIONS. THIS ALSO INCLUDES SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORKS, AND WILL BE LEFT UP TO THE DISCRETION OF THE SERIES STAFF.
4. THOSE USING INAPPROPRIATE AND/OR FOUL LANGUAGE TOWARDS ANOTHER COMPETITOR OR FAN MAY RECEIVE ONE WARNING, AFTER THAT YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED, WITH NO POINTS OR MONEY BEING AWARDED.
5. CURSING OR ASSAULTING ANY MID-EAST 525 LATE MODELS SERIES OFFICIAL WILL RESULT IN AN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION, AND/OR SUSPENSIONS/PENALTIES. THIS WILL BE LEFT UP TO THE SERIES DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION.
6. ALL CARS ENTERED INTO MID-EAST COMPETITION MUST PAY THE \$50 YEARLY WEEKLY MEMBERSHIP FEE TO MID-EAST PRIOR TO TECHNICAL INSPECTION.
7. MEDIA, STREAMING AND ALL OTHER DIGITAL RIGHTS ARE RESERVED TO MID-EAST AND MID-EAST MEDIA DESIGNEES.
8. THE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS SET FORTH HEREIN DO NOT EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY FROM PUBLICATION OF OR COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS. THESE RULES ARE INTENDED AS A GUIDELINE FOR THE CONDUCT OF MID-EAST SANCTIONED 525 LATE MODEL DIVISION EVENTS, AND ARE IN NO WAY A GUARANTEE AGAINST INJURY OR DEATH TO PARTICIPANTS, SPECTATORS, OR OFFICIALS.

9. THE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS WILL APPLY TO ALL MID-EAST 525 LATE MODEL SANCTIONED EVENTS.
10. MID-EAST OFFICIALS SHALL HAVE FULL AUTHORITY OVER SAID SANCTIONED EVENTS, AND IN THE EVENT OF ANY DISPUTE, THE HEAD OFFICIAL'S DECISION WILL BE FINAL.
11. ALL COMPETITORS AND CARS ARE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION BY MID-EAST TECHNICAL INSPECTORS OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AT ANY TIME DURING ANY EVENT.
12. MID-EAST, AND IT'S OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CONFISCATE ANY SUSPICIOUS OR DEEMED ILLEGAL PARTS OR COMPONENTS.
13. MID-EAST RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ALTER OR AMEND THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS IN THE INTEREST OF FAIR COMPETITION, EFFICIENT COMPLETION OF AN EVENT, OR FOR SAFETY. ALL OFFICIAL'S DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
14. IN ADDITION TO THIS RULE BOOK, CRATE RACIN' USA SUSPENSIONS AND FINES WILL BE UPHELD IN THE "MID-EAST REGION".

2.0 RACING RULES

1. RACING RULES INCLUDING STARTS, RESTARTS ETC ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE MID EAST RACE DIRECTOR.
2. TOURING SERIES PROCEDURES \$100 ENTRY FEE ALL EVENTS.
3. ALL CARS MUST SIGN IN AND DRAW BEFORE DRIVERS MEETING.
4. ALL CARS MUST BE IN LINE FOR QUALIFYING ON TIME. ANY CAR THAT MISSES QUALIFYING SPOT WILL RECEIVE 1 LAP AT THE END OF TIME TRIALS AND CAN QUALIFY NO BETTER THAN HALF +1 IN THEIR GROUP.
5. ANY DRIVER TAKING AN EXTRA LAP QUALIFYING WILL BE DOCKED 5 POSITIONS FROM FASTEST QUALIFYING LAP.
6. ALL CARS MUST BE DRIVEN FROM STAGING ONTO TRACK.
7. ALL CARS SCALE FOLLOWING QUALIFYING LAPS.
8. ALL STARTS WILL BE DOUBLE FILE (SERIES RESERVES RIGHT TO ADJUST FOR TIME OR TRACK CONDITIONS).
9. POLE SETTER STARTS RACE (IF POLE MAN TAKES OUTSIDE POLE, STILLS STARTS RACE)
10. ALL RESTARTS WILL BE "CHOOSE" LINE UP.
11. THIS IS YOUR WARNING FOR JUMPING ANY START. ANYONE JUMPING WILL BE PUT BACK 1 ROW OR 2 SPOTS.
12. LEADER MUST KEEP PACE LAP SPEED THROUGH RESTART.
13. ALL CARS INVOLVED IN CAUTION GO TO REAR, FROM INITIAL START LAST RESTART.
14. 2 COURTESY LAPS FOR FLAT TIRE IN FEATURE ONLY. MUST BE ON LEAD LAP FOR COURTESY LAPS.
15. MID-EAST OFFICIALS (OR TRACK OFFICIALS) DO NOT PULL SHEET METAL.
16. ANY DRIVER THAT SPINS, SLOWS, ETC BUT DOES NOT STOP THAT CAUSES A CAUTION WILL BLEND IN LINE WHERE THEY ARE AT TIME OF CAUTION.
17. ANY CAR NOT IN LINE ON TIME FOR ANY EVENT (QUALIFYING, HEAT, FEATURE) WILL MOVE TO REAR.
18. DRIVERS MUST HOT LAP IN QUALIFYING GROUP.

3.0 RACING PROCEDURES

1. RACE PROCEDURES ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HOST TRACK FOR WEEKLY RACING.
2. TOURING SERIES PROCEDURES COMING SOON.

4.0 POST-RACE INSPECTION

1. TO PROMOTE A COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT THE TOP 5 WILL BE SUBJECT TO TECHNICAL INSPECTION AT ANY TIME.
2. HOST TRACK TECH PROCEDURES MAY APPLY.
3. THOSE FAILING TO TECH WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND/OR SUSPENDED ACCORDING TO THE RULE BOOK.
 - a. DRIVERS WILL BE GIVEN 30 MINUTES OF COOLDOWN AND 1 HOUR AFTER THE PROTEST IS FILED TO PRESENT THE PART(S)

5.0 PROVISIONALS

1. PROVISIONALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HOST TRACK FOR WEEKLY RACING.
2. MUST BE PAID 2025 MID-EAST 525 LATE MODELS MEMBER TO RECEIVE SERIES PROVISIONAL..

6.0 AMENDMENTS/REVISIONS FOR 2025

1. ALL REVISIONS WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED AND LISTED IN SECTION 6.0

7.0 POINTS AND INCIDENT POINTS

1. 2025 POINTS FUND CRITERIA

- a. DRIVERS MUST COMPETE IN 85% OF ALL EVENTS DURING THE 2025 MID-EAST 525 LATE MODELS SEASON TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE BANQUET AWARDS OR SPECIAL CATEGORY AWARDS FOR THE 2025 CHAMPIONSHIP.
 - b. DRIVER MUST BE A PAID 2025 MID-EAST 525 LATE MODEL MEMBER FOR YEAR END AWARDS.
 - c. DRIVERS ELIGIBLE FOR POINT MONEY AND AWARDS MUST ATTEND BANQUET TO RECEIVE THEIR AWARDS.
2. EARNING POINTS
- a. EVERY DRIVER RECEIVES SOME POINTS AS LONG AS THEY PAY THE MEMBERSHIP FEE, ENTRY FEE AND ARE DOCUMENTED AS COMPLETING IN (AT LEAST) TIME TRIALS, A HEAT RACE, OR A B-MAIN.
 - b. NON TRANSFERS AND DID NOT START CARS WILL RECEIVE 10 POINTS.
 - c. POINT SCALE 1=35, 2=33, 3=32, 4=31, 5=30 AND DROP 1 POINT PER POSITION THROUGHOUT.
 - d. MUST BE A PAID 2024 MID-EAST 604 LATE MODEL MEMBER TO RECEIVE SERIES PROVISIONALS.

8.0 INCIDENT POINTS

1. INCIDENT POINTS AND REMOVAL FROM RACING SURFACE ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE HOST TRACK FOR WEEKLY RACING.
2. TOURING SERIES PROCEDURES COMING SOON.

9.0 DECALS

1. DECAL AND CONTINGENCY REQUIREMENTS
 - a. THERE ARE CERTAIN DECALS THAT WILL BE ISSUED TO YOU AT EACH RACE AND MUST BE CARRIED ON THE CAR; IN ORDER TO EARN BOTH POINTS TOWARDS THE SEASON ENDING CHAMPIONSHIP PAYOUT AND EVENT PRIZE MONEY. THE SERIES IS AWARE OF AND HAS NO WISH TO CAUSE CONFLICTS BETWEEN DRIVERS, TEAMS AND YOUR SPONSORS. THESE DECALS MUST BE PRESENT ON THE CAR FOR CONSIDERATION FOR SEASON ENDING CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS FUND. THESE DECALS MUST BE POSITIONED ON THE CAR SIDES. THE MID-EAST 525 LATE MODELS SHIELD MUST BE IN PLACE AT ALL EVENTS. THE SHIELD MUST BE PLACED ON THE FENDER ON THE RIGHT AND LEFT SIDES. COLORS MAY NOT BE CHANGED WHATSOEVER.
 - b. DRIVERS WILL RECEIVE 1 EVENT GRACE PERIOD TO GET THEIR CARS WITH OUR DECALS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULE BOOK. OTHERWISE THEY ARE SUBJECT TO FORFEIT CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS PER EVENT. (ALL LOGOS CAN BE FOUND IN THE DRIVE OR ON OUR WEBSITE AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE TRACK.)

10.0 MEMBERSHIP

1. ALL DRIVERS PARTICIPATING AT MID-EAST 525 LATE MODEL SANCTIONED TRACKS AND EVENTS MUST PURCHASE AN ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AT A COST OF \$100 PER YEAR. THIS MEMBERSHIP MAKES THE DRIVER ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS FUND MONIES AND CONTINGENCY AWARDS.
2. MEMBERSHIPS ARE CONSIDERED LICENSED AND CAN BE REVOKED AT ANY TIME AT THE SANCTIONING BODY'S DISCRETION.
3. IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIRED MEMBERSHIP FEE, DRIVERS MAY BE SUBJECT TO TRACK ENTRY FEES ETC.

11.0 525 LATE MODEL RULES

11.0.1 SAFETY: ANY CAR DEEMED UNSAFE OR UNFIT FOR COMPETITION MAY NOT PARTICIPATE. MINOR INFRACTIONS WILL BE ISSUED A ONE (1) WEEK "FIX IT NOTICE"

1. ALL BALLAST MUST BE SECURELY FASTENED WITH BOLTS AND/OR WEIGHT CLAMPS. DUCT TAPE AND ZIP TIES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. MUFFLER CLAMPS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. 1 MOUNTING POINT PER 25LBS REQUIRED.
2. BALLAST MUST BE PAINTED WHITE WITH CAR # DISPLAYED. ANY LEAD OR WEIGHT THAT COMES OFF OF A CAR IS SUBJECT TO A \$5/LB FINE.
3. MUST HAVE WORKING FIRE EXTINGUISHER IN CAR, UNLESS RUNNING FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM.
 - a. FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM WILL BE MANDATORY IN THE FUTURE, PLEASE INVEST IN ONE OVER THE NEXT SEASON.
4. MUST HAVE SFI APPROVED 5 POINT HARNESS THAT IS IN DATE. (3 YEARS OLD MAXIMUM)
5. MUST HAVE A WORKING RACECEIVER/NITRO BEE/SWITCH AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON THE RACING SURFACE. TUNED TO 454.000
6. FULL CONTAINMENT SEATS AND HEAD RESTRAINT REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES.
 - a. RACING SEATS REQUIRED, MUST FIT DRIVER, BE SFI APPROVED, AND MUST BE BOLTED TO ROLL CAGE.
7. CARS DEEMED UNSAFE TO RUN OR THAT FAIL PRETECH WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RACE AT THE TECH OFFICIALS DISCRETION.

8. NO ALUMINUM OR TITANIUM CAGES OR TUBING PERMITTED. ALL TUBING MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 1 1/2 INCHES AND A MINIMUM OF .095 WALL THICKNESS. THREE BARS IN DRIVER'S SIDE MANDATORY, TWO BARS IN RIGHT SIDE MANDATORY. MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 1 INCH BAR, .083 WALL THICKNESS IN HALO SECTION RUNNING EITHER FRONT TO REAR OR DIAGONAL ACROSS. MUST HAVE A ROCK GUARD WITH A MAXIMUM OF 4IN BETWEEN BARS.

11.1 WEIGHT:

CLAIMED WEIGHT MUST BE POSTED CLEARLY ON BOTH SIDES OF A-PILLAR OR HOOD

1. **525 ENGINE 2325 LBS.**
2. **602/604 NO WEIGHT LIMIT.**
3. **1LB PER LAP BURNOFF FOR FEATURE ONLY.**

11.2 CHASSIS AND FRAME:

1. CONVENTIONAL STYLE LATE MODEL OF ANY YEAR PERMITTED.
2. MID EAST WILL FOLLOW WORLD OF OUTLAW FRAME AND CHASSIS RULES. MUST MEET ALL SAFETY STANDARDS AT ALL TIMES.
3. ALL CARS MUST HAVE A SUITABLE AND DEEMED SAFE STEEL ROLL CAGE PROTECTING THE DRIVER'S COMPARTMENT.

11.3 BODY GOVERNED BY MID EAST OFFICIALS:MUST BE PROTESTED BEFORE START OF EVENT, THE BODIES MAY BE OBSERVED, MEASURED, ETC. AS NECESSARY. IF MID EAST OFFICIALS DO NOT APPROVE, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO CHANGE IT, ADD WEIGHT OR ANYTHING DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE OFFICIALS.

1. **GENERAL BODY:**
 - a. STANDARD LATE MODEL BODY RULES.
 - b. FINS AND LIPS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED ANYWHERE ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE CAR, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
 - c. BODIES THAT ARE NOT APPROVED MAY BE ASSESSED WITH 10LBS PER INCH OF INFRACTION.
 - d. REFER TO ATTACHED ILLUSTRATIONS FOR MEASUREMENTS
2. **SPOILER**
 - a. MAXIMUM 8X72 INCH SPOILER. MUST MEET WoO SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS.
3. **DECK HEIGHT**
 - a. WE WILL USE THE DROOP RULE. 52" FROM DECK TO GROUND. MEASURED 6" FROM LEFT REAR CORNER WHERE DECKS MEETS SPOILER.
 - b. ANY CAR FAILING THE DROOP MEASUREMENT WILL BE DOCKED 3 POSITIONS.

11.4 CHASSIS & SUSPENSION:

1. STANDARD LATE MODEL SUSPENSION ONLY. NO SPRING LOADED OR SHOCK TYPE 4 BAR RODS. ONLY STANDARD SOLID 4 BAR RODS.
2. STANDARD LATE MODEL SUSPENSION EQUALS ONE (1) SHOCK PER WHEEL. LEFT REAR IS ALLOWED ONE (1 OR 2) LR SHOCK(S). IF 2 LR SHOCKS, 1 SHOCK/SPRING, 1 "TRACTION" SHOCK.
 - a. SHOCKS MUST BE MOUNTED VERTICAL TO AXLE TUBE.
3. 1 CHAIN LIMITING DEVICE WILL BE ALLOWED,
 - a. A vertical travel limiting chain must be attached on the left rear axle tube between the birdcage and the edge of the left rear bell of the axle housing to the frame. Travel limiting chain must be installed so that when taunt it is as close to vertical as possible. One compliance device may be used. The compliance device must not be more than 1"inch thick, and 2 1/2" inches, (without load applied). Compliance device can be rubber or any like material but must not be installed in any type of a canister, must be open and visible. Springs, spring loaded, and/or pneumatic devices will not be allowed. No tapered, beveled or roller skate style of compliance rubber will be allowed. Must be solid material, same diameter top to bottom, not hollowed or drilled to soften material.
 - b. The travel limiting chain including the compliance rubber must be installed so that when the car is jacked up from the rear the chain assembly is tight (no slack). Cars will be jacked up on the under-slung frame rail between the center of the rear axle and the panhard bar mount. The left rear under-slung rail must be located between the left rear birdcage and edge of the left rear axle housing bell. If a chassis is not of the under-slung design, then the car will be jacked on the left rear frame rail closest to the panhard mount. Cars will be jacked up until a .040"inch shim will slide between the left rear tire and the ground. The right rear tire must also be off the ground. Once the car is jacked up as described a vertical measurement will be taken

from the ground to the top edge of the rear deck bar, 6" inches inboard of the left quarter panel outer edge. The measurement must not exceed 51" inches. Cars without a left rear under-slung must not exceed 50" inches. Failing to meet this rule will result in disqualification.

4. NO TORSION BAR ON FRONT OR REAR SUSPENSION.
5. STANDARD ONE-PIECE BIRD CAGES. NO SPLIT BIRD CAGES.
6. CHASSIS BRACKETS MUST BE FIXED. NO MOVEMENT.
7. ONE (1) MECHANICAL TRACTION DEVICE ALLOWED, EITHER 5TH COIL OR TORQUE LINK, BUT NOT BOTH. ONE (1) 90/10 ALLOWED WITH TORQUE LINK, MOUNTED CENTER TOP OF REAR END TO FRAME.
8. STACK SPRINGS AND BUMP STOPS OK.
9. SHOCK SLEEVE PROTECTOR ALLOWED TO PROTECT THE BODY OF SHOCK.
10. NO DATA ACQUISITION DEVICES OF ANY TYPE ALLOWED.

11.5 SHOCK RULE:

1. ONE (1) ALUMINUM OR STEEL ADJUSTABLE/EXTERNAL CANISTER SHOCK PER CORNER. (2 ON LR)
 - a. NO "THRU-ROD" TYPE SHOCKS.
 - b. ALL SHOCK ADJUSTMENTS MUST BE MADE ON SHOCKS OR CANISTER. NO COCKPIT OR REMOTE ADJUSTERS ALLOWED.

11.6 IGNITION:

1. STANDARD CT525 IGNITION BOX.
2. FIRING ORDER MUST REMAIN STOCK. (I.E CHEVROLET: **1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2**)
3. NO ELECTRONIC TRACTION CONTROL DEVICES. \$100 PROTEST FEE, SERIES RETAINS PROTEST FEE.
4. NO RPM CHIP RULE.

11.7 CARBURETOR:

1. ONE 4 BARREL NATURALLY ASPIRATED CARBURETOR ONLY.

11.8 EXHAUST SYSTEM:

1. ANY HEADER ALLOWED.
2. (1) MUFFLER PER HEADER ALLOWED.

11.9 FUEL SYSTEM:

1. RACING FUEL OR PUMP GAS ONLY.
2. FUEL IS SUBJECT TO LABORATORY TESTING AND FUEL MAY NOT CONTAIN ANY ADDITIVES.
 - a. THE SPECIFIC ELEMENTS WHICH WILL BE SEARCHED FOR INCLUDE: PROPYLENE OXIDE, ALCOHOLS (ALL TYPES), ALDEHYDES, AMINOBIPHENYL, BENZENE (IN EXCESS OF EPA LIMIT), BENZIDINE, BERYLLIUM COMPOUNDS, BROMINE COMPOUNDS, BUTADIENES, CHLORINATED COMPOUNDS, CHROMATES, DIOXANES, ETHYL ACRYLATE, ETHYLENE OXIDE, HYDRAZINE COMPOUNDS, METHYLENE DIANILINE, NAPHTHYLAMINE, NITROGEN COMPOUNDS (NITROMETHANE, ET AL.), STYRENES, TOLUIDINE AND XYLIDINE. ALSO ADDED THIS LIST WILL BE SUBSTANCES DEEMED TO EXCEED THE THRESHOLD LIMIT VALUES (TLV) OR BIOLOGICAL EXPOSURE INDICES (BEI) AS LISTED BY THE AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTAL INDUSTRIAL HYGIENISTS (ACGIH).
 - b. FUEL MUST MEET SPECIFIC GRAVITY AT ALL TIMES.
 - c. FUELS MUST MEET MANUFACTURER'S BENCHMARK AT ALL TIMES.
 - d. **GASOLINE OR RACE GAS** – SPECIFIC GRAVITY NOT TO EXCEED .744 AT 60 DEGREES. ANY GASOLINE OR RACE GAS WITH A SPECIFIC GRAVITY OF .745 OR GREATER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. FUEL IS SUBJECT TO TESTING ON SITE, OR FUEL SAMPLES MAY BE TAKEN AND SENT TO AN INDEPENDENT LAB FOR TESTING. B. E-85 – SPECIFIC GRAVITY NOT TO EXCEED .7855
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3. FUEL IS SUBJECT TO TESTING ON SITE, OR FUEL SAMPLES MAY BE TAKEN AND SENT TO AN INDEPENDENT LAB FOR TESTING.
4. IN-LINE FUEL SHUT OFF WITHIN REACH OF DRIVER RECOMMENDED.

11.10 DRIVELINE:

1. ALL CARS MUST HAVE SAFETY LOOP FOR DRIVESHAFT.
 - a. DRIVESHAFT MUST BE CARBON FIBER OR ALUMINUM.

11.111 TRANSMISSION:

1. ANY BERT, BRINN, FALCON OR SIMILAR TRANSMISSION WITH FORWARD AND REVERSE.
2. CARS MUST START AND MOVE UNDER THEIR OWN POWER, NO DIRECT DRIVES OR IN-AND-OUTS
3. CARBON FIBER MANDATORY WITH BALL SPLINE TRANSMISSIONS

11.12 BRAKES:

1. CARS MUST HAVE WORKING BRAKES. SHUTOFF AND ADJUSTER PERMITTED.
2. STEEL ROTORS ONLY.
3. NO EXOTIC BRAKE SYSTEMS.

11.13 TIRES & WHEELS:

1. **LEFT FRONT:** OPEN
2. **RIGHT FRONT/LEFT REAR:** HOOSIER CRATE21, NLMT3 OR AMERICAN RACER PRO2, PRO3
3. **RIGHT REAR:** HOOSIER NLMT3 OR NLMT4
4. 15X14 WHEELS ONLY, ANY OFFSETS PERMITTED, SPACERS PERMITTED.
5. GROOVING AND SIPING PERMITTED.
6. SUBJECT TO CHEMICAL LAB TESTING, REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO BENCHMARK AT ALL TIMES.
 - a. LAB RESULTS ARE INDEPENDENT AND THE LAB HAS FINAL SAY ON WHETHER THE TIRE HAS BEEN ALTERED.

11.14 ENGINE:

NO ALUMINUM PARTS AT ANY TIME UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

1. **GM 525 CRATE SPEC ENGINE.**
 - a. SHALL MEET FACTORY "YELLOW GM BOOK" SPECS AT ALL TIMES WITH NO ALTERATIONS OR REMOVAL OF ANY PARTS.
 - b. 2025 LEGAL SEALS: GM BOTTLE CAP, MID-EAST, CRUSA, DIRT CAR, BLUE RIDGE. ALL OTHERS NEED PRE APPROVAL FROM MID-EAST SERIES.
 - c. ANY GM BOTTLE CAP ENGINE FOUND TO HAVE WORK DONE "INSIDE" THE SEALS WILL BE TREATED AS ILLEGAL ENGINE.
2. **GM 604 CRATE SPEC ENGINE.**
 - a. SHALL MEET FACTORY "YELLOW GM BOOK" SPECS AT ALL TIMES WITH NO ALTERATIONS OR REMOVAL OF ANY PARTS.
 - b. 2024 LEGAL SEALS: GM BOTTLE CAP, MID-EAST, CRUSA, RUSH, IMCA. ALL OTHERS NEED PRE APPROVAL FROM MID-EAST SERIES.
 - c. ANY GM BOTTLE CAP ENGINE FOUND TO HAVE WORK DONE "INSIDE" THE SEALS WILL BE TREATED AS ILLEGAL ENGINE.

11.15 OIL SYSTEMS:

1. WET SUMP STOCK PUMP ONLY. NO EXTERNAL OIL PUMPS OR SYSTEMS (EVEN IF CONSIDERED "WET").
2. OIL COOLERS(1) AND REMOTE OIL FILTERS PERMITTED.

11.16 PROTEST AND CLAIM: *ITEMS NOT COVERED BELOW ARE NON-PROTEST ITEMS AND WILL BE GOVERNED BY MID EAST AND ITS DESIGNEES.*

1. **FACTORY SEALED AND RE-SEALED CRATE ENGINES WILL FOLLOW CRATE CLAIM PROCEDURES AS FOLLOWS:**
525- CURRENT COST FROM DEALER (CITY CHEVROLET)
 - a. THE SANCTIONING BODY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO IMPOUND AND INSPECT ANY CRATE ENGINE AT ANY TIME AND WILL DO SO FREQUENTLY. ANY CRATE ENGINE ENTERED INTO MID EAST COMPETITION IS SUBJECT TO BE IMPOUNDED AND CHECKED AT ANY TIME.
 - i. WE BELIEVE IT IS THE DUTY OF THE SANCTIONING BODY TO POLICE CRATE ENGINES.
 - ii. IN THE EVENT THAT THE ENGINE COMES BACK LEGAL, MID EAST WILL WAIVE MID-EAST SEAL FEE AND SEND GASKETS TO THE TEAMS CERTIFIED REBUILDER OF CHOICE.

- b. ENGINE WILL BE RECEIVED WITH ACCESSORIES AS SUPPLIED FROM GM.
 - i. ONLY HIGHEST FINISHING CRATE ENGINE MAY BE CLAIMED. ONLY DRIVER ON THE SAME LAP CAN CLAIM. IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON CLAIMS, THE DRIVER FINISHING THE FARTHEST BACK GETS 1ST CHOICE.
- 2. ENGINE PROTEST: COMPLETE TEARDOWN, \$1,500, \$300 TO SERIES/ENGINE INSPECTOR. \$1,200 TO WINNER OF PROTEST.**
- a. ANY VIOLATION OF THE ENGINE RULES AND/OR FACTORY SPECS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: ILLEGAL PARTS, GM BOTTLE CAP SEALS TAMPERED WITH, GM BOTTLECAP SEALED ENGINE THAT HAS BEEN OPENED UP AND GM SEALS PUT BACK INTO (ENGINE WILL BE CONSIDERED ILLEGAL IF FOUND TO BE TAMPERED WITH INSIDE OF SEALS WITH GM SEALS IN, WHETHER ENGINE IS LEGAL OR NOT) WILL RESULT IN DRIVER/OWNER OR BOTH BEING DISQUALIFIED FROM THAT EVENT, SUSPENDED 6 MONTHS AND FINED \$2,500 FOR FIRST OFFENSE. SUSPENDED 1 YEAR AND FINED \$5,000 FOR SECOND OFFENSE.
 - b. ANY VIOLATION OF THE ENGINE RULES FROM FACTORY OUTSIDE OF SEALS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: VALVE SPRING, ROCKER ARMS, PUSH RODS, HARMONIC BALANCER ETC WILL BE FINED \$500 FOR FIRST OFFENSE. FINED \$1,000 AND SUSPENDED 30 DAYS FOR SECOND OFFENSE, AND DOUBLED FOR ANY OFFENSE AFTER THAT.
 - c. ANYONE REFUSING ENGINE PROTEST WILL BE TREATED AS ILLEGAL INSIDE OF BOLTS, ALL FINES AND PENALTIES WILL BE ENFORCED AS SUCH.
- 3. THREE (3) ITEM "BOLT ON" PROTEST (\$300; \$100 ACCEPTANCE FEE, TRACK/SERIES RETAINS \$100. \$300 TO WINNER OF PROTEST)**
- 4. TIRE PROTEST FEE (\$125)(\$125 ACCEPTANCE FEE, \$125 TO WINNER OF PROTEST, TRACK/SERIES RETAINS REMAINDER OF FEE TO PAY LAB)**
- a. TIRES NOT CONFORMING TO THE BENCHMARK WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION, LOSS OF POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY AS WELL AS:
 - i. **FIRST OFFENSE – 2 EVENT AND/OR 2 WEEK SUSPENSION FROM ANY MID-EAST SANCTIONED EVENT AND \$1000 FINE**
 - ii. **SECOND OFFENSE – 4 EVENT AND/OR 4 WEEK SUSPENSION FROM ANY MID-EAST SANCTIONED EVENT AND \$2000 FINE**
 - iii. **THIRD OFFENSE – 365 DAY SUSPENSION FROM ANY MID-EAST SANCTIONED EVENT AND FINE AT SANCTIONING BODY DISCRETION.**
- 5. FUEL PROTEST FEE (\$150)(\$150 ACCEPTANCE FEE, \$150 TO WINNER OF PROTEST, TRACK/SERIES RETAINS REMAINDER OF FEE TO PAY LAB)**
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 - ii. **SECOND OFFENSE – 4 EVENT AND/OR 4 WEEK SUSPENSION FROM ANY MID-EAST SANCTIONED EVENT AND \$2000 FINE**
 - iii. **THIRD OFFENSE – 365 DAY SUSPENSION FROM ANY MID-EAST SANCTIONED EVENT AND FINE AT SERIES DISCRETION.**
- 6. PROTEST PROCESS**
- a. ONLY DRIVER/CAR OWNER MAY PROTEST. PROTESTING CAR MUST COMPETE IN RACE IN QUESTION TO FILE PROTEST. ALL PROTESTS MUST BE PRESENTED IN WRITING, ACCOMPANIED BY PROTEST FEE, TO THE TECH MAN WITHIN 5 MINS. OF THE WINNER OF THE FEATURE RACE CROSSING THE SCALES. PROTESTS DONE IN AN UNSPORTSMANLIKE MANNER WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.
 - b. PROTESTED CARS HAVE 5 MINS. TO ACCEPT OR REFUSE PROTEST. AFTER ACCEPTANCE, PROTESTED CAR HAS 5 MINS. TO BACK PULL PROTESTING CAR ONLY, ON EQUAL OR LESS ITEMS.
 - c. TO PROTEST ANY CAR IN THE FIELD, YOU MUST FINISH DIRECTLY BEHIND THEM OR PROTEST ALL CARS BETWEEN. MUST BE ON LEAD LAP AT THE CHECKERED FLAG.
 - d. AFTER PROTEST HAS BEEN FILED AND MONEY HAS BEEN PUT UP, IT WILL NOT BE RETURNED FOR ANY REASON. PROTEST CANNOT BE TAKEN DOWN ONCE IT IS FILED; THIS IS TO AVOID SWAPPING MONEY, WHICH IS UNFAIR TO THE REST OF THE FIELD.
 - e. PARTS MUST BE READY FOR INSPECTION WITHIN ONE (1) HOUR. (TECH MAN DISCRETION)

- f. FOR PROTEST MONEY TO GO TO THE CAR THAT HAS BEEN PROTESTED, HE/SHE MUST TEAR DOWN AND BE CHECKED AND FOUND LEGAL. CARS FOUND ILLEGAL WILL FORFEIT POINTS AND MONEY EARNED FOR ENTIRE RACE NIGHT.
- g. QUESTIONS ON PROTEST PROCESS WILL BE MADE BY DRIVER/CAR OWNER ONLY.
- h. ONE CREW MEMBER FROM PROTESTING TEAM IS ALL THAT WILL BE ALLOWED IN TECH AREA OTHER THAN SECURITY AND TECH OFFICIALS FOR THE DURATION OF TECH PROCESS. NO SWITCHING OUT OF PROTESTING CREW MEMBER MID-TECH. NO PHONES OR CAMERAS ALLOWED IN TECH AREA WITH PROTESTING CREW MEMBER. IF CAUGHT ATTEMPTING TO TAKE PHOTOS, PROTESTING TEAM WILL BE DQ'ED. ALL PEOPLE IN TECH AREA SHALL REMAIN CALM & SPORTSMANLIKE DURING TECH PROCESS.
- i. THE TECH MAN HAS FINAL WORD ON ANY RULE OR PROTEST.

11.17 ELECTRONIC DEVICES:

- 1. NO DATA ACQUISITIONING DEVICES
- 2. NO TRACTION CONTROL OR LIKE DEVICES
 - a. MSD BOXES WILL BE CHECKED AND MAY BE IMPOUNDED AT ANY TIME
- 3. CAMERAS MUST BE MOUNTED ABOVE THE DECK AT ALL TIMES AND CLEAR OF DRIVERS VIEW

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