



RULE BOOK

Welcome to the 2022 the Wapiti Off-Road Association Enduro series.

ALL RACERS MUST READ THE RULEBOOK. Everyone must read the 2022 rulebook and by purchasing a license they acknowledge their responsibility to read and understand the rules.

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1.0 GENERAL RULES & GUIDELINES

1.1 Definitions

1.1.2 Cross-country (XC): A long-distance Off-road race on a course consisting of one or more loops. one of the loops must be a minimum of 35 km. Various courses may be used in combination or separately to match the skill level of the different race classes. These loops will be completed only once.

1.1.3 Hare-Scramble (HS): An Off-road race held on a closed course of 25km to 35 km in length and the rider completes as many laps as possible is the specific class cut off time (see class description for cut off times).

1.1.4 Competition Committee:

1.2 Championship

The Wapiti Off-Road Championship will be decided based on total accumulated points in all rounds of the series.

1.3 Championship Points

Points towards the Wapiti Off-Road Series Championship are awarded to the first twenty finishers in each class, as shown in Table 1, below. A finisher is a rider who crossed the finish line with the machine they started on. Results shall be based on the number of full laps completed. Where two or more riders have completed an equal number of laps, the results will be based on the order in which they completed the final lap.

Table 1: Championship Points

| Position | Points | Position | Points | Position | Points |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | 25 | 8 | 13 | 15 | 6 |
| 2 | 22 | 9 | 12 | 16 | 5 |
| 3 | 20 | 10 | 11 | 17 | 4 |
| 4 | 18 | 11 | 10 | 18 | 3 |
| 5 | 16 | 12 | 9 | 19 | 2 |
| 6 | 15 | 13 | 8 | 20 | 1 |
| 7 | 14 | 14 | 7 | 21+ | 0 |

1.3.1 Ties

Ties will be broken by comparing the number of first, second, third, etc place finishes until the ties are resolved. If there is still a tie, then the rider who finished ahead of the other more often will receive the higher placing.

1.3.2 If there is still a tie after using the methods described in 1.3.3 then the rider who finished ahead in the last race of the season that they both participated in will finish ahead in the points standings. If the two riders did not compete against each other during the series, the rider who rode the most events in the series will be the winner.

1.4 Awards and Prize Money

Trophies may be awarded to each official class, for the top 3 finishers. Additional cash or merchandise prizes may be given at the promoter's discretion.

1.4.1 Wapiti Off-Road Association Championship series riders placing first through third in all classes (A B C) will receive trophies at the yearend party.

1.4.2 In the event that a yearend party cannot happen, all trophies will be mailed to the individual winners.

1.4.3 In addition to the series trophy, a floating trophy for A class, will be given to the first-place winner each year. This trophy is to be kept secure and in good condition, as it is to be past onto the next years group A winner.

1.5 Membership and Fees

All racers must hold in good standing a Wapiti Off-road membership for the current race season to be eligible for participation in race events. These can be purchased online www.wapitioffroad.ca or at the race location during sign-in hours. Memberships must be presented at sign in.

1.5.1 Membership Cost - \$20.00 Annual

Event cost - \$60/Entry

1.5.2 All racers and spectators must sign the onsite Insurance waiver.

1.5.3 The event organizer must ensure that there are no involuntary charges collected directly from riders and pit crew other than those mandated above, and there shall be no restriction on the size or constituency of the pit crew.

1.6 Bike Requirements

Bikes are required to be in compliance with the Alberta Traffic Safety Act.

1.6.1 Any rider from out of Province is required to be in compliance with their jurisdiction of residence.

1.6.2 Each rider must use the same motorcycle for the entire length of the race.

1.6.3 Motorcycles must be in good working order with no loose parts or leaks. Motorcycles may be disqualified from competition for safety or environmental considerations.

1.7 Protective Equipment

The following are the minimum requirements to compete; additional safety gear is recommended. Proper selection of helmet and safety apparel is the rider's sole responsibility.

1.7.1 A Helmet must be worn at all times when operating a motorcycle during an event and in the pits. Helmets must be certified by the manufacturer as meeting one or more of the following standards and must have the official certification label(s) affixed and clearly visible (not painted over): D.O.T. FMVSS 218 Manufactured in 1989 or later. The original label indicating the month and year of manufacture must be affixed to the helmet. Snell M85 or M90 or updates. CSA 3D230M85 or updates.

1.7.2 Eye protection in the form of shatterproof goggles or safety glasses is MANDATORY. Tear Offs are NOT allowed, as they are considered to be "litter" on public land. Roll-offs are permitted.

1.7.3 Full length protective motocross or off-road riding pants are MANDATORY and knee guards are highly recommended.

1.7.4 Long sleeved shirt, jersey, and/or jacket. Chest protector and elbow guards recommended.

1.7.5 Protective boots that are at least 8" high for adults.

1.8 Code of Conduct

Riders, their guests, pit crew, etc. are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner.

1.8.1.1 All dogs must be on leash. Owners must pick up their dog poop and respect the areas.

1.8.1.2 Slower riders are required to allow faster riders to pass. The slower rider moves to the right when possible, to be passed on the left. The slower rider must take the first opportunity to allow the faster rider to pass. This requirement does not apply when both riders are competing in the same class.

1.8.2 Conduct- Promoters

Promoters are expected to deliver races in a timely manner in accordance with the standards laid out in the Rule Book.

1.8.2.1 Hosting club and or promoters are responsible for de-flagging the course after their event and removal of old ribbon in a timely manner.

1.8.2.2 Hosting club and or promoter are responsible for notifying Wapiti Off-Road Association if they have chosen to host a kids race prior to the event poster being published.

1.8.2.3 Hosting club and or promoter are responsible for notifying Wapiti Off-Road Association of sponsors they have gathered for that specific event prior to the poster being published.

1.8.3 Zero Abuse Policy

Threats or violence toward event organizers, Wapiti Off-Road officials, or riders anywhere on the premises prior to, during or after a Wapiti Off-road Sanctioned race may result in disqualification from the remainder of the series, retroactive loss of all accumulated series points, and further disciplinary action. There is "ZERO TOLERANCE" for bullying. You are responsible for anyone associated with you at any Wapiti Off-Road sanctioned event.

1.8.4 Drug and Alcohol Policy

There will be zero tolerance for any drug or alcohol usage while attending a Wapiti Off-Road Association sanctioned event. Failure to follow this policy can result in full disqualification at the individual event. Repeat offences can result in full disqualification of the series, and other future events sanctioned by Wapiti Off-Road Association.

2.0 CLASSES

Below is a description of all the classes offered; it is the rider's responsibility to choose the best suited class for their skill set and age.

2.1 Rider Classification (Stickers)

| Class | General Description | Letter/Color |
|-------|---|-------------------------------------|
| A | Elite class with the highest skilled racers. | Black lettering on white background |
| B | Medium to high skill set with some race experience. Racers working towards A class. | Red lettering on White background |
| C | New racers only with limited experience. | White lettering on Green background |
| Kids | Entry level race, with zero to little experience. | Any color |

2.2 Rider Numbers

Riders may choose their own race numbers. Race numbers may be changed or added to by the race organizer as to eliminate any 2 bikes having the same numbers.

2.3 Number plates and badging

Race numbers must be displayed on all 3 sides of the bike. Racers must have the correct badging for their bike so racers and promoters can identify riders for passing, scoring, and safety.

2.3.1 Wapiti Off-Road has purchased colored class stickers for new day racers so that everyone can be identified during the event. Stickers **must** be placed beside bike number on all 3 sides.

2.3.2 Wapiti Off-Road has colored helmet class stickers to be placed on the back of helmets so that riders can be identified quickly by class. These are given free to each racer and are mandatory.

2.4 Advancement

Riders may be asked to advance up or down a class based on his/her first race finishing position. ½ of the accumulated points will be transferred to the new race class.

2.5 Bike Size Classification

| Bike Size (Eng cc rating) | Eligible Race Class |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Small Wheel Bike – 50cc-84cc | Kids |
| 85cc And Up | C |
| 125cc (Big Wheel) And Up | A, B |

3.0 RACE PROCEDURE

3.1 Notice of Race

The Notice of Race should be in the form of a poster on the Wapiti Off-Road Facebook page.

3.1.1 Pre-Riding may be done at any time prior to race day. There will be NO pre-riding the course on race day.

3.2 Course Marking

The racecourse is to be marked with ribbon as written below. Additional markings, such as direction arrows may be used to further clarify the racecourse.

- **Pink** on straight sections, preferably on the right-hand side of the trail.
- **Pink** and **blue** together for turns, to the side of the trail to which the rider is to turn. Easy or low speed turns will have one pink/blue marking. High-speed turns will have three, evenly spaced **pink/blue** markings.
- Hazards and wrong ways will be marked in **yellow** ribbon.
- Check points will be marked with **Yellow** ribbon along both sides of the trail prior to the entrance of the check point. **Yellow** ribbon will mark out a path through the check points.

3.2.2 Distance markers (such as pie plates) will be prominently displayed on the course, with no more than 5-10 km between markers. These will be used to report the location of an injured rider.

3.2.3 The starting line must be wide enough to fairly accommodate the number of riders in each class and there must be adequate width from the starting line to the first obstacle to accommodate safe passing.

3.2.4 Riders must always remain on the marked racecourse. Where markings exist on both sides of the trail, the rider must pass between the two markings.

3.2.5 Riders must exercise due care and control to avoid damaging course markings. Only event organizers may authorize changes to markings.

3.2.6 In the event of a severe traffic jam at an obstacle, a rider may exit the course only as far as necessary to clear the traffic jam. The racecourse will extend a maximum of 10 meters to the left or right of any single marking. The rider must re-enter the course at the point immediately following the traffic jam, or as near to it as is reasonably possible. On subsequent laps, the original course must be followed.

3.2.7 Remote checkpoints may be incorporated into the racecourse. These may be live or dead checks.

3.2.7.1 The check point and ribbons will be designed so it forces the riders to pass the check.

3.2.7.2 Check points will not be set up on hills (climbing/descending/sides) or areas that have a good chance to be missed.

3.2.8 Riders must come to a complete stop for their check person at all "Live Checks." Riders must take care to exit "Live Checks" safely and without wheel spin. Failing to do so will result in a 10 min time penalty on the first infraction on the following lap. A second infraction will result in a DNF.

3.2.9 Event organizers must take reasonable precautions to prevent both accidental and intentional course cutting. If a racer cuts the racecourse, the penalty will be DNF.

3.2.10 The goal of Wapiti Off-Road is to have rider friendly courses with the intention of having the largest number of finishers as possible. It is up to the promoter to take this into consideration when creating a course.

3.2.11 Race promoters must supply a minimum of 2 "sweepers" who are not entered as racers.

3.2.12 In the event that NO sweepers were supplied, it is the sole responsibility of the promoter to fully sweep all courses immediately following the finish of the event, unless all racers have been accounted for.

3.3 Start Procedure.

A Mandatory Rider's Meeting will be held prior to the race to explain the racecourse markings, fueling area, and hazards. The start of the rider's meeting will be signaled using a horn. As announced at sign in, Rider's meetings will be located either on the starting line 10 minutes prior to the race starting time or at a designated area 20 minutes prior to the race starting time.

3.3.1 Riders are to assemble at the start line at the appointed time with dead engines.

3.3.2 Starts are DEAD ENGINE: hands on helmet.

3.3.3 Riders must ensure they are starting in their correct class.

3.3.4 The start for each class shall be indicated by an air horn, or flagging.

3.3.5 The time clock will begin counting when the A class leaves the starting line. Each class will have its own, separate start with a minimum of 30 second intervals between each start. A class to have a 2.5HR cutoff, B class will have a 2HR cutoff, and C class will have a 1.5HR cutoff.

3.3.6 An event's Cut-off Time(s) may be reduced to address environmental or safety concerns.

3.3.7 If a rider is having mechanical issues prior to lining up, notice must be given to the race marshal directly. 15 min delay may be granted but is up to the discretion of the race marshal.

3.3.8 If a rider is having mechanical issues on the start line and cannot remedy within 30 seconds of his/her class starting, they will be asked to move to the sidelines to avoid disrupting the start of the next class.

3.4 Restarts and Stopping the Race

A false start occurs when a rider leaves the starting line prior to the signal.

3.4.1 The only person authorized to stop a race is the race Promoter or race marshal.

3.4.2 If an accident should occur on the start, where a rider cannot be moved in time to start the next class and there is not room to route the riders safely around, the remaining classes will not start until it is safe to do so. The remaining classes will have their start time adjusted to compensate for the delay.

3.4.3 Where a race is stopped, the positions of the riders at the last check over the finish line previous to the stop signal shall be considered the finishing positions; with the rider(s) responsible for the stoppage being moved to last place in the results.

3.4.4 If the race is restarted, the rider(s) shall start consecutively in the order set by scoring. Riders that did not complete a scoring lap will restart after the other riders.

3.4.5 If a race is stopped due to injury or apparent injury of a rider, said rider may not restart.

3.5 FINISHING THE RACE

Event organizers will have a defined finish line and announce to each rider when they are finished the race. Riders that elect to stop participating in an event prior to being told they are finished must inform the scoring team that they are done and off the course.

3.5.1 Any rider may choose to do another lap of the course or wait for the event to time out if they are close to the cutoff time. If another rider comes in after and chooses to do their next lap the participant who chose to wait can either go do the next lap or accepts that they lose that position in the race.

3.5.2 Any rider who does not complete a single lap within the cut-off time restraint will be pulled from the race and awarded points accordingly.

3.5.3 Any rider who does not finish another full lap after the first lap will be awarded points based on the following. 1. Number of laps 2. Position when last at finish line

3.6 Start Orders.

| ORDER | CLASS | CUT-OFF TIME |
|-------|-------|--------------|
| 1 | A | 2.5 Hours |
| 2 | B | 2.0 Hours |
| 3 | C | 1.5 Hours |
| 4 | Kids | 45 Min |

3.6.1 Kids races will be held at a different time than all other race classes to allow parents (racers) to assist in their kids' event.

3.7 Safety

Promoters will have an ERP (emergency response plan) in place prior to the event. A first aid kit, and personnel trained in basic first aid must be on site for the duration of the race.

3.7.1 The course must be "swept" completely during the race and at the conclusion of the event to confirm everyone has returned.

3.7.2 Guidelines for Sweepers:

- A. Attend sweeper meeting
- B. Sign in & out with promoter appointed "Head Sweeper" for accountability
- C. Must sign for a High Vis Vest and wear it while sweeping.
- D. Be paired with a partner at all times.
- E. Review ERP and carry a copy of racecourse map.
- F. Carry the supplied first aid kit.

G. Carry tools and water

H. No intentional interference with the race A. do not follow friends or family B. park off course to aid riders C. pull over for fast approaching racers.

I. In the event of a bottle neck on course: a. proceed to the lead rider and assist first b. if a family member is encountered needing assistance, delegate your partner to help them in order to avoid a conflict of interest.

J. In the event of an injured rider the sweeper must stay with the injured and send partner for help if required.

K. Avoid passing racers a. except for emergencies b. if required, do so safely L. Check in with scoring after each lap for accountability.

3.8.3 Sweepers and promoters have the discretion to pull a rider from the course due to safety, ability of the rider, and time constraints. Sweepers are not meant to be riding your bike through the course.

3.9 Suggested Schedule

Sign in: 8:30-10:00 am

Riders meeting: 10:15 am

Race Starts: 11:00 am

4.0 Penalties

4.1 Penalties General

Except as otherwise stated in these rules, the penalty for a rules infraction is disqualification of the rider from the event. The competition committee may decide a lesser penalty.

4.2 Competition Committee

4.2.1 Competition committee will consist of the race marshal, one member from race board of directors, and one promoter member.

4.2.2 The Competition Committee has the authority to review infractions and apply their agreed upon interpretation of the Rule Book on a case by case basis. All disputes will be decided by way of a vote among committee members.

4.3 Protesting

Any entrant may protest matters directly involving the event, promotor or rider issues provided they are directly involved without consequence. No protest will be accepted by outside members, observers, or if it's based on "hear say".

4.3.1 Protest must be in writing, submitted, signed and delivered by the rider who wishes to protest. Submissions are to handed to race official only.

1. – Scoring – Within 60 minutes of exiting the racecourse.

2. – Rule Infraction – Within 60 minutes of exiting the racecourse.