

# Texas Off-road Racing Organization

Series  
Handbook  
2017-2018  
Season  
5 Race Series

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TORO STRIVES TO REGULATE THE SERIES IN THE FAIREST POSSIBLE MANNER. ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE SERIES ARE EXPECTED TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER, RESPECTING AT ALL TIMES THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS. THE RULES FOR COMPETITION ARE INTENDED AS A GUIDE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE SERIES. RULES DIRECTED OR RELATED TO SAFETY ARE PROMULGATED TO MAKE ALL PERSONS CONCERNED WITH SAFETY, BUT TORO NEITHER WARRANTS SAFETY IF THE RULES ARE FOLLOWED NOR COMPLIANCE WITH AND ENFORCEMENT OF RULES. MOREOVER, EACH PARTICIPANT IN COMPETITION HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSESS THE SAFETY ASPECTS OF FACILITIES AND CONDITIONS AND MUST ASSUME THE RISK OF COMPETITION. ANY MATTERS OR ISSUES NOT EXPLICITLY OUTLINED IN THIS RULEBOOK WILL BE ASSESSED BY TORO AS DEEMED NECESSARY.

## General

1. **Weekend Schedule.** Every TORO event will follow the same schedule for the weekend:

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
10:00am – 2:30pm Sign-up	7:00am – 8:30am Sign-up
11:00am – 2:50pm Big Track Open Practice	7:00am – Practice Lap 7:45am – Practice Lap Closed Sweeper leave immediately
11:00am – 2:30pm Pee Wee Track Open Practice	8:15am RFC Church Service
2:45pm – 2:55pm Pee Wee Rider Meeting at starting line	8:30am <b>Riders' Meeting</b>
<b>3:00pm Pee Wee Race</b>	<b>9:00am First Race</b>

2. **Fee Schedule.**

PRO "AA" Race Entry	\$50.00
Race Entry	\$30.00
Bike Fee (motorcycle or ATV)	\$5.00
Gate Fee-per person (Saturday/Sunday)	\$10.00 (ages 0-6 and 60+ free)
Vehicle Fee (Saturday/Sunday)	\$10.00
Friday Night Fee	\$5.00
Competition/Membership Fee (option 1)	\$25.00 online
Competition/Membership Fee (option 2)	\$30.00 at track
Additional Class Fee	\$20.00
Change Class Fee	\$10.00
Transponder Fee	\$5.00

3. **Race Length.** This season TORO will be introducing a new race format and structure. Designated events will be formatted as *Sprint Enduro* races, outlined in the format below. This is new to the area and series, therefore adjustments will be determined throughout the season to incorporate any challenges faced during the season. This format alters the **Sunday races only** - the PW program will operate as it has before. Other events will be our standard *Hare Scramble* format from previous years.

**Race Format: *Sprint Enduro***

Each event will consist of multiple test sections ran a set number of times per section as decided per event, with tests defined further in the rulebook under the track section. The number of tests and frequency of each test loop for the racers will be determined based on the requirements of the track from the promoter and the staff. Details will be announced at the events prior to the race on Sunday. This criteria will aim to be the same traveled miles for each group as a typical Hare Scramble race, while being structured differently.

Riders will be expected to line up for their tests on time, and will be informed of all race details before the race on Sunday. Sprint Enduro races will be performed by single riders starting in the designated area, one at a time (within a predetermined interval of other riders). The goal of the test is for the rider to complete the section in the quickest time that they can, and their score is recorded as the time taken from start to finish for the test. Results for the day will be combined for the rider, and placement will be based on the fastest times for the racers in each class.

Much like the Hare Scramble format below, riders of each program (Long, Short, Super Short) will have a start time. However, riders will be reset in the same intervals and classes at the completion of each test until all tests have been completed. These details will be provided further at the event, with announcements at registration and the riders' meeting.

#### ***Race Format: Hare Scramble***

Each event will consist of a Super-Short race, a Short race, and a Long race. The Super-Short event will be 70 minutes, the Short event will be 95 minutes and the Long event will be 120 minutes. No white flag will be displayed. The checkered flag will be displayed upon the minute and second the event is scheduled to finish regardless of where the leader is on the track. The Pee Wee race will run 20 minutes plus 1 lap on the PeeWee track.

<b><u>Course</u></b>	<b><u>Race Length</u></b>
Pee Wee	20 min + lap
Super-Short	70 minutes
Short	90 minutes
Long	120 minutes

- Race Rotation.** The order of the Sunday competition programs will shift at each race in order to give everyone an opportunity to have a fresh track during the season. Race order will be shown on flyer. ***THIS APPLIES ONLY TO HARE SCRAMBLE RACES*** - Sprint Enduros race order will be determined at the events, based on track conditions, test sections, and other factors to optimize the event timeframe.
- Track Length.** Minimum track length shall be 7 miles unless the TORO staff determines that weather or safety concerns dictate removal of sections on race weekend. ***THIS APPLIES ONLY TO HARE SCRAMBLE RACES*** - Sprint

Enduros will be made up of test sections, outlined in sum to meet the minimum requirements of the track length for a standard Hare Scramble race.

6. **Race Sign-up.** Signup will be available at each event from 10am until 2:30pm on Saturday, from 7am to 8:30 am on Sunday, and late sign-up as available on Sunday. Riders are required to sign up before racing; however, do not need to be signed up to practice.
7. **Practice.** Big track riders have open practice from 11:00am to 2:50pm on Saturday. If the track is ready for practice before 11:00am Saturday, the Toro staff may open practice prior to 11:00am. On Sunday practice is from 7:00am to 7:45am. Peewee riders have open practice from 11:00am to 2:30pm on Saturday. All riders must practice according to the schedule.
8. **Rider's Meeting.** The Big Track Rider's meeting will be held on Sunday at 8:30am. The Pee Wee track Rider's meeting will be held at 2:45pm at the Pee Wee starting line. All competitors are required to attend.
9. **Sunday Practice Lap.** There will be a Sunday morning practice lap starting immediately at 7:00am with the last rider leaving no later than 7:45am. A TORO staff member will leave promptly at 7:45am to bring up the tail as a sweeper. All competitors participating in the Sunday practice lap must be in front of the sweeper at all times.
10. **Trail Markings.** All turns will be marked on the inside at a minimum, either with an arrow or a ribbon. Dangerous areas will be marked with an "X". Straights will be marked with a ribbon or arrow. Banner tape will be considered a track boundary and shall not be driven through.

#### 11. Alternates.

**Super-Short alternate/cut-offs** – if used - will be clearly marked with a 1' by 2' sign with white background and highly contrasting lettering. Pink marking ribbon will be used for the Super-Short alternate cut off.

**Splits within the normal race course**- If the race course splits into two legal distinct paths, and each trail has the same level of difficulty, they both will be marked within the rules and with pink ribbon.

12. **Extreme Sections.** The definition of "extreme" section is: A deviation from the main race path, with the level of difficulty far greater than the level of difficulty of the normal race path. The concept would be: If a rider chooses to take the extreme section, there is a risk because of the level of difficulty. If the rider successfully negotiates the extreme path; the reward would be that it is faster than the normal race path.

The "Extreme" section will be clearly marked with a minimum 1' by 2' sign with white background and highly contrasting lettering that reads "Extreme". The Extreme section trail must be marked throughout both left and ride side boundaries with Blue course marking ribbon. Blue ribbon marking must be present until the Extreme trail merges with the main course pink marking.

The "Extreme" section applies to Endurocross sections as well.

13. **Caution Areas.** All caution areas are considered no passing zones. Caution areas are designated by yellow flags or by track officials signaling riders to slow down. (Scoring chutes are considered caution areas) The front of the scoring chutes will be considered the official finish line flag point.
14. **Event Awards.** TORO AA riders will not receive medals. All A and B classes will receive medals through the first 3 places. All C classes, Minis, Pee Wees, and Beginners will receive medals through the first 5 places. All riders in the Jr. Beginner Class who place 6<sup>th</sup> or lower will receive a Participation Medal. Awards for previous events will be given out during sign-up times only.
15. **Series Awards.** The Men's and Ladies AA classes will each be awarded a minimum of a \$1000 series end purse to be split between the top 5 finishers. All TORO classes will receive series end awards. All racers must earn points in 5 out of 7 races to qualify for series end awards or purse.
16. **Overall Fastest Awards.** At the conclusion of the series, awards will be given to the Overall A, Overall B, Overall C, Overall Super-Short, Overall Senior (which includes +45B, +52A, +52B, +59 and +65) and Overall Pee Wee - calculated by average lap times and assignments of points using the Overall Points System below. The Beginner classes are not eligible for overall awards.

Overall Position	Overall Points
1	20
2	19
3	18
4	17
5	16
6	15
7	14
8	13
9	12

10	11
11	10
12	9
13	8
14	7
15	6
16	5
17	4
18	3
19	2
20	1

Racers must earn points in 5 of the 5 races to qualify for series end overall awards (DNF 0 does count as points earned and can only be earned if a rider completes one lap or test and navigates through the scoring chute). AA, A, B, and C riders will be eligible for year end Series Overall Awards. The following year, winners will run the corresponding number plate in the series as shown below.

Award	#Plate
AA	1
Ladies AA	L1
Overall A	1A
Overall B	1B
Overall C	1C
Overall Senior	1S
Overall Mini	1M
Overall Ladies	1L
Overall Woman	1W
Overall 65cc	1P
Overall 50cc	1K

Awards will be as follows:

AA	Pro Purse Split
Ladies AA	Pro Purse Split
Overall A	Custom Helmet
Overall B	Overall Award
Overall C	Overall Award
Overall Senior	Overall Award
Overall M/L/W	Overall Award
Overall PW	Overall Award

17. **AA Class Payback.** The AA Class (Men and Ladies) payback will be 100%, split according to the total number of riders in the class as shown below.

Number of Entries	Payback Split
1-3	1 Place: 100%
4-7	2 Places: 60/40
8-10	3 Places: 50/30/20
11-15	4 Places: 40/30/20/10
16+	5 Places: 40/30/15/10/5

18. **100% Participation Award.** All TORO racers that participate in 100% of the TORO events are eligible to receive this award. The award will vary depending on sponsorship of award.

19. **Pets.** All animals must be kept on a leash.

20. **Noise.** The rule here is, "be respectful of others." Specifically, after 10:00 p.m. all *excessive* noise must cease, including generators. All generators must be within 10 feet of the camper, motor homes, trailers, etc. that they belong to. No riding of bikes or pit vehicles will be allowed after 10 pm Saturday, except for track staff conducting official business. ***This includes all UTV's.***
21. **Race Suspension.** In the event that the TORO BOD deems a race to be hazardous due to natural causes, national security or for the safety of the TORO membership. TORO BOD has the ability to suspend racing until the situation has been deemed safe.
- If a race is 50% complete (according to time) the race is complete and TORO will revert back to the last lapped scored.
  - If 50% of the race has not been completed and the situation has been resolved the race will be restarted.
- In the event the situation is not resolved before time will allow restarting the race, the TORO BOD will determine a resolution that will best fit the promoter, and TORO membership.

### Equipment

1. **Safety Equipment.** Approved safety equipment (helmet, boots, shirt or shoulder pads, and full pants, motorcycle riding shorts may be worn only if knees and legs are covered by other protective gear no bare skin may be showing on the legs) must be worn at all times when on the track. Protective eyewear is highly recommended.
2. **Numbers.** TORO numbers must be displayed on front and both side number plates to receive points. Letters and numbers on number plates must be a minimum of 3" tall and in a color of high contrast to the background. Numbers and/or letters not displayed according to TORO standards may result in disqualification.
3. **Silencers.** All motorcycles must be silenced to the satisfaction of TORO officials.

### Competition Rules

- **Pit Stops.** All gas stops must be made off the track and inside the designated area, which will have a maximum speed limit of 10mph. Pit stops for any other purpose may be made anywhere other than within the finish line caution area. TORO provided fire extinguishers will be at the designated Pit stop.
- **Starts.** All starts will be dead engine, with the rider either on or off of the motorcycle. Prior to starting each row, the starter will give a 10 second warning by raising a "10 Second Board," followed by a visual check of each rider on the front row. Within 10 seconds after the "10 Second Board" is shown the green flag will be waived or the green light turned on, signaling the start of the race. All Classes will start at a minimum of 45-second intervals for Hare Scramble format races. Pee Wees will have live engine starts. ***SPRINT ENDUROS WILL BE LIVE ENGINE.*** Intervals per rider will be up to 20 seconds. Riders will be given a countdown prior to being notified when to take off.
- **PRO/AA Starting Selection.**
  - Time: 10 Minutes before the start of Pro/Expert Program
  - Location: In front of Starting line
  - Attendees: AA/Men's Pro rider or rider representative

This process is separated into two tasks: The first being the actual drawing selection and the second task of releasing riders to the starting area.

**Drawing Selection Process** - A Toro official will conduct a drawing that will determine the order that will permit a rider to select a starting position. A Pro rider or designee must be present in order for a rider to be a participant in the random drawing process. At the designated time, each rider selects a random number. The rider who selected random drawing # one (1), has first selection on the starting line and so forth.

**Release of riders to the starting line** - A Toro Staging official will release a rider or designee to the starting area one by one in numerical order. This corresponds to the number that they have chosen in the random drawing. Once a rider is released to the starting line, they may only select a vacant starting line position.

All riders that did not participate in the random drawing will not be permitted to go directly to the starting line, they must check in with the Staging official. The official will release riders to the starting area in the order they checked in. Once a rider is released to the starting line, they may only select a vacant starting line position.

- **Scoring Chutes.** All riders must navigate through the scoring chute at the finish of each lap in order to be scored. No passing is allowed inside the chute unless instructed by TORO staff. Passing in the scoring chute may carry a penalty of up to disqualification from the event. Riders who break through the scoring chute will be considered off the track and may be passed by other riders. Riders that damage the chute may be penalized by a 15 second black flag.
- **Following the Course.** Turning inside a corner marker will constitute cutting the course. If a section is marked on both sides of the trail, riders are required to go between the markers. In straight sections marked only by a single ribbon or arrow, riders must not travel more than 15 feet to either side of the main trail. If a rider leaves the boundaries of the course, they must re-enter the course at the same point they left it, except where bottlenecks are concerned (note: In the case of an endurocross area, no bottlenecks rule will apply. If a bottleneck occurs in Enduro cross you cannot leave the boundaries of the race course. See unintentional track cutting rule). If a rider encounters a situation where the track is blocked by other riders, alternative lines are permissible providing they do not shorten the track and are no more than 25 feet outside the main line. If the bottleneck is clear on subsequent laps, riders must return to the marked course.
- **Changing Motorcycles.** Riders must finish the race on the same motorcycle they started on.
- **Sweepers.** Some races may include intermittent sweeper(s) that will not be allowed to pass any rider, but will ride the course to help riders during the race, when necessary. A final sweeper will ride the track after the checker flag has been flown. This sweeper will not be allowed to pass any rider currently completing his final lap. Once the sweeper comes through the finish line, the race is over, and the next race may be started.
- **Results.** Scoreboards will be posted for viewing at either the finish or sign up area.
- **Protests.** All protests must be logged – on official TORO protest sheet - within 30 minutes of the time the scores are posted after each race. At least 2 witnesses to the issue are required, and those witnesses must be registered TORO competition members. Protests must be taken to the Competition Referee Team, which will consist of three of the following: TORO Series President, Vice-President, TORO Series Officer or Track staff member. Any decision rendered by them is final. Members initiating protest must remain present at the event until protest is resolved. Failure to remain present at the Scoring Trailer will nullify the protest.



- **Protest Notification.** Notification of a protest will be displayed on the posted score sheets. The rider or rider's numbers, which have been protested, will be indicated on score sheets.
- **Grievance/Appeal.** In the event that a member wishes to appeal a decision TORO has issued, the member can utilize the Grievance Policy as a last attempt to voice their opinion. Before filing a grievance, all rulebook procedures must be followed.
  - A typed narrative, limited to 2 pages, must be presented to the TORO President or VP President no later than 48 hours from the incident in question. If the member deems necessary, pictures may accompany the narrative.
  - The TORO President will distribute the narrative to the BOD.
  - Within 48 hours of submission, the BOD will evaluate the incident and vote on the ruling.
  - The TORO president will contact the TORO member with the decision of the BOD
  - Once decision has been issued, it is final.

If the appeal involves a BOD family member, VP or President, they will be excluded from the meeting and all decision responsibilities. If there is a "tie" a TORO staff member will then step in to break the tie barrier.

- **Flags.** Flags are defined as follows:
- **RED: "STOP".** Signifies the track is closed. Shut off your engine at the start area.
- **GREEN: "GO".** Used to start race, or signifies track is open.
- **YELLOW: "CAUTION".** Used to slow down riders.
- **CHECKERED: "FINISH".** Congratulations!!
- **BLACK: "STOP NOW!!"** An official wants to talk to the rider. Being given the black flag does not necessarily mean disqualification, but failure to stop can result in a disqualification.

## Scoring

1. **There NOT be a drop this season.** The TORO series will consist of 5 race season with each rider's highest event scores counting towards cumulative championship awards.
2. **Race Results.** Results will not be made official until all scoring materials are examined and approved. Provisional results will be posted as soon as possible and riders will have thirty (30) minutes to request a re-check or otherwise challenge the results. Awards will be issued immediately following this period. All results will become official the first Thursday following the race.
3. **Tiebreakers.** In any case where there is a tie for a series finishing position, finishes including the dropped race will be used to break the tie (example, number of first, number of seconds, number of thirds and so on). If a tie still exists the rider that started the most races will win the tie (a DNF 0 will beat a no show 0). If attendance is equal between the riders, then the rider with the fastest average lap time for all events attended by both riders will win the tie. For the overall awards, a tie will be broken by adding in the dropped race and calculating the fastest overall lap time of all the races including the dropped

race. If one rider involved in the tie did not race the drop and the other did, the one that raced the additional race will win the tie regardless of lap times.

4. **Finishing.** A rider must finish the event to be eligible for points. "Finishing" constitutes completing at least half the number of laps (or tests) completed by the class leader in the time allotted for each race. For example, if the winner in the Lite A class (Long Course) does 7 laps, all other riders in the Lite A class must have completed at least 4 laps to receive any points. Pee Wee riders completing one lap will receive finishing points.
5. **Points.** Points will be awarded as shown in the following table. Note that all positions after 19<sup>th</sup> will be awarded 1 point.

<b>Finishing Position</b>	<b>Class Points</b>
<b>1</b>	25
<b>2</b>	22
<b>3</b>	20
<b>4</b>	18
<b>5</b>	16
<b>6</b>	15
<b>7</b>	14
<b>8</b>	13
<b>9</b>	12
<b>10</b>	11
<b>11</b>	10
<b>12</b>	9
<b>13</b>	8
<b>14</b>	7
<b>15</b>	6
<b>16</b>	5
<b>17</b>	4
<b>18</b>	3
<b>19</b>	2
<b>20</b>	1

### **Classification**

1. **Engine Sizes.** For riders wishing to be classified by bike size, motorcycles must be ridden in the class dictated by their bike's engine size according to the table shown below. Riders in Age Classes, Ladies Classes, or the AA Classes may ride any size motorcycle.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Eligible Motorcycles</b>
<i>Jr. Beginner</i>	<i>50cc Entry level air cooled bikes, no race models.</i>
Pee Wee 50	0-50cc
<i>Sr. Beginner</i>	Entry level air cooled bikes, no race models, 60+cc - 16" stock front wheel size or smaller
Pee Wee 65	60-65cc, PW80, XR70, JR80, TTR90, KLX110, CRF80F
Mini	0-107cc 2-Stroke, 0-150cc 4-Stroke

Lite	1cc-250cc 4-Stroke and 1cc-248cc 2 stroke *A stock 250cc 2 Stroke not allowed *Any 250 4-Stroke with a kit or over bore not allowed
Heavy	Over 251cc-4 Stroke; 249cc 2-Stroke and up
Sportsman	85cc (big wheel) 2-stroke and up, 100cc (big wheel) 4-stroke and up

2. **Age Classes.** To be eligible for age classes, riders must be the correct age on or before **the last event race date**. A rider may enter an age class based on an anticipated age change during the season. However, there will be no forced promotion due to a birthday during the season. Once the season starts, if a rider wishes to transfer to an age class, or to a different age class due to a birthday, they will be charged an additional TORO Competition Fee for each class move and points will not transfer.
3. **Sportsman Class. ( Long and Short Course)** To be eligible for the Sportsman class, riders must be at least 13 years of age on or before the day of the event they compete in. However, any Mini aged rider must be competing at the expert skill (Mini A) level and be approved by the Competition Committee for entry into the Sportsman class. TORO medallions awarded to top 3 riders per event, not eligible for year end overall awards.
4. **Vintage Class.** Bikes must be 1997 models or older to race this class.
5. **Changing Classes.** A rider may voluntarily change classes either laterally or by moving up at any time during the season. However, they will not carry previously earned points into their new class, and they will be charged a \$10 Change Class Fee for each class move. NO points are awarded for any moves once the season starts.
6. **Additional Classes.** If riders wish to participate in more than one program, they may do so by signing up for additional classes that are available, paying an additional competition fee for each class of \$20 per additional class and purchasing race entries for each class raced per event.
7. **Promotions after the Series Ends:** At the end of each series, the Competition Committee will collect average lap times from all races that can be used for promotions. Those events will be races where the ground was consistent all day – not dusty in the morning and muddy slick in the afternoon, for example. If a race is to be considered a “Mud Race,” that decision will be made by the CC at the track on race day and it will not be used for promotions. For each event, riders will be grouped together by age or displacement and ranked from fastest to slowest, i.e. All Lite riders will be ranked together, all Lady/Woman riders will be grouped together, etc. Each group will be divided into three classes: the fastest 20% (A), middle 30% (B), and slowest 50%(C). If a rider’s average lap times place him in a higher class than he or she competed in at any three events, the rider will be promoted to that class for the next series. Only riders that earn points in an event will be considered for promotions. See note below:

*\*When calculating the 20, 30, 50 percent, a fraction or decimal will occur. In this case, .4 will be rounded down and .5 will be rounded up.*

**Moving Down.** Once a rider has moved or has been promoted to a higher classification (“C” to “B” or “B” to “A”), they may not move back down unless they have filed a written petition with TORO and that petition has been unanimously approved by the Competition Referee Team. The only exceptions are for riders moving from Pee Wee 50cc to Pee Wee 65cc or Pee Wee riders moving to the Super-Short program or Super-Short riders moving to either the Long or Short events. For example, young Robby Rocket, wins the Mini A class, then puts on a growth spurt and decides to ride a YZF 250 the following year. Robby may join the Lite B or Lite C

class. However, the same promotion rules still apply – if Robby is fast enough, he will be promoted and will lose all points earned to date.

8. **Moving Down During Season.** If a racer shows lap times that place he or she in the bottom 20% of their current class average lap times in the first three races they participate in, the rider may file a written petition with the TORO Competition Referee Team. Upon the petitions unanimous approval by the Competition Referee Team the racer may be move down one skill level. No previously earned points will be carried to the new class. Racer will not be eligible for class year-end awards at the completion of the season.
9. **AA Classes.** Participation in the AA Classes will be strictly voluntary.
10. **Jr. Beginner Class.** This class is for riders on 50cc entry level motorcycles who are 6 years old or younger and who are in their first year of racing (no race model motorcycles).
11. **Sr. Beginner Class.** This class is for riders on 60+cc entry level motorcycles with stock 16" front wheel or smaller who are between 7 and 12 years old and who are in their first year of racing (no race model motorcycles).
12. **Pee Wee 50cc and 65cc.** Racers may race both the Pee Wee 50cc class and the Pee Wee 65cc class in a single season. Riders in the 50cc class may contest a lower, equal or greater level on the larger bike. Rider in the 65cc B or A class must contest at an equal or greater level on the smaller bike.
  - **Any racer registered in any Mini "A or B or other " A or B" level rider ,** that rides the big track class, is not eligible to compete in any Pee Wee classes.
13. **Bike Numbers.** Racers may pick 3 choices for numbers from their class number list with a paid registration; one will be assigned. The top 10 finishers from the previous series can choose to take their earned number or another number from their class number list.
14. **TORO Classes.** The series will include the classes on the following table. It is the rider's responsibility to enter the proper class.

TORO Classification Table			
Class	Number Designation	Age	Course
AA	1-99	Any	Long
Ladies AA	L1-99	Any	Long
Heavy A	A101-A199	Any	Long
Heavy B	B101-B199	Any	Long
Heavy C	C101-C199	Any	Short
Lite A	A201-A299	Any	Long
Lite B	B201-B299	Any	Long
Lite C	C201-C299	Any	Short
Sportsman "Long "	A301-399	13 and older	Long
Sportsman "Short"	301-399	13 and older	Short
+30 A	A401-A499	30 and older	Long
+30 B	B401-B499	30 and older	Long

+30 C	C401-C499	30 and older	Short
+38 A	A501-A599	38 and older	Long
+38 B	B501-B599	38 and older	Long
+38 C	C501-C599	38 and older	Short
+45 A	A601-A699	45 and older	Long
+45 B	B601-B699	45 and older	Short
+45 C	C601-C699	45 and older	Short
+52 A	A701-A799	52 and older	Short
+52 B	B701-B799	52 and older	Short
+52 C	C701-C799	52 and older	Short
+59	801-899	59 and older	Short
+65	901-999	65 and older	Super-Short
Ladies A	L101-L199	Any	Super-Short
Ladies B	L201-L299	Any	Super-Short
Ladies C	L301-L399	Any	Super-Short
Woman +30 A	W101-W199	30 and older	Super-Short
Woman +30 B	W201-W299	30 and older	Super-Short
Woman +30 C	W301-W399	30 and older	Super-Short
Mini A	M101-M199	15 and under	Super-Short
Mini B	M201-M299	15 and under	Super-Short
Mini C	M301-M399	15 and under	Super-Short
Pee Wee 50 A	K101-K199	10 and under	Pee Wee
Pee Wee 50 B	K201-K299	10 and under	Pee Wee
Pee Wee 50 C	K301-K399	10 and under	Pee Wee
Pee Wee 65 A	P101-P199	12 and under	Pee Wee
Pee Wee 65 B	P201-P299	12 and under	Pee Wee
Pee Wee 65 C	P301-P399	12 and under	Pee Wee
Sr. Beginner	J211-J299	12 to 7 y/o	Pee Wee
Jr. Beginner	J111-J199	6 and under	Pee Wee
Vintage	V1 - V999	13 and older	Super-Short

15. **Starting Grid.** The Starting grid at all TORO events will be set up according to the table below:

<b>Suggested TORO Starting Grid</b>				
<b>Long Course</b>	<b>Short Course</b>	<b>Super-Short Course</b>	<b>Pee Wee 1</b>	<b>Pee Wee 2</b>
AA	+52 A	Vintage	PW 65 A	PW 50 A
Heavy A	Sportsman	Mini A	PW 65 B	PW 50 B
Lite A	+59	Ladies A	PW 65 C	PW 50 C
+30 A	+45 B	Mini B	Sr. Beginner	Jr. Beginner
+38 A	Heavy C	Women+30A		
+45 A	Lite C	Ladies B		
Ladies AA	+38 C	+65		
Lite B	+52 B	Women+30B		
Heavy B	+30 C	Mini C		
+30 B	+45 C	Ladies C		
+38 B	+52 C	Women +30C		
Sportsman				

## **Penalties**

In a perfect world, there would be no need for penalties in racing, but we all know the reality. In order to maintain fair and safe competition for all participants, TORO will not hesitate to assess penalties when required. The following is a list of the things that can get a racer in trouble and what the result will be, if a complaint is filed by a TORO staff member, a member of the promoter's staff, or two TORO members. Note that in the event of disqualification from an event, all fees paid will be forfeited.

- Track Cutting- unintentionally leaving** the track and/or eliminating or omitting any part of the track that is marked with an arrow, ribbon or banner and including (i.e., log crossings, jumps, ditches, etc.). An example of "unintentionally leaving the track is" would be in an extreme section. A rider may fall or unintentionally go outside the boundaries while trying to negotiate an obstacle, to be legal the rider to must return the original point of exit on the track. If the rider omits any part of the track; it is declared not legal, then an official can access a time penalty of 1 minute. The purpose for the 1 minute penalty is to ensure the rider does not gain time because they have omitted part of the race course. Even if the rider could not return to the point where the area where they exited the race course; they will be accessed 1 minute penalty. One TORO official must witness this infraction and must witness the attempt of the rider to return to the original point on the track where the infraction occurred. A TORO official may choose to access a time penalty during the event by holding the rider for 1 minute at the infraction point or the penalty will be accessed at the scoring chute. An official at the scoring chute will display a black flag signaling the rider to stop. If two members witness an infraction, the two members must follow the protest format.

- **Intentionally Omitting sections of the race course:** If a TORO official witness' a rider eliminate or omit any part of the track that is marked with an arrow, ribbon or banner and including (i.e., log crossings, jumps, ditches, etc.), will result in penalty of 1 lap unless the rider in question returns to the point that they left the track. Multiple infractions will result in multiple lap penalties. An official does not have to signal to a rider to stop or notify the rider when an infraction has occurred. The 1 lap penalty will be assessed before the protest period. If two members witness an infraction, the two members must follow the protest format.
- **Unexplained or Unrealistic lap times:** Additionally a rider with an unrealistic lap time for an unknown reason will be considered proof of track cutting and a 1 lap penalty will be assessed. A TORO official does not have the responsibility of notifying the rider if the penalty is assessed. An example of this is, an unrealistic time is discovered after the event is over but before the protest period.
- In the event of a safety issue and a rider is directed to go around by the medical staff or safety situation by an official, the 1 lap penalty or up to 1 minute penalty does not apply.
- **Hanging Your Own Ribbons.** Anyone found to be modifying the track other than a TORO official will be expelled from the property for the weekend.
- **Unsportsmanlike Conduct.** Verbal and physical abuse between riders and/or crew members will not be tolerated. While a certain amount of rubbing is expected in racing, intentionally attempting to harm another rider by ramming, t-boning, or any other takeout move is unacceptable. This includes any act that may put a competing rider in undue danger (i.e., pit vehicle(s) crossing the track in front of a racer, pit vehicle(s) or person(s) crossing the track during the start of races, or anything that could cause the racer harm). Members are responsible for their own actions, their families and their guests at any time at a TORO event. This includes actions on and off the track. Any such conduct will result in up to removal from the series all together.
- **Ignoring the Red Flag.** When the red flag is displayed at the starting line or track entry point, the track is closed. Riders found on the track when it is closed will be docked 1 lap.
- **Jumping the Start.** Riders who jump the start will receive a penalty of 1 lap. The penalty will only be enforced if the rider proceeds with the lap, and does not return to the start line.
- **Ignoring the Black Flag.** Penalty 1 lap.
- **Ignoring a Caution Area.** Penalty 1 lap.
- **Starting in the Wrong Class.** If a rider advances his position by leaving the starting line before his or her correct class, they will be penalized 1 lap. A rider may leave the line any time after his class has left with no penalty.
- **Improper Bike Identification.** Riders with numbers and/or letters not displayed according to TORO standards may result in a penalty. First time offenders will receive a verbal warning; second offenders will not be scored and disqualified from the event.
- **Switching Riders or Motorcycles.** The penalty for changing riders or motorcycles during a race will be immediate disqualification and loss of points earned to-date.
- **Speeding in the Pits.** Breaking the speed limit of 10mph in the pits will result in loss of a lap if the rider has not yet competed that weekend. If the rider has already completed, 1 lap will be docked from their score. Riders may be docked 1 lap for actions of their guests and family members.

- **Pitting for Gas other than in Designated Pit Area.** Pitting for gas during the race in any area other than the designated pit area will result in 1 lap penalty.
- **Starting your Bike prior to the Green light.** When your class is on the starting line and the red flag has been displayed, all riders are required to shut off their engines. A rider who starts their bike when the red light is displayed and does not turn off their engine prior to the green light will receive a 1 minute penalty.

### **Miscellaneous**

- As a TORO member, you have the right to state your opinion or facts as a member by writing posting on the official TORO open "TON" forum. However, the TORO administrator and the webmaster have the right to remove your posts/comments/remarks if found offensive or detrimental to the organization. The same applies to the public TORO Facebook Fan page and Group page.
- Any other form of Social Media is unofficial TORO information. TORO recommends that good judgment be used in any Social Media form of communication when stating an idea, an opinion or fact.
- In the case of an event cancellation and rescheduling of the event is not possible; TORO may choose to reduce the number of total events by the number of cancelled events.