



2011

VA Championship Hare Scramble Series

Grand Prix Racing

Supplemental Competition Rules & Regulations

District 13 VCHSS/GP Series Governing Board

The VCHSS Governing Board shall be made up of the following members;

President – elected annually by the entire board.

Vice President – elected annually by the entire board.

Treasurer - elected annually by the entire board.

Secretary - elected annually by the entire board.

Awards Coordinator - elected annually by the entire board.

Assistant Awards Coordinator - elected annually by the entire board.

Event Referee - elected annually by the entire board.

Individual race promoters – new race promoters must be voted in by the entire board.

1. Each member of the VCHSS board shall have one vote on VCHSS matters.
2. The VCHSS board shall meet a minimum of once each calendar year to make required changes to the AMA supplemental rules and make the race schedule for the next season.
3. The President shall preside over all VCHSS meetings.
4. Special VCHSS meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the President, Vice president or any two members of the board.

For Points Paying Classes

I. COMPETITION CARD AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A.** Any rider wishing to ride a Virginia Championship Hare Scramble Series (VCHSS) event must have a valid VCHSS AMA District 13 Competition Card, must have a valid AMA membership, and must have a scoring transponder compatible with and programmed for the VCHSS scoring software system. Exceptions: As per AMA rules any rider holding a district card from any other AMA district, or another AMA District 13 card, may ride without purchasing a VCHSS Competition card but will not be awarded points. Horizon Riders receive a **FREE** VCHSS Competition Card for use in competing in Horizon events. However, Horizon Riders may not compete in more than three (3) VCHSS Mini races without first purchasing a VCHSS Competition Card.
- B.** The cost of the VCHSS AMA District 13 membership card is \$15.00 per season. The cost of a transponder is \$25.00 (transponder is yours to keep), \$15.00 will be refunded if transponder is returned to sign up in working order at the end of the race day. AMA membership is currently \$39 per year. A VCHSS season begins January 1 and ends December 31.
- C.** Competition Card applications, AMA membership applications, and transponders are available at each event at sign up.

II. POINTS PAYING CLASSES.

The following classes are points paying classes: AA, A Expert, 200 A (86-200cc 2-Stroke, up to 250cc 4-Stroke, including 80-200cc big wheel), 30+ A Expert, 250 A (201cc 2-Stroke and up, 251cc 4 Stroke and up), 30+A, 40+A, 50+A, 200 B (86-200cc 2-Stroke, up to 250cc 4-Stroke, including 80-200cc big wheel), 250 B (201cc 2-Stroke and up, 251cc 4 Stroke and up), 30+B, 40+B, 50+B, 200 C (86-200cc, including 80-200cc big wheel), 250 C (201+ cc 2-Stroke or 4-Stroke), 4-Stroke C, 30+C, 35+C, 40+C, 45+C, 50+C, 55+, Expert Women, Novice Women, 30+ Women, Super Mini 14-15, Super Mini 12-13, Mini 12-13, Super Mini Women, Mini 9-11, and Mini 9-11 65cc. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 14 inches. AMA eligible (meet all AMA requirements) big wheel bikes are

allowed in the "AA", "A-Expert", 30+ A Expert, 200, 4-Stroke, 30+, 35+, 40+, 45+, 50+, 55+, Expert Women's, Novice Women's and Vet Women's classes in addition to the defined Super Mini classes.

III. AVERAGE OVERALL RATING SYSTEM.

This system is used for advancement purposes ONLY and is independent of the class and overall points systems.

Through a riders successful participation they will advance themselves to the next higher classification. Class advancement will automatically occur at the end of the season based on a rider's Average Overall Rating. A riders' Average Overall Rating is determined by first dividing each event finish (the actual overall finishing position number) into a constant. The Main Event constant is 112 and the "C Event" constant is 140, these figures having been derived from recent VCHSS history. This helps to adjust the overall scores for either small or large turnout events. For example, a rider in the "C Event" finishes in the twentieth overall position and there were 156 riders scored in the event. You would divide 140 by 156 resulting in a multiplier of .90. Multiply the 20 score by .90, equaling 18 which would be the adjusted overall finishing position for that event. Do this for each event using the unique figures from each in order to adjust each score. Then add all the overall finishes together, divide that total by the total number of events scored in to obtain an initial average. Multiply that average by twenty five percent and add this figure to the average. Discard all finishes with a higher number than that total figure. Add the remaining finishes together and average them for the final season ranking average. All numbers used in these computations are rounded off to the nearest two decimal places. When all computations are complete there must be a minimum of two scores to use in the final average to obtain a ranking.

- A. In the "Main Event", riders finishing with an end of season Average Overall Rating of 8.00 or less will be advanced to "AA" classification. Riders finishing with an end of season Average Overall Rating of greater than 8.00 up to and including 15.00 will be advanced to "A Expert" classification. Riders that are 30 years of age and over whose overall average rating is 15.00 or less will be eligible for the 30+ A-Expert class also. The 30+ rider MUST ride where he/she is ranked or in 30+ A-Expert. Riders finishing with an end of season average greater than 15.00 up to and including 45.00 will be advanced to "A" classification.
- B. In the "C Event" riders finishing with an end of season Average Overall Rating of 25.00 or less will be advanced to "B" classification. In addition all "C" class end of season class winners will automatically be advanced to "B" classification.

IV. CLASS QUALIFICATIONS.

In addition to advancement rules specified herein, any rider who voluntarily advances himself/herself up to another skill level is thereafter required to enter a class within that skill level. If a rider advances themselves into the "AA" or "A-Expert" classes they must remain in that advanced class until that rider is ranked out of that class or is granted a petition to return to a lower ranked class. Any rider must remain in that advanced class unless the rider submits a petition and is granted approval to return to a lower ranked class.

- A. **"AA" Class Qualifications.** Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is 8.00 or less in the "Main Event", is otherwise designated as a "AA" rider or is ranked "AA" or "Pro" in any other off road series will be required to enter the "AA" class. A rider classified as "AA" in the VCHSS ranking system will remain "AA" classified until either the rider is ranked other than "AA" by the ranking system or the rider is granted a petition to return to A-Expert or A status. Also any rider who overall's an event in the prior season of the VCHSS.
- B. **"A Expert" Class Qualifications,** Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is greater than 8.00 up to and including 15.00 in the "Main Event", is otherwise designated as an "A-Expert" rider. A rider classified as "A-Expert" in the VCHSS ranking system will remain "A-Expert" classified until either the rider is ranked other than "A-Expert" by the ranking system or the rider is granted a petition to return to "A" status.
- C. **30+ A-Expert Class Qualifications** Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is 15.00 or less in the "Main Event" and is 30 years old or older on the day of the event is designated a "30+ A-Expert" rider. If a rider is ranked "AA" or "Pro" in any other off road series and is 30 years old or older they will be required to enter the "30+ A-Expert" class or they may choose AA or A-Expert also. A rider classified as "30+ A-Expert" in the VCHSS ranking system will remain "30+ A-Expert" until either the rider is ranked other than "30+ A-Expert" by the ranking system or the rider is granted a petition to return to "A" status. If a rider is ranked "AA" or "A-Expert" and is 30+ they may choose to participate in the class they are ranked in or the "30+ A-Expert class". So if a rider is 30+ and is ranked

"AA" then they may choose between "AA" and "30+ A-Expert" or if a rider is ranked "A-Expert" then they may choose between "A-Expert" and "30+ A-Expert".

- D. "A" Class Qualifications.** Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is greater than 15.00 and up to and including a rating of 45.00 in the "Main Event" or is ranked "A" by any other off road series, is required to enter an "A" class.
- E. "B" Class Qualifications.** Any rider whose Overall Average Rating in the "Main Event" is greater than 45.00, or whose Overall Average Rating in the "C" event is 25.00 or lower or is a "C" class end of season class champion, or is ranked "B" by any other off road series is required to enter a "B" class.
- F. "C" Class Qualifications.** Any rider whose Overall Average Rating from the previous season is greater than 25.00 in the "C Event is otherwise not ranked in accordance with Section III, is ranked "C" or not ranked whatsoever by any other off road series, is designated as a "C" rider.
- G. 30+A Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 30+A class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" riders are not eligible to enter the 30+A class.
- H. 30+B Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 30+B class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" and "A" riders are not eligible to enter the 30+B class.
- I. 30+C Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 30+C class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert", "A", and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the 30+ C class.
- J. 35+C Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 35+C class must be 35 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert", "A", and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the 35+ C class.
- K. 40+A Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 40+A class must be 40 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" riders are not eligible to enter the 40+A class.
- L. 40+B Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 40+B class must be 40 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" and "A", riders are not eligible to enter the 40+B class.
- M. 40+C Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 40+C class must be 40 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert", "A" and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the 40+C class.
- N. 45+C Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 45+C class must be 45 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert", "A" and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the 45+C class.
- O. 48+A Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 48+A class must be 48 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" riders are not eligible to enter the 50+A class.
- P. 48+B Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 48+B class must be 48 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" and "A" riders are not eligible to enter the 50+B class.
- Q. 50+C Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 50+C class must be 50 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert", "A" and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the 50+C class.
- R. 55+ Class Qualifications.** Any rider entering the 55+ class must be 55 years old or older on the day of the event. "30+ A-Expert" riders are not eligible to enter the 55+ class.
- S. Super Mini 14-15** (Modified AMA Youth Class Super Mini 12-15, 80cc-112cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the Super Mini 14-15 class must be either 14 or 15 years of age as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.

- T. Super Mini 12-13** (Modified AMA Youth Class Super Mini 12-15, 80cc-112cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the Super Mini 12-13 class must be 12 or 13 years of age as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
- U. Mini 12-13** (AMA Youth Class 85cc Modified 12-15, 66cc-85cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-125cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the Mini 12-13 class must be 12 or 13 years of age as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
- V. Super Mini Women** (AMA Youth Class Super Mini 12-15, 80cc-112cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the Super Mini Women's class must be female and be between the ages of 12 and 15 years as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
- W. Mini 9-11** (AMA Youth Class 85cc Modified 9-11, 66cc-85cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-125cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the Mini 9-11 class must be 9 to 11 years of age as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
- X. Mini 9-11 65cc** (AMA Youth Class 65cc Modified 9-11, 59cc-65cc 2-Stroke & 52cc-90cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the Mini 9-11 65cc class must be 9 to 11 years as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
- Y. Expert Women's Class Qualifications.** Any female rider whose Overall Average Rating from the previous season is less than 25.00 in the "C Event" is otherwise ranked "Expert Women". Expert Women riders may not participate in the Novice Women's or the Vet Women's classes. Riders in this class must be over the age of 12 years on the day of the event.
- Z. Novice Women's Class Qualifications.** Any female rider whose Overall Average Rating from the previous season is more than 25.00 in the "C Event" is otherwise ranked "Novice Women". Riders in this class must be over the age of 12 years on the day of the event.
- AA. 30+ Women's Class Qualifications.** Any female rider entering the Vet Women's class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event.

Non-Points Paying Classes

- BB. Horizon Rider Class Qualifications.** The Horizon classes are listed below for general information. All Horizon riders must obtain a Horizon Competition Card. The first card is free with replacements costing \$2 each. Horizon classes are run independently of all other classes and are intended to introduce young riders to the enjoyment of off road competition. Pee Wee 1 and Pee Wee 2 classes will be run together for approximately 20-30 minutes. Jr. Mini 1, Jr. Mini 2, and Jr. Mini Women's classes will be run together for approximately 30-40 minutes. To be recognized at the VCHSS year end awards banquet a Horizon rider must participate in a minimum of 10 Horizon Class events during the current season.
 - 1. Pee-Wee I 7-8** 0-50cc (Modified AMA Youth Class 2) Riders entering this class must be 7 or 8 years of age as of January 1st. This class has been modified to include multi speed machines. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
 - 2. Pee-Wee II 4-6** 0-50cc (Modified AMA Youth Class 4) Riders entering this class must be 4 to 6 years of age as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
 - 3. Jr. Mini I 7-11** 66-85cc 2-stroke & 75-125cc 4-stroke (AMA Youth Class 85cc Modified 7-11) Riders entering this class must be between the ages of 7 and 11 years as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.
 - 4. Jr. Mini II 7-11** 52-65cc 2-stroke & 52-74cc 4-stroke (AMA Youth Class 65cc Modified) 7-11 Riders entering this class must be between 7 and 11 years as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.

5. Jr. Mini Women's 9-13 66-85cc 2-stroke & 75-125cc 4-stroke (AMA Youth Class 85cc Modified 9-13) Riders entering this class must be female and be between the ages of 9 and 13 as of January 1st. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.

V. AGE VERIFICATION FOR AGE BASED CLASSES

All participants entering an age based class will be required by the VCHSS to provide proof of age. A state issued ID, Military ID or state issued birth certificate is considered acceptable proof of age. A rider who is unwilling to provide proof of age will not be allowed to enter an age based class. A rider who has not been previously notified by the VCHSS will be permitted to participate in one (1) VCHSS event without said proof. The rider must provide proof of age before the next VCHSS event. Failure to provide proof of age as requested could result in the rider not only being disqualified but also resulting in the loss of any points earned previously. Furthermore, additional action may be taken by the VCHSS if a rider knowingly attempts to enter a class in which they are not qualified to enter; this could include sanctions against competing in future VCHSS events.

V. STARTING ORDER & CLASS NUMBERING SYSTEM.

The starting order and the class numbering system are shown in the tables below. The class numbers are shown in parenthesis. Assigned class riding numbers must be displayed on all three (3) number plates, be legible, on a contrasting background, and should be at least three (3) inches high. Suffix letters after the numbers, if required, should be a minimum of one and a half (1 1/2) inches high. A promoter may issue "contact paper, hand written" numbers and they will be allowed for the day of the event. It is the rider's responsibility to make sure any such "hand written" numbers are attached, legible, on contrasting backgrounds and visible on all three (3) number plates.

8:30 AM MINI EVENT	9:00 AM HORIZON EVENT	10:45 AM "C" EVENT	1:30 PM "MAIN EVENT"
1. Super Mini 14-15 (#1A & up)	1. Pee Wee I (#400-499)	1. 200 C (#1L & up)	1. AA (#1AA – 49AA)
2. Super Mini 12-13 (#1B & up)	2. Pee Wee II (#500-599)	2. 250 C (#1H & up)	2. A Expert (#50 – 99)
3. Mini 12-13 (#1C & up)	3. Jr. Mini I (#300-399)	3. Expert Women (#1X & up)	3. 30+A-Expert (200-249)
4. Super Mini Women (#1E & up)	4. Jr. Mini II (#200-299)	4. 55+ (#1M & up)	4. 200 A (#100 – 149)
5. Mini 9-11 (#1D & up)	5. Jr. Mini Women (#100-199)	5. 4-StrokeC (#1F & up)	5. 250 A (#150 - 199)
6. Mini 9-11 65cc (#1K & up)		6. 30+C (#1J & up)	6. 30+A (#250 - 299)
		7. 35+C (#1V & up)	7. 40+A (#300 - 349)
		8. 40+C (#1P & up)	8. 48+A (#350 – 399)
		9. 45+C (#1S & up)	9. 200 B (#400 – 499)
		10. 50+C (#1T & up)	10. 250 B (#500 – 599)
		11. Novice Women (#1W & up)	11. 30+B (#700 – 799)
		12. 30+ Women (# 1N & up)	12. 40+B (#800 – 899)
			13. 48+B (#900 – 999)

Note: Signup is scheduled to close at: 8:15 AM for the 8:30 AM event; 8:45 AM for the 9:00 AM event; 10:30 AM for the 10:45 AM event; & 1:15 PM for the 1:30 PM event.

VII. CLASS, OVERALL POINTS & AWARDS.

A. OVERALL POINTS will be awarded to the top forty (40) overall riders in the "Main Event", and the "Mini Event" for each race. CLASS POINTS will be awarded to the top forty (40) riders in each class except for Horizon classes, which do not receive points. The Overall points for the "Main Event" and the "Mini Event" will determine the Grand Champion and the Youth Grand Champion at the end of the season. Class points will determine the class finishing position for each rider at the end of the season. If ties are encountered at the end of the season the rider that scores points in the most events will be considered the winner of the tie. A backup tie-breaker will be used if the first tie-breaker results in a tie. The backup tie-breaker will be to count finishing positions. Count 1st place first, 2nd place second, 3rd place third, etc. Points will be allocated in accordance with the Points Chart shown below. The Grand Champion and the Youth Grand Champion will be advanced out of any classes in which he/she has accumulated points and the standings will be adjusted accordingly.

OVERALL & CLASS POINTS CHART

OVER-ALL FINISH	POINTS	OVER-ALL FINISH	POINTS	OVER-ALL FINISH	POINTS	OVER-ALL FINISH	POINTS
1	50	11	30	21	20	31	10
2	45	12	29	22	19	32	9
3	42	13	28	23	18	33	8
4	39	14	27	24	17	34	7
5	37	15	26	25	16	35	6
6	35	16	25	26	15	36	5
7	34	17	24	27	14	37	4
8	33	18	23	28	13	38	3
9	32	19	22	29	12	39	2
10	31	20	21	30	11	40	1

B. POINTS. Each rider will have three (3) throwaways per season. This number may be adjusted as deemed necessary in the event of race cancellations. Other actions may be taken by the VCHSS for any reason as deemed necessary.

C. ELIGIBILITY FOR POINTS. Riders in the AA, A-Expert, A, B and C classes must finish the event to be eligible for class points. In order to be considered a finisher, a rider must COMPLETE at least 50% of the laps of the winner of their class. Mini class riders need only complete and be scored for one lap to receive points for an event. It is not necessary to take the checkered flag. A rider whose machine is disabled before they reach the finish line may *push* their motorcycle along the trail and across the finish line and receive the checkered flag. The rider and motorcycle must follow the course and arrows to the finish line. The machine a rider starts a race on is considered the qualified machine for that race. A rider may not switch or change machines at any time during a race. Start would be defined as the moment a rider's class is released from the starting line.

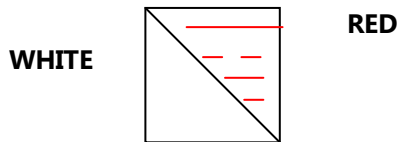
D. AWARDS.

1. To be considered for year-end awards at the VCHSS awards banquet a rider must receive points in a minimum of two thirds of the VCHSS races that are run during the current season (rounded up to the nearest whole number), up to a maximum of 15 awards per class. One race day equals one event.
2. Class championship helmets are awarded at the end of the season to the Grand Champion, Youth Grand Champion, AA Class Champion, A-Expert class Champion, 30+ A-Expert Champion, 200 A & B Class Champions, 250 A & B Class Champions, 30+ A & B Class Champions, 40+ A & B Class Champions, 50+ A & B Class Champions, 55+ Class Champion, Expert Women's Class Champion and Vet Women's Class Champion.

3. Event AA Class Payout. Each series event will pay cash money for the following finishing positions in the "AA" class: 1st place = \$200; 2nd place = \$100; 3rd place = \$75; 4th place = \$50; 5th place = \$35

VIII. CHECK POINTS.

A. Check Points will be identified by the Red & White diagonal marker shown below and will be a minimum of 18" x 18".



B. Unless otherwise instructed by the referee, all riders must slow down through the main scoring area and come to a complete stop at all other check points.

C. The promoter may create "No Passing" zones prior to checkpoints. No passing is allowed in these areas. The area will be marked by a "No Passing" sign and will extend from the sign up to and including the checkpoint.

D. Unless otherwise directed by a race official, by a stopped rider, or a rider is deemed incapacitated, passing riders waiting in line to be scored at the main check point is not allowed.

IX. GENERAL RULES.

A. Any supplemental rules, regulations, instructions or procedures established by the VCHSS Assn. for the purpose of implementing, interpreting or enforcing these rules will be deemed to be part of the rules. Please refer to the AMA Amateur Rule Book for any rules or requirements not addressed within these supplemental rules.

B. **Course Requirements.** Unless otherwise specified by the Referee, the following course requirements are in effect.

1. Arrows will be used to direct competitors on the proper route when the terrain does not clearly dictate. Unless otherwise instructed at the riders meeting, riders must not ride more than 20 feet from the course marking arrows. If double arrows are posted on both sides of the trail (e.g., double arrows are placed directly opposite each other or within 10 feet of being directly opposite), riders must remain between the arrows. A marked course is defined as an established trail containing arrows or a straight line between consecutive arrows. Double arrows are defined as one arrow placed immediately above another arrow.
2. Ribbons, signs, banners, hay bales, etc., may be placed along the trail to help guide riders. Ribbons and banners may not be crossed or ridden through. Riders riding outside these areas may be penalized.
3. A "bottleneck" is a section of trail that becomes impassable due to riders stopping, falling, or getting stuck while attempting to traverse an obstacle and in doing so does not provide enough space for another rider to pass. Any rider encountering a bottleneck on the course shall be allowed to go more than 20 feet off the course but must re-enter the course immediately after the bottleneck or as close as practical to the bottleneck. This alternate route may not be used during the following laps unless a bottleneck condition continues to exist.
4. Alternate trails may be provided by the promoter to by-pass obstacles. "ALT" or a different color course marker will identify alternate routes. Alternate routes will be longer or take more time to traverse than the main route.
5. Any rider leaving the course, except as noted above, shall continue the race from the point where they left the course or as close as reasonably possible.
6. Riders may be allowed to walk, ride bicycles, or practice on the final course prior to the start of the event. The promoter may limit the distance that the riders can view.

7. Entrants shall not ride on the course in any race other than their own, except in the capacity of course marshal or course worker, as deemed necessary by a race promoter.

8. A rider whose machine is disabled may receive outside assistance up to the point of the "No Passing Zone" at the main scoring area. A rider is required to push their bike through the scoring area on their own. Only the riders hands are to be on the bike.

9. If a rider falls in the main scoring area they may receive assistance from an official of the event or that officials designee with picking up their bike but must continue on their own.

C. Starts. The promoter has the option of using either a live or dead engine start for their events.

D. Scores. Each rider is entitled to examine his/her score with the Referee.

E. Risks. All riders and other race personnel must assess for themselves the track, facilities, existing conditions and other matters. All riders and race personnel must rely on their own judgment and assume all risks of participating in competition in any manner.

F. AMA Event Referee The Event Referee is the point of contact for all riders. All decisions by the referee are final, subject to the AMA Protest/Appeal process.

G. Rider Etiquette in the Main Scoring Area. The Scoring Area is defined as from the "No Passing Zone" established leading into the scoring tent, the scoring tent, and the boundary path immediately exiting the scoring tent. The following rules apply when a rider is entering or leaving the computer scoring station.

1. Riders must pass through the scoring lane to be scored. It is the rider's responsibility to be scored. Riders who attempt to pass through the scoring lane at high rates of speed, endangering the scoring personnel and equipment, may not be scored and could be penalized. Leaving the scoring tent prior to being scored may result in no score for the rider.
2. If a rider accidentally leaves the scoring lane without being scored, they must move out of the way of any riders behind them. After all traffic has cleared the lane, the scorer may manually enter the rider's number. A rider who enters the lane backward on a machine may be disqualified. In the event of a missed score, a rider may dismount and enter the scoring lane on foot to be scored as long as their machine does not block the course and as long as their transponder will not affect scoring.
3. When being scored, the rider must make every effort to clear the scoring lane quickly as to not create bottlenecks. No pit activities, finding drink water tubes, adjusting or checking mechanical items or performing any other non-scoring function that delays the next rider to be scored will be done inside the scoring area. Riders must enter the scoring area in a timely manner, stop to be scored, and exit the scoring area in a timely manner.
4. Riders are not allowed to pit, gas, get water, etc., inside the scoring area including the entrance to and exit from the scoring area. Interference with another rider's ability to be scored in a timely manner could result in a penalty.
5. Riders should not converse unnecessarily with scoring personnel during the event. The scoring personnel do not have time to answer general questions (i.e., how many laps to go, etc.) as this may cause delays in scoring other riders.
6. All riders shall remain in single file when entering the scoring area. At no time should the front tire pass the rearmost part of the machine in front or penalties may be incurred.
7. If a riders engine stops running inside the scoring lane and IF no riders are behind them, the rider may make a QUICK attempt to start their machine. If a riders' engine stops running inside the scoring lane and they are unable to start their engine quickly, they must dismount and remove the machine from the

scoring lane immediately at the request of scoring personnel. Riders removing their machine must ensure that their machine is clearly out of the path of other riders exiting the scoring lane.

8. Riders are required to use the transponder and the rider number given to them at signup. Riders who fail to use the provided transponder and number may not be scored. Riders who use the wrong transponder or fail to cover a pre-existing number may not be scored.
 9. No rider shall have more than one transponder during a single event. It is the riders responsibility to ensure the transponder contains the correct number for that rider for that event.
 10. It is the rider's responsibility to ensure their transponder is mounted correctly. The correct location is on the bike or rider near the front not in contact with any metal (zip tied or taped to the lower part of chest protector, front fender, etc.). Riders who fail to place their transponder in the correct position, including orientation, may not be scored. Riders claiming missed scores may be required to show their transponder in the correct position to the VCHSS Event Referee or the scorer. It is the rider's responsibility to ensure the transponder provided does not come off during an event.
 11. Scoring personnel will assist any rider with questions about transponder placement prior to an event.
- H. **Event Rules of Conduct** An AMA approved helmet must be worn at all times by anyone riding a motorcycle upon event premises. A 5 mile per hour speed limit is also imposed upon all vehicles on event premises except upon the racing track during a racing event, or other approved warm up areas.

X. **Horizon Class**

These classes are intended to introduce young riders to the enjoyment and sport of off road competition. In addition, it is hoped that organized off road riding will guide riders in sportsmanship, discipline, mechanical skills, responsibility, and that they will eventually advance into the VCHSS points paying Mini class.

A. **Maintaining Class Eligibility:**

1. Jr. Mini I and II riders may not enter the Mini 9-11, or Mini 9-11 65cc class on the same day as participating in a Jr. Mini event. A Jr. Mini rider may enter the Mini 9-11, or Mini 9-11 65cc class a total of 3 times combined, per season.
2. Jr. Mini Women riders may not enter in the Mini 9-11, Mini 9-11 65cc, Super Mini 12-13, Mini 12-13 or Super Mini Women's class on the same day as participating in a Jr. Mini Women's event. A Jr. Mini Women rider may enter the Mini 9-11, Mini 9-11 65cc, Super Mini 12-13, Mini 12-13 or Super Mini Women's class a total of 3 times combined, per season.
3. Pee Wee riders may enter a Jr. Mini class for a total of 3 races per season. They may not run in both classes on the same day.

B. **Location and Race Times:** The Horizon Class races are being held at VCHSS sponsored events. Refer to the 2011 race schedule for dates. All Horizon Riders will be expected to be at the starting line at 8:45 AM on race day for the riders meeting. The Pee-Wee I and Pee-Wee II classes will start promptly at 9:00 AM. There will be a thirty-second interval between the start of these two classes. Jr. Mini I, Jr. Mini II and Jr. Mini Women's classes will start once the Pee Wee's have finished. They also will start with thirty-second intervals between classes. The thirty-second interval can be changed on race day if the officials feel that it is needed. Both classes may have a parade lap prior to the race. Pee Wee classes may have a parade lap prior to the start of their event.

C. **Awards:** Every participating rider will receive a trophy or award at every event. The trophy/award will be presented approximately 20 minutes after race results are posted. No points will be kept for these classes. However, in order to be recognized at the VCHSS series banquet in January, the rider must participate in 10 of the scheduled Horizon Class events for the year.

D. General Rules:

1. **Starting:** No person other than the rider shall have contact with the bike at the start of the event. If the rider is having difficulty after the start of the race then someone may help them. Any infraction of this rule could lead to disqualification.
 2. **Riding:** There will be absolutely **NO RIDING** allowed before or after the completion of the rider's race (except to and from the starting line) failure to do so may result in the disqualification of the rider and his/her parent or responsible party in their race. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
 3. **Scoring:** All riders must stop where the scorers are stationed. Failure to do so could result in being docked a lap or disqualification. Neither riders nor spectators are to interfere with scorers during the event. Interfering with scorers during an event may subject the rider to disqualification or may be considered un-sportsman-like conduct. The event referee will be notified of any cases of un-sportsman-like conduct or of situations where anyone interferes with the scorers during an event. The event referee will decide appropriate action when cases of un-sportsman-like conduct have been identified to them by the Horizon Committee.
 4. **Fifteen Foot Rule:** The rider must not ride more than 15 feet off the marked trail.
- E. **Preparing to Advance to Mini:** The Jr. Mini Classes will use a dead engine start. The rider must first attempt to start the bike on his/her own two times. An adult may help only if the rider is having difficulty. There should be no hands on the riders' bike until after the rider has tried to start his/her bike at least two times. This means that no one should be pushing the rider from the start unless there is a problem with the bike.
- F. **Horizon Rider Committee Expectations:** This is a volunteer committee, which was formed to coordinate and oversee the activities of the Horizon Riders. Their duties relative to Horizon Riders include the following: ensuring that each rider receives a trophy/award at every event; help with scoring the event; coordinating awards for the year end VCHSS Banquet; coordinating fund raising activities; enforcement of rules; actively promoting participation in Horizon Rider classes. All suggestions, concerns, or offers to help this committee should be addressed to the committee chairperson listed below.

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