

<u>2022</u> <u>Guidelines for Hosting an AMA D14 Hare Scramble</u>

It is our goal to create and facilitate an off-road motorcycle racing series that is fun, safe, exciting, and rewarding for both riders and the promoting clubs and organizations. Thank you for supporting these goals, and helping to create efficient, high quality, and high value events.

The series will follow rules set out for the 2022 season, as published in the District 14 News (February 2022) and on-line at <u>www.ama-d14.org/harescrambles/rules</u>. If there are any questions regarding the application of these rules prior to the date of your event, please contact the chairman Zach Keizer by phone (616)-916-6713 (call or text) or at d14_hs_chair@yahoo.com, or one of the other officials (contact information found on-line). On race day, please look for any of the officials present at the event.

A few of the rules that pertain to promoting organizations are highlighted below.

Sanctions and Insurance:

It is the obligation of the promoting organization to have membership with AMA District 14, the appropriate sanctions filed with the AMA and D14, and adequate event insurance. Promoting organizations must also provide adequate first aid/medical staffing during the event.

Track Entry:

The gates to the facility should open early enough on race day to allow for the riders to sign-up at least ½ hour prior to their program start time. Allowance for camping the night prior to race day is desired, but not required. If camping is not allowed this must be made known well in advance so that the chairman can make the riders aware of this. As agreed upon at the Scheduling Meeting; gate entrance fees will be \$10.00 per racer or spectator over the age of 12 and class race entrance fees will be \$40.00 for big bikes in the afternoon, \$25.00 for morning Mini classes, and \$15.00 for 50cc auto's. From the class entry fee, the promoting organization will pay \$5/rider to the D14 Hare Scramble Series. Series officers and Scoring and Registration specialists do not pay a gate fee to enter the track for a race (See list below). Also agreed upon at the Scheduling Meeting, hare scramble officers who are racing the event do not pay the race entrance fee either. The series officers will identify themselves with a division-issued ID to your track workers that are posted at the entry area as well as at sign up.

Sign-Up Procedures:

It is the responsibility of the promoting organization to provide adequate personnel to conduct sign-up. D14 personnel may assist with the process but they will not handle any money. It is the responsibility of the organizer/promoter to ensure all riders have paid before they get to the D14 personnel. D14 will not negotiate discrepancies between rider counts and money collected at the end of the event. The number of racers entered into to the scoring program at the end of the event will be the final number the promoter/club is responsible to pay the fees for to the district. Sign-up and registration will only be open when promoting organization personnel are present but should open in time to process the day's entrants at least ½ hour prior to race start time. Riders must present membership cards from both the AMA and District 14 or purchase them at the time of sign-up. Riders must also have the opportunity to

purchase an appropriate transponder and class-identifying letters for their helmet and bike. A clear delineation of class offerings and start order must be posted at sign-up.

Race Course Layout:

Track length for afternoon classes must be a minimum of 7.0 miles; longer tracks are highly encouraged for the high numbers of riders racing the series. Mini Track length should be a minimum of 2.5 miles with a maximum length of 4 miles. 50cc Auto's course must have a minimum of 0.75 miles with a maximum length of 1 mile. We at D14 encourage that the 50cc Auto course also have a little single-track trail involved in the course as well. These track guidelines are for in the event that the course needs to be shortened for inclement weather the track minimums are still maintained. Incorporation of fresh trail is encouraged, particularly if existing trail has been utilized by two-track vehicles. It has been said that our tracks should be somewhere between "enduro tight" and "GNCC fast", which can include everything from grass tracks to wooded trails to motocross jumps. Incorporation of "enduroX" sections is permissible provided an alternate route of no more than twice the length (in time) of the enduroX section exists and is clearly marked. The goal is to provide a variety of terrain to challenge the riders while maintaining a safe racing environment.

Riders' Meeting:

A riders' meeting must be conducted prior to race start. The riders meeting MUST be at the scoring area without bikes or helmets.

Race start and length (time):

Starting order for each event is as shown at the end of this document. Classes may be combined on the start to fill rows and shorten the starting procedure. Promoting organizations should locate the start area such that all rows can safely start (with no less than 30 second intervals) before the lead rider reaches the location where the start area joins the race track. All starts are to be dead-engine and can be indicated with flags or lights as long as the procedure is outlined at the riders' meeting.

The 50cc auto races are to race for a length of 30 minutes. The 50cc auto race will have a start time of 9:00am Please make sure that this is a separate course that has at least 2 left turns and 2 right turns and is relatively easy to navigate for the beginner youngsters that are participating for what may be their first time racing. It is the club's responsibility to provide the proper amount of staff workers to supervise this event.

The youth/mini/beginner classes are to run for one (1) hour beginning at 10:00am. The leader of the race should get the white flag so as they finish as close to one hour as possible without going over the one (1) hour mark.

The afternoon big bike classes will have a scheduled start time of 12:00pm. The club/promoter is responsible for monitoring the laps/time and making the riders aware of whether laps or time will determine the completion of the event. This should be done before the start or in the early stages of the race. The white flag shall be displayed no sconer than the 2 hour elapsed time mark. (For example, if the leading solo rider comes into scoring at the time of (1:59.59) the white flag will **NOT** be given to the leading rider; TWO more laps will be completed in the race. If the leading solo rider comes into scoring at the time of (2:00.01) the white flag **WILL** be given to the leading rider; ONE lap will be left to race.) Maximum number of laps for the afternoon race will be no more than 15. In the event of extreme track or weather conditions the club referee, District Chair, and rider reps can make necessary changes.

Scoring/Registration:

The series provides up to three Scoring System and Registration Specialists who will identify themselves as such at the entry gate. The fee for this service is \$500 per event to be paid to the scoring personnel, and the promoting organization will be billed accordingly. The Scoring System and Registration Specialists will run the computer portion of scoring; including the data entry and computing/posting the results. It is expected and required that the hosting club provide enough personnel to allow for at least 3 staff members for the scoring chute area. They will be needed for slowing and directing traffic, filling in back up sheets and assisting with inputting bike numbers into the computer should they not scan as they

complete laps. An additional fee of \$25 per person may be assessed in the event of inadequate promotor staffing at the scoring area if D14 supplies personnel to fill this need. The promoting organization must provide shelter from the elements to protect the electronic scoring equipment in the scoring chute area during inclement weather.

Personnel:

It is expected that the hosting club/promoter will provide an appropriate amount of track workers; including: flag people, back-up scoring people, track sweep personnel, a race referee, sign up staff, and any other personnel that would be necessary.

Sound Testing:

Sound testing is solely up to the promoting organization. For sound testing the division chairman will provide a sound meter and tachometer. Each club will need to provide an area (in general 20ft of unobstructed space with no nearby reflective surfaces or sound generators) and personnel, 2 recommended, to do sound testing. Riders will be encouraged to have their bikes sound tested before they pay for race registration.

Sound levels are measured at @ 4,000 rpm – passing requires a level less than: 96 dBa for 2 Strokes 94 dBa for 4 Strokes Full testing guidelines can be found on the AMA and district web site.

If sound is an issue for you, we can also conduct random sound level checks following the races as designated by the series officers. Riders whose bikes exceed sound level limits will forfeit their gate fees, race entry fees and be docked a lap, and any points or awards they would otherwise have earned for that event.

Awards:

Trophies or substituted awards (plaques, merchandise, gift cards etc.) are to be awarded as follows, for autos, minis, and big bikes: 2 riders/1 award; 3-4 riders/2 awards; 5-8 riders/3 awards; 9-12 riders/5 awards; 13-17 riders/6 awards; 18-20 riders/7 awards; and 21-up/8 awards. These requirements are the minimum and if you would like to be more generous and award more trophies go for it.

Awards should be available to riders as soon as possible after the conclusion of their respective races, subject to results posting and protest periods. Promoters should indicate where the awards presentation will take place at sign-up and during the pre-race riders' meeting.

Trophies and plaques, or similar awards should include: the club name; the date of the event; the class participated in; the position earned (1st place, 2nd place, etc.); the official AMA logo and a reference to District 14 Hare Scrambles.

Please note that there is an **Overall Champion**, who should receive a special trophy/award over and above the rest of the awards. The solo class riders are the only riders who are eligible for the Overall Champion Trophy. The Overall Champion for the day is pulled out of the class that he competed in and given only this award. As he is pulled from his class and recognized as the Overall Champion, each rider that finished behind him is moved up a spot in the class that he competed in.

Classes needing awards are as follows:

50cc Auto Program Awards

1. 50cc Auto 4-6yr

Morning Youth Program Awards

1. Super Mini	2. 85cc Junior	3. Women AM
4. 65cc - 7-11yr	5. 7-11yr Trail	6. 12-15yr Trail
Adult Afternoon Program Awards		
1. AA/Expert	2. Team A*	3. Open A
4. 30+ A	5. 45+ A	6. 55+ A
7. Open B	8. 30+ B	9. 40+ B
10. Team B*	11. 55+ B/C	12. 13-18 C
13. 19-24 C	14. 25-34 C	15. 35+ C
16. Team C*	17. Women's Class	

*All team classes require two awards for each place being supplied trophies; one for each member of the team of two.

Parade Laps:

A parade lap (or sighting lap) is required for the morning 50cc autos program only. It is the hosting club/promoter's responsibility to provide a lead rider for the parade lap along with a sweep rider. Please tell the lead rider these are kids, take it slow, it is NOT practice.

Event Payments and Wrap Up:

Promoting organizations are responsible for paying the appropriate monies to the Scoring and Registration Specialists and division treasurer before the conclusion of the event unless otherwise agreed to **PRIOR TO** race day. Promoting organizations are also responsible for filing event reports with the District within 14 days of the event. A financial statement will be provided to the promotor with breakdown of fees to be paid to D14 Hare Scrambles. Please mail payments to:

D14 Treasurer Jessie Brunink 15130 Mitchell Grand Haven, MI 49417

D14 Membership Applications and fees for membership are sent to:

D14 Membership Coordinator Molly Kidner 10751 E 20 Rd Manton, MI 49663

We look forward to building a strong and successful race series and look forward to working with you this season. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call or text me (616) 916-6713.

Zach Keizer AMA D14 Hare Scrambles Chair 2020

People who get free gate admittance: Along with event race entry fees waved.

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2020 AMA D14 HARESCRAMBLE START ORDER

50cc Start – 9:00 a.m. Youth Start - 10:00 a.m. Adult Start - 12:00 p.m.

Start Order for Youth and Small Bike Women Riders

- **1.** Super Mini
- 2. 85cc Junior
- 3. Adult woman's/girls class
- **4.** 65cc
- 5. 7-11yr Trail and 12-15yr Trail (Shared Row)

Classes will not rotate. Starting order will be the same at all events.

Start Order for Afternoon Riders

- 1. Expert
- 2. Team A
- 3. Open A
- **4.** 30+ A
- 5. 45+ A and 55+ A (Shared Row)
- 6. Open B
- **7.** 30+ B
- **8.** 40+ B
- 9. Team B
- **10.** 55+ B/C
- **11.** 13-18 C
- **12.** 19-24 C
- **13.** 25-34 C
- **14.** 35+ C
- 15. Team C
- **16.** Women's class