

Proposal #1

Purpose: It has been observed that many times officials are not using the penalty of disqualification and are looking the other way because they feel that disqualification is too severe for the offense. This proposal creates penalties that can be used in many instances that will be more appropriate to the severity of the offence in the hope that penalties will be issued more consistently and be more effective.

Chapter III General Rules

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Currently reads:

C. Duties:

2. Referee

c. The duties of the FTR Referee shall include the following:

- Assistant referee checks the course.
- Check promoters' insurance (Enduros, Hare Scrambles and Motocross).
- Render, with assistant referee and the promoter's referee, all decisions on disqualification of riders and disqualify any rider who violates any of the rules of the meet or FTR.
- See that any major violations or problems are taken to the Enduro, Hare Scrambles or Motocross Chairman prior to the next scheduled event.
- Responsible for transferring FTR equipment to the next sponsoring Club and insure that all equipment is in good condition.

O. Disqualification and Recourse

1. All disqualifications issued during an event shall be recorded by the referee. The record should contain all pertinent information needed for review of the disqualification by the competition committee. This information should include identification of involved parties and witnesses and shall state the nature of the disqualification. The log shall be forwarded to the FTR Scorekeeper for consolidation throughout the competition season.
 2. Any disqualified rider may file a grievance with the appropriate competition committee. The grievance shall be filed in writing with the series Referee or Committee Chairman at the event the disqualification was issued.
 3. The Committee Chairman shall bring the grievance before the committee within 60 days and shall notify the disqualified rider and disqualifying official of the time and place of the meeting.
 4. The Competition Committee shall consider the grievance in an open meeting, allowing time for both rider and official, and resolve the grievance with a vote. The vote shall result in only one of three options:
 - a. Disqualification stands as issued
 - b. Disqualification stands - modified to remove any series standing inclusion requirement
 - c. Disqualification is repealed and scores to be reinstated
 5. The decision of the Competition Committee shall be final with no further recourse open to either rider or official.
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Change to:

C. Duties:

2. Referee

c. The duties of the FTR Referee shall include the following:

- Assistant referee checks the course.
- Check promoters' insurance (Enduros, Hare Scrambles and Motocross).
- Render, with assistant referee, associate referee (HS) and the promoter's referee, all decisions on penalties of riders and penalize any rider who violates any of the rules of the meet or FTR.
- See that any major violations or problems are taken to the Enduro, Hare Scrambles or Motocross Chairman prior to the next scheduled event.
- Responsible for transferring FTR equipment to the next sponsoring Club and insure that all equipment is in good condition.

O. Penalties and Recourse

1. On the day of an event, and at the discretion of the meet referee, any or all of the following penalties may be administered:

- (1) Disqualification.**
- (2) Docking of finishing position one or more places.**
- (3) Fine of up to \$50.**
- (4) Recommendation of further action by the executive committee.**

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3. Any penalized rider may file a grievance with the appropriate competition committee. The grievance shall be filed in writing with the series Referee or Committee Chairman at the event the penalty was issued.

4. The Committee Chairman shall bring the grievance before the committee within 60 days and shall notify the penalized rider and penalizing official of the time and place of the meeting.

5. The Competition Committee shall consider the grievance in an open meeting, allowing time for both rider and official, and resolve the grievance with a vote. The vote shall result in only one of three options:

- a. Penalty stands as issued**
- b. Penalty stands - modified to remove any series standing inclusion requirement**
- c. Penalty is repealed and scores to be reinstated or fine repaid**

6. The decision of the Competition Committee shall be final with no further recourse open to either rider or official.

7. Any participant who is fined under these rules will be deemed suspended from all FTR sanctioned activities until the fine is paid. The fined party is entitled to a receipt upon payment. Fines will be paid to the referee or other party designated by the referee and will be deposited in the FTR general fund.

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Proposal #2

Purpose: To reduce the penalty structure for pit riding so that the rules will more likely be enforced.

Chapter III General Rules

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Currently reads:

C. Pit Riding

7. Any FTR member in violation of these rules shall be subject to the following:

- a. Responsible FTR member is disqualified for the event.
- b. If the member is not competing at the event then the rider shall be requested to leave the event property.
- c. All disqualifications shall count in the year end standings.
- d. A second offense within the same competition season shall result in an automatic suspension from all FTR competition for one calendar year following the date of the second offense. Multiple offenses may count even at a single event.
- e. A third offense shall be defined as "Conduct unbecoming an FTR member" and shall be submitted to the Executive Committee by the Scorekeeper.

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Change to:

C. Pit Riding

7. Any FTR member in violation of these rules shall be subject to the following:

- a. **Responsible FTR member is fined \$25.**
- b. If the **rider is not a member** then the rider shall be requested to leave the event property.
- c. A second offense within the same competition season shall result in **the responsible FTR member being disqualified for the event and receiving a score of zero which must count towards the rider's year end total.**
- d. **A third offense within the same competition season shall result in an automatic suspension from all FTR competition for one calendar year following the date of the second offense. Multiple offenses may count even at a single event.**

Proposal #3

Purpose: To clean up the wording from disqualifications to penalties.

Chapter VI

Currently reads:

A. General

2. In Hare Scrambles, there shall be two additional officers.
- b. The Associate Hare Scrambles Referee, who is the primary assistant to the HS Referee .The Associate Referee's primary duties, will involve pit area safety and sound/tech inspection. The Associate Referee will coordinate with the Clubs regarding providing manpower for these functions, and supervise these functions at the event. The Associate Referee has the authority to disqualify riders. Final authority on disqualification remains with the Hare Scrambles Referee. If the Hares Scrambles Referee cannot be present at the event, then the Associate Referee will serve as the Acting Hare Scrambles Referee.
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Proposal #4

Purpose: To add greater flexibility to penalty for errors of following the course.

Chapter VI

B. Course

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Add to end of text:

Failure follow marked course within 20 feet of orange arrows or to go between double green arrows may result in the rider being docked by one finishing position or more, up to disqualification from the event, subject to the referee's discretion.
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Proposal #5

Purpose: To create an enforceable safety zone in the chicane and around downed riders.

Chapter VI

Hare Scrambles Rules

A. General

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Add:

15. The ribboned off area of the scoring chicane shall be considered a safety area. Any section of the track where an EMT or track worker is attending to a downed rider is also considered a safety area and it will extend to 20 feet either side of the downed rider. If there is a course worker signaling a rider to slow down with hand motions or a flag, the safety area will start at that point. Once a rider enters a safety area they are to maintain an even safe speed, without hard acceleration or braking or anything that would kick up avoidable dust or dirt. There should be no passing in the safety zone unless another rider is completely stopped and it is safe to pass. Failure to follow this rule will result in the rider being docked by one finishing position or more, up to disqualification from the event, subject to the referee's discretion.
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