

# **GOLDEN SANDS SPEEDWAY TRACK RULES 2011 SEASON**

The rules and regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements in order to attain fair competition at such events. These rules shall govern the conditions of all Golden Sands Speedway division racing events, and by choosing to participate in these, all entrants are deemed to have read, and understood, and complied with these Rules and Regulations, which are intended as a guide for the conduct of the events of this sport, but offered in no way as a guarantee against injury or death to any participants.

## ***DRIVERS ATTIRE***

All drivers are required to properly wear a helmet which has been rated by "Snell" at a SA 2000 or SA 2005 or better. Notes: Snell is a service that rates helmet safety, not a helmet manufacturer; the Snell rating is affixed to the inside helmet under the "headband". It is suggested that the helmet be purchased from a reputable dealer, as a higher price does not assure a higher rating. Drivers Suit: A full length (neck to wrists to ankles), made up of a minimum of one layer of "Nomex or "Kevlar" or other approved "fire retardant" materials is mandatory for all classes, except Cruisers, competing at Golden Sands Speedway. It is mandatory for Cruisers to wear long sleeve shirts and pants. Driver suits for the Cruiser division are highly recommended. Additional layers of Nomex type material and Nomex underwear, Nomex head sock, and Nomex shoes and foot socks are highly recommended. Goggles are mandatory, when no full-faced helmet shield is available. Fire resistant gloves are mandatory for all divisions. Proper attire, along with a five point safety harness system, *MUST* be worn at all times when driving the racecar, whether in practice or competition. (*Also see specific rules for your division*).

## ***SEATBELTS***

Five point harness required. Seat belts over three years old will be looked at by safety personnel. If belts are over three years old, driver may be asked to replace the belts before they can race. If date tag is gone, belts need to be replaced. (*Also see specific rules for your division*).

## ***IGNITION KILL SWITCH***

Ignition kill switch is required and must be located within easy reach of the driver and the safety officials outside the car. A push-pull switch must be "off" on the push, a toggle switch must be "off" on down and properly marked. Also a master disconnect must be installed in the middle of the car, within easy reach of the driver and safety officials from both sides of the car. (*Also see specific rules for your division*).

## ***FIRE EXTINGUISHER***

All cars are required to carry an operable, working, approved fire extinguisher with current tag, minimum 5 lbs size which is securely installed within easy reach of the

driver. On board fire extinguishers systems are *highly* recommended. (*Also see specific rules for your division*).

### ***WINDOW NETS***

Driver's window net is mandatory. Strap or mesh type (large mesh 12 inch minimum length) must be mounted securely on bottom, with seat belt type release at top front corner of window net. (*Also see specific rules for your division*).

### ***DRIVER AND PIT CREW MEMBERS***

All persons desiring to compete in all divisions must first possess a valid public road driver's license, and may further be subject to approval by speedway officials. All persons 18 yrs. old and older requesting to be admitted into the pit area must pay the posted pit admittance and sign their own name, in ink, on the provided adult release form. Any driver ages 16-17 yrs. old or pit crew member ages 14-17 yrs. old requesting pit admittance must pay the posted pit admittance and have a minor release form signed by *both* parents or guardians and notarized. The notary must witness the signatures. The adult and minor release forms are available from the speedway office or pit gate.

Each Car/Team must register to race. One time fee of \$25 per car. If you have more than one car, you must register each car separately. Driver, Car, and Crew will be listed under one form. Forms available at the speedway office or you can print them off of our website at [www.gssraces.com](http://www.gssraces.com)

### ***NOTICE INSURANCE REGULATIONS***

Requirements, Exclusions and Conditions: Because of the insurance regulations, all persons expecting to participate as drivers, must be 16 yrs of age or older (16 and 17 yr. olds must have notarized consent) and must possess a valid public road drivers license and Pit license. Any persons entering the pit area must possess a Pit License. Violations of the stipulation will result in expulsion of the car and all persons associated with the car. Furthermore, all drivers, mechanics, pit crewmembers, etc. are advised of the conditions *NOT* covered by the Speedway's racing insurance, which include:

1. Any injury resulting in or from hernia.
2. Any dental charges, excepting charges in respect of damage to sound and natural teeth.
3. Any injury resulting from pre-existing conditions know to the claimant.
4. For females, any charges in respect to pregnancy, childbirth or miscarriage or complication there of.
5. Any injuries on or at the Speedway not brought to the attention of track officials or medics in charge immediately at the time of injury.

Notices:

1. All benefits will be terminated immediately if a claimant, who is receiving benefits under the provisions of the insurance policy, participates in any capacity any race program without obtaining a complete and final release from his/her physician.
2. Persons qualifying for weekly indemnity payments shall not be eligible for said indemnity unless they are gainfully employed on a full time basis at the time of their injury.
3. Insurance benefits are payable only the first 52 weeks of following the injury.
4. There is *NO* property damage liability for any vehicle or equipment located or in use in the pit area. Special Note: Golden Sands Speedway is a secondary insurance only. All claims must be first submitted to the claimant's own insurance. The claimant must also fill out a Proof of Loss form at the time of the accident. This form must be filled out before any claims can be submitted to Golden Sands Speedway's insurance. The Proof of Loss form is available at the speedway office.

***VEHICLE AND DRIVER REGISTRATION PROCEDURE***

Any persons desiring to participate as a driver or car owner in any division during the current year must first submit a "Driver Information Card". This form must be filled out completely and signed according to the instructions on the form. Driver Cards must be filled out, and turned in before you are able to race. The form is available at the pit gate or in the Speedway office.

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***PIT GATE FEES AND PROCEDURE***

All persons desiring to enter pit area are required to present themselves in person, to the pit gate official, pay the appropriate pit gate admission fee, sign and print his/her own name on the supplied release forms. You will need proper identification for proof of age. Actual pit fee will be established as soon as possible before a particular race meet, and pit fees may vary from one meet to the next.

***CONDUCT OF RACE MEETS***

The entire period from track opening to closing is the "Race Meet" and all rules are in effect during this time. Practice is allowed only at designated times, and only if proper safety equipment is in place. "Rules of the Road" which all competitors are required to be aware of are the following:

1. Car must have numbers on both sides, be neat appearing and at least 16" high. If not, the driver will not be scored.
2. Drivers must be lined-up with at least ten laps to go on the race prior to theirs. Drivers failing to do so will start at the back of their event. Continued violations to this rule will result in lap penalties.
3. Top 14 from time qualify for the "A" Feature race. Depending on car counts more cars may be added to each race.
4. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from "B" Feature must advance to "A" Feature.
5. If a consolation race is run, 1<sup>st</sup> place will advance up to the "B" Feature. No monies per lap will be paid.
6. Single file restarts for all divisions.
7. Scoring tower will determine running order after caution.
8. Any car pitting during a consi, "B" or "A" feature race, in a caution period, must rejoin the field at the rear.
9. No cars may return from the pits during a heat race.
10. Cars being lapped, must move to the inside and allow faster cars to pass safely.
11. Advancing your position without all four wheels on the proper racing surface will result in disqualification.
12. *Do not exceed 5 mile per hour when driving through the pits area.*
13. Driver must learn, watch for, and obey all flag and light signals:
  - Green - The signal to start and restart the race order, "GO".
  - Yellow - Caution, slow down immediately! *Do Not* advance your position; align yourself in single file order.
  - Red - Immediate danger! Come to a stop where indicated.
  - Green with two white stripes – (Move over flag)  
Driver must choose the upper or lower racing groove and remain there during racing competition.
  - Black - "Consultation Flag" Slow down and remove your car from the racing surface, and into the infield pit area immediately and report to a radioed official for instruction/explanation.
  - White- One lap to go before the end of the event.

Checked - Finish of the last lap of the event. The first driver to complete the event is the winner.

### ***PERSONAL CONDUCT***

1. Upon admittance to the pit area, you must conduct yourself in a manner not detrimental to stock car racing. Profanity in front of race fans, officials, management, and profane signals on cars, ect. will not be tolerated and may be subject to suspension and/or fine. ***UNSPORTSMAN-LIKE CONDUCT AND/OR CONDUCT DETRIMENTAL TO THE SPORT OF AUTO RACING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED!***
2. General appearance of pit crews must be neat and clean looking, or they will not be welcome.
3. General appearance of cars must be neat appearing. No spray bomb numbers.
4. No driver may stop his or her car on the track to argue or discuss the race with the starter or officials. Violation may subject you to disqualification from the event, suspension, or fine according to the decision of the officials.
5. Any driver getting out of his/her car during a race will be subject to disqualification and/or one week suspension. (Excludes situations where the driver is in danger).
6. Verbal or physical abuse of an official, such as improper language, striking an official, etc. will result in immediate and indefinite suspension.
7. Fighting will not be tolerated. All drivers are held responsible for the conduct of their crewmembers, and will be dealt with accordingly by the officials. Anyone going to another drivers pit area, or car, to cause conflict may face suspension.
8. The scoring tower and VIP area are off limits to all participants at all times unless permission is given by the Competition Director for you to be there.
9. Drivers may discuss scoring decisions with officials at the conclusion of the race meet. If a driver does not conduct him or herself in a professional manner, the discussion will be terminated, and he/she may face suspension for the following race meet. This goes for the driver and their pit crew.
10. Any driver who, in the judgment of the officials, engages in rough driving deliberately running into, blocking, or swerving in front of another car, will be black flagged and may be subject to suspension. Any car intentionally blocking the track will be barred permanently (owner and driver).

### ***ALCOHOL / DRUGS***

Any driver with a detectable amount of alcohol or drugs present will not be allowed on the track. Drivers are responsible for the actions of their crewmembers.

### ***OFFICIAL DECISIONS***

1. The scorer's decision will determine the finishing positions in all racing events.
2. Drivers may discuss scoring decisions with the promoter, *only*, at the conclusion of the race meet. If a driver does not conduct him or herself in a professional manner, the discussion will be terminated, and he/she may face suspension for the following race meet. This goes for the driver and their pit crew.
3. Continuous developments in racing may necessitate changes that we cannot anticipate in the time the rules are formulated, if necessary, we may update, change, modify, delete, or add to any rules.
4. Any situation not specifically covered by the rules will be acted upon by the officials in charge at the time.
5. Whenever it is deemed dangerous to continue a race by the officials in charge, the event may be stopped and terminated at anytime.
6. If a racing program is shortened by any reason the purse will be paid only for the events in which you participated, provided the rain check period has passed. If rain checks are given to spectators, no purse will be paid.
7. Drivers, car owners, and/or crewmembers shall have no claims against the Speedway or employees by reason of disqualification or damage to either car, personal property, or physical injury. Unsportsmanlike conduct deemed detrimental to continuance of an event is subject to loss of points, money or both without recourse to the Speedway or their agents.

### ***HEAT RACES***

If a driver leaves the racing area to the pits, they are eliminated from that heat race event.

### ***"B" FEATURE AND "A" FEATURE***

On a caution, if a driver must leave the racing area to the pits for a tire change, a maximum of two laps will be allowed to re-enter the racing area. They will then rejoin the field in the rear.

### ***YELLOW (CAUTION) FLAG RULE***

If a car goes into the infield, not being in danger of contact with any other cars, the flag will stay green. The driver must stay in the infield. If a driver brings out a yellow flag,

that driver will go to the rear of the field. If a driver brings out two yellow flags during a single race that driver will be black-flagged, for that race.

### ***BLACK FLAG RULE***

Any driver given the black flag for three consecutive laps who does not remove his/her car from the racing surface will not be scored for the remainder of that race and will forfeit any points and prize money earned for that race.

### ***MOVE OVER FLAG***

Any driver being displayed this flag must choose the upper or lower racing groove and remain there during racing competition. Any driver receiving this flag three times during any race will automatically be penalized two positions in that event at the time of the infraction. This flag and its rules and interpretations pertain to all classes of racing at Golden Sands Speedway.

### ***YELLOW FLAG DURING THE WHITE FLAG LAP***

An accident or incident which brings out the yellow flag after the white flag was shown will be handled in the following manner: All drivers will slow their cars immediately, competing cars will be scored as they took the flag, the race is complete. The drivers causing the accident or incident will be scored to the rear.

### ***RACE STARTS AND RESTARTS***

When the flagman gives the one lap to go, the light on the backstretch will be out. The front row must be even at the white line between turns three and four. At that point the cars will get the green flag. *No Exceptions!* If the start is improper, the yellow light will come on the backstretch, and the flagman will warn the offender *once*. The second offense the offender will be moved to the rear and restart the race.

### ***LAPS***

Races with a reduced competition will be decreased in laps.

### ***INSPECTIONS***

All cars are subject to inspection any time, before, during or after a race meet or individual event. Officials reserve the right to disqualify cars, require changes, confiscate illegal parts, ect., and the decisions of the officials will be accepted as final. Any interference with any official and his duties may result in automatic disqualification. Any kind of protest or appeal must be made, by the driver only, to appropriate officials in the pit area, not to the persons in the scoring tower. Official's decisions will be based upon fair play, safety, and to protect the "Spirit of Stock Car Racing". Golden Sands Speedway will weigh and inspect the top three cars in every "B" and "A" feature race. Inspection of one other car will be done by draw on time trials. That position will be teched for that night. The top three in the heat races will also be weighed and inspected. All tech decisions are final. The first two weeks of the new race season will provide leniency.

### ***QUALIFYING IS SCHEDULED AS FOLLOWS***

1. The first driver that comes to the pit gate for each race event will draw one number. Let's say the number drawn is 25. Whoever's car number is 25 will time in first, the second would be 26, and the third would be 27, and so forth up until 100 then we would start 1 – 24. With 24 being the last to time in. The same timing list will pertain to all divisions. Obviously not everyone has these numbers; so we would skip to the next number that someone actually has on their car. In the event of duplicate car numbers, both cars better be up to the timing line at the same time. Numbers will be posted immediately at the pit gate and by the bulletin board. If you are not in line when your number is up, you will automatically lose one lap. If you are not in line after the car after you times in, then you will lose another lap.
2. Drivers that do not time in with their division due to severe car problems, may time in at the end of the next division. The qualifying time will be used for position only. The driver will not receive qualifying points or pay. The driver will start at the rear of their respective heat that the qualified for. If the qualifying time was within the top 16 for the feature, the driver will have to start at the rear of the feature, behind the "B" feature transfers. The speedway will still transfer the top 16 that actually timed in on time in all divisions. If the driver's qualifying time fell into the "B" feature or the consi race they will start in the rear of these races also.

### ***NOTICE OF RULES***

The intent of this rulebook is to provide a guide of limitations to, and constructions of racecars for all divisions, and for the orderly conduct of racing events for all divisions. Such as, this rulebook may not contain all regulations covering all situations. Therefore, the Speedway's management and officials reserve sole right to interpret, add to or delete, change, or alter and make adjustment to the rules herein, in order to insure orderly, fair and safe racing and to preserve the spirit of racing.

## **GOLDEN SANDS SPEEDWAY**

Racing Every Friday Night

Tentative Rain Dates on Sunday

Time Trials at 6:30 pm – Racing at 7:45 pm

Pit Gates Open at 4:30 pm – Hot Laps at 4:45 pm

Track Phone Number.....(715) 423-4660

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Office Hours – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Owners – Darrel and Shela Bassuener

Track Promoter – Craig Bassuener

Director of Operations – Amy Kolo

Drivers must sign and hand in this page, stating that you have read the Official Track Rules for Golden Sands Speedway, understand them and will obey them.

Thank You,  
Golden Sands Speedway Management

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read the official track rules of  
*Driver's Name*  
Golden Sands Speedway. I understand these rules and will obey them.

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*Driver's Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*