

9 TRACKS / COURSES

9.2 No competition shall be promoted on either a public or private road or elsewhere until such permission as may be legally necessary is first obtained from the appropriate public authority or private individual as the case may be.

9.3 Course indicators must be of sufficient height and design to be clearly visible to competitors at speed and shall as far as possible be coloured red on right and white on left.

9.3.1 Track Safety:

A Motocross track must be constructed or laid out with the safety of the riders foremost in mind. Hay bales or other shock absorbent material to protect the riders from dangerous obstacles must be used.

Special consideration must be given to the angle of jump faces and landing zones.

The race course shall have a minimum of 3 metres distance between racing sections of the track. If this cannot be adhered to due to track confinements, hay bales or other absorbent material must be used to separate the course. Where pegs are used to mark out tracks, the pegs are to be placed with a slight lean away from approaching riders.

Watering of the Track:

Where possible the track must be properly watered if necessary in ample time before and between races to ensure proper racing condition, complete safety and to protect the public and riders from dust.

9.3.2 The track width for New Zealand/Island Senior and Junior Motocross championship events shall be a minimum of five (5) metres except in a chicane for lap scoring purposes.

9.3.3 a. Altering of track in front of the gates by a rider or his entourage will be deemed altering the track in terms of these rules and is not permitted.

b. Where ruts are in front of the start gate it is the responsibility of the starter of the meeting to have these corrected if they are deemed dangerous.

c. Behind the centre pole of the start gates is also under the control of the starter and may not be altered without the express permission of the starter. Alterations made without the approval of the starter will be deemed altering the track under the rules.

d. A line and/or bunting is to be placed 4-metres behind the rear of the start gates and all persons other than the riders must retreat behind this line prior to the 10-second board. The Starter shall not start the race until such time as all riders' entourage and assistants are behind the 4-metre line.

e. No person other than the starter and/or their assistants shall re-enter the 4-metre area after the 10-second board until all riders have left the start gate. This area is deemed to be under the starter's control and only the starter and/or their assistants can enter it to relieve a rider for any reason i.e. engine failure, stuck under the gate etc. Failure to comply is already covered by the rules as outside assistance.

9.4 The position permitted to spectators at all forms of racing must always be chosen with due regard to public safety.

9.4.1 Public Safety: At all meetings to which the public has access, notices worded as follows, warning the public that a motor competition is in progress, or prohibiting the public from certain areas shall be prominently displayed wherever applicable.

9.4.2 **WARNING NOTICE**

`Warning to the Public'
MOTOR RACING IS DANGEROUS AND
SPECTATORS
ATTENDING THIS TRACK DO SO ENTIRELY
AT THEIR OWN RISK'

9.4.3 **PROHIBITION NOTICE**

NOTICE
PROHIBITED AREA
The Public are not permitted in this area.

9.4.4 Admission at Speed Events: At all meetings to which the public is invited, admission, if controlled, should be by ticket. Every ticket should bear the following disclaimer, which must not be defaced on cancellation of the ticket:

9.4.5 **WARNING**

Motor racing is dangerous and persons attending this meeting do so entirely at their own risk. It is a condition of admission that all persons having any connection with the promotion and/or organisation and/or conduct of the meeting including the owners of the land and drivers and owners of the vehicles are absolved from any liability arising out of any accidents howsoever caused resulting in damage and/or personal injury to spectators.'

9.4.6 All official passes should also bear the disclaimer and a copy must be issued with every official armband.

9.4.7 Official programmes should contain the disclaimer.