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## **New Oxford Dragway Handbook Disclaimer**

New Oxford Dragway rules and regulations outlined in the handbook are designed to establish an orderly flow of racing events, as well as to set forth minimum acceptable requirements.

Requirements specified in this book shall be in effect at all New Oxford Plains Dragway race events. No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from the publication of these rules and/or regulations. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a participant or spectator. A participant agrees that he/she bears the ultimate responsibility at all times for the safety of their vehicle and its equipment and ensuring he/she complies with all applicable safety and procedural rules.

***New Oxford Dragway reserves the right to update this handbook at any time.***

## **General Rules Statement**

By signing a Tech Inspection Card, participants are acknowledging the agreement to familiarize themselves with all applicable rules and regulations outlined in the current New Oxford Dragway Handbook.

All persons on the premises of New Oxford Dragway (including but not limited to: owners, sponsors, drivers, crew members, and spectators) are invitees of the track management. Permission to occupy the premises may be revoked at any time at the sole and absolute discretion of Track Officials.

All vehicles entered in competition must be available for a safety inspection at any time. Track Officials may reject improperly prepared vehicles.

Although there are specific penalties for certain infractions of the following General Race Day Procedures portion of this handbook, as well as other sections of the handbook, if clarification or resolution of a particular situation is needed the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee will make the final decision.



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## **General Race Day Procedures**

### **Racing Program**

New Oxford Dragway race program is designed for all racers. Eliminator divisions are established for specific vehicle types, and Test and Tune is available on any race date to allow newcomers to experience drag racing in a non-competitive environment. Newcomers should refer to the chapter about **Drag Racing Basics** for more detailed information about the structure of the 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile and preparing for that first run. The starting line is sprayed with traction compound for the most powerful vehicles. Following are some basic rules which must be adhered to. Additional information regarding safety requirements is contained elsewhere in this handbook.

### **Track Operations**

**ATV:** No children under the age of 18 will be able to use any ATV, a chase vehicle, or bicycle without supervision of an adult. Also see Tow Vehicles.

**Admission Procedures:** All spectators and racers will purchase admission at the designated window at the ticket booth. There will be color coded wristbands for spectators and drivers.

Once the applicable competition fee has been paid, racer will be issued the applicable wristband for their competition class.

If at any time, an individual is found to be within the premises without proper paid admission, they will be asked to leave. All racers are responsible for the action of their crew members. Any crew members or racer found to be in violation of the stated requirements will be immediately removed from the premises, and all points and/or competition fees will be surrendered for that day. Subsequent violations will result in the suspension of the violating party for a period of time to be determined by Track Management.

**Children:** All children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Parents/Guardians are responsible for the actions of their children at all times.

**Bicycles:** Bicycles are not allowed anywhere in the staging lanes or restricted areas. In accordance with Maine State Law, children 16 and under must wear a helmet when operating a bicycle on New Oxford Dragway property at all times.

**Scooters:** Small electric or gasoline driven scooters are allowed for use within the pit area only. These vehicles cannot be used as a tow vehicle by any competitor, nor will they be allowed in the staging lanes or restricted areas.

**Roller Blades/ Roller Skates and Skateboards:** The use of roller skates, roller blades, or skateboards on New Oxford Dragway property is prohibited. Individuals found using these devices will have them confiscated.

**Cool Down Period:** New Oxford Dragway Track Officials will endeavor to provide a 15 minute cool down period between rounds. However due to curfew constraints, the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee may impose a shorter cool down period on case-by-case basis. All vehicles must be prepared to enter the staging lanes and be ready to race within 15 minutes of the previous round unless otherwise directed.



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**Credentials:** Drivers must possess a valid state driver's license to race at New Oxford Dragway. Anyone under the age of 18, who would like to participate in any class, must have a minor waiver form on file. *Additional information may be found under Competition Rules & Procedures – Minors.*

**Deep Staging:** The practice of deep staging is allowed in specific classes. The word DEEP must be placed on both sides of the vehicle and the front windshield so the starter and tower officials are aware of the racer's intentions. Any competitor who wishes to deep stage must stage their vehicle first. It is not the responsibility of the starter to wait for a vehicle to deep stage. ***A missed deep stage is not grounds for a re-run.***

**Dial -Ins:** All race vehicles must have the dial-in on the left side window and the rear window of the car. Dragsters or open-bodied vehicles must place the dial-in on both sides of the vehicle. The dial-in must be clear and legible at all times. The dial-in must be on your vehicle before you leave staging. Dial-ins may only be changed after a lengthy delay (oil down, weather delay, etc.); however, you must inform the tower and your opponent. Once you have staged your vehicle, you have accepted your dial-in and your opponent's dial-in. If you notice the wrong dial-in for you or your competitor, do not pre-stage or stage the vehicle. Signal a track official and advise them of the incorrect dial-in. ***There will be no re-runs due to incorrect dial-ins.***

**Drug and Alcohol Policy:** Illegal drugs are not allowed on New Oxford Dragway property at any time. Any person, including drivers and/or crew, discovered to be in possession of illegal drugs will immediately be turned over to local law enforcement.

**Consumption of alcoholic beverages during New Oxford Dragway operating hours is forbidden.** Any crew member found to be consuming alcohol while race operations are being conducted will be subject to the following actions:

First Offense: Surrendering of ALL alcoholic beverages on their person and a verbal warning from the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee.

Second Offense: Surrendering of ALL alcoholic beverages on their person and immediate removal from New Oxford Dragway property.

Third Offense: Surrendering of all alcoholic beverages on their person and immediate suspension from New Oxford Dragway property for 90 days.

Any racer or crew member believed to be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs and, is acting in a manner threatening to other individuals, or to the general order at the facility, will be evicted immediately and prohibited from New Oxford Dragway for a year from the date of the incident and local law enforcement will be notified of the incident.

**ANY DRIVER FOUND TO BE IN POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL DURING RACE OPERATIONS WILL IMMEDIATELY BE DISQUALIFIED AND ALL POINTS UP TO AND INCLUDING THAT EVENT WILL BE SURRENDERED.**



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**Hazardous Waste:** Racers are responsible for their crew members. Any person discovered to be dumping gas, oil, or antifreeze on the ground, or failing to report a spill to Track Officials will be subject to the following penalties based on the seriousness of the infraction:

- 1 Eviction from New Oxford Dragway.
- 2 Forfeiture of all points accumulated up to and including the date the violation occurred.
- 3 Suspension for the remainder of the season for the second offense.
- 4 Liability for any clean up costs incurred by New Oxford Dragway.

**Illegal Entry:** Anyone discovered to be hiding persons in the back of their vehicle or trying to gain illegal access to New Oxford Dragway will be evicted immediately and prohibited from entering New Oxford Dragway for the remainder of the season. Point members will forfeit all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense. This provision will apply to all occupants of the vehicle. All violators are subject to prosecution under Maine State Law.

**Operating Hours:** New Oxford Dragway operates under noise curfew which takes effect at midnight each day. Friday nights the pit gates will open at 4:00 pm. Normal race time is between 5:30 pm and 11:30 pm. The track will be secured and the gates closed 30 minutes after the last run. Special and major events follow a different schedule.

**Overnight Camping:** Competitors are allowed to remain on New Oxford Dragway property 24 hours prior to and 24 hours after the event. However, permission to do so must be obtained from the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee prior too. Overnight guests may not at any time, utilize New Oxford Dragway utilities such as water, electric, etc. There is no fee associated with competitor camping excluding special events, such as, but not limited to, the Oxford 250.

The dumping of waste water tanks on New Oxford Dragway property is strictly forbidden. Waste tanks include "gray water" and "black water" (septic) from any self-contained RV unit. Violations will result in eviction from the premises, surrendering all points to date and possible fine based on the size of the spill. Noise discipline will be in effect and enforced from midnight until 8:00 am the following morning. During this time period, there will be no use of power tools or starting vehicles of any sort. Individual noise discipline is also in affect for this time period; music, voices, and group discussion should be kept at a minimum to ensure others are not disturbed.

Violation of the voice discipline policy will result in a single warning by the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee. Subsequent violations may result in eviction and/or revocation of camping privileges at the discretion of the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee.

**Restricted Access:** Competitors are allowed one crew member to enter beyond the head of staging. This individual must remain behind the starting line at all times. Dragsters and Altereds not equipped with front brakes are allowed one crew member in front of the starting line are to aid in backing the car and assist with staging. A crew member may not touch the vehicle at any time and must immediately return to the area behind the double yellow line once the vehicle is staged. ***Anyone wishing to videotape their vehicle for evaluation purposes must obtain prior clearance from the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee.***



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During race operations, the staging area is off-limits to all spectators. Individuals wishing to cross the staging area must do so at the top of the staging lane area; at no time will spectators walk between the vehicles in the staging lanes.

**Schedule:** Up to date New Oxford Dragway schedules are available at [www.NewOxfordDragway.com](http://www.NewOxfordDragway.com). Printed schedules are available at the ticket booth. However, printed schedules may or may not include recent changes or additions. New Oxford Dragway reserves the right to add, change, or remove scheduled events from the competition schedule.

**Special Events/Exhibition Races:** New Oxford Dragway is not responsible for no-shows or weather related cancellations of special events. New Oxford Dragway is not responsible for the appearance, performance, or any breach of contract between the drivers/owners of any scheduled cars on the track.

**Speed Limit:** All competitors and crew members are required to adhere to the posted speed limits within New Oxford Dragway. Pit area speed limit is posted 5 MPH. This applies to all competition vehicles as well as tow vehicles and private vehicles operating within the confines of New Oxford Dragway. Individuals violating the posted speed limit will be subject to the following disciplinary actions:

First Offense: A written warning. The name, points number and registration number of the vehicle, plus the name of the individual will be recorded and held on file for the remainder of the season.

Second Offense: Eviction from New Oxford Dragway for that day and forfeit of all points for that day.

Third offense: Eviction from New Oxford Dragway immediately, suspension for 30 days and loss of all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense.

Fourth Offense: Suspension from New Oxford Dragway for one year from the date of the offense and loss of all points for the season. Racers are responsible for the actions of their crew members. A violation by a crew member will be treated as a violation by the racer.

NOTE: If in the opinion of New Oxford Dragway Management, an incident is indicative of gross negligence or wanton disregard for the provision, a more stringent penalty may be imposed without regard to prior incidents or history.

**Track Officials:** Track Officials must be obeyed at all times. If you do not understand the track rules be sure to ask a track official for assistance prior too proceeding to the staging lanes or starting line. Any driver, crew member, or spectator who verbally or physically abuses any track official will be subject to the following penalties.

First Offense: Immediate eviction from the New Oxford Dragway and loss of all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense and/or police arrest.

Second Offense: Immediate eviction from New Oxford Dragway, loss of all points, 30 day suspension and/or police arrest.



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**Third Offense:** Immediate eviction from New Oxford Dragway, loss of all points, suspension for one year from the date of the offense and police arrest.

**Tower Access:** Individuals may enter the tower to address a specific situation or need. Once the particular situation is addressed, all visitors must leave the area. Individuals are asked to stay out of the control room while race operations are underway.

### Competition Rules and Procedures

**Breakage:** All vehicles are considered race ready once they cross the top of staging. Any self-starting vehicle that loses fire or stalls and cannot restart in eliminations will be disqualified if they are unable to stage under their own power. Crew members are prohibited from assisting or touching and self-starting vehicle once it has crossed the double yellow line before the burnout area. Any vehicle that is unable to start in the staging lanes will be disqualified under the following conditions.

- 1 Their laddered opponent is ready to race and stages the vehicle.
- 2 The vehicle is unable to proceed before the round of competition is complete.

Under no circumstances will a delay of more than 2 minutes be allowed whether in the staging lanes or starting area. During the eliminations, if a New Oxford Dragway Official directs a competitor to stage because their pairing is unable to proceed in allotted time, they must do so or be subject to disqualification. In the event a vehicle is unable to stage during time trials, the driver will not be allowed to make up the round.

**Burnouts:** Burnouts are limited to the concrete pad area only and are not permitted on the return road, in the pit area or staging lanes. With the exception of Dragsters and Alters not equipped with front braking systems may cross the starting line under power. Racers must be in the water box and ready to begin their burnout when the vehicle ahead of them is staged and ready to race or as directed by the Water Box Technician. This procedure is put in place to prevent inordinate delays in completing a race program.

**Break Rule:** If a vehicle breaks after receiving the green light, the pass need not be completed to receive round win status. However, a vehicle must record a reaction time under its own power in order for the run to be considered valid.

**Bye Runs:** Bye runs for first round eliminations will be awarded to the racer with the #1 position on the ladder sheet. Subsequently, the bye run will move down the ladder as racing progresses, buy backs are also allowed by runs. At no time will a competitor receive more than one bye run during eliminations until all other remaining competitors have received one. Single passes due to breakage are not considered bye runs.

**Center Line Violations:** Any vehicle that comes in contact with the center line boundary will be immediately disqualified from competition. The "first and worst" rule applies in these situations. For example, a competitor who commits a center line violation will be disqualified and lose the round even though their competitor initiated a red light start.



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**Cellular Phones:** The use of cellular phones by the driver or co-driver while in competition is prohibited. A vehicle is considered in “competition” once they enter the staging lanes.

**Competition Single:** A competition single (also know as break single) is not considered a bye run. In order to advance to the next round of eliminations the competitor must stage the vehicle under its own power and record a reaction time. The competitor is not required to make a complete run.

**Cool Down Period:** New Oxford Dragway Track Officials will endeavor to provide a 15 minute cool down period between rounds. However, due to curfew constraints, the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee may impose a shorter cool down period on a case-by-case basis. All vehicles must be prepared to enter the staging lanes and be ready to race within 15 minutes of the previous round unless otherwise directed.

**Credentials:** Drivers must possess a valid state driver’s license to race at New Oxford Dragway. Anyone under the age of 18, who would like to participate in any class, must be have a minor waiver on file.

### *Additional information found under **Competition Rules & Procedures – Minors***

**Crew Members:** Drivers are responsible for the conduct and actions of all crew members and may be subject to any penalties in conjunction with the specific violation.

**Deep Staging:** The practice of deep staging is allowed in specific classes. The word DEEP must be placed on both sides of the vehicle and the front windshield so the starter and tower officials are aware of the racer’s intentions. Any competitor who wishes to deep stage must stage their vehicle first. It is not the responsibility of the starter to wait for a vehicle to deep stage. *A missed deep stage is not grounds for a re-run.*

**Dial -Ins:** All race vehicles must have the dial-in on the left side window and the rear window of the car. Dragsters or open-bodied vehicles must place the dial-in on both sides of the vehicle. The dial-in must be clear and legible at all times. The dial-in must be on your vehicle before you leave staging. Dial-ins may only be changed after a lengthy delay (oil down, weather delay, etc.); however, you must inform the tower and your opponent. Once you have staged your vehicle, you have accepted your dial-in and your opponent’s dial-in. If you notice the wrong dial-in for you or your competitor, do not pre-stage or stage the vehicle. Signal a track official and advise them of the incorrect dial-in. One you have staged your vehicle you have agreed to dial in and may not change it. ***There will be no re-runs due to incorrect dial-ins.***

Motorcycles and snowmobiles which are not equipped with dial-in boards may verbally give their dial-in to track personnel. Any subsequent changes may be completed by informing the tower or the head of staging. Once a vehicle moves beyond the head of staging, no dial-in changes are allowed.

**Disputes:** Any driver/rider wishing to file a dispute must contact the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee within 30 minutes of the disputed act. ALL DISPUTES MUST BE DONE IN WRITING. At a minimum, the following information will be provided:

- 1 Name of person filing dispute
- 2 Date of disputed act



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- 3 Estimated time of disputed act
- 4 Names of all parties involved
- 5 Description of disputed act
- 6 Justification for dispute
- 7 Requested outcome of dispute

New Oxford Dragway Dispute Forms will be available in the timing tower for all competitors. Under no circumstances will disputes be considered without a Dispute Form being completed. The Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee, with consultation of associated staff, will make the final decision on all disputes.

Appeals of denied/approved disputes may be requested through the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee, for further consideration.

**Excessive Braking:** The practice of excessive braking has the potential for creating an unsafe condition for the participant and their opponent. Excessive braking to avoid a breakout run will result in immediate disqualification of the competitor, loss of all points accumulated the date of the offense, and forfeiture of payouts for the eliminator. Subsequent violations within the same calendar year may be grounds for revocation of competition of privileges. Whether or not an excessive braking situation is grounds for disqualification shall be determined at the sole and absolute discretion of the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee.

**Jack Stands:** At no time will competitors or crew members work under a vehicle supported only by a jack. Jack stands or other approved supportive devices must be used.

**Ladders:** The competition ladder will be made by pulling a chip at the ticket booth. Competition ladder will be posted at the base of the timing tower prior to eliminations and updated following each round.

First Bye-Runs will be awarded to the competitor at the top of the ladder for that class. No competitor will be awarded two bye-runs during eliminations until all remaining competitors have received a bye-run. Buy backs are also allowed a bye run. In case of an odd number on cars, the highest number of chips drawn will get the bye.

Once ladders have been established, timing tower personnel will notify the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee, and the track announcer will call all the drivers to the base of the tower for the Driver's Meeting. No more than 5 to 8 minutes will be required for the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee to make necessary announcements.

The order of the ladder announcements will coincide with the run order for that specific race date. First class running will be announced first, and so on. This will allow maximum time for the competitors to prepare for moving to the staging lanes.

Any changes to the ladder due to late arrivals or failure to turn in a tech card will be at the discretion of the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee. Track errors will be handled at the discretion of the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee.





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It is the responsibility of the racer to know who their opponent is prior to entering the staging lanes. This will help facilitate an orderly flow of cars and prevent unnecessary delays. Tech representatives will ensure the pairings are accurate and direct competitors into the appropriate staging lanes.

**Lane Assignment:** Racers may select the lane they wish to run in during time trials by entering the appropriate staging lanes. For the left lane, racers would proceed to lanes 1 through 3. For the right lane, racers will proceed to lanes 4 through 6. Lanes will be filled on a first come, first served basis. If lane choice is important to you during time trials or qualifying, you are encouraged to be prepared and enter the lanes early. During eliminations, racers should refer to the Lane Choice Procedure. New Oxford Dragway reserves the right to change this policy based upon car counts on any given race day. On regularly scheduled points days and special events, time trials will follow a predetermined schedule. Once you have entered a staging lane, you may not cross over to another lane unless directed to do so by a New Oxford Dragway Track Official. Racers are only authorized one time trial per session. The total number of time trials allowed during an event is contingent upon car count, weather and delays.

**Lane Choice:** It is the responsibility of the racer to coordinate lane choice with their competitor. In most cases this is accomplished by a coin toss. Track Officials are not responsible for choosing lanes and will not mediate any lane choice dispute. Both vehicles must be race ready when they cross the top of the staging. Any inordinate delay will result in both vehicles being eliminated. Lane jumping in the staging lanes or after crossing the top of staging is strictly prohibited. Anyone caught "lane jumping" during eliminations will be subject to disqualification.

**Laptop Computers:** Laptop computers (data loggers) are allowed but may not be used in the vehicle during eliminations.

**Master Disconnect Switch:** Whenever a battery is relocated to the trunk, the vehicle must be equipped with an external master disconnect switch. This switch must be clearly labeled and immediately disconnect the positive side of the battery. To determine the switch operates correctly, the Tech Inspector will turn off the switch with the vehicle running. If this action does not shut the vehicle down the switch is installed incorrectly, and the vehicle will fail the inspection. Drivers should ensure the alternator charge wire is connected to the positive side of the switch. This isolates the alternator from the rest of the electrical system. Drivers should check with the switch manufacturer to ensure it is properly installed.

In all cases, the master disconnect switch, including the OEM style ignition switch, must also shut off the electric fuel pump regardless of the battery location.

**Minors:** Minors must be 14 years of age or older to participate in any New Oxford Dragway program and must provide a valid state driver's license or New Oxford Dragway Certification. They must also provide a properly executed **Minor Waiver Form**.

The Minor Waiver form is only available from the track and may not be a photocopy or a fax copy. Both parents (and Legal Guardians) must sign the form and it must be notarized. If only one parent has sole custody, proof must be provided; otherwise the form must be signed by both parents/legal guardians. Fully executed forms will be accepted in the timing tower. The individual's name will be kept on file indicating a Minor Waiver Form has been completed and will be verified before a racer wristband will be issued. This form must be updated annually.



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**Neutral Safety Switch:** All entries equipped with automatic transmissions must be equipped with a working neutral safety switch. The driver of any street legal vehicle that was originally equipped by the manufacturer with a clutch interlock switch to prevent starting the vehicle while it is in gear must ensure it is operational.

**New Oxford Dragway Rule Book:** The New Oxford Dragway Rule Book will be in effect at all races and utilized as outlined in the General Rules Statement. All Safety Rules Provisions will adhere to the New Oxford Dragway Rule Book. *New Oxford Dragway management reserves the right to mandate additional safety measures as deemed necessary.*

**Points:** 10 Points are awarded each round. In order to receive the points, the vehicle must break the beams on its own power in that round. Winner advances to the next round. Class Winner receives 3 bonus points, Second place 2 bonus points, and Semi's 1 bonus point. If you lose first round race and buy back in, you will no longer receive competition points for any other rounds. If for any reason a round is not fully completed (weather/curfew/breakdown) no one will be given points for the unfinished round.

**Substitute Entries:** If a vehicle breaks after the tech card is turned in on any points day or structured eliminator, no other vehicle may be entered and driven by the same racer during that event. A "rain check" will be authorized at the discretion of the Track Owner/Manager on a case-by-case basis. No driver may operate two vehicles in the same eliminator. No other driver may drive a vehicle once it is teched in regardless of whether or not the vehicle is used in competition, including points day time trials.

**Tail Lights:** All vehicles must be equipped with a working taillight. All taillights must be turned on whenever track lighting is activated. All taillights must display a solid red beam and be large enough to be visible for the entire racing surface to include the far end of the shutdown area. No flashing units will be acceptable. Failure to turn on taillights after one warning will result in disqualification.

**Technical Inspection:** All technical inspections will be conducted by New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspectors and will follow the current New Oxford Dragway Rule Book. In the event of a conflict, New Oxford Dragway Officials have final say on all inspections. Any disputes regarding the technical inspection process must be completed using the New Oxford Dragway **Dispute Form** as outlined in that portion of this handbook.

At no time will a vehicle be allowed to operate New Oxford Dragway premises without a current technical inspection sticker. It's the driver's responsibility to ensure their vehicle is inspected by a New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector and that all necessary paperwork regarding SFI specifications and associated dates are available during the technical inspection process. Failure to provide required information may result in not passing the inspection process. Once the vehicle has passed inspection, the vehicle will receive a New Oxford Dragway Inspection sticker and will be called for random inspections after that.

New Oxford Dragway technical inspectors MUST be granted full access to any part, component, or area of a vehicle during the inspection process. The driver is required to remain with their vehicle during the inspection process and may be asked to demonstrate functionality of components with their vehicle such as, but not limited to, fuel/ignition kills, neutral safety switch, taillights, master battery cutoffs.



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Any violations noted during the inspection process must be corrected and re-inspected prior to entering the staging lanes with said vehicle. In the event a minor inspection infraction is noted, which does not jeopardize the safety of the racer or others, a warning may be issued by the technical inspector and corrections must be made prior to returning for the next event.

Technical Inspection includes all required personal protective gear. Helmets, fire suits, shoes, leather, etc. are subject to technical inspection at any time.

Track technical inspectors are the determining entity regarding a vehicle's auditability for entering an event. In the event a vehicle is not allowed to race due to a technical inspection failure, the racer may request a "rain check" from the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee. *No cash refunds will be authorized.*

**Testing:** No competitor may participate in Test and Tune so long as they are still in competition. Once a competitor has been eliminated from competition, they may enter Test and Tune for the remainder of the evening. Violations of this rule will result in immediate disqualification and forfeiture of all points accumulated on the date of infraction.

**Tow Vehicles:** No children under the age of 18 will be able to use any ATV, a chase or tow vehicle, or bicycle without supervision of an adult. Tow vehicles are limited to golf carts, ATV's, and gasoline scooters for the motorcycle class. All tow vehicles must have the number of their race vehicles clearly displayed on the vehicle. All tow vehicles must be driven by a valid state licensed or New Oxford Dragway Certified driver. All tow vehicles must have a working headlight and taillight. Only one tow vehicle is permitted per race vehicle. ATV type and golf carts are only permitted to access designated pit areas, return roads, and access roads. No riders on ATV type which were designated for single person use. Any vehicle operated by an unlicensed/uncertified or underage driver is subject to confiscation by New Oxford Dragway for the remainder of the event. This provision includes, but is not limited to, joy riding, too many passengers, speeding, or wheelies. Continued violations of this policy may result in more stringent measures being initiated by the management of New Oxford Dragway.

**Tun Off Area:** There are two turn off areas at New Oxford Dragway. The first is immediately after the finish line on the left hand side of the track. The second is at the end of the shutdown area on the left side.

All racers will travel to the end of the shutdown and utilize the second turn off to enter return road. The first turn off is only to be used in case of fire or major equipment failure.

**Unsafe Handling Characteristics:** Any vehicle exhibiting unsafe handling characteristics at any time shall be subject to disqualification at the sole and absolute discretion of the Track Owner/Manager or his/her designee.

**Use of Prohibited Devices/Items:** Anyone caught using prohibited devices according to the rules governing the class in which they are competing will be subject to the following penalties:

First Offense: Immediate eviction from New Oxford Dragway and loss of all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense and suspension for 30 days.



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**Second Offense:** Immediate eviction from New Oxford Dragway and loss of all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense and suspension for one year.

Details regarding prohibited devices are outlined in the specific eliminator or class sections found elsewhere in this handbook. See **Racing Series Divisions**.

**Waivers:** All racers and crew members must read and sign the *Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement Form* at the ticket booth or Tech Area when they obtain their wristband. Anyone who does not sign the release waiver may not enter the premises. Separate color wristbands will be issued to distinguish drivers from spectators. Only these individuals with a driver's wristband may enter competition.

**Warm Ups:** *Warm ups are restricted to an approved area.* A driver must be in the driver's position at all times a vehicle is running in the pit area. At no time will a vehicle warm up in the pit area while supported only by a jack. Jack stands or other approved supporting devices must be used.

During warm up passes, required safety gear must be worn applicable to the class of the vehicle. Burnouts are not allowed during warm up passes. During warm up passes, no car is allowed on racing surfaces, they must use return lane road.

**Windshield/Glass:** All glass windshields, side windows, and rear windows must be as supplied from the manufacturer AND IN GOOD REPAIR. Vehicles with cracked or chipped windshields or glass that presents a potential safety problem will result in the vehicle being prohibited from competition. Taping of cracked Lexan type window is prohibited.

**Wristbands:** Anyone caught swapping wristbands (this includes wearing a wristband not issued to them or cutting and taping a wristband) will be subject to the following penalties:

**First Offense:** Immediate eviction from New Oxford Dragway and loss of all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense and a 30 day suspension.

**Second Offense:** Immediate eviction from New Oxford Dragway and loss of all points accumulated up to and including the date of the offense and a one year suspension.

## General Safety Procedures

**Safety Requirements:** The following are minimum guidelines to be used as a reference. Additionally, New Oxford Dragway representatives reserve the right to disqualify an entry, if in their opinion, the vehicle presents a potential risk for the driver, crew members, other racers, track personnel or spectators.

**Elapsed Time Division Classes and Requirements:** Elapsed times are 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile times.

### Elapsed Time (ET) of 9.00 Seconds or Slower

Snell 95 or newer helmet mandatory for all classes.  
Protective clothing; long pants, shirt, socks and closed toe shoes.



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Four wheel braking mandatory.  
Automotive type engines only. Must remain OEM location.  
Must be full bodied car.  
Drive shaft loop if equipped with slicks.  
Battery hold down mandatory.  
Headers permitted, must be designed to route exhaust gases away from car. Flex pipe prohibited.  
Cooling system overflow container with a minimum of 1 pint capacity mandatory.  
Seat belts mandatory.  
Neutral safety switch mandatory for all vehicles with an automatic transmission.  
Must use automotive type wheels suitable for street use.  
Tires must be in usable condition, free of excessive tread wear or cracking sidewalls. Retread tires prohibited.  
**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector.**

### **Elapsed Time (ET) of 7.11 to 8.99 Seconds:**

Snell 95 or newer helmet mandatory.  
Protective clothing; long pants, shirt, socks and closed toe shoes.  
Minimum of two wheel rear brakes required.  
Full body required, to include hood.  
Drive shaft loop if equipped with slicks.  
Battery hold down mandatory.  
Cooling system overflow container with a minimum of 1 pint capacity mandatory.  
Front fenders required. Exact duplicates of OEM type fenders in fiberglass are permitted. Rear fenders may be trimmed for tire clearance. All fenders must have the lip or rolled or beaded if altered.  
Minimum of a six (6) point roll cage on all convertibles running 8.25 or quicker 1/8th mile.  
Seat belts mandatory.  
Window nets required for all entries with roll cage.  
Trans-Shield/Blanket meeting SFI Specification 4.1 is recommended if the vehicle uses a modified transmission or special converter.  
Minimum wheelbase is 90" unless car has original engine and OEM wheelbase is shorter. Wheelbase variation left to right 1" maximum.  
Neutral safety switch mandatory for all vehicles with automatic transmission. Reverse lock out mandatory.  
**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector.**

### **Elapsed Time (ET) of 6.5 to 7.10 Seconds:**

Snell 95 or newer helmet mandatory.  
Protective clothing; jacket meeting SFI 3.2A-1 specifications (Modified ET), long pants, socks, closed toe shoes.  
Aftermarket axle retention device mandatory  
Minimum of two rear wheel hydraulic brakes required. Full body cars must have four wheel brakes. Entries with two wheel brakes must have a parachute.  
Hood is optional, carburetor cover is required.  
Drive shaft loop mandatory.  
Battery hold down mandatory.  
Cooling system overflow container with a minimum of 1 pint capacity mandatory.  
Driver restraint system meeting SFI Specification 16.1 within two years expiration from date of manufacture.  
Properly secured fire extinguisher required on all closed body vehicles.



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Roll cage is required if entry has an altered floor or firewall, or if vehicles exceed 135 MPH. On all other full bodied applications, a six (6) point roll bar is mandatory. A roll cage is mandatory on all convertibles running 6.99 or faster 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile, trucks can be a minimum of a four (4) point roll cage.

Window net required (vehicles equipped with roll cage only)

Flywheel shield meeting SFI Specification 6.1 on all vehicles using slipper type clutches.

Flywheel, clutch, pressure plates and flywheel shield meeting SFI 1.1 specifications on all vehicles using a clutch.

Arm restraints required on all open bodied cars.

Supercharger strap meeting SFI 14.1 specifications on supercharged vehicles.

Automatic transmission shield meeting SFI 4.1 specifications on vehicles running 6.99 or quicker.

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### **Elapsed Time (ET) of 4.00 to 6.49 Seconds:**

Snell 95 or newer helmet mandatory

Protective clothing mandatory for 6.00 or quicker; jacket meeting SFI 3.2A-5 specifications and an SFI 3.3 neck collar, socks, closed toe shoes.

Protective clothing mandatory for 5.49 or quicker; jacket, pants and collar for all cars running 5.49 or quicker which must meet SFI 3.2A-5 specification, socks, closed toe shoes.

Gloves meeting SFI 3.3-1 and AFI 3.3 arm restraints mandatory on all open bodied cars.

Aftermarket axle retention device mandatory.

Minimum of two rear wheel hydraulic brakes required. Full body cars must have four wheel brakes. Entries with two wheel brakes must have a parachute. Entries running 5.49 or quicker 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile must have dual stage master cylinder.

Entries running 135 mph or more in 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile must have a parachute.

Data recorders permitted.

Drive shaft loop mandatory.

Mandatory driver restraint system meeting SFI Specification 16.1 within two years expiration from date of manufacture.

Fire system required on all closed body vehicles running 5.49 or quicker 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile. One nozzle located in the driver's compartment in front of feet and one nozzle in engine compartment. Safety pins must be red flagged.

SFI 29.1 flex plate and SFI 30.1 shield mandatory on all entries running 6.49 seconds or quicker.

Harmonic balancer meeting SFI 18.1 specifications.

Roll cage mandatory. All entries running 6.00 or quicker must have a current Chassis Certification.

All vehicles running 5.0 or quicker must use an engine containment system (diaper).

**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector**

## **Racing Series Divisions**

### **Division Specific Rules and Specifications:**

The following listings are general guidelines specific for each eliminator Division.

#### **Top ET:**

Under sixteen (16) Cars in a class, the purse is not guaranteed.

4.00-7.99 ET, dial your own, breakout rule applies

.500 Full Tree



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Electronics allowed

Playback tachometers allowed

On board computers and data recorders allowed

Factory OEM installed computers allowed, but no lap top computers while in competition are allowed

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### **Modified ET:**

Under sixteen (16) Cars in a class, the purse is not guaranteed.

5.50-10.99 ET, dial your own, breakout rule applies

.500 Full Tree

No electronics allowed (this includes, but not limited to, Crossovers, Air shifters, and Delay Boxes)

No disabled electronic equipment may be left in a vehicle during competition (disconnected air shifters, etc.)

Factory OEM installed computers allowed, but no lap top computers while in competition are allowed

Non drive wheel line locks are permitted

**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector**

### **Pro Tree**

Under sixteen (16) cars in a class purse is not guaranteed.

0-19.99 ET, dial your own, break out rule applies

.500 Pro Tree

No Delay Boxes

Windows must be rolled up

Vehicles cannot be leaking fluids and must be in safe condition at all times

**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector**

### **Street:**

.500 Full Tree

No electronics allowed (this includes, but not limited to, Trans-Brakes, Electric Shifters, Two-Steps, Air shifters, and Delay Boxes) unless vehicle is equipped from the factory with these features.

DOT Radial Tires

Mufflers are required

May be trailered to facility but must be street worthy

Windows must be rolled up

Vehicles cannot be leaking fluids and must be in safe condition at all times

**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector**

### **Test and Tune:**

.500 Full Tree, simultaneous, non-competitive

Windows must be rolled up

**Vehicles must pass safety inspection of New Oxford Dragway Technical Inspector**

The test and Tune division at New Oxford Dragway is designed to allow racers and current racers alike the opportunity to use race facilities in a non-competitive environment. Personal protective equipment is required in accordance with applicable Elapsed Time and vehicle class requirements.

Competitors eliminated from competing during any scheduled race event are allowed to join Test and Tune for the remainder of the evening. Eliminated competitors may be required to wait a given number of rounds before participation. Specific limitations on this will be dependent on time and weather constraints for a particular event.



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No driver still in competition is allowed to make passes under the Test and Tune flag.

### **Snowmobiles:**

Under sixteen (16) sleds in a class, the purse is not guaranteed.

Age 14 years or older to compete.

Ages 14-16 must not run faster than a 7.0 in the 1/8<sup>th</sup>.

0-9.99 ET, dial your own, break out rule applies

.500 Full tree

No Deep Staging

Engine must be specifically designed and manufactured for production snowmobile use. Engine modifications permitted. Automobile, motorcycle, aircraft or marine type engines prohibited

Tether type engine kill rider mandatory for all entries. Must kill all engine ignition when activated

Any functional silenced type exhaust permitted. Exhaust system emission pipe must not protrude more than 3" beyond the chassis or hood

Gasoline, racing fuel, nitrous oxide permitted. Nitro Methane prohibited

Clutch must be specifically designed for snowmobile use

OEM clutch guards are permitted only when unmodified factory displacement engines are used

Modified engines require a clutch cover which provides 360 degree elliptical protection in the direction of clutch/belt

Track must a flat type configuration. Paddles, studs and spikes are prohibited. Track lubrication systems prohibited. Tracks must be free of visible signs of excessive wear. Serial numbers of all asphalt tracks must appear on the left side

All drive and steering wheels must be of a rubber type, specifically designed for snowmobile use on dry surface, and installed so as to keep skis from coming in contact with the track surface. All skis must be OEM steel, or aftermarket steel or aluminum

Brakes must be OEM type. Any additional assembly must be added to the drive axle shaft. Drive axle shaft may be lengthened to accommodate additional braking system

All snowmobiles must have a minimum of 1" travel in the track suspension. Only steel springs will be permitted.

Externally activated suspension system prohibited. Hyfax must be removed. Minimum of four bogie wheels must be used on each side of the track to prevent the side rails from coming in contact with the rubber track surface.

Use of any external slide rail lubrication is prohibited

Any modification which alters the stock appearance of the tunnel prohibited

Fuel cells permitted. Oil injection tank used as fuel tank prohibited. Pressurized fuel cans prohibited

All snowmobiles must be fitted with a rear snow flap, fastened to the tunnel in a manner that prohibits the snow flap from being drawn into the rear tunnel

### **Protective Clothing:**

SFI 40.1-1 or 40.1-2 suit or jacket mandatory for all riders

All riders who run 6.39 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile or quicker or run 120 MPH or faster, must wear a 40.1/2 suit.

One piece or two pieces is acceptable; two piece suits must be joined at the waist by a zipper

Leather gloves and boots/shoes extending above the ankle are mandatory

Helmet SN95 or newer, K98, 2000 or SFI 31.2A or 41.2A are mandatory

### **Motorcycles (Bikes):**

Under sixteen (16) bikes in a class, the purse is not guaranteed.

0-9.99 ET, dial your own, breakout rule applies

.500 Full Tree





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No Deep Staging allowed

Functional front and rear brakes

Chain guards and clutch covers mandatory

Engine must be OEM type case design specifically for use in a motorcycle. Snowmobile or automotive type engines are prohibited

Automatic or centrifugal type clutches are allowed

Engine kill switch attached to driver on vehicles running 6.99 or quicker 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile

Tank mounted fuel shut off valve required on vehicles running 6.40 or quicker 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile

A "Snap Back" type throttle required on ALL machines

All handlebars must measure at least 10" from the center of the fork clamps. In no case may the handlebars be mounted below the lower fork clamp on any machine

Rigid front forks are not allowed on any machine (front suspension limiter straps permitted on street driven bikes)

The rear fender of all entries must cover the full width of the tire use, extended to above the rear axle, and below the riders sitting position

All machines must have properly secured seats, foot pegs, and handle grips

Detachable mirrors, windshields and all protruding brackets must be removed on all machines

Saddlebags must be empty or removed during competition

Nitrous Oxide permitted on bikes going 6.40 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile or quicker. Nitrous Oxide equipped bikes must have thumb type body fasteners when aftermarket body panels are used

Overall safety of all machines will be judged by track technical inspection personnel

Any machine displaying unsafe handling characteristics will be disqualified until track technical inspectors re-admit the entry

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### **Junior Dragsters:**

See Separate rules



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## Drag Racing Basics

This section is for newcomers to New Oxford Dragway and serves as a refresher for our regular racers. All racers refer to the **General Race Day Procedures, Competition Rules and Procedures** and **General Safety Procedures** sections of this handbook for additional clarification.

### Friday Night:

**4:00 pm** Gates Open

Park outside the gates

Purchase wristband and sign waiver at ticket booth

Get race/car number if you do not have one

Get tech card (only 1 needed for the season)

See **Competition Rules and Procedures – Ladders**

Park in pit area

Go to inspection

Once approved inspection received, you will receive a NOD Inspection Sticker. After you receive this sticker random inspections will be held.

See **Competition Rules and Procedures – Technical Inspection**

**5:30 pm** Time trials begin

**7:00 pm** Driver’s meeting

Check ladder board for pairing

Go to staging lane

Racing Begins

*If you are not at staging lane when lane closes, you will be disqualified for the evening.*

The time breaks for the eliminators are as follows: (all 1/8<sup>th</sup> mile times)

<b>Top ET</b>	<b>4.00-7.99</b>
<b>Modified ET</b>	<b>5.50-10.99</b>
<b>Pro Tree</b>	<b>0.00-19.99</b>
<b>Sleds &amp; Motorcycles</b>	<b>0.00-9.99</b>
<b>Junior Dragster 5-7 Years</b>	<b>13.90</b>
<b>Junior Dragsters 8-9</b>	<b>11.90</b>
<b>Junior Dragsters 10-12</b>	<b>8.90</b>
<b>Junior Dragsters 13-18 years</b>	<b>7.90</b>
<b>Street</b>	
<b>Strictly Test and Tune</b>	



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**Entry Fees:**

<b>Spectators 18 &amp; Over</b>	<b>\$15</b>	
<b>Spectators under 18</b>	<b>\$8</b>	
<b>Spectators 5 &amp; under</b>	<b>Free</b>	
<b>Crew Member Pit Pass</b>	<b>\$15</b>	
<b>Top Eliminator</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Buy Back \$20</b>
<b>Modified</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Buy Back \$20</b>
<b>Pro Tree</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Buy Back \$20</b>
<b>Sleds &amp; Motorcycles</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Buy Back \$20</b>
<b>Junior Dragster</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Buy Back \$10</b>
<b>Street</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>Buy Back \$10</b>
<b>Strictly Test and Tune</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>No Buy Back</b>

Special events to be determined

**Payouts:**

All payouts at New Oxford Dragway will be contingent upon car count for any given event.

Purse amounts are not guaranteed.

Top Eliminator, Modified, Nostalgia, Sleds & Motorcycles, & Junior Dragsters:

\$10 from each class entry will be put towards 1<sup>st</sup> place winner. \$5 from each entry will go towards second place winner. Payouts are determined by the amount of car entries for each class.

Street:

1<sup>st</sup> place winner will receive a free street class entry to use anytime during the 2023 season.

**Schedule:**

A complete schedule is available at [www.NewOxfordDragway.com](http://www.NewOxfordDragway.com) and could be subject to change.