

SPEEDWAY MIDGETS 2024+



SECTION 2 – SAFETY

2.1 DRIVERS AND EQUIPMENT

- 2.1.1 **Helmets** - Snell 2010 or newer only. Full face helmet required.
- 2.1.2 **Head and Neck Restraints** – Head & Neck restraints must be dated by the manufacturer and must not be used beyond five years after the manufacture date. Recommend replacement or recertification after three years.
- 2.1.3 **Seat** – Only commercially manufactured aluminum racing seats are permitted. All seats must be padded with high impact foam. A padded headrest with a minimum thickness of one (1) inch is mandatory.
- 2.1.4 **Seat Belts and Shoulder Harness** - An SFI rated five (5) or six (6) point harness is required. Belts should be mounted and worn per the manufacturer's recommended instructions. A quick release lap belt of no less than 3" wide is required. Both ends of the lap belt, and both ends of the shoulder harness must be fastened to the roll bar with Grade 8 bolts not less than 1/2" in diameter. The shoulder harness and lap belts must be bolted so that the ends of the belts move freely. Shoulder harness must be no less than 3" wide unless using the HANS type harness. A center or submarine belt must be mounted to the lower seat frame at the bottom. Where the belt passes through the seat edges, it must have a grommet installed, be rolled and/or padded to prevent cutting. 7. All seat belts and shoulder harnesses must connect to the lap belt with an approved quick release buckle. No rotary release mechanisms. Seat belts must be dated by the manufacturer and must not be used beyond five (5) years after the manufacture date. Recommend replacement after three (3) years.
- 2.1.5 **Uniform** - All drivers are recommended to wear fire-resistant, race-type uniform covering the full arm and leg area. Nomex, fire-retardant socks, racing shoes or leather boots covering the ankle, fire-retardant gloves, underwear, and head hood are recommended. Three (3) layered Nomex (or equivalent) fire-retardant uniform meeting SFI 3-2A/5 is recommended or a two (2) Layered outer suit over Nomex (or equivalent) underwear. **NOTE:** Any driver found in non-compliance will be restricted from competing until properly attired.

- 2.1.6 **Arm Restraints** - Arm restraints are recommended and should always be worn during competition.
- 2.1.7 **Roll Cage Nets** - Roll cage nets are mandatory on both sides of the car on all cars that do not have a full containment seat. All roll cage nets must be fitted with a functional quick release opening mechanism. The life of the roll cage net shall not exceed two (3) years. Caution should be used when positioning head restraining nets to be certain that the driver's head cannot get under the net in case of an accident.
- 2.1.8 **Roll Cage Padding** - All chassis protrusions, roll cage tubes and roll bars near the driver's helmet must be padded with a securely attached, high-impact material.
- 2.1.9 **Mirrors** - The use of mirrors or rear-view mirrors is prohibited.

2.2 TRACK SAFETY

- 2.2.1 **Emergency Equipment** - Always make a mental note of where the ambulance, fire extinguishers, and exits are located at any track.
- 2.2.2 **Running onto the Speedway** - Running onto the speedway during a race or immediately after the flag has ended an event is strictly prohibited and is subject to fine or suspension.
- 2.2.3 **In Case of Accident** - In case of an accident on the track, any appointed safety crew, medical personnel and one crew member with each car involved will be allowed on the track.
- 2.2.4 **Responsibility** - Car owners are responsible for their crew.
- 2.2.5 **Fire Extinguishers** - Each crew shall be equipped with a 5lb. or larger, fully charged dry chemical fire extinguisher in the pits at every race. The fire extinguisher must be in plain view and readily accessible.
- 2.2.6 **On Board Fire System** - It is recommended, but not mandatory, that each car has a built-in operable fire extinguishing equipment with content of 2.5lbs. The container should be located inside the car and within the wheelbase, but it should not be of the dry chemical type.
- 2.2.7 **Exiting Unassisted** - Drivers must be able to get out of their cars unassisted at any point.