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## 2007 UNIVERSITY PLAINS SPEEDWAY LOCAL RULES & INFORMATION

**WELCOME to the 2007 racing season at University Plains Speedway.** It is our pleasure to have you with us for our 24<sup>th</sup> year of racing at our ¼ mile speedway.

All racers must consult these local rules to determine if they are in compliance with the race rules at the University Plains Speedway. Racers may also find applicable rules on the track's website at [up-speedway.com](http://up-speedway.com).

**NORMAL CLASSES** Note: University Plains Speedway reserves the right to limit the number of classes.

UNIVERSITY PLAINS SPEEDWAY HAS AN OPEN TIRE RULE IN 2007

Kiddie Karts  
Age 5-7

**ROOKIE:**

Age: 8-12  
Minimum weight: 235 lbs.  
Engine: 5 hp B&S .425 (blue) restrictor plate. Must run PUMP GAS only. No additives are allowed. See separate rules for rookie motors on website [up-speedway.com](http://up-speedway.com) or request a copy from track officials.  
Any brand of factory treaded tires, grooved slicks, or slicks.  
Cannot double class.  
Any Rookie driver finishing in the top five year end points standing for two years shall be required to move up to a Junior class.

**JUNIOR 1 HEAVY**

Age: 8-12  
Minimum weight: 270 lbs.  
Engine: .425 (blue) restrictor plate. Methanol only.  
Cannot double class.

**JUNIOR 2 LIGHT**

Age: 12-16  
Minimum weight: 285 lbs.  
Engine: .500 (Red) restrictor plate. Methanol only.

**JUNIOR 2 HEAVY**

Age: 12-16  
Minimum weight: 320 lbs.  
Engine: .500 (Red) restrictor plate. Methanol only.

**STOCK LIGHT**

Age: 16 and up  
Minimum weight: 320 lbs.  
Engine: Methanol only.

**STOCK MEDIUM**

Age: 16 and up  
Minimum weight: 345 lbs.  
Engine: Methanol only.

## MASTERS

Age: 35 and up  
Minimum weight: 370 lbs.  
Engine: Methanol only.

## ANIMAL

Age: 16 and up  
Minimum weight: 380 lbs  
Engine: Methanol only.

NOTE: These Class Rules are subject to change: Your age as of the end of the current racing calendar year determines your class. Provided, however, if a driver is 15 when the racing season begins and it is their first year of racing, they shall be required to run in a junior class the entire season. You will be required to provide proof of age. If a driver is 15 during the racing year, the University Plains Speedway may, upon request, allow the driver to move to a senior class based upon their qualifications and track experience. Once a driver moves up, they will not be permitted to return to a junior class.

1. Membership to University Plains Speedway is \$40.00. Membership benefits are:
  - a. Reserved Kart number.
  - b. Reserved pit space (1 pit space per family membership. This is subject to space availability on a first come, first served basis). While we will attempt to accommodate your preference, the Speedway shall have the sole discretion in awarding a particular pit space.
  - c. Eligibility for Year-end trophies.
  - d. Lower entry fee.Memberships must be purchased prior to the start of the 3<sup>rd</sup> nights racing in order to be eligible for year end trophies.
2. **Double Class Entry Fee.** Anyone who chooses to enter more than one class on the same night of racing will be given a \$5.00 discount on the second class he/she enters.
3. **Late Registration.** Any person desiring to register for racing after the registration table has closed shall be placed at the rear of all heat races.
4. **Small Classes.** Four (4) entrants shall be required to make a class. If there are less than four (4) registrants for a class, then the drivers shall have the following options:
  - a. Refund of the entrance fee; or
  - b. Placement in a similar class at the discretion of the Track Manager
5. **Minor Drivers.** Any minor desiring to race at University Plains Speedway must have a minor release executed by a **parent or legal guardian**. If such release is not executed, then such minor driver will not be allowed to race.
6. **Lap Lengths.** Heat races will normally be eight (8) laps and feature races will be twelve (12) laps minimum with one lap added for each entry over twelve (12). However, University Plains Speedway reserves the right to change the number of laps at its discretion.
7. **Splitting of Heats.** Heat races shall be split at the discretion of the Head Flagman.
8. **General Tech, Specifications and Safety.** All karts and safety equipment must be made available for inspection by track officials. The top five placing karts must weigh in at the scale after the heats and feature races. Failure to make weight disqualifies you for that race. Rookies and Jr. 1 CANNOT run a steering column fairing. Seats will be 14" minimum from the ground. Steering wheel fairings may not be installed in such a manner to obstruct the driver's vision and the fairing can be no more than 14" wide. Kart will be checked for cotter pins in all brakes, weights, steering and any other applicable areas. A clutch guard shall be mounted so that the driver's arm cannot fit between the seat and clutch guard. When the driver is viewed from above, all parts of the driver must be visible. All ballast weight should have kart number on it, be bolted and keyed; and shall be painted white. Number panels will be permanently attached to the kart. A total of 4 panels must be white 7X10 with a 5 inch black number. All drivers will be required to wear a proper fitting helmet with a SNELL 2000 or better sticker rating and a shield that can be easily viewed through. Driving suits, or protective denim or leather jackets are recommended. Gloves and neck braces are mandatory. No tire warmers are allowed. **No one shall be permitted to be in the track area during periods of track preparation.**

9. **General Race Procedures.** Drivers will have 90 seconds to enter onto the track once the Pit Gate opens. Drivers en-route from the grid area to the track within 90 seconds will be allowed, so long as they are continuously moving towards the track. Line up will be side by side and if a kart drops out on the grid the karts will crisscross. If a kart drops out on the track, the remaining karts will move straight ahead. If a driver gets out of their kart while on the track without the track official's permission, they will be disqualified for that race. Drivers must pull their kart to the infield of the track if they are unable to continue because of mechanical failure. If a kart is involved in an accident it will be up to the track

officials to determine if the kart will be allowed to continue. In the event that a driver's chain comes off, they will not be permitted to put it back on. The allowance of engine restarts and repair of other mechanical difficulties shall be at the discretion of the track officials. In the event that a kart flips over or the driver comes out of their kart, they will be not be permitted to continue in that race. If a driver causes a kart to spin out and the yellow flag is displayed, that driver will be put to the back of the field at the discretion of the Flagman. Once a kart leaves a race, the driver will not be allowed to return. All karts must complete one race lap incident free or a complete restart will occur. A completed lap constitutes the race leader crossing the start/finish line under green flag racing. Lapped karts will be instructed to move to the outside of the track rather than the inside of the track. After 4 yellow flags have been thrown in one race, all subsequent laps, green or yellow, will be counted. Lineup in any race resulting in a yellow flag will be based upon the last completed lap. A race is complete once the first kart on the lead lap of the race has crossed the start/finish line on the white flag lap. Any kart causing a yellow on the white flag lap will be scored last. If the red flag is displayed you must stop your kart in a safe manner and follow the instructions of the track workers. **NO ONE IS ALLOWED ON THE TRACK UNTIL ALL KARTS ARE STOPPED AND THE TRACK OFFICIAL PERMITS ENTRY.** YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WORK ON YOUR KART AT ANYTIME ON THE RACE TRACK. Any driver causing two yellow flags in a race shall be disqualified from that race. If two yellow flags are thrown before the completion of one racing lap & it can't be determined who is at fault we will revert to a SINGLE FILE RESTART.

**10. Track Preparation.** The track may be bladed or rolled at any time during the night's racing at the discretion of the University Plains Speedway.

**11. Post-race Tech.** Tech of Engine and Kart of all finishers is MANDATORY, at Tech Inspector's discretion. The top three (3) karts in each feature will be impounded. However, it shall be in the discretion of the tech inspector to tech ANY kart, if he has any reason to believe that any kart should be teched. The decision of the tech inspector shall be final. There will be only one member of the kart team allowed in the tech area. Engine disassembly will be the responsibility of the driver or mechanic under the supervision of the tech inspector. Engine Tech will be in accordance with IKF rules.

**12. Pit Area.** Anyone entering the pit area must sign a waiver and purchase a pit pass. University Plains Speedway reserves the right to limit access to the pit area. There will be no pets allowed in the pit area. All karts must be shut down upon entering the pit area. No motorized vehicles of any type or description will be allowed to be operated in the pit area during race operations without the specific permission of track officials.

**13. Personal Possessions in the Pit Area.** The University Plains Speedway encourages all drivers and pit crews not to leave any unattended possessions in the pit area. University Plains Speedway takes no responsibility for damaged, stolen, lost or misplaced articles.

**14. Unbecoming Conduct by Driver or Pit Members.** Any person acting in a manner so as to be considered unbecoming conduct, which shall include but not be limited to: use of profane language, arguing or fighting; may be immediately expelled from the pit area by the Track Manager or any other track official and shall not be allowed to participate in the remainder of any events of the evening. If such actions occur after the night's activities, then it shall be in the sole discretion of the Track Manager to suspend such driver or pit member(s) from attending any subsequently scheduled racing activities. Anyone receiving a black flag shall immediately exit the track. Failure to do so will result in disqualification for the night.

- a. The Head Flagman's decision while the race is in progress must be abided by all racers. No one shall question the decision of the Head Flagman except as provided in these rules following the race. No one shall argue with the Head Flagman about a decision until after all races have been concluded.
- b. Any rule respecting the conduct of a racer shall apply equally to members of the racer's pit crew. All racers are responsible for the conduct of their pit crew or respective parent or guardian.
- c. There shall be no driving in the pits. All karts must be pushed to the starting grid and from the scale area to the pit area.
- d. There shall be no dumping of fuel or oil on the ground. To do so subjects the violators to suspension from the facility. All fuel and oil brought in must be taken out by the racer.
- e. All racers and pit crew are responsible for policing their pit area for all trash and ensuring compliance with these rules.

**15. Protests.** Any driver wishing to protest shall observe the following rules:

- a. Each protest must be written on the form provided by University Plains Speedway.
- b. The protester shall write in a legible manner, the infraction believed to be committed and the specific rules he/she believes was violated, and the person allegedly violating the rule.
- c. The Protest Form shall be turned over to the pit steward within ten (10) minutes of the alleged infraction.
- d. Any protestor acting in a belligerent or argumentative manner to any of the University Plains Speedway staff or officials, Kart or any other driver or pit crew member shall be suspended from racing at University Plains Speedway for a minimum of one (1) racing week.
- e. University Plains Speedway reserves the right to withhold payment or awarding of any prizes from the night's racing if such protest may affect the payback of any awards given.

**16. Engine/Kart Protests.**

- a. A protest fee of \$100.00 in CASH is required for each tear down. Protests are allowed for Features only. The protesting driver must have finished in the top five (5) in the same class. It must be filed no later than ten (10) minutes after the last feature race. Protest must be submitted on an Engine/Kart Protest Form (copy attached or available at the registration building) and hand carried to the tech inspector.
- b. Only the person taking the engine/kart apart and the Tech Inspector will be allowed in the tech facility during the actual inspection process.
- c. If the engine is legal, \$75.00 of the protest fee goes to the engine/kart owner and the remaining \$25 goes to the University Plains Speedway.

- d. If the driver refuses to allow the tech, he/she loses all points accumulated for the day and the protesting fee is returned to the protesting party.
- e. Should the engine/kart be found to be illegal, the driver/owner will lose all points for the event and \$75.00 of the \$100.00 protest fee will be returned. A second refusal of tech during the season will result in suspension from University Plains Speedway for one (1) calendar year from the date of the second refusal. (This includes kart number and driver). Substitution requires prior approval of the race director.
- f. The protesting party is required to remain on site during the tech inspection.

**17. Refund Policy.**

- a. Persons who decide not to drive after registering but prior to the races starting. If a person has signed in as a driver and decides not to or cannot race, he/she shall be refunded the sum of \$15.00. For purposes of this rule, races are started when hot laps begin.
- b. Dropping out of a class. Those people who sign up for more than one (1) class and decide not to race in one class, shall be refunded the sum of \$10.00.

**18. Rain Out Policy.** Each race night will consist of two separate race programs

- a. Rain out after registration, but prior to races starting: When the first kart takes the track in hot laps, all registered drivers will be awarded 20 points in the event there is a rain out. Everyone who has registered will pay only \$10.00 at the next scheduled event for registration in the same class(es). If the races are rained out before the completion of one heat race in all classes, no additional points other than the 20 points given in (a) shall be awarded.
- b. Rain out after the completion of one heat race: When the heat races have been completed in all classes, the event is considered completed and awards will be presented based upon points earned.

**19. Substitute Drivers.** Points go to the Kart number and substitute drivers are allowed for two (2) race nights only. However, any driver who has raced in an adult class is ineligible as a substitute driver in a junior class. The substitute driver must meet all requirements including weight, age, restrictor, experience and kart number. The Track Manager, prior to the start of the 1<sup>st</sup> heat race, must approve a substitution. Provided, however, that a substitute driver may be allowed if in the opinion of on-site medical personnel, to allow the driver to race would not be in the best interests of track safety.

**20. Substitute Karts and Engines.** Racers shall be allowed to substitute karts and engines during the race night, provided that notification of such substitution is given to the pit steward or tech personnel. A substitute kart can't be registered in any other class.

**21. Termination of racing:** University Plains Speedway reserves the right to cancel the race at any time.

**22. Cancellations.** In the event that one or more scheduled races(s) are cancelled due to rain, a make-up race shall be held on the date scheduled as a "Rain Date".

**23. Rookie Claim Rule.**

- a. A claim can be made only by a driver finishing in the top 50% of the A-feature.
- b. \$600.00 CASH must be given to the Tech inspector no later than ten (10) minutes following the Rookie feature.
- c. If the driver refuses the claim he/she loses all points and trophies for the race and is suspended for one (1) additional race.
- d. The air cleaner and adapter, chain guard, motor mount, exhaust header and clutch are not part of the claim.

**24. Amended Rules.** The University Plains Speedway reserves the right to supplement, modify or amend these local rules at any time provided that reasonable notice of such rule change is given to the racer.

**25. Rules Pertaining to Safety.** The University Plains Speedway reserves the right to enact immediate rules which are deemed necessary for the safety of the drivers, pit crew, staff and spectators.

**Any item not covered in the foregoing rules and procedures will be decided by race officials and/or the Board.**

**The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of racing events. By participating in these events, all racing members are deemed to have complied with 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 participants, spectators, or others.**