

# COURSE & PIT REGULATIONS

## COURSE REGULATIONS

**Riding Tune-Up/Practice Area:** On the water tuning will be performed in the proper area only when available. Competitors must consult with the Race Director to determine the proper tune-up area at each event. The tune-up area should be held in an area, completely free of obstructions, which provides adequate and safe run-off areas at the end so competitors may slow down and exit safely. All competitor entry fees must be paid before a competitor may use the designated tune-up area. All competitors and pit crew using the tune-up area must have signed the Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement and be wearing the event specific wristband. All appropriate safety gear and tethers are required in the tune-up area. Riders in this area must obey local boating laws and must ride in a safe manner.

**Riding on the Race Course:** Riding on the racecourse at any time other than a rider's scheduled practice or race is not allowed without permission from the Race Director. This includes before, during and after a racing event.

**Reckless/Dangerous Riding:** Riding in a reckless or unsafe manner, unnecessary bumping, crowding, chopping, blocking, deliberate striking of another rider, damaging of a course marker buoy, or unsportsmanlike conduct on or off the race course, may result in a penalty and possible expulsion from the event. The Race Director may at his discretion impose penalties on an entire team or group of individuals depending on those involved in the infraction

**Blocking:** The deliberate blocking of a faster machine is not allowed. The Race Director may at his discretion impose a penalty for such an infraction.

**Spin Outs:** In the event of a spinout the rider is allowed to continue the event but must wait until the course is clear and may not impede the progress of any other rider while turning around and rejoining the race. At no time is a rider allowed to drive in the wrong direction on the race course.

**Obstruction:** In the event that a watercraft becomes disabled on or near the racecourse, it is the responsibility of the rider to move their watercraft from the course in a safe manner as soon as possible.

**Passing:** When passing it is the responsibility of the overtaking rider to do so in a safe manner without causing the rider being passed to alter their course

**Lapping:** Riders being lapped may continue racing but are required to move over and provide the overtaking rider the most direct route to pass.

**On-Course Assistance:** Only course officials may provide assistance to a rider on the race course. In the event of a mechanical failure, the watercraft must be pulled completely off of the course prior to receiving assistance. Riders re-entering an event

must do so in a safe manner or be subject to a penalty at the discretion of the Race Director. Competitors receiving on course assistance may receive a on lap penalty.

## **PIT REGULATIONS**

**Pit Vehicles:** Motorized support vehicles (pit bike, motorcycle, mini bikes, go-peds) will be allowed in the pit area only when they are authorized by the Race Director. Such vehicles are limited to the purpose of transporting watercraft and equipment only and are subject to a maximum speed of 5mph. Operators may be required to wear a helmet. Participants abusing the privilege may be fined and/or have vehicles impounded. Minimum age rules may apply at some events for pit vehicles.

**Pit Vehicle Identification Plate:** At certain events pit vehicles may be required to have the competitor's race number affixed to the front and back of the pit vehicle for easy identification by Full Throttle WaterX race officials. Notice will be provided for events having this requirement.

**Pit Passes/Wristbands:** All competitors, mechanics, and other pit crew members must sign the Pro Watercross Waiver and Release and wear the appropriate pit pass at all times while participating in the event. Improper usage of pit passes will be grounds for discipline and/or fine.

**Animals:** No aggressive animals will be allowed at the race site. All animals must be on a leash. Some event sites may not allow animals on the site at all or on the beach area. If so, event organizers should publish the rule on web sites and flyers and all competitors must abide by the published rules.

**Fire Extinguishers:** At least one dry chemical fire extinguisher must be readily accessible in each rider's pit area where fuel is present.

**Fuel Containers:** All fuel containers should be marked "Flammable" or "Gasoline" and be placed in a safe area at least 15 feet from any open flame.

**No Smoking:** Smoking is not permitted in the pit areas or near any fuel containers.

**Inspection of Fuel Containers:** Fuel containers will be subject to inspection by and approval of the Race Director and local fire marshal, if applicable.

**Fuel Disposal:** Under no circumstance is the disposal of fuel or lubricants allowed. Any competitors, mechanics, and other pit crew members disposing of fuels or lubricants in the pit area, on the racecourse or race site by pouring or spilling fuels or lubricants will be subject to penalty and/or fine.