

GNCC Riders Meeting - YOUTH

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The Start

When you arrived at the starting line, you should have lined up on your class row. There are signs at either end of each row designating the class. You must lineup on the right row.

You must also line-up on the line – not past it.

At registration you were given a class sticker to place on the back of your helmet. Each class has its own sticker color. Once you lineup with your class, note the color of your class sticker. Those are the kids racing in your class. Those are the kids you want to pass.

GNCC is a dead-engine start.

When the Blue Flag is given, all engines must shut down. This will also signal 30 seconds before the start of the race. Watch the Official Starter. When he puts his left arm straight out, it will signal 10 seconds before the start. At this point, all mechanics must step behind their riders. The green flag signaling the start of the race will then be thrown anywhere from **8 to 10 seconds**. Do not start your engine before the green flag is thrown.

This procedure will be followed for each row. Rows will start 30 seconds apart, unless the official indicates otherwise.

AMA Rules prohibit the use of helmet cameras. If you have one, now is the time to remove it.

ATVs: At this time, please make sure your tether cord is properly attached to you and your machine. Tether cords must be hooked-up.

Scoring:

Transponder Scoring is the official scoring system of GNCC Racing. When you arrive at the Scoring Zone at the Finish Line, you must STOP. The Official will tell you when to go. The Official may wipe your helmet first if it is muddy. Wait until he releases you to go.

When you approach the Finish Line you will notice a Scoring Monitor in the Scoring Zone. The monitor will give your position – your number – and the total time you are behind the rider in the next highest position in your class. If you do not agree with the position on the monitor, keep racing. Mistakes happen, and we catch most of them before the end of the race. Race hard to the end – do not rely exclusively on the monitor for your position.

The finish of the race is at the Finish Line – not at the Scoring Zone. Do not race into the Scoring Zone. The area between the Finish Line and the Scoring Zone is a NO PASSING Zone. **AGAIN, you cannot pass another rider in the area between the Finish Line and the Scoring Zone – even if the rider is a lapped rider or slower than you.**

Scores will be posted approximately 20 minutes after the last rider checks in. Check your score, and if you have a question, go to the scoring trailer at the Finish Line and the officials will go over your times with you. Awards will be given at the rate of one per three riders in each class, with a minimum of 5 awards per class. Awards will be given at Rider Registration.

Check Points:

There may be Check Points on the course in addition to the main Scoring Zone. These points will be marked with **Double Striped Placards**. You do not have to stop at the Check Points, but you cannot pass or race through them either. These are NO PASSING ZONES, and you must proceed with caution.

Pitting:

Riders may pit anywhere along the racecourse, with the exception of the Scoring Zone. There is no pitting or signaling in the Scoring Zone.

The Track:

Once your row has started, you will follow the arrows into the woods. The course is marked with **blue arrows**, ribbon and tape. The marked course is within 25 feet of the race arrows. The exception to the 25-foot rule is fencing, signs, staked areas, hay bales, motocross or grass track sections. You must stay within the confines of these markings. You may not cut to the inside of a white pole corner marker.

In addition, there may be areas marked with red and white tape and red and white Striped Placards posted on both sides of the course. You **MUST** stay between these placards.

“X” signals Danger – please use caution in these areas, as they are difficult sections of the track. “Wrong Way” means exactly that – turn around and return to the track where you left it. You must stay on the marked course.

If you encounter a bottleneck, you may go more than 25 feet off the course in order to get around the bottleneck only. However, you must re-enter the course as soon as possible, and upon approaching this section the next lap, you must take the original marked course if the track is clear.

If you leave the course for any reason, you must re-enter where you left. If you cut, we will not stop you. We will simply take down your number and penalize you. It is no excuse that you were following another rider - you are responsible to follow the racecourse.

If you encounter a lapped rider, give him notice you are behind him. Have patience and give the rider time to safely get out of the way. If you are a lapped rider, be courteous and move over when safe to do so. If you hear a rider come up fast behind you and yell that he’s not in your class, be courteous and let him by when safe to do so. You may even point to the side it is safe to pass you on. **This is especially important when passing smaller, slower riders – do not knock them down or cause them to crash – RACE SAFE, or you may be penalized.**

The course is marked with mile markers to let you know where you are. If you encounter an injured rider, you do not have to sacrifice your race, but note the mile marker and tell the first official you see where the injured rider can be found. We will get help on the way.

Once the checkered flag is thrown, our Sweep Crew will check the course to make sure all riders and machines are retrieved. If you are missing a rider, please notify the Finish Line scorer.

If you break down, stay with your machine unless you are injured. Our crew cannot tow a machine without a rider to steer it.

ATV: Your race will be 1 hour.

Bike: Your race will be 90 minutes.

Track Description: TBA

Safety First: GNCC Racing, like all motorsports, can be dangerous.

Racers: Now that you have had an opportunity to inspect the racecourse, have heard the race procedures and a description of the racecourse, if you feel that either you or your machine is not prepared, then now is the time for you to withdraw for a complete refund of your entry fee – no questions asked.

It is your responsibility to operate your machine in a safe manner, maintaining control at all times. Extreme caution is required when approaching areas with a high concentration of fans. Do not take unnecessary risks that endanger the safety of fans. You will be penalized for reckless racing.

Fans: Due to the nature of GNCC Racing, there is no fence barrier around the racecourse. It is your responsibility to keep yourself and your children a safe distance from the racecourse. Never turn your back to oncoming racers. Use extreme caution when crossing the racecourse.

And Remember...STAY OFF THE TRACK.

For the safety of everyone, unauthorized drones are prohibited and will be confiscated.

Finally: Unauthorized pit vehicles are prohibited and may be confiscated. Absolutely NO pit vehicles permitted in the woods or on the racetrack. Crew members are prohibited from using Pit Vehicles during the race.

Thank you for your cooperation. Have fun, and RACE SAFE.