

## **RACE REGULATIONS DUTCH FLAT TRACK 2023**

### **Starting age**

Sunday Cup 147/187 8 years

Newbie class 8 years

Rookie class 11 years

Other Classes 15 years

### **Training**

- Before each race there must be a minimum period of 2 laps to practice on the actual course. This can be achieved through a pre-race practice session. If such a session is not possible, 2 laps will be practiced before the first heat race.
- The riders will start training under the instructions of the start officials and must enter the circuit from the designated area.
- The duration of the training starts from the moment the first rider enters the track.
- The waving of the checkered flag signals the end of the training.

### **Race duration**

- A heat race lasts at least 6 laps.
- In principle, a Pro final lasts 10 to 15 rounds, depending on the time available.
- All other finals have a minimum of 8 rounds.

### **Starting positions**

- Heat race starting positions are randomly assigned so that each rider will start once on the front, middle and back rows.
- Starting positions for finals are based on heat race results.

### **Calculation of points**

First position: 15 points

Second position: 12 points

Third position: 10 points

Fourth position: 9 points

etc.

### **Pro/intermediate class**

The Pro and Intermediate class ride together. With more than 12 participants in total, an A-final and a B-final will be formed on the basis of the heat results. The top half of the ranking goes to the A final, the bottom half to the B final. The results in the finals are decisive for the daily classification. For the classification of the championship, the class for which a rider has registered is leading.

An example: A rider from the Intermediate class qualifies for the A-final. He/she will be 3rd in this. In the daily standings this rider has become 3rd, but as the highest placed Intermediate rider he/she scores 15 points for the Intermediate championship.

### **Method of starting**

The following methods of starting a race can be used:

- Use of the national flag.
- Start light.

### **Riding in the paddock**

Riding machines in the paddock is strictly prohibited. Machines should be pushed with the engine off. Riding machines at a slow pace can be allowed if special lanes are used that are protected from the public. Machines must be pushed when exiting any point on these lanes. In exceptional circumstances, if the risk is assessed by the Race Director, riders may be allowed to ride their machines, but must not exceed first gear and must always wear a helmet. Under no circumstances may the machine be operated by anyone other than the participant or the passengers being carried.

### **Access to the track**

No persons, other than designated officials, are allowed on the track while machines are in operation.

## Flag and light signals

The following signals are used:

Signal	Meaning
Red	All riders must stop. Riders must not pass a red flag unless authorized or instructed to do so and then proceed at a slow pace
Black - with the rider's number clearly displayed on a sign	The affected rider must immediately stop racing and leave the track
Yellow	Danger, ride with extreme caution, do not overtake
Green	Course Free / Riders commanded by Race Director
Yellow with black cross	Last round. / (or) a board with two and then one round, clearly marked
Black/White Checkered	Finish

Only authorized officials may use these flags. Any rider judged to have taken unfair advantage while a yellow flag was displayed, or ignored any other flag signal, may be disqualified or penalized accordingly by the Race Director. All flags below should measure approximately 750mm x 600mm.

### Start delays and infringements

- Riders are deemed to be under command when all riders are called to the start line, which is indicated by the hoisting of a green flag.
- No more persons will be allowed in the starting area once the riders have been instructed at the starting line, except for the riders and authorized officials.
- Once the riders have been commanded by the starter, the starting procedure must not begin until the track is clear, which will be indicated by the lowering of the green flag.
- Any rider not ready to start within two minutes of coming under starting orders will be disqualified.
- Any rider making a false start will be placed on the penalty line.

### False starts

- All false starts are indicated by the waving of a red flag. All riders must return to the starting area and wait for announcements about the restart.
- Any rider deemed by the Race Director or Start Line Judge to have caused a false start will be placed on the penalty line.

### Stop a race

- If a race is stopped for 2 laps, the race will be run again if conditions and time permit.
- After this distance, the race will resume and the remaining distance will be driven. The riders restart in a staggered line from the outside of the circuit, in the order in which the riders last crossed the finish line prior to the stoppage.
- If there are less than 2 laps left, the race result will be announced for the last full lap.

- Any rider causing a red flag situation may be disqualified from all results for that day. He/she may not participate in a restart or may start from a penalty line unless their actions were in the interest of safety.
- Only riders competing at the time the red flag is displayed may restart.

### **Race finish**

- The checkered flag will be displayed as the winner crosses the finish line and will continue to be waved until the last riders have completed the lap.
- No rider may start a new lap after the checkered flag has been shown.
- Riders crossing the finish line are classified, their position being determined by the number of laps completed by the rider. The riders who complete an equivalent number of laps will be determined by the order in which they finish.

### **Racing results**

If a tie occurs when the heat results are added, the highest position in the last heat will determine the final order.

### **Championship ranking**

If a tie occurs when the final results are added up, the order is determined in the following way:

1. Highest position in one of the races
2. Number of participants in the race in which the highest position was achieved
3. The highest position in the last race

### **Outside help**

- If a rider receives outside assistance during a competition, other than designated officials, that rider may be disqualified or penalized.
- Riders who receive signals from persons associated with them in prohibited areas may be disqualified or penalized.

### **Unfair, foul or dangerous riding**

The Race Director may disqualify any rider who, in the opinion of the Race Director, is guilty of unfair, foul or dangerous riding.

### **Riding behaviour**

- If both of a rider's wheels cross the inside edge of the track while racing, they will be disqualified from the race result, unless in the opinion of the Race Director it was to avoid another rider.
- If a rider leaves the boundaries of the course, except for safety reasons, he may be disqualified or penalized by the Race Director.

**Rider instructions**

All event rules and instructions issued for an event have the same force and effect as these rules, but may not contradict them in any way.

**Behaviour**

Riders, parents or employees who do not follow the instructions of the event officials or who are deemed to have unjustifiably or maliciously compromised the efficient running of the event by failing to comply with the regulations, event rules or protest procedure may be subject to be disqualified from the event.

**Parental responsibility**

It is the responsibility of a parent or guardian to ensure that children remain within the boundaries of the event area and follow all instructions from the organizer.

**Declaration**

By participating in a training or competition, the rider declares that the organizers are not responsible for any damage to a motorcycle or its accessories, whether by fire, accident or other causes, nor for the theft of a motorcycle or its accessories before, during and after the event.

**Regulatory compliance**

Each rider acknowledges that he/she is bound by the rules together with any competition rules or conditions and final instructions issued, to which he/she undertakes to comply and furthermore waives any right to appeal to any arbitration or tribunal in which is not provided.

**Final provision**

For any situation not covered by these rules, the judgment of the race director is up to him.