

THE NETRA JUNIOR ENDURO PROGRAM PRIVATE

The Junior Enduro program is a way of providing safe opportunities for trail bike competition for riders too young to operate on public roads. The program operates under the direct supervision of the NETRA Competition Committee and their Youth Competition Coordinator, who formulate rules, keep records, and coordinate the activities. The Youth Coordinator works in conjunction with the NETRA Competition Committee on the program, the Competition Committee approves rule changes and grants sanctions, and the Youth Coordinator is a member of the Competition Committee. In general, the Junior Enduro rules are modeled after the adult rules, with changes as necessary to accommodate younger riders. The rules for Junior Enduros stand alone; the rules for adult Enduros are not applicable to Junior Enduros except as specifically stated herein. The 2007 Youth Coordinator is Mike Hery.

DEFINITIONS

Riding Number – This is the number written on the rider's score card at the most recent check he/she passed through. It is the flip card number (representing minutes) at that check. At the start (no previous checks) it is the rider's starting number.

Article I. RIDER REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Membership and Permission. All riders participating in a NETRA sanctioned Junior Enduro must meet the following requirements:

1. Junior and Minis:

- a. Must not have reached his 17th birthday before January 1st of the year in which he is competing. A rider whose age changes during the season may finish the season.
- b. Submit his entry on an official NETRA entry form, signed by a parent or legal guardian.
- c. On the day of the event he must either be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian or submit notarized permission from his parent/legal guardian on an official NETRA entry form, be accompanied by an adult willing to take responsibility for him, and show officials a note (signed by his parent/legal guardian and notarized) naming the responsible adult and giving the adult permission to act in place of the parent.
- d. Must carry in his helmet liner a signed copy of the medical release form as provided by the NETRA office.
- e. Meet all laws for operation of a motorcycle off public ways in the state where the event is being held.

2. Women in the Women's Class.

- a. Women above the age of 9 may enter in the Women's Class, provided the motorcycle they are riding fits all applicable requirements of a "full size motorcycle".
- b. Women below the age of 18 must fulfill the requirements of items b, c, d, and e, above.

3. NETRA membership is not necessary. (However, championship and promotion points are paid to NETRA members only.) An organizer of a NETRA sanctioned event cannot require New England resident riders to be members of any other organization, e.g., ECEA, SETRA, AMA, etc.

B. Protective Equipment. All riders must wear an adequate safety helmet, proper eye protection, heavy boots at least ankle high, long sleeve shirt, long pants and gloves. Knee pads and elbow pads are recommended. If the state has other requirements, riders must meet them.

C. Entry Forms /Waiver of Liability. All riders must fill out an entry form with, at least, the following: (1) Rider's name and address, (2) rider's classification and NETRA membership number, and (3) a waiver of liability signed by the rider's parent or legal guardian.

D. Pit Racing. Persons riding hazardously in the starting area will be immediately disqualified by the organizer or by any representative of the Competition Committee. Pit racing is defined as:

1. Riding with one or both wheels off the ground, or
2. Riding faster than a man can walk.

E. Passing Riders / Riding back against the Traffic. All riders must obey reasonable rules of the road when overtaking and passing each other. It is the responsibility of the overtaken rider to make way at the first safe opportunity. It is the responsibility of the overtaking rider to pass safely and cleanly. Flagrantly discourteous and dangerous riders, and riders riding back against the marked course direction, are responsible for their actions and may be disqualified.

F. Unsportsmanlike Conduct. Any rider, parent, or guardian, who exhibits unsportsmanlike conduct may be penalized or disqualified or have the rider for whom they are responsible penalized or disqualified. Abuse of other riders, checkpoint personnel, the organizers, or the public, either verbally or physically, is grounds for disqualification. Any person may accuse a rider, parent, or guardian, of unsportsmanlike conduct and request a penalty or disqualification. After the event, and before scores are posted, the rider and accuser shall meet with the Referee for the event to review the incident. The Referee will then make a decision. Penalties will be determined after the event in accordance with section I, below. If a rider is disqualified (for unsportsmanlike conduct or conduct not becoming a rider) from any competitive event, such disqualification will be recorded in the standings and the rider will NOT be able to use the event in which he was disqualified as a “throw away”.

G. Leaving the Course. Riders must remain on the marked course. A rider leaving the course can only continue in the meet by returning to the point where he left the course. A rider who has cut the course shall be disqualified. A marked course shall mean the following: In sight of the marking arrow, except that when traversing double marked sections the rider must remain between the markers.

H. Outside Assistance. Outside assistance to the rider is permitted only to the extent defined below:

1. **Start & Gas Stop.** At the start and at designated gas stops, labor and material from any source to:
 - a. Replace gasoline and lubricants.
 - b. Replace or repair broken or malfunctioning components, including a mounted tire and rim assembly. However the rider must complete the event using the same frame and motor on which he started.
 - c. Provide drink, food, and first aid.
2. **On Course.** On the course, labor and material as follows:
 - a. Materials: Materials used for the repair or replacement while on the course are strictly limited to the fluids, spare parts, and tools carried by the rider, carried and loaned to the rider by another participant, or supplied by the sponsoring club’s official safety and sweep riders.
 - b. Labor: In attempting repairs on the course or attempting to navigate obstacles, the rider may accept labor (i.e. physical help) from any source. However, material support is strictly limited as defined in 2a above. Spectators, parents, friends, etc. cannot supply tools, spare parts, fluids, etc.
 - c. Other assistance: The rider may accept food, drink, or first aid from any source.
3. **Penalties.** The referee shall have the power to penalize any rider who accepts unauthorized outside assistance. Penalties may range from adding points to the rider’s score to disqualification.

I. Penalties for Rule Infractions. The Referee has the power to enforce the rules. The Referee may immediately disqualify a rider only for the infractions of hazardous riding or some other safety hazard; in all other cases, once the rider has started the event, the Referee should allow him to finish, with the penalty to be determined later. After the event the rider shall meet with the Referee to review the incident. The Referee will then make a decision whether or not to penalize the rider. Such post event penalty assessments are subject to the rules of protest as defined in Junior Rules, Article VII, section F. If the offense is sufficiently serious, the rider may be suspended from participation in Junior Enduros for an appropriate period.

Article II. VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

Any motorcycle entered in a NETRA sanctioned Junior Enduro must meet the following requirements:

A. Same Motorcycle. The same motorcycle must be used throughout the event.

B. Safety. Any motorcycle judged unsafe by the Referee for the event, or a representative of the Competition Committee, will not be allowed to start the event. The motorcycle must have a securely fitted spark arrestor.

C. Sound Test. The motorcycle must have a securely fitted muffler or silencer. It must be capable of passing the NETRA sound test held at each event. Any motorcycle which arrives at a checkpoint with the exhaust system damaged or excessively noisy must be repaired or withdrawn from the event at that point.

D. Wheel Size Restrictions. Motorcycles with any wheel larger than 17 inches will not be classified as Mini entries and will not start with the Mini class. Big wheels are classified as bikes with a 19" front and 16" Rear wheel.

Article III. RIDER CLASSIFICATION

Each rider is responsible for entering his correct class.

A. Junior / Mini Classification. There are two classes for young riders: Juniors and Mini. These classes are based on the displacement of the motorcycle and, in the mini class, also on wheel size. All Junior Enduros will include these classes:

1. **Mini.** Open to riders who have passed their 9th birthday before January 1 of the current year. They must ride minicycles with a displacement of 106cc or less, and have wheels no larger than 17 inches in diameter as supplied as standard equipment by the manufacturer.
2. **Junior.** Open to riders who have passed their 9th birthday by the date of the event, but have not reached their 17th birthday before January 1 of the current year. They may ride two-stroke motorcycles or four stroke motorcycles. In accordance with AMA rules, and thusly to have event insurance, the maximum motorcycle engine displacement which will be permitted for all Junior events will be 250 cc.
3. **Big wheel.** Open to riders who have passed their 9th birthday by the date of the event, but have not reached their 17th birthday before January 1st of the current year. They must ride a two-stroke motorcycle between 80cc and 106cc, or a four-stroke motorcycle up to 150cc, having a 19" front and a 16" rear wheel.
4. **Girls.** Open to girls who have reached their 9th birthday by the date of the event, but have not reached their 17th birthday before January 1st of the current year. They must ride a two-stroke motorcycle between 80 cc, or a four stroke motorcycle up to 150cc having a 19" front and 16" rear wheel.
5. **Optional Classes.** An Organizer may include a team class. He must advertise this class, and the rules under which it will run.

B. Ability Classification. Both the Mini and Junior classes shall be divided by rider ability as follows:

1. **A Class.** Promoted from B Class or ranked by the NETRA Administrator or any Junior Enduro Designated Rider Representative as A Class on the basis of previous experience.
2. **B Class.** All other riders, including beginning riders.
3. A rider moving from mini to junior class starts as B Class unless permission is obtained from the Competition Committee Chairman to enter the A Class.

C. Women's Class. There is a separate, non-championship class for women. However, women meeting the requirement for juniors or minis may enter in those classes.

Article IV. ORGANIZATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

A. General Requirements. Organizers of Junior Enduros are subject to the same requirements as the organizers of adult enduros, as outlined in the adult Enduros Rules Article IV. Sections A, B, F, and G,

B. Trail Quality. The organizer must lay out a route that will support the total number of riders entered. Any bridges or other manmade aids used or constructed for the event must be possible to negotiate without any outside assistance. An event that fails to comply may jeopardize its sanction for the following year.

C. Course Requirements. All Junior Enduro courses must be closed courses including no open, public roads. The course may include public roads that have been officially closed for the event. Junior Enduros will be split into two (2) heats, structuring the Junior Enduro events so the Mini's will not be competing on an event course when "full size" bikes are racing. This will require two events be held for Junior Enduro events.

D. Sanctioning. A Junior Enduro must have a sanction from the NETRA Competition Committee in order for championship points to be awarded. Except in special circumstances, sanctions are awarded at the Annual Sanction Meeting. (See Enduro Rules Article IV, section B). One Grand Prix event has been sanctioned for 2007. This event will be conducted similar to a Hare Scramble, utilizing a Black Water start for each class. This event will be scored and will count towards the Junior Enduro Series year end rankings.

E. Required Classes. All Junior Enduros must run all the classes specified in Article III.

F. Publicity. The organizer must adequately publicize his event for all interested riders to inform themselves. If the event is mail entry, the closing date, if any, must be clearly stated. The entry limit, if any, must also be clearly stated. The organizer must provide information on start time and directions to the starting area.

G. Insurance. All events granted a NETRA sanction, must carry liability insurance through the NETRA cooperative insurance program. Each member club must remit to the NETRA office a fee per entrant for all sanctioned competition events. The amount of such fee is determined by the NETRA Board of Directors and is used to pay for insurance program. This fee provides for basic liability insurance; extended insurance limits are available through the NETRA office upon request. Clubs will be charged insurance fees to a maximum of 300 riders per event.

H. Entry Limit and Fees. The organizer may limit the entry to whatever number of riders he desires. Entry may be by mail, or the organizer may permit entry at the event. The entry fee is determined by the organizer.

I. Administrative Personnel. The organizer must appoint the following administrative personnel with the following duties:

1. **Referee** – To hear and adjudicate protests, with the aid of the Designated Representatives present.
2. **Starter** – To post the key time for the event, and the key time and mileage of all check points.
3. **Scorers** – To receive entries, prepare scorecards, and score sheets, administer the calculation and posting of all scores, and to supply the NETRA office with Championship Point results.

J. Riders' Meeting. At the riders' meeting prior to the event, the organizer must announce the name of the event Referee.

K. Pre-rider and Sweep. At least one member (pre-rider) of the layout crew must have ridden the entire course as marked, the morning of the event, and prior to the start. A representative of the Competition Committee may ride the course as marked to evaluate the course, its markings and characteristics. The organizer must use a sweep crew that follows the entire course without interruption to assure that no Competitors are left on the course.

L. Toilets. At least one toilet must be provided.

M. An EMT or Qualified Person. At least one EMT or person who qualifies as a First Responder must be in attendance at all Junior Enduros.

Article V. ORGANIZER/RIDER RULES

A. Excluded Riders / Pre-riding a Course. No pre-riding of the course will be allowed ten (10) days prior to an event, whether fully arrowed or not. This includes club members who are planning to race the event. Violators will not be allowed to enter the event or will be disqualified if identified after the start of an event.

B. Proof of Age. Any organizer may demand proof of age from any rider, by requiring him to present a birth certificate or other legal proof of age.

C. Sign Up. The organizer must record the NETRA membership number of any NETRA member riders for accurate tally of championship and promotion points.

D. Sound Test. A standard sound test must be included at each sanctioned event. Junior enduros are subject to the same noise control regulations as adult enduros. The organizer is required to supply an appropriate location for the sound test.

E. Scorecards. Prior to the start, the organizer will provide each rider with a scorecard displaying the rider's name, starting number, and class. Sound test results will be recorded on the scorecard. Check arrival times will be recorded next to the identifying number or letter of the check. This card is the only official means of providing the rider with a score for the event. He is responsible for preserving its legibility and verifying that all data has been correctly recorded. Rider alteration of any score card will result in disqualification. The card must be turned in at the last check. Non finishers must turn in their cards at the starting area.

F. Arrowing Rules. See Arrowing Rules near the back of this book.

G. Start Rules. All starts must be dead engine starts. The start of an enduro is always a Known Control where the rider's time must be recorded. Late check through at the start will result in the assessment of penalty points. The starter's watch is the official time (Key Time). The first riders leave the start when the flip cards show minute 01. Subsequent riders leave the start when their riding number comes up on the flip cards.

H. Gas Stops. The organizer must provide an adequate number of official gas stops along the route. Such locations must be of sufficient size, and laid out so as to ensure the safety of riders and spectators. Gas stops must be clearly identified through written notices, maps, announcement at the riders' meeting, or other appropriate means. A layover is required at each gas stop, to allow refueling, minor maintenance, and to give the riders a rest. A fire extinguisher (Class B, 10lb minimum) must be available at the gas area and clearly marked. No smoking is allowed in the gas area and "No Smoking" signs must be posted.

I. Layovers. The use of a layover and Known Control at a gas stop is required. At least ten minutes layover shall be provided. Riders must be checked into, as well as out of, the gas stop. Scoring at such checks shall use the same methods as scoring at any Known Control.

Article VI. CHECKPOINTS

A. Types. There are three types of checkpoints, as follows:

1. **Known Control** – A checkpoint whose location is known to all participants. All timed checks are known controls.
2. **Observation Check** – A check where no penalty for time shall be recorded. Used to confirm that the rider followed the course correctly. May be established anywhere on the course

3. **Emergency check** – A timed checkpoint, where the rider’s arrival minutes and seconds are recorded, and used for breaking ties. Since junior riders have no timekeeping equipment, the organizer should place these checkpoints so that all riders arrive late and can check through immediately.

B. Timing Point. A rider shall be considered to “check through” at a checkpoint at the time that his front tire crosses the line between the scoring flags or signs.

C. Flip cards. Flip cards displaying riding number due will be used at each check. The rider’s arrival time will be recorded by writing the flip card number on his scorecard. The head checker at each check must have a cross-reference sheet giving time (as indicated by the check watch) versus riding number for that check to ensure that the number displayed is correct. The flip cards will be advanced exactly on the whole minute. The flip cards will be set up so they are visible to approaching riders. Flip card numerals will be set at 85 when the check is opened (16 minutes before the first rider is due), then advanced minute by minute to 99 and then to 00 at Key Time for that check. After this they are again advanced upwards by one, on the whole minute.

D. Opening/Closing a Check. All checks shall be opened sixteen minutes before the due time of the first rider, and shall remain open until one hour and 59 seconds after the last rider is due to arrive.

E. Rider Requirements at a Check. The rider must verify that his scorecard is marked by the check workers.

F. Backups. See Enduro rules, Article VI, section I.

G. Check Placement. Emergency checks should be placed so that even the fastest entrants will arrive a little late.

Article VII. SCORING AND PROTESTS

A. Scoring at Known Controls.

1. **Early.** A rider “checking through” a Known Control before his Riding Number is indicated on the flip cards shall be penalized two points for the first minute early and five points for each additional minute early. There shall be no penalty for arriving early and not checking through at any Known Control. At starts and gas stop restarts, riders’ cards may be marked before the riders cross the line.
2. **Late.** The rider is penalized one point per each minute late, based on his Riding Number.

B. Scoring at Observation Checks. No penalty points shall be recorded at an Observation Check. See enduro rules, Article VII, section A item 3.

C. Late Limits. Any rider in excess of one hour and 59 seconds late at a timed check, based on his starting number, is ineligible to continue. Riders removed from competition under this rule shall be credited with the mileage to the last timed check and shall be eligible for awards on that basis.

D. Tie Breaking. Emergency checks must be used for the purpose of breaking tied scores. The time to an Emergency Check must be computed to a whole minute. A minimum of two Emergency Checks must be operated for the purpose of breaking tied scores. The time taken at an Emergency Check shall be taken in minutes and seconds, and in case of tied scores, the combined total emergency points lost shall be used to determine the winner of the tied score. In case a tie still exists the Emergency Check closest to the end of the meet shall be used to break the tie. If a tie still exists or the run has ended prematurely before an Emergency Check has been reached, then the affected scores will be compared to the last legal timed check in a reverse method, and the first rider to score better at any timed check, including the last one, will be declared the winner. In the event of a complete even tie, the rider starting later will be declared the winner.

In Emergency Check scoring, ALWAYS develop the score from the 0 second mark of the rider's Due Minute.

Rider's Due Minute	Arrived	Regular Points Lost	Emergency Points Lost
10:31	10:30:48	2	12
10:31	10:31:00	0	0
10:31	10:31:25	0	25
10:31	10:32:05	1	65
10:31	10:35:12	4	252

E. Protests. A rider who feels that the conduct of some portion of the event was not according to the rules contained herein may protest that event, according to the rules below:

1. **Protest Period.** Results for the event become official one half hour after they are posted. Protests must be made before the end of this period. Protests are made to the Referee, who may settle the protest or convene the Protest Committee. Only riders who have entered the event will be permitted to lodge protests. Following the normal protest period, corrections may be made to results, but are subject to later approval by the Competition Committee.
2. **Protest Committee.** If requested by the protesting or protested rider, either before or after the Referee's decision, the Referee must utilize a Protest Committee to settle the protest. This committee shall be made up of the Designated Representatives that are present, and the Referee. Committee votes shall be conducted by secret ballot. If the Protest Committee is convened, the Referee must abide by its decision. (However, he may also appeal, as defined below.)

Designated Representatives:

Collin Soucy
 Dave Harkness Jr.
 Joe McCullough
 Chad Buckley
 George Patriarca
 Jason Klammer
 Kevin Fitzgerald
 Mike Hery

3. **Appeals to the Competition Committee.** See Enduro rules, Article VII, section E, item 3.
4. **Event Records.** The organizing club must keep all scorecards and score sheets for the event until after the final championship standings for the year are approved.

Article VIII. TROPHIES

A. Required Awards. The organizer of each sanctioned Junior Enduro must present, as a minimum, trophies as follows:

Trophy Requirements for Junior Enduros

Junior High Point: 1 Trophy	Mini High Point: 1 Trophy	Women: 2 Trophies
Junior A: 3 Trophies	Mini A: 3 Trophies	Girls: 3 Trophies
Junior B: 5 Trophies	Mini B: 5 Trophies	Big wheels: 5 Trophies

The minimum number of trophies to be awarded is 21. The organizer is encouraged to provide more trophies in those classes with greater attendance. The Trail boss will make a generalized statement prior to trophy presentation that all awards are contingent upon the results of any protests heard or unheard being presented to the competition committee.

B. Award Criteria.

1. **Junior High Point Award** – To the rider in the Junior class with the lowest overall score.
2. **Mini High Point Award** – To the rider in the Mini class with the lowest overall score.

C. Trophy Results. The event organizer must supply accurate promotional/championship points, and contingency award positions, to the Scorekeeper within 14 days of the event. Failure to do so will result in a \$250 fine, per week late, and the loss of schedule date rights for the event for the following year. Any fines will be applied to the NETRA Legal Fund. Promotion Points/Championship Points will be maintained by the NETRA Scorekeeper.

Article IX. PROMOTIONS

A. Promotion Point Criteria. Promotion Points will be awarded to B riders at each qualified event based on the rider's finishing position in the B class. They will be assigned to the top five (5) B riders in both the mini and junior classes. Each rider must check through at least ½ of the checks (rounded down), made by the high point winner of his class to be eligible for promotion points. Eligible riders will receive points as follows:

1st Place = 5 points 2nd Place = 4 points 3rd Place = 3 Points 4th Place = 2 Points 5th Place = 1 Point

If a B rider "High Points" an event, first place promotion points (5) shall be awarded to the next highest placed B rider, with the remaining promotion points assigned to successively lower placed riders.

B. Guests. Non NETRA entrants shall not affect NETRA promotion points, i.e., NETRA members will be "bumped up" in the promotion point standings if guest riders finish ahead of them.

C. Promotion To A Class. B riders will be promoted to A when they have accumulated 15 points in any one season or combination of seasons, or when a B rider "High Points" an event.

D. Promotion Point Results. The organizer must supply accurate promotion points tallies to the Scorekeeper within 14 days of the event. Failure to do so will result in loss of schedule date rights for the event for the following year. Promotion Point records will be maintained by the NETRA Scorekeeper.

Article X. CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

A. Awards Definition. Annual awards will be made to the top riders in the Mini and Junior classes, as determined by their finishing positions within their respective classes at the events. For the purpose of determining Class Championships, ability classes (A&B) within the Mini Class will be combined. Similarly, ability classes within the Junior Class will be combined. The Competition Committee shall determine how many awards to give to each class.

B. Events Counted Toward Championship Awards. The number of events to be counted for points toward all championships will be set at the Annual Sanction Meeting. For this year the number is the total number of events actually run minus 3 (2 throwaways and 1 work). During the season, changes in the number of events to be counted may be made by the Competition Committee if events are added or deleted. The highest scores are counted, with lower scores being dropped.

C. Ties and Tie Breaking. All ties for championship awards will be broken according to the rules in Article X, Section D, of the adult enduro rules.

D. Championship Awards Eligibility. To be eligible for championship awards a rider must receive points in at least ¼ (rounded up) of the Junior Enduros counted towards championship awards (see Art. X, section B).

E. Championship Points.

1. **Points Schedule.** Championship points towards the Mini Class Championship will be awarded to the top twenty riders in the Mini Class. Championship points toward the Junior Championship will be awarded to the top twenty riders in the Junior Class. Points will be assigned according to the following table. All ties for Championship Points will be broken at the event.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS (position : points)

1 st : 25	2 nd : 22	3 rd : 20	4 th : 18	5 th : 16
6 th : 15	7 th : 14	8 th : 13	9 th : 12	10 th : 11
11 th : 10	12 th : 9	13 th : 8	14 th : 7	15 th : 6
16 th : 5	17 th : 4	18 th : 3	19 th : 2	20 th : 1

2. **Championship Points Eligibility.** To be eligible for championship points a rider must complete at least 50% of the checks completed by the class high point winner. Fractional numbers of checks are rounded down.
3. **Guests.** Non NETRA entrants shall not affect NETRA championship points, i.e., NETRA members will be “bumped up” in the point standings if guest riders finish ahead of them.
4. **Championship Points Results.** The organizer must supply accurate point tallies to the Scorekeeper within 14 days of the event. Failure to do so may result in a fine and loss of schedule date rights for the event for the following year. Championship Point records will be maintained by the NETRA Scorekeeper.
5. **Last Event Cancelled:** In the situation when the last event of the year is cancelled and there are riders who do not have work credit, the rules pertaining to race standings will be modified. If the last event of the year is cancelled, the trail boss for the event must submit a letter to the Chairman of the Competition Committee stating who was scheduled to work. Riders without work credit will be required to drop the highest score which they have received and their score will be replaced with a work credit. Standings for the year will then be calculated after consideration for the dropped race.