



**Australian Regional
Applications
2010
BMX Rule Book**

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AUSTRALIAN REGIONAL APPLICATIONS

All Officials are required to be fully conversant with the Rules and Regulations and any supplement thereof, which governs any event, and are (by reason of the acceptance of their position) definitely bound as such by Rules and Regulations.

Amendments to these Rules and Regulations will become effective on the 1st January each year.

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PART A

INTRODUCTION

Part A of this rule book, consisting of Section 1, provides definitions and abbreviations for terms used in this the rule book.

These terms have uncommon or specialised meanings.

The Competition Rules & Regulations of Union of Cycliste Internationale & the Australian Regional Applications (which as By-Laws, must be taken in conjunction with the constitution of Bicycle Motocross Australia Incorporated) are formulated on behalf of and for the safety of all competitors and to encourage safe, honest, fair and good sportsman like competition.

Bicycle Motocross is regarded as a contact sport as defined:

"a sport in which contact occurs between participants but is not an essential part of the competition and is usually illegal." (S.M.A. Guidelines, 1994)

SECTION 1:

DEFINITIONS

(Additional to UCI definitions)

Member organisation - a BMX organisation that is a member in good standing of Bicycle Motocross Australia Incorporated.

National - term applied to the naming of Class 6 sanctioned events to be used only upon authorisation by Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. (ie: failure to abide by these conditions will result in the removal of sanctioning for the event.)

Participation (Sprocket Rocket) Class - for riders 7 years and under which fall under Bicycle Motocross Australia's National Junior Sports Policy.

AA Open and A Open classes may be implemented by Member States as an alternative to Elite and Junior Elite classes at **Class 7, 8 and 9** and be open to all riders **14 years & over**. The A Opens can only be conducted in conjunction with an AA Open class.

14+ Open Money classes may be offered as an alternative to AA Open and A Open classes.

Each State is responsible for setting the classification conditions for these classes and maintaining an up-to-date register of AA and A Open riders.

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PART B

AUSTRALIAN REGIONAL APPLICATIONS

The rules set forth in Part B, address the relationship between the UCI, Bicycle Motocross Australia and its member organisations. The rules in Part B are intended to establish the Australian Regional Policies which apply in Australia and additional operating procedures not addressed in the UCI Cycling Regulations only. Where a rule does not appear in Part B the UCI Rule applies.

SECTION 2:

BMX AUSTRALIA BMX MEMBERSHIP

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A. BMX membership within Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. is restricted to organisations having included in their activities the overall management of a State or Territory BMX racing program.

Membership is limited to a single member organisation from each state or territory. All member organisations must:

1. Be State or Territory organisations with membership open to their general population.
2. Be non-profit making organisations.
3. Conduct BMX competitions underwritten rules, which are not inconsistent in character with the rules of the UCI and Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. as set forth in this rule book.
4. Maintain satisfactory levels of safety, insurance and organisation.
5. Co-operate with other member organisations for the betterment of the sport of BMX.
6. Co-ordinate their race schedules to **avoid** conflicts with UCI and Bicycle Motocross Australian Inc. sanctioned events.

B. Application for membership in Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. may be made using forms available from the national office. The applicant may be required to submit as part of its application additional material including without limitation: its constitution, by-laws, articles of incorporation, race rule book and membership statistics.

C. By joining Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc., the applicant must agree to be governed by the rules, regulations, by-laws and constitution of Union Cycliste Internationale & Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. in their entirety and without exception.

D. Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. may take appropriate disciplinary action against any member organisation which violates specific provisions of these rules or engages in conduct which reflects unfavourably on Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. or the sport of BMX.

Disciplinary action may include without limitation:

1. The refusal to grant, or the withdrawal of, a Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanction for a specific event or for a period of time.
2. The assessment of costs, penalties or fines.
3. Loss of specific membership rights.
4. Suspension or revocation of membership.

E. State or Territory Associations shall ensure that the disciplinary procedures described in these Rules are observed and where appropriate, shall appoint a Tribunal to appeals and a judiciary to deal with disciplinary matters.

F. Where a word or phrase is defined in the Constitution of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc., then such word or phrase shall have the same meaning in these Rules & Regulations.

G. All competitors must be a member of an affiliated club before competing at any event run under these rules.

H. Competitors are required to be fully conversant with the Rules & Regulations and any supplement there of which governs any event, and are (by reason of their entry therein) definitely bound by such Rules & Regulations.

I. A competitor may hold only one Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. racing licence or Sprocket membership.

J. Proof of the competitors' age must be sighted prior to the issue of a receipt of licence.

K. The racing licence or Sprocket membership must be renewed within 14 days of its expiry date, or a late fee will be charged.

L. Competitors must be able to produce their racing licence or Sprocket membership or a current receipt at any race meeting or be ineligible to race.

M. The competitor is responsible for ensuring that details on their licence or Sprocket membership are correct. For licences & Sprocket memberships printed incorrectly, replacements will be issued free of charge. However, replacement licences & Sprocket memberships to cover situations like loss, transfer, change of address or incorrect information from the competitor, will be issued for a fee.

N. A competitor can only be licensed or a Sprocket member through the State or Territory Association in that competitor resides except.

1. Where the competitor resides within 150kms of a state border, that competitor shall have the option through which State or Territory Association they may join.
2. Where the competitor has applied in writing to the State or Territory Association through which they were last a member for a clearance to join another State or Territory and the originating Association does not unreasonably withhold such clearance. Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will have the right to call for written submissions and or a hearing to determine if there were reasonable and proper grounds for the refusal of the clearance.

O. Medical conditions that may determine the nature of medical aid and or treatment to be administered may be shown on the racing licence or Sprocket membership.

P. The Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. racing licence or Sprocket membership is a privilege. It can be withdrawn at any time and for a specific period by the Board of Management of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc., a judiciary appointed by Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. or its ordinary member following the hearing conducted in accordance with the Rules & Regulations of BMX.

SECTION 3:

BMX AUSTRALIA SANCTIONED BMX EVENTS

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A. Number of riders pre-entered to constitute a class

1. **Class 6**

i) National Championships/Challenge	5
ii) National series (not BMXA event)	5
iii) Regular National Open Races	5

2. **Class 7 - 8**

i) State/Territory Championships/Challenge	4
ii) State/Territory Series	3
iii) Interstate Challenge	3
iv) Inter Regional Challenges	3
v) Regular State/Territory Open Races	3

3. **Class 9**

i) Club Championships	2
ii) Club Series	2
iii) Regular Club Races	2

SANCTIONING MATRIX

Class of Event	Class #	Definition	Types of Events	Sanctioning
Class 6 National	5	*Inter State events "termed Nationals" advertised and sanctioned nationally	*National Championships and Challenge	*Bicycle motocross Australia Inc (i.e. National Officiating Director)
National Series	5	featuring riders from 3 or more States	*National series	*Open License and Sprocket Rocket members only
Reg National Open	5		*Regular National Open days	
Class 7 State Titles	4	*Intra State and Inter regional events advertised at state level	*State/Territory *Championships and Challenge	*State/Territory Association (i.e. State/Territory Officiating Director)
State Series	3		*State /Territory Series	
State Challenge	3		*Interstate Challenge (i.e. involving only 2 states/territories)	*Open Licence and Sprocket Rocket members only
Inter Regional	3		*Inter Regional Challenges	
State/Territory Open	3		*Regular State/Territory Open races	
Class 8 Regional	3	*Intra regional & inter club events advertised at regional level & sanctioned at regional and state level <u>featuring riders from within the recognised region only</u>	*Regional Championships *Regional series *Interclub Challenges (i.e. involving clubs from within the recognised region only) *Regular Regional Open Races	* State/Territory Association (i.e. State/Territory Officiating Director) *Open Licence and Sprocket Rocket members only
Class 9 Club	2	*Intra Club events advertised and sanctioned within the club, featuring riders from less than 3 clubs	*Club Championships *Club series *Inter Club Challenges (ie involving less than 3 clubs) *Regular Club trophy Days	*Club/Interclub *Open Licence and Sprocket Rocket members. *Club Permit
Definition of Club permit		*Ineligible to ride at class 6-8 events	*Home Club Meetings *Home Club Championships *Home Club Series	*Club Activity

(text modified to comply with UCI modifications 01/08/09)

B. Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will, under appropriate circumstances, extend its sanction to certain events conducted by its member organisations. In general, these events will be limited to National Series and Regular Open National Races. Member organisations wishing to conduct a Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. Class 6 sanctioned BMX Event must apply to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. for this sanction, meeting such deadlines, paying such fees, filing such reports and complying with such other requirements as Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. may establish from time to time.

- C.** Every member organisation hosting a Class 6 sanctioned BMX event shall:
1. Conduct the event in strict accordance with rules set forth herein.
 2. "National" © in relation to a BMX race meeting shall only be used for Class 6 sanctioned events as applied for and listed on the National Calendar. No other event may use this term without expressed authority of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc.
 3. Submit an application to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. for the sanctioning on or before the 15th of July of the year preceding the date of the event.
Members wishing to apply for a sanction date after the closing date may do so only through their State/ Territory Association on payment of the prescribed fee and under the following conditions:
 - i) The member can only apply for those dates that are vacant on the National Calendar and that are not conflicting with any UCI International event in that State/Territory.
 - ii) The meeting must not disadvantage in any way the Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanctioned BMX meetings that are scheduled immediately prior to or after the date(s) applied for.
 - iii) The member organisation will be responsible for all the publicity and promotion of the event. Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will still publish the results when received.
 4. Submit to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. office within 3 business days of the close of entries a count of the registered entries and remit all levies applicable to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. within 30 days of the close of entries.
 5. Arrange for all awards, cash prizes, trophies (including team trophies), which are earned by the participants.
 6. Submit to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. office within 14 days of the conclusion of that event, a race report containing at minimum the following information:
 - a list of the competitors, identifying their home State/Territory and the classes in which they competed;
 - a schedule of races and a list of results.
 - a roster of participating commissaries and officials.

- D.** Sanctioning by Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. of a Class 6 BMX event ensures:
1. That, as far as the National BMX Championships & Challenge is concerned, no Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisation, may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a BMX event which takes place on, or less than five days prior to, the dates of the National BMX Championships & Challenge.
That, as far as a Class 6 sanctioned BMX event is concerned, no Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisation based in the same State/Territory as the host organisation, may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a UCI International BMX event, which takes place on the same dates as the Class 6 event concerned.
 2. That any member not following the instructions in D.1. will not be given a Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanctioned BMX meeting for 12 months from the date of the offence.

3. That Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will publicise the meeting per medium of the National Calendar and associated publications.
4. That Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will count results gained in 17-18 Junior & 19+ Elite classes towards national ranking points.
5. That Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will include the event in the qualifying process for National Championships.
6. Competition age for Class 6 Events to be UCI Year of Birth
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7. Competition age for Class 7 Events to be UCI Year of Birth age for Championship Classes, competition age for other classes at the host State's discretion.

E. Every member organisation conducting a Class 7 or 8 sanctioned BMX event shall:

1. Conduct the event in strict accordance with the rules set forth herein.
2. Submit an application to the relevant State/Territory Association in accordance with the requirements set forth by that State/Territory Association.

F. Every member organisation conducting a Class 9 sanctioned BMX event shall:

1. Conduct the event in strict accordance with the rules set forth herein.
2. Ensure the event is fully endorsed by the clubs management committee.

G. Every organisation conducting an event within Australia shall abide by the following Blood Bin Policy Guidelines:

1. Any and all visible traces of blood shall be immediately removed from the track once the injured person has been treated by First Aid and prior to the commencement of the next race.
2. Any person who has a bleeding or open wound shall not be allowed on the track.

SECTION 4:

GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

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A. JUNIOR SPORTS POLICY FOR PARTICIPATION CLASSES

1. A participation class member shall not be issued with an open or club permit membership **until the year they turn 8.**
2. A 5, 6, 7 years old member may however enter into International events where the competition is conducted under international rules. This shall apply to National Championships (Class 6) events being conducted in the same calendar year that Australia hosts the World Championships (UCI International)
3. **At Class 6 events participation classes to be run as UCI Year of Birth.**
4. **For all other levels of competition (Classes 7-9)-**
 - i. **when a competition is conducted under “year of birth” participation classes to be run as UCI Year of Birth.**
 - ii. **when competition is conducted under “age on day” riders will remain in participation classes until they have attained 8 years of age.**

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B. GENDER EQUITY

Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. has an endorsed gender equity policy, which is applicable to all levels of competition, officiating, coaching, and administration. Failure to comply with this policy will result in sanctions applied by the National organisation & may also result in legal action from the offended party.

C. CLASSIFICATIONS

1. Competition Divisions at Class 8 & 9 events
 - i) Divisions based on rider abilities graded by a grading officer or committee, or
 - ii) Divisions established by grouping appropriate chronological ages together, or
 - iii) Divisions incorporating Street Stock, Novice & Expert classes.

Money Classes

Pro Open, A & AA Classes may be conducted. *(Refer to Appendix 2)*
(text deleted NOC 30/08/09)

Note: Sprocket Rocket regulations (as per Guidebook) still apply.

2. Competition Classes at Class 6, other than National Championship, Class 7 & Class 8 events

Note: That the tables i and ii represent the UCI Categories per the 2009 UCI BMX Rule book and may not represent the current valid UCI Categories.

i) Championship classes

Age	Bike	Class
17-18 years	20"	Junior Men Junior Women
19+ years	20"	Elite Men Elite Women
17-18 years	24"	Junior Cruiser Junior Women Cruiser
19+ years	24"	Elite Cruiser Elite Women Cruiser

ii) Challenge classes

Age	Bike	Class
8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17-24,25-29, 30 & Over (Challenge), 30 & Over Masters	20"	Male
8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17 & Over	20"	Female
12 & Under,13-14,15-16,17-24,25-29,30-34, 35-39,40-44,45 & Over. 30 & Over Masters	24"	Cruiser Male
12 & Under,13-14,15-16,17-24,25-29,30-34, 35-39,40-44,45 & Over.	24"	Cruiser Female

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Note: 20" Challenge classes 17,18,19-24,25-29,50 & Over and 24" Challenge classes 8-10 and 50 & Over may be offered as an option at all Class 6-9 events at the discretion of the event organizers. These classes are not recognised internationally and are not awarded ranking points (International or otherwise).

Riders classified as 17-19 at an event have the option of competing in either challenge age and applicable cruiser class or Championship classes. A rider aged 19 years or over may choose to complete at either elite or challenge level, namely in the appropriate age and gender group in 20" and or cruiser for Class 7-9 events. However, when competing in UCI International Category events, this choice of competing level shall be made for a whole year, running from August 1 until July 31.

iii) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets

Age	Bike	Class
7 & under	20"	Sprocket Divisions

Note: Sprocket divisions should be named in a manner which does not create the perception of ranking riders (ie: A, B, C or 1, 2, 3 etc). The most suitable names for Sprocket divisions would come from BMX terms or names of bicycle parts.

iv) Pro Open classes

Age	Bike	Class
A/AA & Open 14+	20" and 24"	

Note: Pro Open classes may be offered as an alternative to the Championship Elite and Junior Elite classes by the member States. These classes are money classes and may be offered in conjunction with each other. National guidelines for the member states to conduct Pro Open Classes are found in Appendix 2.

D. ENTRIES

1. Except at National and State Titles, in the interest of increasing the standard of racing, competitors may enter a class above their racing age or the opposite gender class equal to or above (but not below) their own racing age, consistent however with the above classes and the Junior Sports Policy.
2.
 - i) A competitor may ride in any 20" age class above their racing age providing they only enter one (1) age class per event, except where disallowed by the Junior Sports Policy.
 - ii) Competitors may also enter (or qualify for) any appropriate Pro Open Classes, Cruisers, Composite Classes, Trophy Dashes or other special racing that may be organised.
3. An event flier is deemed to be an invitation to compete and the minimum amount of prize money is to be stipulated on fliers and promotional material.
4. If a competitors name appears on either a program or moto sheet, he/she is classed as a paid nomination.
5. When there is more than one heat in any class, motos must be mixed on a random selection or mathematical progression basis, except when using the UCI transfer system.

E. TRANSFERS

1. To determine award and prize winners, one of the following methods must be used. Whichever method is chosen it must be specified on entry forms and promotional material.
 - i) Total Points to end of motos, followed by dead man's, Semis and Finals as required.

Each competitor rides the same number of motos. The top 32 competitors on accumulated points following motos are seeded in order of merit (1st to _ one, 2nd to _ two, 3rd to _ three etc.) into quarter finals, with top 4 competitors in each _ final being seeded in order of merit (1st to semi one, 2nd to semi two, 3rd to semi one etc.) into semi finals. The top competitors in each semi final proceed to a full gate final. Any ties for last qualifying position to a _, semi, or final are decided by a run-off. Awards/prizes are awarded according to placing's gained in the final.
 - ii) Total points to end of semis - deadman finals as required. Each competitor rides the same number of motos. The top 32 competitors on accumulated points following motos are seeded in order of merit (as above) into quarter finals. At completion of quarter finals, points are added, with the top 16 competitors being seeded in order of merit (as above) into semi -finals. At completion of semi finals, points are added, with top 8 competitors proceeding to a full gate final. Any ties for last qualifying position to a _, semi or final are decided by a run-off. Awards/prizes are awarded according to placing's gained in the final.

- The table below details the number of riders required for semi, quarter and eighth finals for an eight lane gate.

No. of riders	8 rider gate		
	Semi	Quarter	Eighth
Less than 17	-	-	-
17-19	Two 6 rider	-	-
20-32	Two 8 rider	-	-
33-39	Two 8 rider	Four 6 rider	-
40-64	Two 8 rider	Four 8 rider	-
65-79	Two 8 rider	Four 8 rider	Six 8 rider
80 or more	Two 8 rider	Four 8 rider	Eight 8 rider

- Total points - No finals: where there are more than one gate of competitors a run-off shall decide the placings for competitors on equal points.
- Where the number of entrants in a category does not exceed a full gate, ie. 8 or less for an 8 lane gate, one of the following methods must be used. Whichever method is chosen it must be specified on entry forms and promotional material.
 - each competitor rides the same number of motos, then
-each competitor rides an extra moto with awards/prizes being awarded on total accumulated points, however;
-should there be any ties in accumulated points placings, then the results in the extra moto are used to separate any such ties.
 - Except for the last placed rider as determined by accumulated points following the motos, the rest transfer to a dead man final.
-any ties for last qualifying position to the final are decided by a run off.
- Events may be run using the UCI-BMX scoring/transfer system.
- Olympic lane draws for finals gate positions. Competitors in finals will have the option of nominating/selecting their starting lane position, in order of finishing in the motos. ie. the competitor who qualifies 1st has the option to select their lane for the final race and so on to 8th qualifier. This selection system is for quarter finals, semi finals, and finals. Rule E (2) still applies to these races.
In the event of dead man semi-finals where two (2) competitors have finished in the first and/or subsequent positions, lane draw order will be based on count back to moto finishes, commencing with the last moto raced.

F. EVENT SCHEDULING

- The number of motos to be raced at a particular event will be determined having regard to: -
 - total number of entrants
 - time available to conduct the event.
- If it becomes imperative to reduce the time to be taken for an event (ie through inclement weather) one of the following methods may be applied by the Race Director: -
 - reduce the number of motos to be raced by every entrant, or

- ii) cut out qualifying finals and final. At the end of the last moto the competitor with the least points is then deemed to be the winner. If two or more competitors are on equal points, then -
- iii) ties will be broken by fastest moto time by each competitor, or
- iv) should such times not be available or be equal, then the best result in the last moto shall be used to break such ties.

G. SCORING AUSTRALIAN REGIONAL APPLICATIONS

1. The Junior Sports Policy requires that certain age groups such as the Sprocket Rocket be organised as participation classes only, with all participants receiving equal recognition.

H. STARTING

1. Starting Blocks: Participation class riders may be assisted at the start as per the Sprocket Guidebook. A rider who elects to use an interlocking pedal cleat system will not use a block or be assisted from the rear of the start hill. Where an interlocking pedal-cleat system is used, the rider must be able to demonstrate the ability to engage and release from the pedals, unassisted, upon any request from an official at an event.

I. NUMBER PLATES

1. The following number plates colour combinations must be used: -

Participation (Sprocket Rocket): orange plate, black numbers

Novices: green plate, white numbers

All other classes as per **UCI PART 6 BMX RULE BOOK 6.1.072**

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At all events a competitor must at all times ride with the racing number and/or letter combination which has: -

- i) been allocated to them by their club: or
- ii) been allocated to them by their National or State Association; or
- iii) been allocated to them through successful competition at any of the immediately preceding Titles:

W	World	PO	Pacific Oceanic
A	Australia		
ACT	Aust Capital Territory	SA	South Australia
N	New South Wales	T	Tasmania
NT	Northern Territory	V	Victoria
Q	Queensland	WA	Western Australia

The only riders who will be entitled to race with a racing number between 1 – 8 (inclusive) will be those riders that placed in the preceding above Titles with the use of the above letters immediately after the number except World plates that will have the prefix W: -

- iv) been allocated where there may have been a duplication of racing numbers at any event by the Race Director.
2. Use of Number Zero on a Number Plate – 0 – 00 Zero or double zero is not a numeral and 1-8 are reserved.

SECTION 5:

CONDUCT & JUDICIARIES

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Refer to **UCI PART 1 GENERAL ORGANISATION OF CYCLING AS A SPORT 1.2.079**

Refer to **UCI PART 6 BMX RULE BOOK 6.1.023**

A. Competitors and Officials must abide by National, State and Club code of conduct at all times to not bring the sport of Cycling into disrepute.

B. Where a complaint is made by the Race Director, Chief Race Commissaires or Rider Advocate at a sanctioned event to the National, State or Territory Association that a competitor or official has breached this rule relating to conduct during the course of the event, the National, State or Territory Association shall appoint a person or persons to investigate the complaint who may then refer the complaint to a Judiciary.

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C. Any such judiciary shall be conducted in accordance with the following rules:

1. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of natural justice:

'The rules of natural justice require that a dispute be heard by an impartial tribunal, that a person shall know the nature of the case brought against them, that a person shall be entitled to be heard in their own cause and that the dispute shall be resolved by reference only to the evidence adduced to the tribunal in the course of its proceedings...An arbitrator is bound to hear all evidence submitted to him, subject, of course, to his power to reject such evidence as inadmissible.' (Business Law of Australia, p122)

2. The person charged shall not be entitled to be represented by a legal practitioner.
3. Should the person charged be under 18 years of age, they are entitled to be represented by their parent or guardian.
4. The hearing shall be conducted with as little formality as possible and the panel shall not be bound by the rules of evidence.

D. The Judiciary may impose such penalty as it thinks fit, including, without limiting the generality thereof, a fine or suspension or cancellation of the racing licence of the competitor concerned.

E. Where a competitor or official is dissatisfied with the finding or penalty or both, they may appeal to the State, Territory or National Association concerned. Such appeal shall be by notice in writing, addressed to the Secretary of the State, Territory or National Association concerned and which notice must be received within seven (7) days of the finding or both.

F. The Notice of Appeal must state whether the appeal is against the finding, the penalty, or both and state the grounds of appeal, giving as full a description as possible. A Notice of Appeal must be accompanied by the payment of a bond in the sum of \$100.00.

G. Upon receipt of a Notice of Appeal the State, Territory or National Association shall cause an independent Tribunal to be selected. The Tribunal shall conduct the appeal as a re-hearing in respect of the matters appealed against and in accordance with the procedures described for a Judiciary.

H. The Tribunal shall order the refund of the bond in the event that an appeal against the finding of the Judiciary is upheld. Where an appeal against the finding of the Judiciary is rejected, the Tribunal may order the payment of the bond to the State, Territory or National Association or such person or persons as it deems appropriate.

SECTION 6:

PROTESTS & APPEALS

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Refer to **UCI PART 6 BMX RULE BOOK 6.1.082 – 6.1.102**

A. PROTESTS

1. Any disqualification may be extended to cover the whole meeting.
2. Any competitor refusing to permit the examination of a bicycle which is the subject of a protest, shall forfeit all prizes won in events on that day, and shall be suspended from competition for a period of not less than 1 year.
3. Only the Competitor Advocate may approach the Appeal Referee with any written appeal.
4. Any competitor in any Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc event may take a protest to the Chief Race Commissaire for any of the following matters:
 - i) The scoring of a rider:
 - Utilising finish poles only (no video camera)
 - Utilising video camera equipment only. (no finish poles)

B. APPEALS

1. Appeals may be made against decisions of the Chief Race Commissaire, Race Director or any other Official on procedural matters only.
2. There is no appeal against decisions based on judgment calls made on rule violations during a race.
3. An appeal must be made in writing to the Appeal Referee by the Competitor Advocate within 30 minutes of the penalty being incurred. A fee of \$50.00 is to accompany the lodging of the appeal.
4. The Appeal Referee will confer with the Chief Race Commissaire and any other Official relevant to the incident. A decision will be announced within 30 minutes, or prior to the end of that round of motos.
5. The decision of the Appeal Referee who held the appeal is final and binding on any appeal, with no further discussion or correspondence being entered into.
6. Any appeal that is upheld as a result of an Appeal Referees finding will have all fees returned. If the appeal is dismissed, the fee will be forwarded to the BMX Association, or appropriate Financial Director for banking to consolidated revenue.

7. Any competitor under suspension and not otherwise disqualified by these Rules may be reinstated at the discretion of the Board of Management of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc.

SECTION 7:

RULES TO CONTROL DRUG USE IN THE SPORT

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Drug use is forbidden. Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. recognises the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) list of prohibited drugs.

All Bicycle Moto Cross competitors are liable to medical control and examination carried out in conformity with the rules of the UCI & the Australian Sports Anti Drug Agency (ASADA).

Any Bicycle Moto Cross competitor refusing to submit to a medical control or examination or who is found guilty of doping, shall be excluded from that event and for such further period of time as Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc shall decide.

Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc recognises and adopts the Rules and Penalties set down by the UCI & the Australian Sports Anti Drug Agency (ASADA) in respect to drug testing and control in sport.

A Medical Officer, with such assistance as is necessary, may be appointed to implement these rules. This appointment may be for an extended period of time, or for the duration of any particular event conducted by the Association or a member of the Association.

SECTION 8:

COMPETITION COMMISSAIRES AND OFFICIALS

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All Competition Commissaires and Officials are required to be fully conversant with the Rules & Regulations and any supplement thereof, which governs any event and are (by reason of the acceptance of their position) definitely bound as such by the Rules & Regulations.

A. EVENT MANAGER

The Event Manager, as appointed by the Club, State or National body, and in association with the appointed committee, is responsible for the total organisation and conduct of the event, provided that the safety of the competitors/spectators and the integrity of the event/sport is not compromised or brought into disrepute.

B. RACE DIRECTOR

Is the general supervisor of all events. The Race Director's duties include: -

- to ensure all safety requirements are met.
- to ensure that all track personnel are ready and in position.
- to ensure that all equipment is in place and functioning properly.

- to ensure that all awards are distributed properly.
- to supervise the overall operation of the track.
- to ensure that all forms such as race sheets and results together with a written report, are, where applicable, mailed to the applicable National/State Association's administration as soon as possible.

C. OFFICIALS/PERSONNEL

Refer to **UCI PART 6 BMX RULE BOOK**

CHIEF RACE COMMISSAIRE	As per UCI 6.1.048
ASSISTANT CHIEF RACE COMMISSAIRES	As per UCI 6.1.048
RACE COMMISSAIRES	As per UCI 6.1.053
INSPECTORS	As per UCI 6.1.053
ADMINISTRATORS	As per UCI 6.1.053
STAGING OFFICIALS	As per UCI 6.1.053
STARTER	As per UCI 6.1.053

(text modified NOC 30/08/09)

D. FINISH LINE COMMISSAIRES

The Officials who determine the finishing order of a race. When using the UCI-BMX transfer/scoring system there shall be a minimum of 3 qualified finish line officials who shall be responsible for individually recording in writing the finish positions of every rider as he crosses the finish line in each race. The official finish positions of each race shall be determined by a simple majority of the finish line officials. The official finish results shall be transmitted to the moto sheet administrator(s) for notation on the moto sheets. Pointers and skittles may be used.

E. FIRST AID STATION

Properly equipped medical aides must be at all events specifically, St John Ambulance, qualified Nursing Sister, Doctor or qualified First Aider.

F. APPEAL REFEREE

A fair and reasonable person knowledgeable in the Competition Rules and Regulations of BMX appointed by the Event Organiser to adjudicate on appeals related to procedural matters only.

G. COMPETITOR ADVOCATE

A reasonable person to be nominated by the Club or State Association that is knowledgeable in the Competition Rules and Regulations of BMX and who shall represent a competitor in relation to appeals concerning procedural matters.

H. JUNIOR AGE OF AN OFFICIAL

Subject to satisfactory completion of the approved official's course a person who has attained the age of 16 years may officiate at BMX events.

Any official less than 18 years of age shall be under direct supervision of an accredited adult official.

SECTION 9: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

NATIONAL BMX CHAMPIONSHIPS & CHALLENGE

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A. CONTEXT

The rules of this section supplement and modify the rules set forth in other sections of this rule book and apply to National BMX Championship & Challenge events only. Except as modified or otherwise rendered inapplicable by the provisions of this section, all rules set forth in other sections of this rule book shall remain in full effect at every National Championship & Challenge event.

B. PURPOSE

A single National Championship & Challenge event, open to all qualified riders who are members of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisations, shall be scheduled in each calendar year to establish an overall ranking of the riders in each of the various classes recognised by Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc.

C. VENUE

The allocated venue for National Championships shall be subject to final approval by Bicycle Motocross Australia's Event Management. The Event Management shall also designate an alternative venue for each National Championship & Challenge, to be used only if the primary venue becomes unavailable or does not conform to the Event Management event criteria. Application to Bicycle Motocross Australia for the sanctioning of a National Championship & Challenge event should take place on or before the 1st of June, two years prior to the year of allocation **where possible**.

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

D. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE HOST ORGANISATION

The host organisation shall be responsible for all aspects of venue organisation both as set forth in this rule book and as normally associated with the sponsorship of a BMX race. In addition, the host organisation shall **abide by the criteria for the bidding & organising of BMX Australia National Championships**.

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

E. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF BICYCLE MOTOCROSS AUSTRALIA INC.

1. Appoint all officials.
2. Notify all BMX member organisations with any BMX activities, of any change in entry deadlines.
3. Supply to all member organisations, a list identifying all the registered riders and the classes for which they intend to compete at the National Championships & Challenge.
4. Collect all registration fees.
5. Co-ordinate and administer the National Championships & Challenge.

F. OBLIGATIONS OF NON-HOST ORGANISATIONS

No Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisation, other than the host organisation, may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a BMX event which takes place on, or less than five days prior to, the dates of the National BMX Championship & Challenge.

G. REGISTRATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF RIDERS

1. Registration - Riders wishing to compete/participate in the National BMX Championship & Challenge may register only if their Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc licence/membership is current. All competition entry dates must be adhered to and no late entries will be accepted.
All race fees and entry forms must be forwarded to Bicycle Motocross Australia's office. Each member organisation which has riders registered can appoint a single Team Manager to represent the interests of all of its riders at the National Championship & Challenge.
2. Qualifying for National Challenge - Riders who:
 - i) are a fully paid up and licensed member; and
 - ii) have competed in their home State Championship in the year preceding the National Championships each year.
 - iii) have been granted a wildcard (at the discretion of the State or Territory Officiating Panel)
3. Competition classes at the National BMX Championships shall be as per categories defined in the current UCI BMX RULE BOOK.
 - i) UCI Championship classes see 4C.2.i.
 - ii) UCI Challenge classes see 4C.2.ii

Note: The following non UCI recognised Challenge classes will be offered at the National Championships whenever the World Championships are NOT held in Australia. They will be run according to UCI rules.

Non UCI classes

30-34,35-39,40-44,45-49, 50+	20"	Male / Female
8-10, 50+ 30+ Masters(Male only)	24"	Male / Female

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

These classes are not recognised internationally and are not awarded ranking points (International or otherwise).

- iii) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets

Age	Bike	Class
7 & under	20"	Sprocket Divisions

4. **Determination of Age: Year of competition minus Year of Birth.**
(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

5. At least five riders must have pre-entered to constitute a class, in the above classes. Should this minimum number not be obtained, then the entered riders will race in the class above.
Exception: should this minimum number not be obtained in the Veterans classes 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50+, the entered riders will race in the class below.

H. RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

1. Championship classes:
Medals 1-3, Jersey 1st, Prize Money 1-8, Plates 1-8
Medals meeting the following standards shall be presented to the top three finishers in each Championship class:

<u>Finish Position</u>	<u>Colour</u>
1 st	Gold
2nd	Silver
3rd	Bronze

Minimum Prize Money \$2,500.00 pool

Prize money break-up for Championship classes: see Appendix 1.

2. Challenge & Veterans classes:
Medals/Awards 1-8, Plates 1-8.
3. Participation (Sprocket Rocket) classes: Identical participation awards.
4. Rankings:
Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. will issue national racing numbers, to be used with the suffix 'A', based on Nationals results & the keeping of national ranking lists for the championship classes.
5. The winning State Team and Corporate Team will be presented with a first place award.

SECTION 10: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

CLASS 6 NATIONAL BMX COMPETITION

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A. CONTEXT

The rules of this section supplement and modify the rules set forth in other sections of this rule book and apply to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanctioned BMX competitions only. Except as modified or otherwise rendered inapplicable by provisions of this section, all rules set forth in other sections of this rule book shall remain in full effect at every Class 6 National BMX Competition.

B. PURPOSE

A number of Class 6 National BMX events open to all qualified riders who are members of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisations, shall be scheduled in each calendar year to establish per event an overall ranking list of Championship riders in each of the various classes recognised.

C. VENUE

Each Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. affiliated organisation desiring to host a Class 6 National BMX Competition shall make a formal application, setting forth full particulars of the competition, to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc.

No Class 6 National BMX Competition shall be conducted without the express approval of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc.

Application to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. for the sanctioning of a Class 6 National BMX event should take place on or before the 15th July of the year preceding the date of the event **where possible**.

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

D. DUTIES OF THE HOST ORGANISATION

The host organisation shall be responsible for all aspects of race organisation both as set forth in this rule book and as normally associated with the sponsorship of a BMX race. In addition, the host organisation shall:

1. Extend an invitation to participate, setting forth full particulars of the event, including:
 - Race track venue;
 - Date of race;
 - Event time table;
 - Other relevant matters;
 - Minimum prize money pool;

to every Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisation with any BMX activities and representing riders eligible to compete in Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanctioned Class 6 National BMX events.

2. To pay a sanction fee (as per sanctioning form), payable prior to applying to host the Class 6 National BMX event.
Also collect on behalf of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. levies (as per sanctioning form) for each rider entry in the Class 6 National BMX event. These monies must be forwarded to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. within 30 days of the close of entries.
3. Supply to Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. office within three business days of the close of entries, a list identifying all the registered riders and the classes in which they intended to compete in the Class 6 National BMX event concerned.

E. OBLIGATIONS OF NON-HOST ORGANISATIONS

1. No Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisation based in the same State or Territory as the host organisation may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a Class 6 National, Class 7 (State) or international BMX event, which takes place on the same dates as a Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanctioned Class 6 National BMX event.

F. REGISTRATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF RIDERS

1. Registration - Riders wishing to compete/participate in a Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. sanctioned Class 6 National BMX event may register only if their licence/membership is current.

All competition entry dates must be adhered to and no late entries will be accepted.

All race fees and entry forms must be forwarded to the organiser of the Class 6 National BMX event concerned.

2. Competition classes at Class 6 National BMX events shall be as:
 - i) Championship classes as per 4C.2.i
 - ii) Challenge classes as per 4C.2.ii
 - iv) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets as per 4C.2.iii.
 - v) A/AA Open classes may be conducted as per 4C.2.iv.
2. Determination of Age: Year of competition minus Year of Birth.
(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

G. RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

1. Championship classes:
Prize Money 1-8
Minimum Prize Money \$1,000.00 pool
Prize money break-up for Championship classes: see appendix 1.
2. Challenge & Veterans classes:
Medals/Awards 1-8 or Vouchers 1-8
(text deleted NOC 30/08/09)
3. Participation (Sprocket Rocket) classes: Identical participation awards.
4. Rankings:
Bicycle Motocross Australia will issue ranking lists for the Championship classes based on national ranking points.

SECTION 11: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

CLASS 7 STATE BMX CHAMPIONSHIPS & CHALLENGE

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A. CONTEXT

The rules of this section supplement and modify the rules set forth in other sections of this rule book and apply to State BMX Championship & Challenge events only. Except as modified or otherwise rendered inapplicable by the provisions of this section, all rules set forth in other sections of this rule book shall remain in full effect at every State Championship & Challenge event.

B. PURPOSE

A single State Championship & Challenge event, open to all qualified riders who are members of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisations, shall be scheduled in each calendar year to establish an overall ranking of the riders in each of the various classes recognised by Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc.

C. VENUE

The venue of each year's State Championship & Challenge shall be allocated based on the relevant State or Territory association's criteria. The allocated venue shall be subject to final approval by the relevant State or Territory associations management committee. The State or Territory Association shall also designate an alternative venue for each State Championship & Challenge, to be used only if the primary venue becomes unavailable or does not conform to the event criteria.

Application to the relevant State or Territory Association for the sanctioning of a State Championship & Challenge event should take place on or before the 1st of June, two years prior to the year of allocation **where possible**.

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

D. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE HOST ORGANISATION

The host organisation shall be responsible for all aspects of venue organisation both as set forth in this rule book and as normally associated with the sponsorship of a BMX race. In addition, the host organisation shall:

1. Not involve their State or Territory Association with any third party without State/Territory approval and shall agree not to take legal action against their State or Territory Association for any purpose.
2. Make the venue and other associated facilities available for inspection by State or Territory representatives **as per State criteria**.
(article modified NOC 30/08/09)
3. Provide a sufficient number of qualified administrative staff and a sufficient amount of office space for race headquarters to assure that the event proceeds in an orderly and timely fashion.
4. Give no logo, flag, emblem or other graphic symbol of an organisation other than their State or Territory Association greater prominence than is given to the official symbols of State or Territory Association, which shall be prominently displayed at the sites of both the event and the Congress, and incorporated into all promotional materials associated with the event.
5. Conduct no racing at the Championship/Challenge track within five days of the date upon which the first Championship/Challenge activity is scheduled to take place.

E. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATE OR TERRITORY ASSOCIATION.

1. Appoint all officials.
2. Notify all BMX member organisations with any BMX activities, of any change in entry deadlines.
3. Supply to all member organisations, a list identifying all the registered riders and the classes for which they intend to compete at the State Championships & Challenge.
4. Collect all registration fees.
5. Co-ordinate and administer the State Championships & Challenge.

F. OBLIGATIONS OF NON-HOST ORGANISATIONS

No relevant State or Territory Association member organisation, other than the host organisation, may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a BMX event, which takes place on, or less than five days prior to, the dates of the State BMX Championships & Challenge.

G. REGISTRATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF RIDERS

1. Registration - Riders wishing to compete in the State BMX Championship & Challenge may register only if their Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. licence/membership is current. All competition entry dates must be adhered to and a late fee may apply. All race fees and entry forms must be forwarded to the appointed State or Territory Registration Officer.
2. Qualifying for State Challenge - State or Territory to determine.
3. Qualifying for State Championships - State or Territory to determine.
4. Competition classes at Class 7 State BMX Championships shall be as:
 - iii) Championship classes as per 4C.2.i
 - iv) Challenge classes as per 4C.2.ii
 - vi) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets as per 4C.2.iii.
 - vii) A/AA Open classes may be conducted as per 4C.2.iv.
5. Determination of Age: Year of competition minus Year of Birth.
(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

H. SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

The race order and presentation times will be determined by the State or Territory Association.

I. RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

1. Championship classes:
Medals 1-3, Jersey 1st, Prize Money 1-8, Plates 1-8.
Medals meeting the following standards shall be presented to the top three finishers in each Championship class:

<u>Finish Position</u>	<u>Colour</u>
1st	Gold
2nd	Silver
3rd	Bronze

Minimum Prize Money \$500.00

Prize Money Break-up for the Championship classes: See Appendix 1.

2. Challenge & Veterans classes:
Medals/Awards 1-8 or Vouchers 1-8
3. Participation (Sprocket Rocket) classes: Identical participation awards
4. Ranking:
The relevant State or Territory Association will issue racing numbers, to be used with the suffix:

ACT	- Australian Capital Territory
N	- New South Wales
NT	- Northern Territory
Q	- Queensland
SA	- South Australia
T	- Tasmania
V	- Victoria
WA	- Western Australia
5. Club/Regional Teams and Corporate Teams will be presented awards in recognition of their finishing order.

SECTION 12: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

CLASS 7 STATE BMX COMPETITION

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A. CONTEXT

The rules of this section supplement and modify the rules set forth in other sections of this rule book and apply to State and Territory Association sanctioned BMX competitions only. Except as modified or otherwise rendered inapplicable by the provisions of this section, all rules set forth in other sections of this rule book shall remain in full effect at every Class 7 State BMX Competition event.

B. PURPOSE

A number of Class 7 State BMX events, open to all qualified riders who are members of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisations, shall be scheduled in each calendar year.

C. VENUE

Each State or Territory Association affiliated organisation desiring to host a Class 7 State BMX competition shall make formal application, setting forth full particulars of the competition, to their State or Territory Association.

No Class 7 State BMX competition shall be conducted without the express approval of the organisations relevant State or Territory Association

Application to the State or Territory Association for the sanctioning of a Class 7 State BMX event, should take place on or before the 15th July of the year preceding the date of the event **where possible**.

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

D. DUTIES OF THE HOST ORGANISATION

The host organisation shall be responsible for all aspects of race organisation both as set forth in this rule book and as normally associated with the sponsorship of a BMX race. In addition, the host organisation shall:

1. Extend an invitation to participate, setting forth full particulars of the event, including:
 - Race track venue;
 - Date of race;
 - Event time table;
 - Other relevant matters;
 - Minimum prize money pool;to every affiliated member organisation of their State or Territory Association with any BMX activities and representing riders eligible to compete in sanctioned Class 7 State BMX events.
2. To pay a sanction fee (as per sanctioning form), payable prior to applying to host the Class 7 State BMX event.
Also collect on behalf of the State or Territory Association levies (as per sanctioning form) for each rider entry in the Class 7 State BMX event. These

monies must be forwarded to the State or Territory Association within 30 days of the close of entries.

3. Supply to the State or Territory Association office within three business days of the close of entries, a list identifying all the registered riders and the classes in which they intended to compete in the Class 7 State BMX event concerned.

E. OBLIGATIONS OF NON-HOST ORGANISATIONS

No State or Territory Association member organisation based in the same State or Territory as the host organisation may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a Class 7 State, Class 6 National or international BMX event, which takes place on the same dates as a State or Territory Association sanctioned Class 7 State BMX event.

F. REGISTRATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF RIDERS

1. Registration - Riders wishing to compete/participate in a State or Territory Association sanctioned Class 7 State BMX event may register only if their licence/membership is current.

All competition entry dates must be adhered to and no late entries will be accepted.

All race fees and entry forms must be forwarded to the organiser of the Class 7 State BMX event concerned.

2. Competition classes at Class 7 State BMX Events shall be as:

- i) Championship classes as per 4C.2.i
- ii) Challenge classes as per 4C.2.ii
- iii) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets as per 4C.2.iii.
- iv) A/AA Open classes may be conducted as per 4C.2.iv.

3. Determination of age for challenge classes only:

- i) Year of Competition/Participation minus Year of Birth, or
- ii) the age at commencement of the first day of competition/participation, or
- iii) the age at the commencement of the first event of a series, or
- iv) the age at the commencement of the final event of a series.

(Note: The preferred option must be stipulated on the entry form & must be consistent across all classes.)

At least three riders must have **registered** to constitute a class, in the above classes. Should this minimum number not be obtained, then the **registered** riders will race in the class above.

If this does not form a class, the competitor/participant has the option of riding in the opposite gender of their age.

Exception: should this minimum number not be obtained in the Veterans classes 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50+, the entered riders will race in the class below.

(article & text modified NOC 30/08/09)

G. RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

1. Championship classes:

Prize Money 1-3 or 1-8

Minimum Prize Money \$500.00

Prize money break-up for Championship classes: see appendix 1.

2. Challenge & Veterans classes:

Medals/Awards 1-3 or 1-8 or Vouchers 1-3 or 1-8

Vouchers must meet the following limits and breakdown regulations:

i) 13-15 years classes maximum voucher pool of \$500.00 per class not to exceed in value 50% of the junior 17-18 prize money allocation.

ii) 8-12 years classes maximum voucher pool of \$100.00 per class.

iii) Breakdown of voucher pool is as follows:

1-3 1st - 50%, 2nd -30%, 3rd - 20%

1 - 8 See Appendix 1.

3. Participation (Sprocket Rocket) classes: Identical participation awards.

SECTION 13: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

CLASS 8 REGIONAL BMX COMPETITION

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A. CONTEXT

The rules of this section supplement and modify the rules set forth in other sections of this rule book and apply to State & Territory Association sanctioned BMX competitions only.

Except as modified or otherwise rendered inapplicable by provisions of this section, all rules set forth in other sections of this rule book shall remain in full effect at every Class 8 Regional BMX competition.

B. PURPOSE

A number of Class 8 Regional BMX events, open to all qualified riders who are members of Bicycle Motocross Australia Inc. member organisations, shall be scheduled in each calendar year.

C. VENUE

Each Regional Association affiliated organisation desiring to host a Class 8 Regional BMX competition shall make a formal application, setting forth full particulars of the competition, to their State or territory Association.

No Class 8 Regional BMX competition shall be conducted without the express approval of the organisations relevant State or Territory Association.

Application to the State or Territory Association for the sanctioning of a Class 8 Regional BMX event should take place on or before the 15th July of the year preceding the date of the event **where possible**.

(article modified NOC 30/08/09)

D. DUTIES OF THE HOST ORGANISATION

The host organisation shall be responsible for all aspects of race organisation both as set forth in this rule book and as normally associated with the sponsorship of a BMX race. In addition, the host organisation shall:

1. Extend an invitation to participate, setting forth full particulars of the event, including:
 - Race track venue;
 - Date of race;
 - Event time table;
 - Other relevant matters;
 - Minimum prize money pool;

to every affiliated member organisation of their State or Territory Association with any BMX activities and representing riders eligible to compete in sanctioned Class 8 Regional BMX events.

2. To pay a sanction fee (as per sanctioning form), payable prior to applying to host the Class 8 Regional BMX event.
Also collect on behalf of the State or Territory Association levies (as per sanctioning form) for each rider entry in the Class 8 Regional BMX event. These monies must be forwarded to their State or Territory Association as per State or Territory sanctioning policy.
3. Supply to their State or Territory Association office within three business days of the close of entries, a list identifying all the registered riders and the classes in which they intended to compete in the Class 8 Regional BMX event concerned.

E. OBLIGATIONS OF NON-HOST ORGANISATIONS

No State or Territory Association member organisation based in the same region as the host organisation, may conduct or permit to be conducted under its sanction a Class 8 BMX event, which takes place on the same dates as a sanctioned Class 8 event.

F. REGISTRATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF RIDERS

1. Registration - Riders wishing to compete in a sanctioned Class 8 Regional BMX event may register only if their membership is current.
All competition entry dates must be adhered to and late entries are determined according to State policies.
All race fees and entry forms must be forwarded to the organiser of the event concerned.
2. Competition divisions at Class 8 Regional BMX events shall be:
 - i) Divisions based on rider abilities graded by a grading officer or committee, or
 - ii) Divisions established by grouping appropriate chronological ages together, or
 - iii) Divisions incorporating Street Stock, Novice & Expert classes.
 - iv) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets as per 4C.2.iii.
 - v) A/AA Open classes may be conducted as per 4C.2.iv.

3. Determination of age:
 - i) Year of Competition/Participation minus Year of Birth, or
 - ii) the age at commencement of the first day of competition/participation, or
 - iii) the age at the commencement of the first event of a series, or
 - iv) the age at the commencement of the final event of a series.
 (Note: The preferred option must be stipulated on the entry form & must be consistent across all classes.)
(article modified NOC 30/08/09)
4. At least three riders must have **registered** to constitute a class, in the above divisions. Should this minimum number not be obtained, then the **registered** riders will race in the class above.
 If this does not form a class, the competitor/participant has the option of riding in the opposite gender of their age.
(text modified NOC 30/08/09)

Exception: should this minimum number not be obtained in the Veterans classes 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50+, the entered riders will race in the class below.

5. A variety of modified races may be offered such as relays, time trials, handicap races, etc.
6. Advancement - Competitors may be classified as either a novice or an expert, and in the first instance, such classification shall be determined by the rider's Region or State.

Any competitor who achieved through competition, a World, Continental, Australian or State ranking, may not ride as a Novice during the currency of the ranking. Currency of the ranking is the period between the award being made and the date of the event in the following year.

When traveling interstate a competitor should carry a letter from their Regional or State Association stating their Novice classification, otherwise they will compete in expert class only.

G. RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

1. Divisions with rider's age 14 years & over: Prize Money 1-8
 Minimum Prize Money: Pay back (ie the sum of nomination money paid in for the class)
 Prize money break-up: see Appendix 1.
2. Divisions with riders 14 years & under or 30+ years:
 Medals/ Awards 1-3 or 1-8, or Vouchers 1-3 or 1-8

Where the option to present medals/ awards or vouchers to the first three place getters only is taken, advertised on the event flyer, and clearly marked on the entry form, the breakdown of the prize/ voucher pool shall be as follows:

1st - 50%, 2nd - 30%, 3rd - 20%

Vouchers must meet the following limits and breakdown regulations:

- i) 13-15 years classes maximum voucher pool of \$500.00 per class not to exceed in value 50% of the 16 years & over prize money allocation.
 - ii) 8-12 years classes maximum voucher pool of \$100.00 per class.
 - iii) Breakdown of voucher pool is as follows:
1st - 50%, 2nd - 30%, 3rd - 20%
1- 8 See Appendix 1.
3. Participation (Sprocket Rocket) classes: Identical participation awards.

SECTION 14: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

CLASS 9 CLUB BMX COMPETITION

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A. CONTEXT

The rules of this section supplement and modify the rules set forth in other sections of this rule book and apply to Club Association sanctioned BMX competitions only.

Except as modified or otherwise rendered inapplicable by provisions of this section, all rules set forth in other sections of this rule book shall remain in full effect at every Class 9 Club BMX Competition.

B. VENUE

BMX Venues must be approved by the clubs' State or Territory Association. BMX Australia Inc. Risk Management Policy must be adhered to at all times

C. REGISTRATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF RIDERS

1. Registration - Riders wishing to compete in a sanctioned Class 9 Club BMX event may register only if their membership is current.
All competition entry dates must be adhered to and no late entries will be accepted.
2. Competition divisions at Class 9 Club BMX events shall be:
 - i) Divisions based on rider abilities graded by a grading officer or committee, or
 - ii) Divisions established by grouping appropriate chronological ages together, or
 - iii) Divisions incorporating Street Stock, Novice & Expert classes.
 - iv) Participation classes for Sprocket Rockets as per 4C.2.iii.
 - v) A/AA Open classes may be conducted as per 4C.2.iv.
3. Determination of age:
 - i) Year of Competition minus Year of Birth, or
 - ii) the age at commencement of the first day of competition, or
 - iii) the age at the commencement of the first event of a series, or
 - iv) the age at the commencement of the final event of a series.

(Note: The preferred option must be stipulated on the entry form & must be consistent across all divisions.)

4. At least two riders must have **registered** to constitute a class, in the above divisions. Should this minimum number not be obtained, then the **registered** riders will race in the class above. If this does not form a class, the competitor has the option of riding in the opposite gender race of their racing age.
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Exception: should this minimum number not be obtained in the Veterans classes 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50+, the entered riders will race in the class below.

5. A variety of modified races may be offered such as relays, time trials, handicap races, etc.
6. Advancement - Competitors may be classified as either a novice or an expert, and in the first instance, such classification shall be determined by the rider's Region or State. Any competitor who achieved through competition, a World, Continental, Australian or State ranking, may not ride as a Novice during the currency of the ranking. Currency of the ranking is the period between the award being made and the date of the event in the following year.

When traveling interstate a competitor should carry a letter from their Regional or State Association stating their Novice classification, otherwise they will compete in expert class only.

E. RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

1. Divisions with rider's age 14 years & over: Prize Money or Awards.
Minimum Prize Money: As set by Club committee.
Prize money break-up: see appendix 1.
2. Divisions with riders 14 years & under or 30+ years: Awards or Vouchers.

Vouchers must meet the following limits and breakdown regulations:

- i) 13-15 years classes maximum voucher pool of \$500.00 per class not to exceed in value 40% of the 14 years & over prize money allocation.
- ii) 8-12 years classes maximum voucher pool of \$100.00 per class.
- iii) Breakdown of voucher pool is as follows:
1 - 3 50%, 2nd - 30%, 3rd - 20%
1 - 8 *see Appendix 1.*

3. Participation (Sprocket Rocket) classes: Identical participation awards

SECTION 15: RULES APPLICABLE TO:-

CLUB PERMIT MEMBERS

Club Permit members (Class 9), may only take part in club events and practice at their home club. This type of membership does not allow participation in Class 6-8 events even if conducted at the member's home club.

APPENDIX 1:

ARA PRIZE MONEY SCHEDULES

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A. PRO/ AMATEUR STATUS IN RELATION TO PRIZEMONEY

Bicycle Motocross Australia, in imitation of International Olympic Committee and the Union Cycliste Internationale, does not apply a different status to amateur and professional classes, but compete together in certain classes on the basis of age and capability. Therefore, riders receiving prize money at UCI or BMX Australian sanctioned events will not lose their possible eligibility for possible Olympic BMX events.

B. EQUITY IN RELATION TO PRIZEMONEY

"BMX Australia and its affiliated State and Territory Associations guarantee Australian men and women, boys and girls, equity, wherever possible, in all aspects of the sport including participation, training, competition, prize money, coaching, officiating and administration.

(Gender equity development plan 1996 - 1999, BMXA Gender Equity Working Party, 1995). The tables below are based on male: female proportions of 75%: 25% based on the current ratio of male: female licensed members in Australia.

C. ELITE MEN AND WOMEN PRIZE MONEY

Incorporating A/AA Open and 14+ Money.

Prize Money Break Up.

Total amount minimum at all races conducted in Australia as set out in the relevant Australian regional applications

- Elite: minimum prize pool to be advised on event flyer
- Elite female: minimum 25% of elite prize pool.
- Junior elite men: Up to a maximum of 40% of elite men.
- Junior elite women: up to a maximum of 40% of elite women

Prize Money Breakdown:

1st Place	33%
2nd Place	23%
3rd Place	14%
4th Place	8%
5th Place	7%
6th Place	6%
7th Place	5%
8th Place	4%

All prize money to be paid out in cash at international events with the option of cheques at all other events. Monies to be paid immediately following the conclusion of the event.

D. A/AA OPEN MEN AND WOMEN PRIZE MONEY

Total amount minimum and break-down as per elite classes or host State guidelines.

E. 13 - 15 YEARS CLASS PRIZE MONEY

13- 15 year classes' maximum pool not to exceed in value 40% of the Junior 17 - 18 prize money allocation. Prize money break-down as per elite classes (1-8); 50%, 30%, and 20% (1-3)

F. 8 - 12 YEARS CLASS PRIZE MONEY

8 - 12 year classes' maximum pool not to exceed in value 40% of the 13 - 15 year prize money allocation. Prize money break-down as per elite classes (1-8); 50%, 30%, and 20% (1-3)

APPENDIX 2:

NATIONAL A/AA GUIDELINES

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A. COMPETITION ADMINISTRATION

1. A & AA Open Class Operating Procedures
 - i) Prize money breakdown and Prize Pool Allocation for Open Money classes with finals are to be based on the recommended breakdown in Appendix 1 of the Australian Regional Procedures or host State guidelines. The event flyer is to contain all relevant information.
 - ii) The A Open class will not be considered championship events, or finish place results used to determine rankings if conducted at Class 6, Class 7, or Class 8 Championships.
 - iii) The A Open Class can only be conducted in conjunction with an AA Open class event. If nominations are insufficient to conduct either AA or A Open Classes, then only the AA Open class may be conducted. (ie combine AA & A into AA Open only).
 - iv) A competitor who is classified an A Open rider can compete in a combined A & AA Open event without any loss of classification status. However any A Open competitor who nominates to compete in an AA Open class event will from that date be classified as an AA Open competitor. (Re-classification & transfer conditions apply)
 - v) Competitors may also enter (or qualify for) any appropriate Open Money Classes, Cruisers, Composite Classes, Trophy Dashes or other special racing that may be organised.
2. Class classification procedures A & AA Opens
 - i) Competition Age: Competitors **who are turning 14 for "Year of Birth" competitions or who have attained the age of 14 for "Age on Day" competitions**, upon appropriate qualification, may compete in the A

Open or AA Open classes. (Re-classification and transfer conditions apply)

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- ii) An up-to-date register of AA and A Open competitors will be kept by each State/Territory. Updated lists should be kept on a monthly basis for distribution to State/Territory or clubs from time to time as requested.
- iii) Clubs must obtain an updated classification list from the State/Territory Administration Official prior to conducting any event with the A & AA classes. After the event the club must forward to the State/Territory Administration Official a Race Director's report for the A & AA Open classes with a corresponding list of all money won.
- iv) If the event has pre-nominations the competitor will be classified as per date for close of nominations. The classification will be based on the current updated classification list.

3. Re-classification conditions:

- i) AA Open competitors may apply in writing to their State Board of Management to be re-classified back into the A Open class after competing at no less than six (6) AA Open races if they feel their performances are not of a compatible standard. The Board's decision in this matter is final.

4. Transfer Procedures:

- i) A mandatory transfer system applies to competitors in the A Open class.
- ii) A competitor competing in the A Open class may only earn up to a maximum of \$2000.00 from any number of race meetings. Evidence of which shall be kept in a BMXA approved log book.
- iii) Once this prize purse ceiling has been reached, the competitor is automatically transferred through to the AA Open class.
- iv) An A Open class competitor may be transferred prior to earning \$2000.00 if they so wish by simply nominating for an AA Open class event and/or notifying the State Administration Official of their decision. They must meet re-classification conditions to transfer back to A Open class.
- v) If AA & A open classes are combined due to the lack of numbers, the A Opens competitors will only be re-classified into the AA Open classes if the prize monies won on the day takes them past the \$2000.00 transfer limit. This re-classification will not take place until the updated classification list has been distributed or in the case of a series, take place at the conclusion of the series.
- vi) Any club or Organisation found to have knowingly paid a competitor outside of these guidelines will not be permitted to conduct an event offering prize money for a period of two years from the time of the offence.