

## **NORTHERN POWER RACE PARK**

# **MUD BOGS**

# OFFICIAL RULE BOOK 2025

## NPRP MUD BOG RULES

#### Introduction

Our mission at Northern Power Race Park is to provide a fun and safe racing experience for those of all ages and skill levels. Entrants, riders, and participants are required to know and understand the rules and regulations outlined here by Northern Power Race Park, LLC and are (by reason of their entry) bound by such. In the case that a rule determination is not defined in these rules, the decision of the Northern Power Race Park Race Director will be final.

Each participant has the responsibility to assess the safety aspects of the track facilities and conditions and must assume all risks associated with the competition. Northern Power Race Park, LLC does not provide medical insurance coverage. We strongly encourage you not to compete without adequate personal medical insurance coverage. If you have any doubts, at any time, about your personal ability to participate in any event, if you have not sufficiently prepared yourself and your equipment, or if you believe your personal insurance coverage is not adequate to compensate you for any loss that may occur, you should not participate.

If you need more information on the rules please contact Rene at <u>rene@northernpowerracepark.com</u>.

Any addendum to these rules/information that occurs during the period these rules are in effect will be posted on the website and highlighted in red in the rule book.

## **GENERAL RULES**

- HAVE FUN AND BE RESPECTFUL We are all here to have fun, however, it is each person's responsibility to respect every entrant, rider, and participant and conduct themselves in a sportsman-like manner. Northern Power Race Park, LLC reserves the right to remove anyone from the premises who violates the rules and/or code of conduct.
  NPRP Code of Conduct: Please review the NPRP Code of Conduct. Northern Power Race Park, LLC reserves the right to remove anyone from the right to remove anyone from the rules and/or code of conduct.
- 2. **General Liability:** Everyone entering the Northern Power Race Park property must sign the Northern Power Race Park Accident Waiver and Release of Liability form and obtain a wristband. Wristbands must be worn throughout the entirety of the event. Riders or their crews caught without a wristband, switching wristbands, or using old wristbands could subject their rider to disciplinary actions, fines, and possible disqualification.
- 3. **Safety & Responsibility:** Off road racing is a dangerous sport. Each participant assumes the risk of bodily injury, death, or property damage when he/she participates in an event. Although safety is a concern, NPRP cannot be held responsible for the safety of the participants. With participation being voluntary, no entrant, pit crew member or vehicle sponsor shall have any claim for damages, expenses, lawsuits, or otherwise against Northern Power Race Park and its officers, agents, or directors arising from damage to any vehicle, personal injury or death, or monetary loss of any kind whatsoever. Entrants, pit crew members, or vehicle sponsors who voluntarily participate in any racing activities conducted under these rules waive any claim they may have against Northern Power Race Park, its officers, agents, or directors.
- 4. **Pit Vehicles:** Drivers can ride their machines to and from the gate. The driver must wear a helmet at all times. Please observe the 10 mph facility speed limit. No pit racing, wheelies, or burnouts. Other pit vehicles (pit bikes, 4-wheelers, golf carts, etc) are allowed. However, they must observe the 10 mph speed limit, no racing in the pits, wheelies, or burnouts.
- 5. **Testing in unauthorized areas:** No race vehicles are permitted to test at any time on the event grounds when not on the race track in a controlled environment. There is no designated testing area, and no competitor or team member should assume any area is permitted to test. A 10 mph speed limit must be observed in the pits and throughout the facility.
- 6. **Age classifications are determined as of May 1, 2025.** Whatever age you are on May 1, 2025, is the age group you can compete in through the final race of the season. Racers may advance to the next age group upon turning the appropriate age.

- 7. Any race machine that fits the respective class may be entered by two or more riders. Standard race registration applies for each individual entry.
- 8. The rider is responsible for the actions of his/her parents, family members, crew, mechanic, friends, or anyone associated with him/her and may be penalized or disqualified for the actions of those persons. Verbal harassment of officials will not be tolerated. Physical abuse of officials will be reported to Law Enforcement and will be grounds for permanent expulsion of the rider from any Northern Power Race Park, LLC events.
- 9. **Proof of age:** If necessary a Certified copy of a birth certificate or Driver's License will be accepted as proof of age. Proof of age must be provided within 5 days of the request to Northern Power Race Park. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.
- 10. **All trophies, payouts, etc**. not picked up on the day of the event or the designated pickup time will be forfeited if not claimed by the winner or the representative.
- 11. Drivers Meeting: ALL DRIVERS MUST BE PRESENT. The time and place of the drivers' meeting will be announced on the schedule. Instructions and important information will be given at this time. No one is allowed to question or contact the Race Scorers after racing begins unless allowed by NPRP officials. All questions and matters must be resolved at the driver's meeting or after the races are completed. *Parents of youth drivers (under the age of 16) are required to attend the driver's meeting with their driver.*
- 12. Each driver is responsible for being at the start line for his/her class race. It is not the responsibility of NPRP officials to locate riders for their class race.
- 13. Advertising and Promotion Release: Each participant, by entering a NPRP-sanctioned event, grants Northern Power Race Park and authorized agents the right to use any photographs, videos, and sounds of the participant and/or any of the participant's race vehicles in any and all advertisements.
- 14. Unsportsmanlike Conduct: Any unsafe and/or intentional hitting or bumping, taking out, or unsafe riding or course cutting that is deemed dangerous or unsafe by the Track Officials will be grounds for disqualification or penalty as deemed appropriate. Unsportsmanlike conduct will NOT be tolerated.
- 15. All machines are subject to NPRP impound evaluations or teardown if decided by the NPRP Race Director that a particular race machine of interest needs further evaluation. Failure to submit a machine for official inspection will result in the disqualification of that machine for the day and no points, prizes or refunds will be awarded.
- 16. No two-way radios between riders and pit crew.

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## **ENTRANTS**

- 1. Any entrant who fails to fully fill out and sign required entry forms, waivers and releases shall be disqualified and shall forfeit any prize money, points and contingencies won in that particular event.
- No entrant may enter racing areas until they have signed all releases and/or entry forms. No person shall sign the release or entry forms for anyone other than himself or herself. Proper identification may be required.
- 3. The entry applications of persons under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign the release form. If a parent is sending their child with a legal guardian, they must use an NPRP Minor Release Form.
- 4. Any entrant who competes on a vehicle that he/she is not registered to ride or permits such action shall forfeit any and all prize money, points, and contingencies won in that particular event. Such action may result in vehicle disqualification.
- 5. Only entrants that are listed on official NPRP registration forms may ride the vehicle for which they are registered. No entrant may ride any vehicle for which they are not registered.

## **DRIVER PROTECTIVE GEAR**

#### (\*required for all. \*\*required for some - see class-specific rules)

- 1. Helmet\*
  - a. Properly fastened, fit well, and must be in good condition. Helmets must be approved by the Snell Memorial Foundation with a Snell or D.O.T. sticker attached. Straps must have D-ring fasteners only. No snaps or Velcro will be permitted. The interior and exterior areas of the helmet must be free of defects. (i.e., the padding must be in good condition and the exterior of the helmet must not be damaged.) NPRP strongly recommends that entrants use helmets specifically designed for racing.

#### 2. Eye protection

- a. Goggles or face shield are strongly encouraged.
- 3. Harness\*\*
  - a. A 4-point or 5-point harness is required for all classes (excluding street stock, modified stock, and powder puff harnesses are strongly encouraged.

#### 4. Tires\*

a. Must be mud or all-terrain tires suited for mud.

#### 5. Roll cages\*\*

- a. Required for some classes, see class-specific rules.
- 6. Seats\*

- a. All vehicles must have a securely fastened seat.
- 7. Solid pull point\*
- 8. Fire suits\*\*
  - Required for all classes with additives or otherwise stated in class-specific rules. One-piece driver suits only. The suits must cover from the neck to the ankles and to the wrists. All suits must be fire retardant and have the SFI label attached. SFI rating must be 3.2A/5.

## **NUMBER PLATES**

Numbers should be highly visible on both sides of the vehicle and on the windshield. If you do not have a number, we will provide one.

## **CLASS ORDER**

- 1. Street Stock / Farm
- 2. Modified Stock
- 3. Powder Puff
- 4. Backyard
- 5. Super Modified
- 6. Open Class
- 7. Mega Truck

This schedule is subject to change based on registrations, if the order is changed it will be communicated at the event. There will be intermissions between each class for cool-down.

## **RACE FORMAT**

- 1. *Pre-race tech inspection*: All vehicles must go through a pre-race tech inspection and receive a tech sticker.
- 2. The running order for each class will be randomly selected by drawing chips before that class begins.
- 3. Each person gets one pass
  - a. Each person will be timed; if they do not make it through the full course, their distance will be measured and used as their score.
- 4. The vehicle can run more than once in each class with a new driver. Standard race registration applies for each driver.
- 5. The first person of the day (street stock/farm class) will have the option to make another pass in the middle of the running order if they wish to do so (the second pass is the one scored).
- 6. NPRP may cut or split classes based on entries at any event.

## **NPRP MUD BOG CLASSES**

Based on age on May 1, 2025.

## **MEGA TRUCK**

<u>Vehicle Specs</u>: Custom-built 4x4 vehicles with 2.5-ton or larger axles and agricultural or V-tread tires

Age: 18+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: No restrictions on engine modifications; power adders allowed. Roll cage, 5-point harness, fire extinguisher, goggles and helmet required. Driveshaft loops, transmission shields, and kill switch are mandatory. Fire suit required. Remote engine shutdown system strongly encouraged.

## **OPEN CLASS**

Vehicle Specs: 4x4 vehicles with any tire size and modifications

Age: 18+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: No restrictions on frame, body, or engine modifications. Power adders (e.g., nitrous, superchargers, turbos) allowed. Cut and paddle tires permitted. Roll cage, 5-point harness, fire extinguisher, fire suit, and helmet required. Driveshaft loops and transmission shields are mandatory. Kill switch accessible to driver required.

### **SUPER MODIFIED**

Vehicle Specs: Heavily modified 4x4 vehicles with 41" to 54" DOT-approved tires

Age: 18+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: Custom frames and bodies allowed; must resemble original truck form. Engine modifications permitted; no power adders (e.g., nitrous, superchargers, turbos). Roll cage, 5-point harness, and fire extinguisher required. Driveshaft loops and transmission shields are mandatory. Helmet mandatory. No cut or paddle tires. Long sleeves and pants required - fire suit strongly recommended.

## BACKYARD

Vehicle Specs: 4x4 vehicles with cut tires, uncut, or tractor/paddle tires.

Age: 16+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: Stock type suspension, sliders are permitted. Aftermarket blocks are permitted. Power adders (e.g., nitrous, superchargers, turbos) allowed. Fire suits are required. Must have a helmet, and fire extinguisher. Roll cage, 5-point harness, and fire extinguisher required. Must have exhaust past the cab of the vehicle.

## **POWDER PUFF**

Vehicle Specs: 4x4 vehicles with 37" to 40" DOT-approved tires

<u>Age</u>: 18+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: OEM frame and body; suspension lifts and axle upgrades permitted. Engine swaps allowed if naturally aspirated. No power adders (e.g., nitrous, superchargers, turbos). Interior modifications allowed; must have driver's seat and seat belt. Must have functioning brakes, and basic safety equipment. Roll bar required; fire extinguisher within driver's reach. Helmet mandatory. No cut or paddle tires. Harness is strongly recommended. Long sleeves and pants required - fire suit strongly recommended.

### **MODIFIED STOCK**

Vehicle Specs: 4x4 vehicles with 37" to 40" DOT-approved tires

Age: 16+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: OEM frame and body; suspension lifts and axle upgrades permitted. Engine swaps allowed if naturally aspirated. No power adders (e.g., nitrous, superchargers, turbos). Interior modifications allowed; must have driver's seat and seat belt. Must have functioning brakes, and basic safety equipment. Roll bar required; fire extinguisher within driver's reach. Helmet mandatory. No cut or paddle tires. Harness is strongly recommended. Long sleeves and pants required - fire suit strongly recommended.

## **STREET STOCK / FARM**

Vehicle Specs: Street-legal 4x4s with up to 36" DOT-approved tires

Age: 16+ (with valid driver's license)

<u>Rules</u>: OEM frame, body, and drivetrain must be retained. Maximum of 3 minor engine modifications (e.g., intake, headers, ignition). No power adders (e.g., nitrous, superchargers, turbos). Full interior required; no gutting. Fire extinguisher within driver's reach. Helmet mandatory. No cut or paddle tires. Must have functioning brakes, seat belts, and basic safety equipment. Must have exhaust past the cab of the vehicle. Harness is strongly recommended. Long sleeves and pants required - fire suit strongly recommended.

#### **ENTRY FEES**

We do not require a membership to participate in NPRP Mud Bogs. Everyone entering the facility must pay the gate fees:

## **GATE FEES**

#### (Everyone entering the facility must pay the gate fee.) SINGLE DAY GATE FEES

\$15 - 13 and up \$10 - 12 and under Free - 5 and under

## **CLASS ENTRY FEES & PAYOUTS**

#### Trophies/Medal Classes (1st, 2nd, 3rd)

• Street Stock/Farm, Modified Stock, Powder Puff:

#### Payout Classes(1st, 2nd, 3rd)

• Super Modified, Open, Mega Truck, Backyard:

#### \$40 entry fee

\$60 entry fee (80% payout)

#### Additional purse money for payout classes:

- If there is additional prize money for the payout class purses (though sponsorships or donations), this will be advertised in the event-specific information on our website and social media.
- Northern Power Race Park will try to source additional purse money for every event for the payout classes. If you, or someone you know, is interested in sponsoring, please contact <u>alyssa@northernpowerrracepark.com</u>

#### A note to participants and spectators:

We are excited to kick off Mud Bog events at Northern Power Race Park! Our team is dedicated to making our facility the best in Michigan, but this takes time. During our first year hosting these events, we ask for patience and kindness as we learn the fundamentals of this type of racing.

Will these events be fun, and will we do everything we can to make them badass this year? ABSOLOUTELY! As mentioned, our team is dedicated to growing these events and improving at every stop. But will there be some hiccups along the way? Of course.

We have sought insight from leaders in this industry and have been working hard to create these events. Buckle up and get ready for an awesome experience, but please remember we are growing and learning!

## **NPRP CODE OF CONDUCT**

Welcome to Northern Power Race Park! Our team is so glad you're here and we look forward to hosting you at our events. This Code of Conduct was created to help create a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable experience for guests and participants of all ages.

**HAVE FUN AND BE RESPECTFUL.** We are all here to have fun and do what we love - ride snowmobiles!! It is each person's responsibility to respect every entrant, rider, and participant and conduct themselves in a sportsman-like manner. Northern Power Race Park, LLC reserves the right to remove anyone from the premises who violates the rules and/or code of conduct.

**BE COURTEOUS**. Please be courteous to other attendees. Do not disrupt other patrons with disrespectful, unruly, or hostile actions or behavior. Inappropriate behavior should be reported to Race Park Management.

**RESPECT OUR EMPLOYEES.** Our employees and volunteers work tirelessly to put on these events. Please be respectful to them, they are the reason these events are possible!

**DO NOT INTERFERE WITH THE EVENT**. Do not go on the track unless it is your time to race, throw things on the track, interfere with the race, or bother the track officials. No one is allowed to cross the track or be on the in-field without prior permission from Race Park Management or Race Director. All persons must remain 20 feet away from the active race track. No one except for riders who are properly registered may ride or practice on the track on race day.

NO WEAPONS OR FIREWORKS.Weapons are prohibited on the Northern Power RacePark property. Fireworks and all other forms of explosives and/or noisemakers are not permitted.Northern Power Race Park2201 Valley Rd, Mancelona, MI 49659northernpowerracepark.com231-587-0056

**NO PETS.** Pets are not permitted in the spectator area. Service animals are allowed. Pets are permitted in the pit area - please keep them on a leash at all times and remember to pick up after them

**WRISTBANDS REQUIRED.** Everyone entering the Northern Power Race Park property must sign the Northern Power Race Park Accident Waiver and Release of Liability form and obtain a wristband. Wristbands must be worn throughout the entirety of the event. Riders or their crews caught without a wristband, switching wristbands, or using old wristbands could subject their rider to disciplinary actions, fines and possible disqualification. Please be prepared to show your wristband at all times.

**CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF.** There are numerous trash receptacles around the park. Please dispose of all trash and race vehicle parts in a respectful manner.

**NO DRONES.** No personal drones or other aerial recording devices are permitted at the park without the permission of race park management.

**MAINTAIN SPORTSMANSHIP.** Northern Power Race Park invites racers of all skill levels to participate in our events. Please be respectful and maintain appropriateness to everyone on and off the track.

**RESPECT OUR NEIGHBORS.** Be courteous to the residents of the neighborhoods surrounding the park when entering and exiting the grounds.

**KEEP IT FAMILY-FRIENDLY.** Please help us maintain a family-friendly atmosphere by monitoring profanity.

**NO SOLICITING** No Soliciting or distributing of literature or products will be allowed at Michigan Snocross events without prior approval from Northern Power Race Park management.

#### DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

**Drugs:** For the purpose of this code, "Illegal Substances" include any substance that may not be legally prescribed, either by Federal or State Statute, which when taken or ingested may or may not have a performance-enhancing or mood or state of mind-altering effect. For the purpose of this code, "Controlled Substances" include any substance which may be legally prescribed, either by Federal or State Statute, which when ingested or taken may have a performance-enhancing or mood or state of taken may have a performance-enhancing or mood or state or taken may have a performance-enhancing or mood or state of taken may have a performance-enhancing or mood or state of taken may have a performance-enhancing or mood or state of mind-altering effect.

1. It is forbidden for any participant to illegally use, possess, acquire or distribute any Controlled or Illegal Substance, at any time. Nothing contained herein shall be

constructed to discourage the proper use of medically necessary or prescribed or over-the-counter medications.

Alcohol: It is forbidden for any participant to consume any alcoholic beverage in a manner which may affect his/her behavior during practice, qualifying or the racing portions of an NPRP Event. NPRP's standard for being "under the influence" is that any person who is deemed to be acting abnormally or is impaired, at the sole discretion of NPRP, and/or who subsequently is shown to have alcohol in their system, as tested by any recognized test method at NPRPs sole discretion, shall be deemed in violation of this Code.

### **NPRP CONTACT INFORMATION**

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