



**2017 NEZ FORMULA OFFROAD**

**CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS:**

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## 1. GENERAL PRESCRIPTIONS:

Competitions held in accordance with the F.I.A. International Sporting Code (ISC) and the regulations of the organizers ASN.

If there is a discrepancy between ASN and the Championship regulations, the ASN regulations will be valid.

If there is a discrepancy between ASN and ISC regulations, the later will be valid.

## 2. DEFINITION:

Formula Offroad is a form of motorsport where drivers compete in precision driving through steep hills and extreme terrain like mud and water with 4wd vehicles

## 3. CHAMPIONSHIP:

- 3.1. These regulations prescribe the NEZ (North European Zone) Formula Offroad Championship organization, procedure and order of judge, requests for participants and prescriptions for Championship classification.
- 3.2. Anything not covered by these regulations are authorized to be decided by; - Stewards, if decision is made during the time of event; - NEZ Formula Offroad Working Group, from now called FOWG, if decision is made at another time.
- 3.3. Supplementary regulations for the Championship, bulletins and results will be published at [www.formulaoffroad.org](http://www.formulaoffroad.org) with links from the FIA-NEZ pages. The official language for all briefings and information is English.
- 3.4. The NEZ Championship includes a total of 12 different tracks, 6 of them Saturday and 6 Sunday. One or more can be timed each day.
- 3.5. The NEZ Formula Offroad Championship is open to vehicles in classes; Modified and Unlimited - as described in NEZ TECHNICAL REGULATIONS FORMULA OFFROAD
- 3.6. A driver may only participate in one class with one vehicle in each event. A vehicle can only be registered with one driver in each event

## 4. PARTICIPANTS

- 4.1. Drivers holding a driver's license and National or International competition license valid for Offroad racing issued by an ASN inside NEZ is eligible.
- 4.2. Entries will be limited to a maximum of 48 participants. If limitations is necessary between classes; 24 in Unlimited and 24 in Modified.
- 4.3. Drivers will have priority according to these rules;
  - 4.3.1. 1st priority; NEZ FO Champions 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012 and 2011
  - 4.3.2. 2nd priority; Top 10 in Unlimited and top 10 in Modified from the NEZ 2015
  - 4.3.3. 3rd priority; One driver from each NEZ country in each class.
- 4.4. Any open places will be filled after decision by the FOWG in collaboration with the national ASNs.

## 5. ENTRIES

- 5.1. Organizer will open for entries at least 30 days before the first race day; ordinary registration will close for applications 20 days before the first race day. Late entries

will be approved until 7 days before the first race day, an additional fee of 100 € must be paid.

- 5.2. A receipt must immediately be sent to each applicant. The final list of competitors, including any rejects, must be sent to each applicant and all FOWG members a minimum of 5 days before the first race day.
- 5.3. FOWG will publish the list of competitors at [www.formulaoffroad.org](http://www.formulaoffroad.org)
- 5.4. Entry fee for each driver is 100 € and should be paid to organizers account at registration time, or on race day if the organizer decides so.
- 5.5. If the event is canceled, the fee must be returned within two days after cancellation is announced
- 5.6. All information concerning event participants must be on the official notice board. Only driver is eligible to apply to Championship officials for lodging announcements, protests etc.

## **6. ELIGIBLE VEHICLES:**

- 6.1. All vehicles eligible to compete must be prepared in accordance with the NEZ 2017 TECHNICAL REGULATIONS FORMULA OFFROAD otherwise start will be refused.
- 6.2. Fixed numbers will be used on all cars. The only numbers not available will be numbers 1, 2, and 3 in the Unlimited class, and numbers 201, 202, and 203 in the Modified class.
- 6.3. New series of numbers will be 1-199 in the Unlimited class, and 201-399 in the Modified class. If a driver wants to change the number he is assigned, he must send a request by e-mail to [formulaoffroad.info](mailto:formulaoffroad.info)
- 6.4. The first three number in each class are assigned to those drivers that held the top three places in the competition the previous year.
- 6.5. The drivers in the top three places can choose between a fixed number or his result number.
- 6.6. If a driver does not compete for two years, he/she will lose the fixed number.
- 6.7. If the driver sells the car, the fixed number may follow the car.
- 6.8. All vehicles must have a dedicated place on each side for the competition numbers; height 35 cm - width 25 cm.
- 6.9. Competition numbers are provided by organizer and may include a sponsor advertisement. Black numbers on white base for Unlimited and black numbers on a yellow background for the Modified.
- 6.10. Additional fee of 150 € has to be paid by a competitor who refuses to carry the organizer's sponsor advertisement.

## **7. DATE AND TIME OF EVENTS**

- 7.1. The Competition Form, Organizer, Place and Date of the NEZ Formula Offroad Championship for each year will be advertised on [www.formulaoffroad.org](http://www.formulaoffroad.org).
- 7.2. Organizer must send invitations to all FOWG members no later than 30 days before the event.
- 7.3. FOWG will publish all invitation at [www.formulaoffroad.org](http://www.formulaoffroad.org).
- 7.4. Results must be sent all participants and members of the FOWG no later than the day after the event.

- 7.5. The following of program for the event, depending on number of drivers, weather conditions and other reasons is prescribed by Clerk of Course and announced in drivers briefing and posted on official notice board on the day of the event.

## **8. ORGANIZATION OF EVENT:**

- 8.1. Facilities: The Championship must be held in a gravel pit well suited for Formula Offroad and with sufficient depot and accommodations for drivers and spectators.
- 8.2. Officials: Events will be organized in accordance with competition and technical rules included in these regulations and with the common regulations of the national ASN.
- 8.3. The organizer's committee includes at least three members; these members are not allowed to participate in the event. The committee is responsible for making the supplementary regulations of the event.
- 8.4. The event will be refereed by a panel of Stewards in accordance with the national ASN.
- 8.5. Chairman of the Stewards sends observer's rapport to FOWG and the national ASN within 7 days from event.
- 8.6. The supplementary regulations of each event must include a list of officials, consisting of at least:
  - 8.6.1. Chairman of Stewards
  - 8.6.2. Clerk of the course
  - 8.6.3. Chief scrutineer
  - 8.6.4. Secretary of the event
  - 8.6.5. Track master
  - 8.6.6. Chief of point referees
  - 8.6.7. Chief of the depot
- 8.7. The point referees must be from at least two different countries and have licenses from there ASN
- 8.8. Secretary of the event keeps the following documents and gives copies to the Chairman of Stewards:
  - 8.8.1. Organizing approval from own ASN
  - 8.8.2. Proof of insurance
  - 8.8.3. Approval from owner of the race area.
  - 8.8.4. Approval from local Police authority.

**9. SAFETY:**

- 9.1. At least one ambulance with medical crew must be present at all times.
- 9.2. Officials with minimum one 6kg powder fire extinguishers must be present at the start and finish gates. Also a CO2 fire extinguisher should be present at the start.
- 9.3. Two manned rescue vehicles with winch and/or lifting equipment must be present at the race. Hydraulic cutting equipment, crowbar and a knife for cutting safety belts must be in a manned unit by the course.
- 9.4. Necessary restrictions must be put up to protect the spectators.

**10. DEPOT:**

- 10.1. A depot area with sufficient room for all participants must be organized.
- 10.2. Maximum speed limit in the depot area is (walking speed).
- 10.3. At least two fire extinguishers, minimum 6kg foam, must be easily available at a marked place.
- 10.4. All Competitions Cars must have tarpaulin under the car in the service area during service. The tarpaulin must be of in one piece, have a thickness of min 520 g /m<sup>2</sup>, and cover the whole area of the car.
- 10.5. A fuel depot should also be organized for secure refueling.

**11. TEST TRACK:**

- 11.1. An area for testing of vehicles must be available. This area must have a length of at least 25 meters, and all driving should be in one direction.
- 11.2. This area must be available to the drivers throughout the whole competition without any special notice.

**12. DRIVERS BRIEFING:**

- 12.1. A drivers briefing must be held a minimum of one hour before the start.
- 12.2. Drivers not attending may be banned from the event.

**13. PASSENGERS:**

No passengers are allowed in race vehicles at any time during the event.

**14. TECHNICAL SCRUTINEERING:**

- 14.1. Any vehicle taking part in the event must be presented to scrutineering which will be held at organizer's indicated place in accordance with the time schedule for the actual event.
- 14.2. Driver must be present and bring licenses and personal safety equipment.
- 14.3. A rolling brake test must be passed, all four wheels to be locked.

- 14.4. If a competitor arrives after the closing of scrutineering, he may pass it within the next hour, being applied with a financial penalty of 50 €.
- 14.5. No car will be allowed to start unless it has passed scrutineering.
- 14.6. Organizer must provide suitable, covered working place for scrutineering.
- 14.7. Additional scrutineering may be carried out at any time during the event after Chief Scrutineer's or Chief of Stewards decision.

#### **15. PRACTICE/TESTING:**

- 15.1. One hour before the start, a test track will be opened
- 15.2. Administrative control and technical scrutineering must have been completed before practice.

#### **16. PENALTIES, PROTESTS AND APPEALS:**

- 16.1. All protests must be lodged in accordance to national rules, published in the Supplementary regulations of the event.
- 16.2. All protests must be made in written form in English and handed to the Clerk of course including a registration fee.
- 16.3. Competitors have the rights to appeal the decision of stewards to the organizing ASN in accordance to national rules.
- 16.4. Appeal must be made in written form in English and handed to the Chairman of Stewards included a registration fee.
- 16.5. Copy of the appeal must be addressed to Chairman of FOWG together with stewards' report.

#### **17. PRIZE-GIVING:**

- 17.1. First 3 drivers in each class will be awarded with trophies in each event.
- 17.2. A "Best in Show" trophy can also be given after organizers decision; this should reward a spectacular attempt or a good save – not a rollover.
- 17.3. The prize-giving in the event will take place at organizer's appointed place no later than 1 hour after finish of the race, if no protests that can change prized places are lodged during this time, or after the protests are considered and the decision is made.
- 17.4. Official NEZ medals are given to the best 3 drivers in each class in the NEZ Championship. These medals will be given in a ceremony in driver's country or a common NEZ prize giving ceremony.

**18. INFORMATION:**

All information regarding the NEZ Formula Offroad Championship will be found at [www.formulaoffroad.org](http://www.formulaoffroad.org)

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