

HQMA ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

We the officers, directors and members are very proud of our facilities and our desire to make each racing event enjoyable to all drivers, handlers, family, friends and spectators. To ensure that your families experience is a positive one, we have instilled a Zero Tolerance Policy (ZTP). Please review the violations/actions and suspension terms and make sure that EVERYONE associated with your driver, race car, or team is familiar with the ZTP, as the ZTP SHALL apply to all individuals at an HQMA racing event.

<u>VIOLATION/ACTION</u>	<u>SUSPENSION TERM</u>
1. Deliberately damaging, destroying or defacing HQMA property or assets.	Minimum 1 calendar year plus costs of damages.
2. Consuming of being under the influence of alcohol or having an open container, or drugs during a racing event. An event starts when coming onto track property and ends at the conclusion of tech.	1 calendar month or 4 HQMA events
3. Having a physical altercations with another individual at an HQMA event.	1 calendar month or 4 HQMA events
4. Making a verbal threat to any person including your or another driver.	2 HQMA events
5. Yelling, comments, gestures or obscenities directed at track official, other handler(s), driver, board member or officer	2 HQMA events
6. Violating any HQMA or USAC racing rules or procedures, including but not limited to smoking in HQMA fenced in areas.	1 HQMA event
7. Any disrespectful conduct toward race officials, board member, officer or member. Shall include but not be limited to unsolicited visits to the tower during HQMA events..	1 HQMA event
8. Any social media posts listing HQMA race official, board member, club officer, club member, family name, driver, handler, pictures or video criticizing, defaming or threatening any officials, board member, officers, club member or driver.	1 HQMA event
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9. Driver blatantly ignoring instructions from a track official	DQ from that race
10. Handler blatantly ignoring instructions from a track official	DQ from that race
11. Driver excessively or deliberately hitting another driver on the track or in the hot chute	DQ from that class for the event
12. Driver or handler making inappropriately hand gestures to race officials, other drivers, handlers or spectators.	DQ from that class for the event

***FOR ANY SECOND OFFENSE OF THE ZTP (1-8) VIOLATIONS/ACTIONS THE SUSPENSION SHALL BE DOUBLED. THIRD OFFENSE OF ANY ZTP (1-8) MINIMUM 1 YEAR SUSPENSION

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SUSPENSION TERMS

- *HQMA Board can choose to suspend any member, driver and or handler at Boards discretion.
- *All suspension terms begin the following race event date o the schedule or as noted above.
- *All suspensions will be approved by the HQMA officers and Board.
- *All suspensions will be the handler and his/her driver
- *Final suspension term will be determined by the HQMA officers and Board.
- *Any member complaint or notification to the Board of ZTP violation/action must be submitted to the HQMA president of secretary (mailed or confirmed email) with a stap date and time no later than 72 hours after an HQMA event.
- *Suspension term can carry over into the following calendar year or racing season.
- *All suspension terms may be adjusted by the HQMA officers and Board, due to severity of the violation/action.
- *Written notification of suspension term will be sent and postmarked within 5 business days of decision. A confirmation received email shall also serve as proper notification of suspension.
- *Appeals of suspension terms of calendar month or 4 events of longer suspensions may be appealed only if written notice of appeal is received by the club secretary within 3 days of receipt of notification of suspension. No verbal or email appeals will be accepted. Appeals must coincide with HQMA by-law appeal procedures
- *There are **NO** appeals of a race or event disqualification (DQ) or a suspension of 2 race events or fewer.
- *Any DQ or suspension pursuant to ZTP can NOT be used as a drop in any HQMA points series.

All participants are required to sign this form acknowledging that you have read and agree to the terms of the HQMA Zero Tolerance Policy as described above.

Driver: _____

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Handler: _____

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