

Mini Indy
Advanced Class Early Move Up

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Purpose

The purpose of this document is to define a process, for both the Novice Committee and membership, for the evaluation and approval for the early move up of drivers into an advance racing class. The advance racing classes are defined in the 2006 QMA Rulebook under Article 5, Section 1. H. as World Formula, AA, B, and 160.

The intent of this document is to set a standard criteria in seeking approval that is done on an individual but consistent basis. The process is designed to provide feedback that is valuable to the drivers/handlers seeking approval, the Novice Committee, and Board of Directors.

Any driver that does not meet the requirements for running in an advanced class will not be allowed to participate in that class at Mini Indy unless proper early move up approval has been granted by the Novice Committee.

QMA Rule

Per the 2007 QMA Shortsheet:

- ***To race 160, World Formula, B, A must complete one year of racing and get final permission from Regional Director.***
- ***Combined Car Weight – Senior Stock, Light Mod, Light 160, Heavy 160, Light B, Heavy B and Light AA combined weight raised 10 pounds Effective April 1, 2007***
- ***Driver Weights- Heavy Drivers must now weigh 100 pounds from 95 pounds Effective April 1, 2007 These changes were made from driver weight data collected during the 2006 season from across the country.***
- ***Heavy Honda – Drivers can start at age 8 Passed. Effective April 1, 2007***

2006 QMA Rulebook

ARTICLE 5

CLASS AND DIVISION STRUCTURE

Sec. 1 CLASSES

1 Class Definition

1. H. World Formula. In order to run WF AA, B, or 160 driver must run one 12 month period upon graduation from the novice class, in a lower class or combination of a lower classes (not including novice year) or obtain the unanimous approval of the Novice Committee before competing in these classes. To run AA you must be 9 years old.

Table 5-1QMA Required Ages and Weights by Class/Division.

CLASS DIVISION DRIVER DRIVER COMB. CAR
AGE WEIGHT(min) WEIGHT(min) WEIGHT(min)

Novice Junior 5-8 N/A 235 lbs. 160 lbs.

Novice Senior 9-16 N/A 260 lbs. 160 lbs.

Honda Junior 5-8 N/A 250 lbs. 160 lbs.

Honda Senior 9-16 N/A 275 lbs. 160 lbs.

Honda Heavy 9-16 95 lbs. 325 lbs. 160 lbs.

Super Stock Junior 5-8 N/A 250 lbs. 160 lbs.

Super Stock Senior 9-16 N/A 265 lbs. 160 lbs.

Mod Light 7-16 N/A 260 lbs. 160 lbs.

Mod Heavy 7-16 95 lbs. 325 lbs. 160 lbs.

Honda 160 Light 8-16 N/A 260 lbs. 160 lbs.

Honda 160 Heavy 8-16 95 lbs. 325 lbs. 160 lbs.

B Light 8-16 N/A 260 lbs. 160 lbs.

B Heavy 8-16 95 lbs. 325 lbs. 160 lbs.

AA Light 9-16 N/A 260 lbs. 160 lbs.

AA Heavy 9-16 95 lbs. 325 lbs. 160 lbs.

Half Junior 11-17 N/A 350 lbs. 170 lbs.

World Formula 9-16 N/A 340 lbs. 160 lbs.

**NOTE: Eleven to thirteen-year olds must have approval from the Club novice committee for 1/2 class.*

Novice Committee

ARTICLE 3

LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

Sec. 2 THE NOVICE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

1 Each Club of Quarter Midgets of America shall have a Novice Committee staffed by the Race Director, Club President, Technical Director, Safety Director, and Novice Instructor.

1.A If one of the committee members is absent, an alternate should be picked, at a given race day.

At Mini Indy, the Novice Committee is made up of the following:

Safety Director
Technical Director
Novice Flagman
Novice Race Director
Novice Director/Trainer

Approval Guidelines

If a driver does not qualify per QMA rules, an early exception can be sought.

The following is the steps for obtaining approval:

- 1> Handler must approach a member of the Novice Committee (as defined above) and inform them that they would like to seek Novice Committee approval to allow their driver to move up into an advanced racing class early.
- 2> The Novice Committee member will inform the entire committee of the Handler's intention.
- 3> One or more members of the Novice Committee will be assigned to observe and provide the candidate handler and/or driver with feedback based upon the following criteria:
 - ❑ Meets the minimum age to run the class.
 - ❑ Runs a consistent line lap after lap.
 - ❑ Lines up quickly.
 - ❑ Observes the lights and flags.
 - ❑ Consistently makes good and clean passes.
 - ❑ Show ability to react quickly to caution situations.
- 4> A driver must be observed and feedback provided by observation of the Novice Committee one of two ways:
 - 1> Novice Committee member(s) observes the driver for three race events in existing racing class.
 - 2> Novice Committee member(s) observes the driver for two race events in the existing class plus an observed practice session in the Advance Class.

Based upon the feedback from observing the candidates, the committee will vote to allow the candidate to move up. As per the QMA rules, unanimous approval of the Novice Committee is needed before competing in the advanced class. The Novice Committee approval will be forwarded to Regional Director for final approval.

Escalation

In the event that the Novice Committee and/or the Regional Director does not unanimously (as per QMA rules) approve an early move up, and the handler takes issue and does not feel that the decision was fair, escalation can be made to the BOD for review and/or approval. Feedback from the Novice Committee is to be provided to the BOD. Any BOD member that is part of the Novice Committee would abstain from the BOD vote.

Visiting Drivers

As part of Mini Indy signups if a visiting driver, that does not meet the requirements to run the advanced class, desires to race in that class, the handler will be required to sign an agreement that they have properly obtained approval from their home club.