



2017 - Riverhead Raceway Divisional Handicapping System

(including Street Stocks & Mini Stocks but with no heat races)

***Handicapping system- Based on Track Handicapping Points earned by driver.**

***Initial Race: All drivers will draw for heat position - Heats lineups will be determined by the draw, with drivers from 2016 (those drivers who have accumulated at least 55 points in 2016) in front of new drivers (including those drivers not accumulating at least 55 points in 2016) in that division. Features will start directly from heat finishes.**

***Second Race: Heat lineups will be based on week one handicapped point standings. Feature will start per Feature Qualification below.**

*** Each Race thereafter: Handicapping for heats AND feature will be based on drivers current handicapped points coming into that day's event *unless* it is a Time Trial event.**

***Heat line-ups: After event 1 has been completed, the heat race line-ups will be determined by current driver handicapped points as of that race.**

***All drivers will be handicapped into heat lineups.**

Example: lowest in points on pole in Heat 1, second to lowest points on pole for Heat 2 and so on.....

***Feature Qualification: Top four (4) from each heat (2 heats in the division) *OR* the top three (3) from each heat (3 heats in the division) will qualify for handicapping. Drivers finishing outside of those qualified spots will be positioned for the feature starting behind the "qualified" cars and in the order in which they finished in the heat.**

***Previous Event winner: MUST start behind the highest point car that qualified for a Heat and Feature, if the previous winner finishes in a qualified spot at the next event they compete in.**

***Missing an Event: ANY driver that misses any event (*did not attend and compete*) will be given Forty (40) Handicapping Points. Meaning, if that car misses any event and returns or starts the season late, for each missed race Forty (40) Handicapping Points will be added to their Points. These points ARE NOT TRACK POINTS and only used for the Handicapping.**

*** Any driver who cannot compete due to circumstances happening (*wreck, blown motor, rear end, etc.*) ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT MUST BE CLEARED BY TECH AND REPORT IT TO THE HANDICAPPER AT THAT TIME.**

***No car will be allowed to compete in more than one (1) heat per race meet. All heats will be lined up according to guidelines above. Cars MUST compete in the heat for which they are qualified by the draw (*first week of season*) or by Handicapping Points thereafter. A car may NOT switch to a different heat than originally scheduled unless approved by race control due to adverse situations (mechanical, emergency, etc...)**

***A car that does not compete in a heat will start dead last in the feature, if the starting field IS NOT full.**

***ALL division competitors: NO new driver to a division will be handicapped UNTIL the driver has amassed a total of fifty-five (55) total Track Points. Any new driver that does not have the fifty-five (55) Track Points, but finished in a qualifying spot in the heat, will start behind the handicapped qualified drivers. If a car has been penalized and has finished in a qualifying spot in the heat, they will start behind the handicapped qualified drivers AND the previous event winner.**

*** ANY DRIVER CHANGES MUST BE TOLD TO THE HANDICAPPER OR HANDICAPPER ASST. WITHIN A 1/2 HOUR BEFORE THE EVENTS START. IF A DIFFERENT DRIVER IS FOUND AFTER THE EVENT HAS FINISHED THEN WHO WAS REGISTERED FOR THAT RACE, THE FOUND DRIVER AND THE ACTUAL DRIVER WILL LOSE FINISHING POSITION, ALL MONIES AND ALL POINTS FOR THAT WHOLE EVENT (*heat & feature*). NO EXCEPTIONS.**

*** All drivers are required to check in with the Handicapper at the pit entrance upon entry to the pits for every event. It is your responsibility to register the driver, car number and division each week. If you arrive late, you will have to go to Handicappers Tower to register.**

*** All drivers must register with the Handicapper within one (1) hour before the very first event of the night. (*Any heat, time trial or feature, whichever starts the nights events*). Any driver registering after this time will not be handicapped and must start at the rear of your divisions heat or feature, if not full.**

*** Disqualified car and driver will receive Handicap Points for the event in which they were disqualified, 50 points for feature event or 5 points for heat event, respectively.**

A disqualified car will also be put to last in the race finish and receive last place Track Points. If 2 or more cars are disqualified, all disqualified cars will be put to the rear of the finish and all will receive LAST PLACE POINTS for that race, which will depend on the number of cars in that feature event.

Any and all cars that are disqualified will forfeit any purse monies for that race.