

****** Helena Valley Timing Association reserves the right to disqualify a driver or vehicle deemed unsafe ******

Drag Race Vehicle Tech Inspection and Driver Requirements

All vehicles participating in the drag racing event are required to pass an in-depth tech inspection, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Liquid Overflow - attached to the radiator vent to prevent coolant from leaking onto the track, minimum size – one (1) pint.
- Fuel Lines –metal or high pressure hose. Free of cracks and mounted away from moving parts and headers and exhaust.
- Batteries – **securely** mounted to vehicle. Factory hold-downs are acceptable. No bungee cords, tape, wire, or straps allowed as a battery hold-down device. When batteries are relocated into the trunk of the vehicle, the trunk must be separated from the driver's compartment by a firewall and all openings must be sealed.
- Throttle Return Springs - all throttles must have dual throttle return springs. Unmodified factory throttle setups on late model vehicles are acceptable.
- Fluid Leaks – vehicles must be free of fluid leaks to prevent fluids from contaminating the track surface. Vehicles that have visibly flowing leaks will be barred from competition until the leak has been repaired and cleaned up.
- Tires –must be in good condition and free from cracking, cuts, or bulges.
- Slicks – vehicles with racing slicks must have a driveshaft loop mounted around the front u-joint located within 12 inches of the front of the u-joint.
- Wheels, Lug Nuts, and Wheel Studs – Lug nuts are required on all wheel studs. Lug nut threads are required to engage the studs at a distance equal to the diameter of the stud itself.
- Seat Belts – All vehicles are required to have seatbelts and drivers are required to wear seatbelts at all times while racing. Vehicles with roll bars or roll cages must use a five-point harness with belts three (3) inches in width.
- Windows – all windows must be operable and must be closed during competition. Windows must be free of major damage and provide the driver with a clear and unobstructed view.
- Nitrous Bottles –must be securely fastened to the vehicle. Bottles mounted in the driver's compartment must have a blow-off valve vented to the outside of the driver's compartment.
- Firewalls – full-bodied vehicles and roadsters must have a firewall to separate the engine compartment from the driver's compartment. All openings must be sealed.

- Driver Requirements – drivers must have a current, valid driver's license and must wear a helmet at all times while racing. Drivers must wear full-length pants (no shorts), and long sleeve shirts. Drivers will not wear sandals, flip flops or any type of open-toe shoes. Drivers of vehicles running 6.39 or faster are required to wear fire jackets, pants, and gloves.
- Passengers – no passengers are allowed in vehicles at any time during competition.
- Driver Control – If a vehicle is going out of control, the driver must abort the run. Drivers appearing to take unreasonable risks will be barred from further competition.
- Roll Bars and Cages – Vehicles running faster than a 6.39 will require a roll bar or roll cage attached securely to the frame or vehicle body.
- Motorcycles and Snowmobiles - Will not be allowed to race.
- Junior Dragsters – Must have written parental/guardian consent prior to racing.
- Driver Conduct - All participants (drivers, crew members, etc.) shall act in a sportsmanlike manner at all times. Anyone acting in an abusive or threatening manner towards other persons will be ejected from the facility property. Unsportsmanlike conduct includes, but is not limited to, vulgar language, threats, or physical altercations.
- Return Roads, Staging Lanes, Pits - The maximum speed limit on return roads is 15 mph. In the pits or staging lanes, the speed limit is 5 mph. No burnouts, test launches, or other contests of speed will be tolerated in these areas.
- No Alcohol – Absolutely **no alcohol** is allowed at the RMESTC facility. Any participant suspected of consuming alcohol will be banned from competition!

Racing is a dangerous sport and is done at your own risk. No insurance is provided for damage to vehicles or bodily injury from competition.