

Welcome to the Rocky Mountain Riders Association (RMRA)!

Who are we?

We are a nonprofit organization that works with local promoters/tracks in Colorado, Wyoming, and New Mexico. We have two different series that you can race, ***each worth an AMA District Champion Plate*** (Supercross and Motocross) which is awarded based on overall points at the end of the season.

AMA

- The RMRA is AMA sanctioned and we are the largest sanction in the country and ***the only one that awards TWO AMA District Champion plates*** (Motocross and Supercross). We strive to give our riders the best and safest race experience possible. This page will give you the information that you will need to know as a first-time racer.
- Each of our members will need to sign up with the AMA before anything. The AMA offers a few different memberships including a 1-year membership (\$49), a 3-year membership (\$147), or a family membership. If you get the family membership, it must be the family competition membership. You can purchase your membership either online or by signing up at your first race. Your AMA membership will be valid at any AMA sanctioned event across the country.

MINORS

- ***Minor riders will need an annual AMA Minor Release Card on file before being able to get an RMRA membership. There are zero exceptions to this. After getting your AMA membership go [HERE](#) and apply for the appropriate minor release. In a few days they will email you a digital minor release card - that card needs to be sent to secretary@rmra.racing and filed before an RMRA membership can be finalized.***
- Next you will need to get a RMRA membership (\$40) for that calendar year. Once you have done this, you will need to sign up for the appropriate class for your age, bike size, and skill level.
- The RMRA has a wide variety of classes that one can enter. Any riders 12+ yrs. and/or 125cc and up must choose between bike size and skill level – A (Pro), B (Intermediate) or C (Novice/Beginner). Youth riders select classes based on bike size and age groups. Contact anyone from the RMRA if you have questions about what class(es) will be right for you.

- Transponders are required for main track classes. Rentals are available in person and online. The MyLaps TR2 transponder is the recommended unit. Please be sure it is the one specifically designed for motocross. If you are unsure please reach out and we will be happy to assist you.

50cc CLASSES

50cc riders and parents, welcome to the sport!

Here's what you need to know:

- RMRA provides multiple class options for our 50cc riders specific to bike and skill level. For motocross, we have 3 classes that race throughout the day on the main track. Micro Jr Limited 4-6 yrs. and Micro Sr Limited 7-8 yrs. as well as Micro Open Limited 4-8 yrs. We also have 2 classes that operate on a modified main track. The Micro Shaft Drive Limited 4-8 yrs. class and the Mini E Bike Open Limited 4-8 yrs.
- For supercross, the above classes will remain available. However, due to the size and design of a supercross track, they will race the entire track like all other classes.
- To participate in age restricted classes such as these, you must be within the stated age range as of January 1 of the seasonal year.
- As with any class, there are very specific bike and rider rules and restrictions for these classes so please make sure you are familiar and compliant with them, if you are unsure, please check the RMRA or AMA Rule book for these details or reach out to us and we will be happy to guide you.

EQUIPMENT

Each rider must bring their own machine and gear.

Mandatory gear that each racer must have is:

- Helmet
- Chest protector (as of 2026, this is mandatory for ALL riders)
- Boots
- Goggles
- Jersey
- Pants
- Gloves

Additional recommended gear that a racer can have is:

- Knee pads or knee braces
- Neck protection
- Elbow protection
- Mouth guard
- Ear plugs

What is the difference between the promoter (local track owner) and the RMRA?

1) The promoter oversees organizing the race and oversees the operation of the facility, staff, medics, and use of their equipment.

As an example, the promoter oversees the governance of:

- Admission fee for use of property
- Weekend race fees
- Saturday practice fees and schedule
- Signature on waiver of liability
- Respect for all members of staff
- Facility cleanliness
- Rider/team/family expectations and behaviors
- Observance and compliance with all designated rules and facility signs

2) The RMRA oversees the series and competition operation

As an example, the RMRA oversees the governance of:

- An RMRA membership
- An AMA membership
- Organization of race information
- Rider classifications
- Operation of race sign-up
- Issuing race numbers
- Race regulations

At each event the RMRA, AMA certified referee, and the promoter will collaborate to make decisions based on safety, weather, duration of race, etc.

How Race Day Works

Motocross (MX)

- Camping for the weekend is available at most tracks.
- For our regular one-day MX format, *most* promoters provide a Saturday practice that anyone can attend. However, this is **not** a requirement and is solely at the promoter's discretion including any fees, times and duration.
- Sign-up on Saturday generally starts after practice.
- Sunday race sign-up generally starts around 5:30 am and ends at 7am.
- Practice starts at 7am. Practice schedule is on the race order that is given when you sign up. It can also be found on the website and on Facebook/Instagram. There is also an email sent out to everyone on our mailing list with all important upcoming race information.
- There is a printed "Rider's meeting" on the back of the race order that will cover general rules and regulations, the purpose of each flag, etc. If there are further announcements that need to be made, they will be announced throughout the day, sent via text to those who provide correct phone numbers and posted at the sign-up building.
- Each bike size and skill level will get a practice.
- MX is broken down into two (2) motos for each class. For example, if you sign up for two classes, you will have four (4) motos that day.
- After practice is complete, the first motos will begin immediately. If you are in one of the first three (3) motos, you will report directly to staging where you will be called by your bike number. *Staging is right behind the gate. "Staging" refers to the sorting all the riders and sending them to the gate in the order specified (randomized for first moto, by finish position for second moto).*
- The race order will be run through fully one time, there will be a short break, and then racing will resume with the second motos. *It is your responsibility to pay attention to the race order and listen to where they are in the race order.* It will be announced during the day, but you must pay attention so you do not miss your moto.

- Get up to the gate at least three (3) motos ahead of yours to begin the staging process.
- There may be one or two people running the gate:
 - If there is one person running the gate, they will point everyone down and walk to the "doghouse" (small box/shed in the middle of the starting gate that is covered). Then the gate will drop within 1-5 seconds.
 - If there are two people running the gate, there will be a person holding a 1-minute card. This is to tell everyone that they need to get their bikes started, get their goggles on, and get ready to go racing. The person will point each rider down to signify that they are ready. Once they have done that, the card will turn to 30 seconds. The card will then be dropped down and turned sideways. Once the card is sideways, the gate will drop within 1-3 seconds.
- Once the gate drops, your race has begun.
- Each class runs a certain number of laps. Each rider races to the checkered flag. Each track has a finish line and flagger that will signify the end of the race. Once your race has ended, exit the track in the designated spot and head back to your pit until your next race. ***The white "one lap to go" flag is a courtesy flag only. Riders may not get one, or may get more than one, although rare, it can happen. That is why it is imperative that you ALWAYS race to the checkered flag. It is your responsibility to pay attention. Results will not be corrected, and an additional opportunity/race will not be provided if you pull off of the track early on the wrong flag.***
- ***ALWAYS*** make sure you check race results immediately, once they are posted. *It is your responsibility to verify your finish position is correct* and you only have **thirty (30) minutes** after results are posted to inquire/protest if you think something is incorrect.
- Once the day is done and you have completed both motos, check your scores from the day to see if you earned a trophy. Riders are usually highlighted or identified to notify them of an award received. If you did, collect your award from the sign-up building.

Supercross (SX)

- For SX, practice is often on Friday afternoon/evening. Time varies from promoter to promoter so check our website or social media to find the information on start times

and practice schedule. *Again, this is **not** a requirement and is solely at the promoter's discretion including any fees, times and duration.*

- Races start on Saturday at 7 am. The class structure is a bit different for SX. There is a morning program and an afternoon program and a heat/main format is run for scoring. Check the website or RMRA's social media to find the information on when you would be racing for your specific class.
- All the procedures (sign up, practice, staging, gate drop, racing, etc.) are the same as MX. The only difference is that MX is a two-moto format with combined moto scores for your result, and SX has a qualifier for gate pick, a last chance qualifier or "consi"/LCQ (if you didn't qualify), and a main event. Your overall score is solely your finish position in the main event.

CONCLUSION

Racing is no doubt an adrenaline rush, it can be intense and it can throw a million different feelings at you in a single day, but it's the same goals for everyone. To have fun, do the best that you can, improve each time and stay safe. The RMRA is a wonderful community with some of the most amazing people in it. Racing for your first time can be extremely intimidating, but almost everyone at the track will be more than happy to answer any questions that you may have. You will come to the track new, and you will leave with a family.

Every racer must start somewhere, and we are honored that you are choosing to start with us and hope you have a positive experience. We at the RMRA are happy to answer any questions that you may have to help you succeed whether it be your first race or your 5th year.

With that said,

WELCOME TO THE RMRA!