

23 ROAD RACING - CLASSIC

- 23.1 Introduction: Classic racing machines shall consist of machines manufactured in any country other than Japan before 31 December 1962.
Note: These rules are intended to ensure a high standard of authenticity and presentation. All machines must comply to all MNZ regulations and the right of organising clubs is reserved to reject any machine which does not meet standards in keeping with the spirit of the classic racing movement as applied by such club.
- 23.2 Classic Racing Machines
- 23.2.1 Eligible are motorcycles built for road use or road racing prior to 31 December 1962. Clubs have the entitlement to group machines into various classes according to age, capacity and type according to entries received.
- 23.2.2 Major components will determine age. Major components are frame, engine, front forks, gear box, clutch, wheel hubs and brakes. Machines manufactured before 1940 must have major components also manufactured before 1940. No Japanese major components are permitted.
- 23.2.3 All wheels must be of the wire spoked type with rim widths the same as specified for the original manufactured machine. Maximum rim width is WM 3 (2.15 inches inside width).
- 23.2.4 Tyres must be of the type manufactured with tread: slick tyres or hand cut slick tyres are not permitted.
- 23.2.5 Only drum brakes manufactured before 31 December 1962 are permitted. No disc brakes will be accepted. (Exception as to types of drum brake as specified later).
- 23.2.6 The age of the motorcycle is determined by the year of manufacture of the most recently manufactured major component.
- 23.2.7 Replica components may be used provided they are faithful copies as to design and specification of acceptable original components and are not designed to gain a performance advantage over original components.
- 23.2.8 Modified class: There shall be a separate sub-class for modified machines complying with all the above requirements except:
- a. Engine and gearbox castings may be the same silhouette as components manufactured before 31 December 1962.
 - b. Frame and suspension built after 1963 are acceptable providing evidence is given on pre-1963 use and style of the same.
 - c. Drum brakes of manufacture after 1963 may be used.
 - f. Carburettors must be the same make fitted as original equipment.
- 23.2.9 Clubman machines: Club may run events specifically for Clubman classic racing machines which shall be machines with major components not designed and built specifically for racing. Lights and stands must be removed. Megaphone or straight

pipe exhausts may be permitted, or expansion chambers on 2-strokes. Except where fitted as original equipment, no twin leading shoe brakes shall be accepted.

23.2.10 Silencing: The minimum requirement for silencing shall be:

- a. Any megaphone exhaust system used must have a reverse cone with an outlet diameter not greater than 150% than that of the parallel part of the exhaust pipe.
- b. Any straight exhaust pipe must have a slot 3mm and 150mm long cut parallel with the pipe and ending 25mm from the end of the exhaust pipe.
- c. Any expansion chamber exhaust system fitted to 2-stroke machines must have a canister type silencer fitted to the tail pipe of the exhaust system; the minimum dimensions shall be 150mm length and 50mm outside diameter. Pre-war 2-stroke machines may use other types of silencer provided that the same are effective in reducing noise.

23.3 Junior Road Racing – Classics (Prior to 31 December 1962)

Up to 350cc 4 stroke

Up to 250cc 2 stroke

All Junior competitors in Road Race events are to wear a high visibility vest over their leathers for the first 10 events at which they compete. Proof of these events will be from entries in their log book.