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MOTORCYCLING NEW ZEALAND (MNZ)

Venue and Track Standards for:

Supercross Events

Minimum standards and requirements used by MNZ to assess an affiliated club and venue as to its suitability to host and run Supercross events in New Zealand

Introduction

Motorcycling New Zealand (MNZ) is the event co-ordinator and owner of the North Island and New Zealand Motocross Championships. These championships are held annually as a series of events, each at a different venue with each rider's accumulated points over the series counting towards the Championship. MNZ wishes to maximise safety, public appeal and financial returns for the affiliated clubs, MNZ and the event sponsors. All events must comply with District and regional council requirements including noise regulations and traffic management plans.

Only MNZ affiliated clubs may apply to MNZ to host a round of either series.

Purpose of this Document

These event protocols are developed to maximise safety, public appeal and financial returns for the affiliated clubs, MNZ and the event sponsors. The highest priority must be placed on spectator safety, comfort and enjoyment; a positive spectator experience will ensure sustainable success for these events and ultimately the sport.

This document will provide some guidelines for affiliated Clubs self assess its suitability for an event and provide guidelines for clubs when developing their facilities for Tier 1, 2 or 3 events.

This document does not replace or override any part of the MNZ Official's Manual or the regulations and rules of the Manual of Motorcycle Sport or the FIM rules and regulations.

Tier 1 Events

New Zealand Championship and International Supercross Events

Essential Requirements - Venue:

Spectator facilities:

- All weather car parking with suitable security
- All weather, sign posted and safe access to spectator areas
- Spectators must be prevented from accessing the track by suitable permanent fencing
- Spectator fencing must be suitable to prevent any rider or motorcycle accidentally reaching the crowd.
- Crowd control fencing must allow for quick and safe exit in the case of an emergency
- Entry and exit to spectator areas must be suitably gated to allow security staff to monitor crowd movements and what is taken in and out
- Spectator areas must provide easy and clear viewing for all spectators
- A speaker system must be installed to allow clear commentary and announcements to all parts of the spectator areas at **all** times.
- Toilet facilities, separated and marked male and female, must be appropriate for the crowd size and maintained to the standards outlined by the clubs local town Council Public Health policy
- Security must be available at all times to ensure spectators remain in the designated spectator are
- Food and drink must be made available to all ages

- Clearly marked public access to administration, club staff and first aid
- A Commercial area for sponsor and retail trade exhibits, 12 x 6m x 6m sites with continuous public and competitor access

Competitor facilities:

- All weather access and exit to pit and track area for competitors and support vehicles
- Pitting area needs to be flat, level and of a suitable size to provide each competitor with at least a 6m x 4m area.
- A speaker system must be installed to allow clear commentary and announcements to all parts of the rider areas at **all** times
- Toilet facilities must be appropriate for the crowd size and maintained to the standards outlined by the clubs local town Council Public Health policy
- Pit areas must have the ability to be fenced or made secure should public access need to be limited
- Food and drink must be made available to all ages
- All weather event control and administration buildings must be available
- Pit area must be provided with appropriate emergency equipment i.e. Fire Extinguishers
- Clearly marked competitor and support people access to administration, club staff and first aid
- All weather access and exit for First Aid and emergency vehicles to the track and pits

Location:

- The event venue must be located within a population base large enough to ensure the events economic viability
- Accommodation of suitable quality and quantity for the expected number of competitors and support people must be available with 30 minutes drive
- Cellular phone coverage must be available within 15 minutes drive
- Broadband access must be available within 15 minutes

Official's facilities:

- All weather administration building or buildings suitable for event officials to conduct their business must be provided-
 - Sign in area
 - Riders briefing area
 - Stewards/protest committee room
 - Electronic lap scorers and timekeepers room
 - Clean toilets and bathroom area
- Designated covered area for Rider Sign in, noise testing, rider equipment check and motorcycle compliance checks.

Preferred Requirements - Venue:

Competitor facilities:

- Motorcycle Wash down facilities
- Camping facilities

Essential Requirements - Track:

- Backward falling gates **on dirt** (No concrete)
- Access to all parts of the of the track for officials and first aid staff
- No more or less than a 12 Gate Start
- 5m Track width at all parts
- Track opposing direction to be no closer than 2m and separated by unmovable barriers of no less than 1.5mtrs high.
- Barriers or track design suitable to stop a rider or motorcycle accidentally landing or straying on to the race track contrary to the designated race direction

- Machinery and experienced operator on hand to repair and maintain track with haste i.e. Bobcat
- Facilities to water the whole track for dust control and traction leading up to the event
- Ability to water **safely** during an event with minimal if any stop to the event programme
- Pit Lane/Pit Board area – Exclusive mechanics area with ready access to timing screens.
- Dummy Grid/Waiting Zone – Numbered and behind or near start gates
- High visibility areas, fence lines, TV backdrops and start area need to be available for series sponsors signage.
- A minimum of 2 scissor lifts are to be provided for TV crews

Preferred Requirements - Track:

- Track designed and built to MNZ Supercross consultant standard designs and measurements
- Ability to effectively groom start straight and gates during events
- Monitor noise levels at event venue shortest boundary

Essential Requirements - Club:

- Competency to host a Tier 1 event will be demonstrated ;
 - Successfully hosting at least two Tier 2 events
 - Provide evidence that the championship track has been tested and proved safe and of National Championship standard
 - Provide an event management plan listing personnel required, traffic management plan, First Aid staff and facilities

Personnel Requirements:

- The host club shall provide suitably qualified -
 - Event Organiser
 - Clerk of the Course
 - Media Liaison Officer
 - Race Secretary
 - Assistant Steward
 - Race Starter
 - Dummy Grid Personnel
 - Finish Line Flag Marshall (also judge of finish order)
 - Flag Marshalls
 - Night time security for pits
 - Personnel to erect and remove trackside signage, roadside billboards etc
 - Gate attendants, parking attendants, pit attendants and any other venue security and staff required

Tier 2 Events

Island Championships, Major Club Events and Regional Championships

Essential Requirements - Venue:

Spectator facilities:

- Spectator fencing must be suitable to prevent any rider or motorcycle accidentally reaching the crowd.
- Crowd control fencing must allow for quick and safe exit in the case of an emergency
- Clearly marked public access to administration, club staff and first aid

Competitor facilities:

- Toilet facilities must be appropriate for the crowd size and maintained to the standards outlined by the clubs local town Council Public Health policy
- Pit area must be provided with appropriate emergency equipment i.e. Fire Extinguishers
- Clearly marked competitor and support people access to administration, club staff and first aid
- All weather access and exit for First Aid and emergency vehicles to the track and pits

Official's facilities:

- Designated area for Noise testing and motorcycle compliance checks

Preferred Requirements - Venue:

Spectator facilities:

- All weather car parking with suitable security
- All weather, sign posted and safe access to spectator areas
- Spectators must be prevented from accessing the track by suitable permanent fencing
- Entry and exit to spectator areas must be suitably gated to allow security staff to monitor crowd movements and what is taken in and out
- Spectator areas must provide easy and clear viewing for all spectators
- A speaker system must be installed to allow clear commentary and announcements to all parts of the spectator areas at **all** times.
- Toilet facilities, separated and marked male and female, must be appropriate for the crowd size and maintained to the standards outlined by the clubs local town Council Public Health policy
- Security must be available at all times to ensure spectators remain in the designated spectator areas **only**.
- Food and drink must be made available to all ages

Competitor facilities:

- All weather access and exit to pit and track area for competitors and support vehicles
- Pitting area needs to be flat, level and of a suitable size to provide each competitor with at least a 6m x 4m area.
- A speaker system must be installed to allow clear commentary and announcements to all parts of the rider areas at **all** times

- Pit areas must be fenced and secure. Public access is limited to advertised sessions for publicity and promotional activity.
- Food and drink must be made available to all ages
- All weather event control and administration buildings must be available
- Motorcycle Wash down facilities
- Camping facilities

Location:

- The event venue must be located within a population base large enough to ensure the events economic viability
- Accommodation of suitable quality and quantity for the expected number of competitors and support people must be available with 30 minutes drive
- Cellular phone coverage must be available within 15 minutes drive
- Broadband access must be available within 15 minutes

Official's facilities:

- All weather administration building or buildings suitable for event officials to conduct their business must be provided-
 - Sign in area
 - Riders briefing area
 - Stewards/protest committee room
 - Electronic lap scorers and timekeepers room
 - Clean toilets and bathroom area

Preferred Requirements - Track:

- Track designed and built to MNZ Supercross consultant standard designs and measurements
- Ability to effectively groom start straight and gates during events
- Monitor noise levels at event venue shortest boundary

Essential Requirements - Club:

- Competency to host a Tier 2 event will be demonstrated ;
 - Successfully hosting at least two Tier 3 events
 - Provide evidence that the championship track has been tested and proved safe and suitable for competition.

Personnel Requirements:

- The host club shall provide suitably qualified -
 - Event Organiser
 - Clerk of the Course
 - First Aid
 - Race Secretary
 - Steward
 - Race Starter
 - Finish Line Flag Marshall (also judge of finish order)
 - Flag Marshalls

Tier 3 Events

Club Events Practice Days

Essential Requirements - Venue:

Spectator facilities:

- Spectator fencing or track design must be suitable to prevent any rider or motorcycle accidentally reaching the public
- Clearly marked public access to administration, club staff and first aid

Competitor facilities:

- Toilet facilities must be appropriate for the crowd size and maintained to the standards outlined by the clubs local town Council Public Health policy
- Clearly marked competitor and support people access to administration, club staff and first aid
- All weather access and exit for First Aid and emergency vehicles to the track and pits

Official's facilities:

- Designated area for Noise testing and motorcycle compliance checks

Preferred Requirements - Venue:

Spectator facilities

- All weather car parking with suitable security
- All weather, sign posted and safe access to spectator areas
- Spectators must be prevented from accessing the track by suitable permanent fencing
- Crowd control fencing must allow for quick and safe exit in the case of an emergency
- Entry and exit to spectator areas must be suitably gated to allow security staff to monitor crowd movements and what is taken in and out
- Spectator areas must provide easy and clear viewing for all spectators
- A speaker system must be installed to allow clear commentary and announcements to all parts of the spectator areas at **all** times.
- Toilet facilities, separated and marked male and female, must be appropriate for the crowd size and maintained to the standards outlined by the clubs local town Council Public Health policy
- Security must be available at all times to ensure spectators remain in the designated spectator areas **only**.
- Food and drink must be made available to all ages

Competitor facilities:

- Motorcycle Wash down facilities
- Camping facilities
- All weather access and exit to pit and track area for competitors and support vehicles
- Pitting area needs to be flat, level and of a suitable size to provide each competitor with at least a 6m x 4m area.
- A speaker system must be installed to allow clear commentary and announcements to all parts of the rider areas at **all** times
- Pit areas must be fenced and secure. Public access is limited to advertised sessions for publicity and promotional activity.
- Food and drink must be made available to all ages
- All weather event control and administration buildings must be available
- Pit area must be provided with appropriate emergency equipment i.e. Fire Extinguishers

Location:

- The event venue must be located within a population base large enough to ensure the events economic viability
- Accommodation of suitable quality and quantity for the expected number of competitors and support people must be available with 30 minutes drive
- Cellular phone coverage must be available within 15 minutes drive
- Broadband access must be available within 15 minutes

Official's facilities:

- All weather administration building or buildings suitable for event officials to conduct their business must be provided-
 - Sign in area
 - Riders briefing area
 - Stewards/protest committee room
 - Electronic lap scorers and timekeepers room
 - Clean toilets and bathroom area

Essential Requirements - Track:

- Backward falling gates **on dirt** (No concrete)
- Access to all parts of the of the track for officials and first aid staff
- No more or less than a 15 Gate Start
- Track opposing direction to be no closer than 2m and separated by unmovable barriers of no less than 1.5mtrs high

Preferred Requirements - Track:

- Track designed and built to MNZ Supercross consultant standard designs and measurements
- Ability to effectively groom start straight and gates during events
- Monitor noise levels at event venue shortest boundary
- Machinery and experienced operator on hand to repair and maintain track with haste i.e. Bobcat
- Facilities to water the whole track for dust control and traction leading up to the event
- Ability to water **safely** during an event with minimal if any stop to the event programme
- 5m Track width at all parts

Essential Requirements - Club:

- Competency to host a Tier 2 event will be demonstrated ;
 - Successfully past a track inspection by MNZ track inspector
 - Provide evidence that the track has been tested and proved safe and suitable for competition.

Personnel Requirements:

- The host club shall provide suitably qualified -
 - Event Organiser
 - Clerk of the Course
 - First Aid
 - Race Secretary
 - Steward
 - Race Starter
 - Finish Line Flag Marshall (also judge of finish order)
 - Flag Marshalls