

## **2023 TOP SPORTSMAN RULEBOOK**

**DESIGNATION**: The class designation is T.S. All entrants must display this designation on both sides of their motorcycle by their bike number. Example: TS675

**FORMAT**: This is a 1/4 mile E.T. bracket class run on a .500 full tree. The class will be a 32-bike field.

**CHANGING BIKES**: A racer can change their bike in qualifying if there is still another qualifying session for the class. However, all previous qualifying data will be erased, and the racer must re-qualify the new bike (You still need to notify the tower to change). The bike and rider that runs the first round is the one that must be used for the remainder of eliminations, even if the class is completed on another weekend due to weather.

**POINTS**: This class will be a points class at all Man Cup events.

**GENERAL**: A rider may only enter one bike in this class. The same bike cannot be entered twice in this class by the same rider or another rider. Pro E.T. and Top Sportsman are considered one class because all Top Sportsman bikes now merge into Pro E.T. For this reason, you may not qualify one bike in Top Sportsman and enter another bike in Pro E.T. as that would be considered a double entry which is not permitted.

**MERGING INTO PRO E.T.:** If you lose 1st round of T/S, then you will merge into 1st round of Pro E.T. If you lose 2nd round of T/S, then you will merge into 2nd round of Pro E.T. If you lose 3rd round of T/S then you will merge into 3rd round of Pro E.T. If you lose 4th round of T/S then you will merge into 4th round of Pro E.T. If you lose 5th round of T/S then you will merge into 5th round of Pro E.T. If you win the 5th round of T/S, then you will merge into 6th round of Pro E.T.

**PAIRINGS**: The class will be placed on a pro ladder starting the first round. No alternates will be used on the ladder if a racer is broken. No one can dial-in more than 1/10th slower than the bump spot. Lane choice is given to the rider with the better qualifying position when the ladder is generated and still applies to all subsequent rounds.

**BRAKES**: Front and rear brakes are mandatory and must be in safe operating condition.

**CHAIN GUARDS:** Chain guards are required.

**ELECTRICAL**: 2-steps are permitted. Delay boxes and electronic throttle stops are permitted.



**LIGHTS**: A tail light must be mounted on the rear of the bike.

**CLUTCH**: Any style clutch permitted.

**TIRES**: DOT tires or any size slick is permitted.

**WHEELIE BARS**: Wheelie bars are permitted.

**GROUND CLEARANCE:** The motorcycle must have a minimum of 2" ground clearance with the rider sitting on the bike. Bikes equipped with a billet flat oil pan (not cast) or a wheelie bar is exempt from the 2" ground clearance check.

## **GENERAL SAFETY:**

## **HELMET:**

A Full-face SNELL: M2015, M2020, SA2015, SA2020, ECE 22.06, FIA 8860-2010, 8860-2015 or 8860-2018, helmet mandatory. A shield is mandatory. Goggles are prohibited.

## **PROTECTIVE GEAR:**

Full all-leathers or SFI Spec 40. 1/2 suit is mandatory on all motorcycles running 120mph or faster. Two-piece suits must be joined together with a metal 360-degree zipper at the waist. SFI Spec 40.1/1 40.1/2 suit or leather jacket, leather boots/shoes above the ankle, and leather gloves are mandatory on all motorcycles. Gloves must be Kevlar lined or equipped with side buttons. Nylon or textile jackets and pants are not permitted, even if they have pads. All jackets and pants must be made of 100% leather. Tether kill switches are required on all entrants. The kill switch, when activated, must disable the ignition, fuel pump(s), and nitrous system solenoids.

Any rider running faster than 10.99 must also have leather pants. Pants and jackets are required to be zipped together 10.99 or quicker.