

# MOTOR VEHICLE RACE TRACK RULES

## CHAPTER 62

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**SUBCHAPTER 1. DEFINITIONS**

**13:62-1.1 Words and phrases defined**

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Acceleration and performance tests” means a straightaway race against time or another vehicle, including acceleration and deceleration.

“Ambulance” means a motor vehicle certified to provide emergency medical services pursuant to the New Jersey Highway Traffic Safety Act of 1987, N.J.S.A. 27:5F-18 et seq., and the New Jersey Medical Assistance Health Services Act, N.J.S.A. 30:4D-6.2 et seq.

“Enduro event” means an oval race in which the winner is determined by the leading car at the expiration of a determined time or number of laps.

“Go-cart” means a small four-wheel vehicle consisting of a frame, seat, one or more engines mounted to the rear of the driver’s seat, steering mechanism and a braking system, and having no spring suspension system.

“Go-cart racing event” means a race involving vehicles commonly known as go-carts as defined in this chapter, either on a circular or oval track or on a road course involving curves, chicanes or other track characteristics designed to simulate varied road conditions.

“Junior dragster” means a competition vehicle that is scaled down to half the size and is a near replica of a professional dragster utilizing a lawn mower engine. The competitor will utilize ½ of the track surface and driven by children between the ages of 8-17.

“Motorcycle special events” means motorcrosses, scrambles and other events utilizing open road courses.

“Mud hops” means an event exhibiting driving skill in which the winner is determined by distance or time on a mud obstacle course.

“Pit area” means that portion of a racing location where vehicles are serviced, repaired, or refueled during a racing event.

“Quarter midgets” means a competition vehicle scaled down to one-fourth the size of midget racers powered by a lawn mower engine and driven by children ages 5-16.

“Racing event” means a motor vehicle race or exhibition of driving skill, including that time period prior to the actual race or exhibition, as well as the time period during the race or exhibition and until the conclusion of the race or exhibition wherein all competing vehicles have been removed from the racing surface.

“Reaction powered vehicles” means vehicles powered by jet or rocket engines.

“Snowmobile” means an engine driven motor vehicle designed primarily to travel over ice or snow of a type that uses sled type runners, skis, continuous belt trend, cleats or any combination of these similar means of contact with the surface upon which it is operated.

“Snowmobile racing event” means a race involving vehicles commonly known as snowmobiles as defined in this chapter on a circular or oval track, a road course involving curves, chicanes, or a straightaway race against time or other snowmobiles.

“Staging area” means that portion of a racing location where vehicles are lined up in preparation for entering the acceleration and performance test area.

“Street legal car” means a car intended for the use on public roadways and highways of this State and able to pass all of the requirements for motor vehicle inspection as described under Title 39 of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle and Traffic Laws.

“Superintendent” means the Superintendent of the Division of State Police.

“Thrill shows” means events specifically designed to demonstrate driving skill including, but not limited to, ramp jumps and events requiring the intentional crashing or crushing of participating vehicles.

“Trained first aid attendant” means a person certified as an emergency medical technician to provide emergency medical services pursuant to the New Jersey Highway Traffic Safety Act of 1987, N.J.S.A. 27:5F-18 et seq. and the New Jersey Medical Assistance Health Services Act, N.J.S.A. 30:4D-6.2 et seq.

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See: 27 N.J.R. 445(a), 27 N.J.R. 1622(a).

**SUBCHAPTER 2. MOTOR VEHICLE RACE  
TRACK LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND  
LICENSEE RESPONSIBILITIES: ALL  
RACING EVENTS**

**13:62-2.1 License application procedure**

(a) A license shall be required for any operation or conduct of motor vehicle races and exhibitions of motor vehicle driving and the tracks or places at which the same are operated and conducted. The application for a motor vehicle race track license must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the first day of racing or exhibition. An application for renewal of a license shall be submitted within 60 days of the expiration date of the license and is to be accompanied by:

1. An insurance certificate;

i. N.J.S.A. 5:7-13 states that no license shall be issued for the holding of any motor vehicle race or exhibition of motor vehicle driving skill until the person applying for the license shall have filed with the Department evidence satisfactory to it of the issuance of an insurance policy approved by the department and conditioned, in the case of a race or exhibition at a track or other place accommodating less than one thousand people, for the payment of less than \$25,000 to any one person obtaining judgment, and not less than \$50,000 on all judgments recovered, and for the payment of not less than \$50,000 to any one person obtaining judgment, and not less than \$100,000 on all judgments recovered, in the case of all other races or exhibitions, upon a claim or claims arising out of the same transaction, connected with the same subject of action (to be apportioned ratably among judgment creditors according to the amount of their respective judgments) for damages because of bodily injury, including death at any time resulting therefrom, caused to any person or persons, other than the driver, and all pit area personnel as the result of an accident occurring as a result of the conduct of any motor vehicle race or exhibition of motor vehicle driving skill, for which the license is granted, under which policy the liability of the company shall become absolute when loss or damage covered by the policy occurs, and satisfaction by the insured of a final judgment for the loss or damage shall not be a condition precedent to the right or duty of said company to make payment on account of the loss or damage and which policy shall not be cancelable or annulled as to any loss or damage by an agreement between the carrier and the insured after the insured has become responsible for the loss or damage or in any other event, except on 10 days prior notice to the Department;

2. A duplicate of the insurance policy;

i. The policy shall be issued by a company approved by the Superintendent;

ii. The policy and the certificate are to contain a statement to the effect that they are noncancellable except upon 30 days prior written notice to the Superintendent;

3. A certified check or postal money order in the amount prescribed by law as the license fee;

4. A certification from the building inspector of the municipality where the track is located to the effect that he has inspected the spectator seats and found them safe for use. Where the municipality does not have a building inspector, or a building code, a certification from a New Jersey State licensed structural engineer may be accepted; and

5. A sketch or sketches of the track and associated areas, as near to scale as practicable, indicating the location of required safety features such as hub rails, fences, light or flagman positions, spectator seating, entrances and exits, pit facility locations and other physical factors affecting the safety of spectators and participants. This requirement shall not apply to locations licensed prior to January 1, 1963, unless alterations are made to the track and associated areas on or after January 1, 1963.

Amended by R.1995 d.206, effective April 17, 1995.  
See: 27 N.J.R. 445(a), 27 N.J.R. 1622(a).

**13:62-2.2 Licensee's responsibility**

The licensee is responsible for any violations of N.J.S.A. 5:7-8 et seq. or any of the provisions of this chapter.

**13:62-2.3 Restrictions upon licensee**

(a) The Superintendent may impose reasonable restrictions upon any licensee.

(b) The restrictions may include, but shall not be limited to:

1. Requirements for special protective devices for the participants in, or spectators attending, any race or exhibition; and/or

2. Limitations concerning spectator areas; and/or

3. Limitations concerning types of events and classes of vehicles; and/or

4. Requirements for the protection of participants and spectators.

(c) The licensee will comply with any special restriction imposed by the Superintendent after receiving written notice thereof from the Superintendent.