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PRESS RELEASE

Amendment to Trials Championship Standing Regulations for 2009

The T&E Committee have considered the current situation in modern trials and, having received many views, have decided to make the following amendments to TSR 22A to reflect what is actually happening in practice and to ease the burden on Observers.

Amendments to the Trial Standing Regulations will be as follows, which should be read in conjunction with the current TSR22A as printed in the 2008 ACU Handbook:

A. STOP PERMITTED

- 0 Clean
- 1 Footing once
- 2 Footing twice
- 3 Footing more than twice

Failure: A failure is considered to have occurred if:

- a) The machine moves backwards.
- b) The rider does not have both hands on the handlebar WHEN HE FOOTS WHILST STATIONARY.
- c) The engine stops WHILST ANY PART OF THE MACHINE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TYRES, TOUCHES THE GROUND OR THE RIDER IS FOOTING.
- d) The rider dismounts from the machine. Dismount will be deemed to have occurred when both of the rider's feet are on the ground at the same side of, or behind the machine.
- f) A rider is requested to leave the section by the observer for "unnecessary delay".
- g) A machine does not stay within each section marker.
- h) If any wheel of the machine crosses any boundary tape or marker whether the wheel be on the ground or airborne before the front wheel spindle passes the "Section ends" sign.
- i) The rider is held responsible for displacing a flag, marker or support etc.
- j) Travelling in a forward direction against the direction of the Section.
- k) The machine or rider receives outside assistance.

l) A rider or person having an interest in a rider's performance, who in any way alters the severity of a section without the authority of an official.

Additionally there will be a sentence that reads "For all trials other than those for which Championship Regulations apply the organiser may, with the agreement of the Permit Issuing Authority, apply a time limit to each section. The time allowed must be the same for each and every Section and the penalty for a rider not completing the Section within that time would be failure. If a time limit is to be applied to the Sections then this must be clearly stated in the Supplementary Regulations.

T & E Committee
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