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1. GENERAL

In the following appendices, “he” is used in a non-sexist way and must be understood as “she/he”. All riders, teams, officials and other parties participating in the FIM Speedway of Nations World championship undertake, on behalf of themselves, their employees and agents, to observe all the provisions of the: FIM sporting code, FIM code of ethics, FIM Speedway of Nations and FIM Speedway of Nations U21 World championships regulations, FIM Track Racing regulations, FIM Track Racing technical regulations, FIM disciplinary and arbitration code, FIM Track Racing circuit standards, FIM environmental code, FIM medical code, FIM anti-doping code, and FIM SoN organiser’s manual of the current year, as supplemented and amended from time to time (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “FIM regulations”). The FIM regulations may be translated into other languages, but in case of any dispute regarding interpretation the English text will prevail. It is the responsibility of each rider to ensure that all persons involved with their entries always observe the FIM regulations. The responsibility of the rider, or any other person having charge of an entered motorcycle at any time during an event is joint and severally with that of the team. All persons concerned in any way with an entered motorcycle or present in any capacity whatsoever in the paddock, pit area or on the track, must carry an appropriate pass at all times during the event. Actions judged by the officials responsible to be contrary to the FIM regulations - or judged to be unsportsmanlike or against the best interests of the sport or the event in question - are subject to disciplinary actions as provided by the arbitration and disciplinary code.

1.1 Titles

The FIM recognises the FIM Speedway of Nations and FIM Speedway of Nations U21 as a FIM world championship for national teams, hereafter referred to as the “SoN & SoN2”. The SoN race meetings are the sole prerogative of the FIM and shall be organised in accordance with all FIM requirements. The SoN and SoN2 are run in conjunction with promoter Discovery Sports Events hereafter referred also as “DSE”.

The rules of the FIM sporting code, FIM Track Racing appendices and FIM Track Racing technical rules apply, except where otherwise stated in this regulation.

1.2 Descriptions

7 teams from different nations (FMN’s) will compete in each race meeting. The **2023** SoN2 final will be staged in **Latvia**, having a total of 1 race meeting.

Semi-finals 1 & 2

After the 21 qualification heats there will be 1 additional race. The final qualifier race will consist of the team in 3rd and 4th place.

The winning team of the final qualifier race will join the 1st and 2nd placed teams in qualifying for the final (not applicable to SoN2).

Final

After the 21 qualification heats there will be 2 additional races, a grand final qualifier race and a grand final race to determine the top 3 of the 2023 SoN.

The grand final qualifier race will consist of the 2nd & 3rd placed teams from the final 21 qualifying heats. The winning team of the grand final qualifier race will join the top scoring team from the final 21 qualifying heats in the grand final race.

The winning team of the grand final race will become **2023** SoN2 World Champions. The losing team of the grand final race will become the 2023 SoN2 World championship runner up. The losing team of the grand final qualifier race will become the 2023 SoN2 World championship third place.

1.3 National teams

National teams (e.g. Danish team, Australian team) are nominated exclusively by their respective FMN. The riders of a national team must be holders of a passport of the country, which they represent. The FIM Jury may also check the national identity/age of each rider.

1.4 Dates of the race meetings

The SoN race meetings can be held either during daylight or during the evening under floodlights. The FIM SoN calendar will be established pursuant to art. 20.1.2 of the FIM sporting code. Once the allocated date for the race meeting is known, no other Track Racing race meeting(s) or practice sessions of any kind can be staged at the venue five days prior to that date and until two days after, unless it's a FIM/DSE promoted event.

To provide for postponements that may be necessary, for example because of weather conditions, the FMNR or the organiser must declare one re-staging date.

The re-staging date must always be the day after the original date of the race meeting. This shall be notified in the supplementary regulations (SR's).

If semi-final 1 or 2 is postponed again and cannot be held on the re-staging date, the race meeting classification shall be decided according to the **2023** ranking list (art. 8.1). Highest team ranking, placed 1st; Second highest team ranking, placed 2nd and so on (not applicable to SoN2).

The SoN and SoN2 final tournaments have precedence over any other Track Racing race meeting, with the exception of the FIM SGP race meetings.

1.4.1 Re-staging or abandonment of a race meeting

If a SoN race meeting is interrupted or suspended for any reason whatsoever, the following rules will apply:

If the race meeting is interrupted before heat 14 is accomplished, and the remaining heats cannot be completed the same day, then the results are not taken into consideration and the whole race meeting must be re-staged in accordance with art. 8.1.

If the race meeting is interrupted after heat 14 and before heat 21 and cannot continue the same day the result at the conclusion of heat 14 will be deemed valid to determine the final results of the race meeting.

If semi-final 1 or 2 is interrupted after heat 21 and cannot continue the same day, the result at the conclusion of heat 21 will be deemed valid to determine the final results of the race meeting (not applicable to SoN2).

If the final is interrupted after heat 21 and cannot continue the same day, the result at the conclusion of heat 21 will be deemed valid to determine the final results of the race meeting.

If the race meeting is interrupted after the grand final qualifier heat and cannot continue the same day, the result at the conclusion of heat 21 will be deemed valid to determine results of the race meeting. The grand final qualifier heat will only be considered to determine 2nd and 3rd place in the final results of the race meeting regardless of points scored in the 21 heats.

In exceptional circumstances the SoN commission may authorise a departure from this formula for a specific event. In this event the changes must be set out in the SR's for the event. Only the SoN commission may approve such changes.

1.5 Supplementary regulations (SR's)

Supplementary regulations, referred to hereafter as SR's, must be issued by the FMNR in accordance with the FIM sporting code, the FIM Track Racing appendices and regulations.

The SR's are to be published using the FIM SoN model format and must be sent to the FIM administration for approval, at least 2 months before the race meeting.

1.6 FIM SoN operations manual

A FIM SoN operations manual will be provided for each SoN organiser and each SoN appointed clerk of the course. This manual is the exclusive property of the FIM/DSE and cannot be used in whole or in part for any other category of race meeting. The Organisers are compelled to follow all the given instructions contained in this manual.

A FIM SoN2 operations manual will be provided for the SoN2 organiser and the SoN2 appointed clerk of the course. This manual is the exclusive property of the FIM/DSE and cannot be used in whole or in part for any other category of race meeting. The organisers are compelled to follow all the given instructions contained in this manual.

2. OFFICIALS

2.1 International jury

The members of the international jury with voting rights are: the jury president, the referee and the FMNR delegate / clerk of the course. In the case of a tie, the jury president has the casting vote.

The following persons are entitled to attend the meetings of the international jury but without the right to vote: the members of the board of directors, the directors of the permanent commissions and panels, the FIM chief executive officer, the FIM sports director and the administrative staff of the sporting commission concerned, the environmental steward, the chief medical officer, the technical director, technical steward, the FMN delegate(s), the team managers and any guests in possession of an FIM licence invited by the jury president.

The international jury will hear any protests that are lodged during the event. No protest can be lodged against the referee or technical steward statement of facts.

The international jury has the competence to pronounce ex officio sanctions against riders, team staff, officials, promoters/organisers and all the persons involved in any capacity whatsoever in an event or in the championship.

The authority and duties of the international jury are:

- a) To ensure the smooth and efficient running of the event.
- b) To approve all the official results of the event.
- c) To impose penalties for any infringements of the regulations.
- d) To impose penalties for any voluntary or involuntary action or deed accomplished by a person or a group of persons during an event, contrary to the current regulations or instructions given by an official of the event.
- e) To impose penalties for any corrupt or fraudulent act, or any action prejudicial to the interests of the events or of the sport, carried out by a person or a group of persons occurring during an event.
- f) To impose penalties on organisers for having been unable to ensure the smooth and efficient running of the event or for serious breaches of the regulations.
- g) To adjudicate on any protest relating to infringements of the regulations.

Any person or organisation affected by a disciplinary decision of the international jury has the right to appeal this decision. This appeal must be presented to the CDI 5 days at the latest after the notification of that decision.

Appeals against a disciplinary decision taken by the international jury will be dealt with by the CDI.

2.2 SoN commission

The SoN commission established pursuant to art. 30.4.2.1 of the FIM sporting code, is competent to study and approve amendments to the SoN regulations proposed by the CCP or by other parties

involved, such as riders, teams, manufacturers, etc.

The SoN commission shall consist of:

- The FIM CCP director
- The FIM sports director
- The FIM SoN race director
- The head of DSE
- The DSE speedway event & commercial director
- The DSE speedway championships coordinator

The decisions require a simple majority and in case of a tie, the FIM CCP director shall have a casting vote.

The FIM CCP coordinator will attend all SoN commission meetings and working groups to record the official minutes, without any voting rights.

SoN2:

The SoN2 commission shall consist of:

- **The FIM CCP director**
- **The FIM sports director**
- **The FIM SoN2 race director**
- **The head of DSE**
- **The DSE speedway event & commercial director**
- **The DSE speedway championships coordinator**

The decisions require a simple majority and in case of a tie, the FIM CCP director shall have a casting vote.

The FIM CCP coordinator will attend all SoN2 commission meetings and working groups to record the official minutes, without any voting rights.

2.3 FIM SoN race director

The race director is responsible for the conduct and efficient running of the FIM SoN. He is a voting member of the international jury.

He is responsible for carrying out regular meetings with the team managers in order to obtain good cooperation.

He must ensure that the FIM's contractual commitments with the FIM SoN promoter are fulfilled and complied with.

Within the SoN commission, he shall update the SoN regulations as well as the SoN operations manual.

2.4 Club staff uniform

It is compulsory for the club staff to be dressed with the club's uniform. If the organiser does not have a special club uniform, then the club's staff must wear overalls of the same colour. The colour red is not allowed.

Chief officials such as the clerk of the course, technical steward, chief pits marshal, etc. must be clearly identifiable. Their uniform or jacket must contrast with that of the club staff uniform and their title must be clearly displayed on the back, in contrasting letters.

3. RIDERS AND TEAM MANAGERS

3.1 Licences

Only riders with a current and valid FIM SGP licence or FIM Track Racing world championship licence will be allowed to take part in the SoN championship race meetings. A FIM one-event licence is only valid for one race meeting. The team manager must be a holder of a valid FIM clerk

of the course licence.

3.2 Checking of the riders' licences

The rider's and team manager's licences must be presented to the clerk of the course prior to the practice and will be checked by the jury president. The licence will be returned to the rider and team manager after all fork covers and race jackets have been returned.

3.3 Entries

No entry fee may be charged.

Only seeded or qualified FMNs and their nominated riders will be allowed to participate in the FIM SoN final tournament of that year. 3 weeks prior to the first race meeting of the SoN final tournament, all seeded and qualified teams must submit the official SoN squad declaration form, to the FIM. This declaration form must be duly completed and signed by the FMN, as it enters the FMN into all the SoN final tournament race meetings they may qualify for that year.

The FMN is responsible for the completion of this entry form and submitting it to the FIM/CCP administration.

3.4 Team composition

The 7 competing teams shall each consist of 3 riders.

TEAM A	Starting n°	1	2	3
TEAM B	Starting n°	1	2	3
TEAM C	Starting n°	1	2	3
TEAM D	Starting n°	1	2	3
TEAM E	Starting n°	1	2	3
TEAM F	Starting n°	1	2	3
TEAM G	Starting n°	1	2	3

FMNs shall nominate a squad, with up to 5 riders three weeks before semi-final 1.

Six days before the semi-final the FMN shall nominate the 3 riders competing in the semi-final.

One day before the final the FMN shall nominate the 3 riders competing in the final.

If there is an injury, it is permitted to nominate another rider that was not in the original squad subject to the approval of SoN commission.

The names and composition of the declared squad & teams will remain confidential and must not be disclosed by the FMN or their representatives to the media or any other party until announced by FIM or the SoN promoter.

The number 3 rider can replace his teammate at any time during the race meeting. If notification of replacement is not given to the FIM SoN race director before the heat starts, that rider will be disqualified.

The international jury will issue a list, including the teams draw position, as soon as possible after the completion of semi-final 2 (See art. 3.5- not applicable to SoN2).

Riders, who have been entered by their FMN for the SoN final tournament and refuse or are unable to take part, shall be deemed suspended for competing internationally for a period of 1 day before and up to 3 days after the race meeting concerned. Furthermore, they shall be considered ineligible for the SoN of that season.

Riders who have been nominated by their FMN to participate in the SoN final tournament must participate therein unless prevented from doing so by injury, illness or other "force majeure". A suitable qualified medical practitioner must certify injury or illness in writing to that effect. In the case of a "force majeure", the international jury of the race meeting will decide on their admission. If the absence of the rider is truly justified and accepted by the international jury, he will be

accepted to re-enter the SoN final tournament.

SoN2: The 7 competing teams shall each consist of 3 U21 riders. FMNs shall nominate a squad, with up to 5 riders three weeks before the final.

3.5 Starting positions draw

The starting positions draw for each team in semi-final 1 and 2 will be pre-balloted by the FIM/CCP administration.

For teams that progress to the SoN final, the final starting position draw shall be balloted by the international jury after the conclusion of semi-final 2.

SoN2: The starting positions draw for each team in the final will be pre-balloted by the FIM/CCP administration.

3.6 Signing on

All team managers and their respective riders must sign on at the date and time stipulated in the SR, which should not be later than 30 minutes before the first international jury meeting.

When a team manager or a rider has signed on, he is deemed to have entered the race meeting and is not permitted to take part in any other motorcycle race meeting until the completion of that race meeting.

3.7 Team managers' briefing meeting

A team managers' briefing meeting will be held prior to the practice and the race, according to the SR's. The race director may call for additional meetings with the team managers and/or the riders if he considers such action to be necessary. It is compulsory for all team managers and riders to be present if asked to do so by the race director.

3.8 Rider's team colours

It is compulsory for all the members of the different national teams to wear their team colour uniform in the pits' and on the track during practice and race day.

It is compulsory for each team's riders to wear a team race suit at all times during practice, opening ceremony, TV interviews, draws, press conferences, racing, prize giving ceremony and in the pits area. If this rule is broken, the FMN will receive a fine of 2000 euros.

The team manager must be clearly identifiable. His uniform or jacket shall at least be highlighted on the back with "team manager" and the name of the country he represents. All persons having duties in the pits area must observe a reasonable dress code.

SoN2: Recommended.

4. TRACKS / STADIUMS

4.1 Tracks

Tracks used for the SoN final tournament must be homologated by the FIM and have a current valid FIM track licence.

The track must comply with FIM track standards for Track Racing circuits (STRC), and with the FIM SoN operations manual.

The FIM has the right to inspect any track intended for the SoN final tournament race meetings at any time if it considers such an inspection to be necessary and may order the taking of any measures needed to comply with all the FIM requirements and safety matters for riders, officials and spectators. **The FIM jury president has the power to authorise and apply a 3-year track**

licence, 2-year track licence, 1-year track licence or a one event track licence depending on the circuit. Each non-permanent track will be required to have a track test before the practice and race meeting takes place.

4.2 Stadium facilities

A SoN race meeting is **recommended** to be held at a stadium having permanently installed flood lighting of a minimum **1200** lux, evenly spread out on the track, and **750** lux evenly spread out in the whole pits area and lining-up zone. The lighting must be made according to DIN 67526 or similar standards.

A paddock area, including power supply and water, suitable for the parking of rider's vehicles must be provided adjacent to the pits and must provide sufficient accommodation for 18 large vehicles. Furthermore, the stadium must strictly comply with the provisions outlined in the FIM SGP operations manual, FIM track racing standards for Track Racing (STRC) and FIM SGP world championship regulations. **The start switchboard must incorporate the correct connection for the FIM orange box starting system.**

4.3 Track inspection

At each SoN race meeting, prior to any practice or racing taking place, the race director accompanied by the referee, jury president and the clerk of the course, must carry out a track inspection, and if necessary, order any measure(s) to comply with every security provision for riders, officials and spectators. The SoN teams will have the possibility to walk around and inspect the track. Times will be specified in the SR.

4.4 Stadium facilities inspection

The race director and the FIM SoN promoter will carry out a stadium facilities inspection prior to the FIM SoN race meetings for final approval. If further inspection is needed, the organiser must pay the travel expenses and hotel accommodation costs.

4.5 Pits Entrance

Entrance to the pits area is authorised for the holders of a valid pass only.

A special adjacent viewing area **for 100 people**, with direct entrance from the pits, must be provided for the riders, mechanics, team managers and other authorised pass holders.

5. MOTORCYCLES AND EQUIPMENT

Motorcycles and all riders' equipment must conform to FIM Track Racing technical rules and to all the provisions of art. 7 of the FIM Track Racing appendices.

5.1 Scrutineering

At every SoN race meeting, a technical verification is compulsory and official FIM specification declaration forms are provided for this purpose. All engines, machines and equipment must be checked in accordance with FIM Track Racing technical rules.

The referee, **jury president** or race director may order any engines or machines to be re- checked or re-tested at any time, during qualifying practice or racing. Furthermore, the weight of some machines, chosen at random, must also be checked during the race meeting.

A capacity check is not compulsory, but after the last heat, the jury president, referee or race director may order an engine capacity check of any engines used in the race meeting.

The mechanics must present their rider's machines and equipment at the time stipulated in the SR's for the machine examination and according to the time stipulated in the SoN time schedule.

5.2 Fuel

Only pure methanol may be used.

During practice and throughout the race meeting, it is compulsory for the teams to use the fuel supplied by the organiser, which must be provided free of charge to the teams.

The organiser must provide a fuelling area with all the equipment and manpower necessary to efficiently empty fuel tanks and refuel the bikes prior to each heat.

Furthermore, the jury president, **referee** or the race director can order a sampling of fuel during the race meeting.

5.3 Tyres

The organisers are required to provide an adequate supply of FIM homologated speedway tyres, which comply with FIM technical rules for purchase at each race meeting. This will not apply if the tyres are provided by DSE.

The tyres intended for use during the SoN race meeting must be presented fitted to the FIM technical steward or his nominated deputy at the time specified in the published tyre check schedule if required.

The FIM technical steward can ask for tyres to be unfitted for a detailed inspection of the tyres. He can also request deflation and inflation of tyres with air from the event compressor. The organiser must provide a conveniently located suitable covered area, with sufficient equipment for the safe fitting and inflation of tyres. It is not permitted for tyres to be removed from the pits area until the conclusion of the race meeting.

During Practice and the race, riders will use tyres, which must be homologated and comply with the requirements of the FIM technical rules.

5.4 Artificial heating of speedway tyres

The referee shall immediately disqualify a rider whose motorcycle's rear tyre has been artificially warmed prior to the start of a heat. This includes the spinning of the rear wheel whilst in contact with the track or any other object but does not apply to practice starts.

5.5 Front fork covers

The FIM SoN promoter will supply two sets of front fork covers to each team member. It is compulsory to fit these covers on the motorcycles during machine examination, practice and racing.

It is not permitted to cover any part of the front fork cover in any way.

The cost of any fork cover not returned will be charged to the team manager and deducted from the team's prize money.

All front fork covers will need to be signed out when received and signed back in when returned by the rider's mechanic or representative to a collection point to be confirmed by the race director at each race meeting.

5.6 Number of motorcycles

Each rider will be allowed a maximum of 2 motorcycles in the pits before the start of the race. The 2 motorcycles must be placed in the team's allocated pit area immediately after the machine examination has taken place.

Motorcycles taken outside the controlled pits' enclosure or track area shall be re-presented for inspection before they can again be placed in the allocated pit area. Any extra motorcycles can be parked in the specially provided "standby" area, near to the pits.

5.7 Riding number jackets

The FIM SoN promoter will supply the riding number jackets. It is compulsory for each team's riders to wear this riding number jacket at all times during practice, opening ceremony, TV interviews, draws, press conferences, racing, prize-giving ceremony and in the pits area. Riders shall wear the allocated team starting number on the back of their riding number jacket.

The covering of any part of the riding number jacket in any way is not permitted. Shoulder lapels are permitted but cannot cover any logos or adverts.

Where a rider wears a neck brace, the neck brace must be free of any advertisements.

All riding number jackets will need to be signed out when received and signed back in when returned by the rider's mechanic or representative to a collection point to be confirmed by the race director at each event.

The cost of any riding number jacket not returned will be charged to the team Manager and deducted from the team's prize money.

5.8 Helmet colours

Every rider shall have at least one (1) coloured helmet or one (1) helmet cover produced in each of the prescribed colours ready for use in accordance with the rules in force for the race meeting. Any alterations, additions or changes (to the shape of the helmet, colouring, etc.) that may affect the structure or durability of the helmet may be made only in accordance to the manufacturer's precise recommendations and specifications.

In every heat and according to the allocated team colour, the riders must use the coloured helmet or the helmet cover, in the corresponding colour, for proper identification to the referee, TV, spectators, etc.

The prescribed helmet colours used are (RAL traffic colours):

Red	3020
Blue	5017
White	9016
Yellow	1023

The rider's helmets or covers must be coloured or produced in these prescribed colours.

The coloured area on helmets shall correspond to the area indicated with parallel lines in diagram A (if paint is used only) or diagram B (if a textile helmet cover is used only). On the coloured area it is allowed to have **two adverts** with a maximum area of 50 cm² **each**.

Every rider's helmet or helmet cover is considered as part of his personal equipment.

6. PRACTICE

Date and time of practice must be clearly stated in the SR's. Practice is not compulsory for the riders.

Teams wishing to practice must do so within the official practice time schedule for each team. Practice for all events will be one practice session where each rider will have two practice runs. Teams may have a maximum of 3 riders participating in the practice.

Each rider must make himself ready in the lining-up zone, within the time limit of his team's session. On the order of the race director, they will be allowed to enter the track.

Riders must practice according to their team's run. However, if the rider is not ready, he will miss that run. Each practice run will be of a maximum two (2) minutes duration determined by the referee. Team managers, team members, mechanics or machines etc. are not permitted on the infield.

It is forbidden to make any practice starts on the corners or on the starting gate straight. No starting practice with the starting gate in operation will be provided. The race director will decide

on watering, grading, etc. of the track according to the conditions.

The weather conditions, the conditions of the track surface or other circumstances may dictate alterations to this procedure.

Practice may be partly or totally cancelled, which may be decided only by the FIM international jury.

SoN2: Practice is compulsory.

7. OPENING CEREMONY

An opening ceremony must be organised prior to the start of the 1st heat. During this opening ceremony, the announcer must present the teams, their riders and team manager to the public. The time limit for the whole opening ceremony must under no circumstances be longer than 10 minutes in total unless permission is granted by the SoN commission. The race director, may, after consultation with the SoN promoter, give permission for one opening speech at the opening ceremony.

Only track staff and valid pass holders are allowed on the track or infield during the opening ceremony.

8. RACES

8.1 FIM SoN final tournament format

Competitions for teams.

The SoN final tournament format may change for the following year and if so, will be announced as early as possible.

The SoN tournament involves 15 teams in total. Each team shall be ranked from 1 to 15 by the SoN commission before the start of the SoN final tournament. The making up of the ranking list shall be produced and distributed by the FIM/CCP administration to all teams concerned.

The SoN comprises three race meetings: semi-final 1 (not applicable to SoN2) – semi-final 2 (not applicable to SoN2) – The final which includes the closing ceremony. 7 teams will compete in each race meeting.

A race meeting comprises 21 heats, run respectively with 3 riders per team according to the format. All heats will be raced over 4 laps.

Semi-final 1 & 2 will consist of 21 heats plus one extra final qualifier race (not applicable to SoN2). The final will consist of 21 heats plus two extra races. Grand final qualifier race and a grand final heat.

Team riding is permitted in the SoN.

Teams qualify to the final as follows:

The host nation of the final is seeded directly to the final. The 1st and 2nd place teams after 21 heats of semi-final 1 and 2, plus the winners of the final qualifier races of semi-final 1 and 2 will qualify directly for the final (not applicable to SoN2).

RACE FORMAT

Heat / Gate	1 – RED	2 - WHITE	3 – BLUE	4 - YELLOW
1.	1A	1B	2A	2B
2.	1C	1D	2C	2D
3.	1E	1F	2E	2F
4.	1G	1A	2G	2A
TRACK GRADING				
5.	1B	1C	2B	2C
6.	1D	1E	2D	2E
7.	1G	1F	2G	2F
8.	1A	1C	2A	2C
TRACK GRADING				
9.	1D	1B	2D	2B
10.	1E	1G	2E	2G
11.	1F	1A	2F	2A
12.	1B	1E	2B	2E
TRACK GRADING				
13.	1C	1F	2C	2F
14.	1G	1D	2G	2D
15.	1A	1E	2A	2E
16.	1F	1B	2F	2B
17.	1C	1G	2C	2G
TRACK GRADING				
18.	1D	1A	2D	2A
19.	1B	1G	2B	2G
20.	1E	1C	2E	2C
21.	1F	1D	2F	2D
TRACK GRADING				
22.	RED	WHITE	BLUE	YELLOW
Final only 23.	RED	WHITE	BLUE	YELLOW

Team riders in red and blue have a choice of gate positions 1 & 3. Team riders in white and yellow have a choice of gate positions 2 & 4. A change of helmet cover is not permitted but a gate change is permitted between the 2 riders from the same team.

In respect of the final qualifier race in semi-final 1 & 2 (**not applicable to SoN2**) and the final, grand final qualifier and grand final, the first choice of gate will go to the higher placed team in the 21-heat intermediate classification.

8.2 Punctuality in starting

All races must start at the time stipulated in the SR's. All officials, riders and team managers must be ready for the start of the event when called upon to do so by the race director.

Only the race director can make alterations or changes to the starting time of the races. He will

give the order that the opening ceremony of the riders shall enter the track.

8.3 2 minutes time allowance

Upon the order from the race director, the pits' gate shall be opened; the referee shall start the 2 minutes time allowance for that heat and the riders will have access to the track. The FIM race director has the option to use a 1-minute time allowance for a restart after an unsatisfactory start. A mechanic control white line will be made across the width of the track (a maximum of 5 metres from pit gate in race direction). During the 2- or 1-minutes time allowance, the mechanics must only work on his rider's bike within the controlled area. Mechanics may only leave the controlled area to assist his rider in an emergency.

Riders must proceed as directly as possible in the race direction up to the starting tape and be ready to start within the 2- or 1-minutes time allowance.

In front of the starting tape, a countdown clock is placed on the infield indicating the remainder of the 2- or 1-minute time allowance. If, in the opinion of the referee, any rider or riders are not ready to start when the 2- or 1-minutes time allowance has expired, they shall be disqualified from the heat. The disqualified rider or riders shall not be replaced.

Riders of the same team can change gate positions with their partner at any time but must be ready to start by the end of the 2- or 1-minute allowance.

8.4 Unsatisfactory start

Starts will be carried out in accordance with regulation 10.5 **of the FIM Track Racing appendices**. Where, in the opinion of the referee, a start has been incorrect then he will immediately stop the race and order a restart.

The referee will give a warning to any rider deemed to have been the cause of or contributed to the unsatisfactory start. This will be communicated verbally by the race director before the race is restarted.

Note: A first starting offence involving a disqualification of a rider (i.e. touching the tapes) will also be deemed to be a warning as described above.

In circumstances where the referee is of the opinion that an offence has been committed but the offending rider has gained no advantage and is deemed not to have interfered with any other rider in the same heat, the referee may allow the heat to continue and issue the warning after the heat is completed. In these circumstances the offending rider must be informed before leaving the pits for his next heat.

Any starting offence committed after a warning has been given in the same race meeting under this regulation will result in the disqualification of the rider from that race. This will be signified by the showing of his disqualification light by the referee. The team's reserve rider will not be permitted to take the place of any rider disqualified for starting offences.

8.5 Timekeeping

Race times for each heat must be taken and announced at every SoN race meeting.

8.6 FIM SoN qualifying system

The SoN final tournament format may change for the following year and if so, will be reflected in the qualification system where necessary.

Seeded FMNs/teams that do not wish to participate in the SoN final tournament must notify the FIM/CCP administration in writing, no later than five months before the start of the SoN.

When all fifteen teams for the SoN final tournament are known, a ranking list from 1 to 15 shall be produced and distributed by the FIM/ CCP administration to all FMNs concerned.

SoN2:

The top 6 of the 2023 final classification will qualify for the 2024 SoN2.

The 7th ranked team of the 2023 final classification will drop out and become first substitute for the 2024 SoN2. The 2023 substitute (Sweden) will enter the 2024 SoN2 - This rule will not apply if the 7th ranked team is the host nation of the following year.

9. RESULTS

9.1 Rider's scores

In each heat, points are awarded to the riders and teams as follows:

- 4 points for 1st place
- 3 points for 2nd place
- 2 point for 3rd place
- 0 point for 4th place

In the case of a dead heat, the combined points for the places must be shared equally between the riders concerned.

Tie for:	
1 st / 2 nd place	3½ points
2 nd / 3 rd place	2½ points
3 rd / 4 th place	1 point

9.2 Ties

After the completion of heat 14 or 21 of the semi-finals (not applicable to SoN2) and the final when establishing the order between the teams in the list of intermediate classification at the conclusion of heat 14, 21

1a. In the event of equal points for two teams after the conclusion of the heat 21, or heat 14 if for any reason the race meeting cannot reach heat 21, the team that scored the most points when the two teams met will be considered the better placed team. If the two teams did not meet, 1b will be used to determine the better placed team.

1b. In the event of equal points for three or more teams, after the conclusion of the qualification heats, teams are considered to have scored a bonus point on each occasion they finish in positions 1 & 2 or 2 & 3 during the qualification heats. The team scoring the higher number of bonus points will be considered the better placed team.

1c. If there remains a tie, the amount of first, second, third and fourth places in total taken by all riders will decide the better placed team. Zero for last placing is better than for M-R-F-T-d-N

1d. If all other solutions cannot resolve the tie, then the team with the highest SoN ranking will be deemed the better placed team.

SoN2:

1d. If all other solutions cannot resolve the tie, then the team with the highest SoN2 ranking will be deemed the better placed team.

9.3 Replacing an injured rider

In the event of a rider being injured but not disqualified from the re-run of a heat, his place may be taken by the other team member, should the substitute rider be injured in the re-run heat in similar circumstances without disqualification, he may be replaced by the original rider if fit.

9.4 Results and final SoN overall classification

The team winning the grand final race at the final shall be declared the winner, the losing team in

the grand final race will be placed 2nd, and the losing team from the grand final qualifier race will be placed 3rd.

4th to 7th will be decided by the highest points scored from the final. In the case of teams tied on points, art. 9.2 Shall apply.

The fourth placed team in semi-final 1 and 2 (losing team of the final qualifier races) shall be placed 8th and 9th (not applicable to SoN2).

The fifth, sixth and seventh placed team in the semi-final events shall be placed, 10th/11th, 12th/13th and 14th/15th in the final overall classification of the SoN tournament of that year (not applicable to SoN2).

The team having collected the highest number of scored points will be the better placed team. In case of teams tied on points, see (art. 9.2).

9.5 Official results

The SoN secretary is responsible for drawing up the FIM SoN official results, which must be submitted to the international jury for approval and signature.

9.6 Communication of results

Immediately after the final race meeting of the international jury, the organiser must make available in the media centre for all the persons concerned with the race meeting, copies of the officially approved results, (i.e. each heat and classification). Only the FIM SoN official results form shall be used. Furthermore, the complete FIM SoN official results form shall be sent by e-mail to the FIM and the media concerned.

9.7 Prize-giving ceremony

The prize-giving ceremony shall be organised immediately after the end of the final race. Riders and team managers shall make themselves ready and available immediately for the ceremony, without any delays whatsoever.

The race director will escort the riders and team managers concerned as quickly as possible to the parade vehicle or the podium for the prize-giving ceremony.

It is compulsory for the riders and team managers to participate.

9.8 Press conference

The teams placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd shall immediately after the prize-giving ceremonies make themselves available for the official press conference. The race director may instruct any other officials, team managers, rider or riders to participate in the press conference.

10. RIDERS' REMUNERATION

10.1 Travel and hotel expenses

The travel and hotel expenses are included in the prize money (art. 10.5).

10.2 Hotel accommodation

Where possible, it is recommended that riders and FIM officials stay in the same hotel.

Provided that no other agreement or arrangement has been made by the organiser, the FMNs of the teams, etc. are responsible for booking or reserving their own hotel requirements directly. The organiser is responsible for the possibility of each team to book an appropriate number of rooms within the specified deadline.

The name, address, telephone and e-mail address, price of rooms, deadline for booking etc. will be specified in the SR if the organiser has a special code/deal with the hotels.

For the SoN race director, a double room must be reserved for, 1 day before the SoN tournament

until the end of the SoN tournament and paid for by the organisers.

For each FIM official listed in the SR's, the organisers must have a single or double room available to book for the full SoN tournament.

10.3 Guest tickets

The organiser must supply, at the request of each team manager, and free of charge, **10 tickets** per team for the personal use of each team competing at the race meeting. These tickets should give seating access to the main grandstand or other suitable area.

10.4 FIM Awards

FIM medals and diplomas are awarded to winners in accordance with the FIM sporting code.

10.5 Prize money

The prize money will be paid to the respective FMN's directly by DSE after the SoN final tournament is completed. This will be done according to the final overall classification of the SoN tournament and to the following scale of prize money.

Should any **race** meeting be re-staged, the prize money will remain the same. (All amounts are shown in euros and are net amounts).

Place	Amount
1st	37'500
2nd	30'000
3rd	27'500
4th	25'000
5th	22'000
6th	20'000
7th	18'000
8th	10'000
9th	10'000
10th	9'000
11th	9'000
12th	8'000
13th	8'000
14th	8'000
15th	8'000
Total	250'000

SoN2

Place	Amount
1st	13'000
2nd	10'500
3rd	9'000
4th	8'000
5th	7'500
6th	6'500
7th	5'500
Total	60'000

11. ALCOHOL AND DOPING CONTROLS

Alcohol controls must be carried out in accordance with FIM medical code. They may be made before the start of practice, racing or at any time during the race meeting. Doping controls must be carried out in accordance with the FIM anti- doping code. The sanctions for a positive doping or alcohol test will be applied according to the rules and proceedings laid down in the FIM anti-

doping code, FIM medical code and FIM disciplinary and arbitration code.

12. PROTESTS AND PENALTIES

Refer to art. 14 of the **FIM Track Racing appendices** and the FIM disciplinary and arbitration code.

12.1 Time limit

Refer to art. 14 of the **FIM Track Racing appendices** and the FIM disciplinary and arbitration code.

12.2 Right of protest and appeal

Refer to art. 14 of the **FIM Track Racing appendices** and the FIM disciplinary and arbitration code.

12.3 Fines

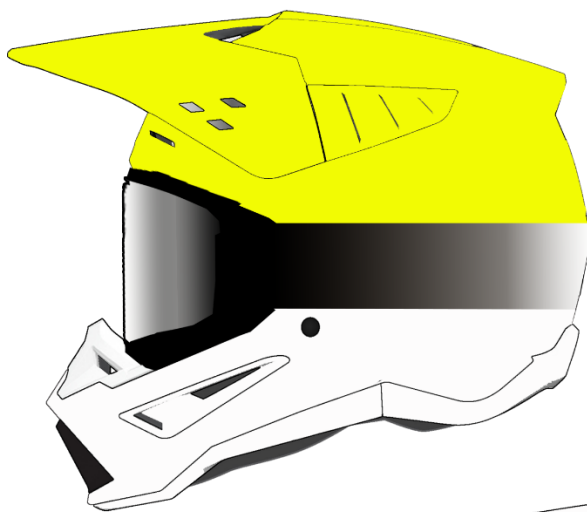
Every breach of the rule shall be penalised with a fine or penalised with another sanction provided for in the FIM disciplinary and arbitration code. The sanction must be proportional to the offence, and to the circumstances (attenuating or aggravating if applicable) and taking account of any possible advantage gained by the rider. Riders breaking the rules shall be sanctioned by the international jury as follows:

	AMOUNT
Any inappropriate conduct with words or signs	1'000€
with violence	2'000€ and up to disqualification from the race meeting
Arriving after the start of heat 1	600 € and up to disqualification from the race meeting
Absence without having advised the FIM and/or organiser in writing, or absence after having advised the FIM and/or organiser in writing but for a reason not accepted by the international jury	8'000€
SoN2	5'500€
Absence or late arrival at the:	
Signing on	300€
Machine Examination	300€
Riders' briefing	300€
Opening ceremony	300€
Prize-giving ceremony	750€
Press Conference	300€
Non-respect of the track walk time	First offence: Warning Second offence: 300€
Non-respect of the mechanics' line (when applicable)	First offence: Warning Second offence: 300€
Team suit not conform (not applicable to SoN2).	2000€
Riding number jackets not worn during the TV interviews, draws, practice, opening ceremony, press conferences, racing, prize-giving ceremony and in the pits area	600 € + Disqualification from the race meeting

Front cover not fixed on the bike during the TV interviews, draws, practice, opening ceremony, press conferences, racing, prize-giving ceremony and in the pits area	600 € + Disqualification from the race meeting
Any part of the race jacket or front fork cover covered by any object when provided by FIM and/or organiser On practice	300€
On racing	Disqualification from the race meeting
Helmet covers, or helmet colours not conform (art. 5.2 of the FIM Track Racing appendices and diagram helmet colours)	First offence: 600€ Second offence: disqualification from the race meeting
Team member not wearing a team colour uniform (for SoN only)	300€
Lost or forgotten pass	70€
Not using an environmental mat in the pits, parc fermé	70€ per mat

Riders are responsible for their team members. All other offences to the rules will be penalised according to the FIM disciplinary and arbitration code.

DIAGRAM - HELMETS



Helmet colour - A

Helmet cover - B

