NHRA Street Legal Rules

General Rules

> All vehicles must be a street legal car, truck, or motorcycle that is currently registered and insured for street use.

> Helmets are required for all racers. Helmets must be rated SNELL 2015 or SNELL 2020.

> All drivers must have a valid driver's license and must be at least 16 years old to race.

Drivers who are 16 and 17 years old must have a waiver (Minor Release) signed at the front gate by parent(s) and must be accompanied by a parent.

➤ Full length pants; Short or long-sleeved shirt; Closed shoes and socks required for all drivers and passengers. Drivers or passengers cannot wear shorts, nylon wind pants, tank tops, or muscle shirts. No bare legs or bare torsos permitted while racing. No open toe, open heel or sandals allowed.

> Cars cannot run faster than 14.00 seconds in the quarter mile with a passenger. All passengers must be 18 years or older.

➤ Quarter-mile elapsed times that are quicker than 11.49 seconds require additional specialized racing equipment or licenses. If you suspect that you may be going faster than 11.49 seconds, please consult the NHRA rule book, or the BIR Tech Department.

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Cars and Trucks:

> Exhaust must be routed through street legal muffler(s).

> Street legal treaded tires are required both front and rear with a visible DOT stamp.

Tires will be inspected for overall condition. (Bare cords will not be permitted.

➤ A radiator overflow catch can of at least 16 oz. is required for all vehicles and must be securely mounted.

Batteries must be secured per OEM (manufacturer's supplied hold down), or with a minimum (2) 3/8-inch diameter bolts. No bungee straps or cords, or ratchet straps will be accepted. May not be relocated to drivers or passenger compartment. Rear firewall or NHRA approved battery box required for batteries relocated to the trunk. Relocated batteries require a Master Cutoff Switch connected to the positive side of the electrical system. Plastic or keyed switches prohibited.

> Vehicles must have working seat belts securely fastened to the frame or floor, or with factory mounting.

➤ Nitrous oxide bottles must be stamped to meet DOT 1,800 lbs. standards and must be securely mounted and vented to the outside of drivers compartment.

Motorcycles:

> Motorcycles must be registered for street use with front and rear brakes, chain guards and mandatory snap-back throttle.

> An ignition cut-off switch must be attached to the rider with a lanyard or similar device.

➤ Leather Jacket or SFI Spec 40.1/1 or 40.1/2 suit, above the ankle leather boots/shoes, and leather gloves, are mandatory on ALL motorcycles. Gloves must be Kevlar-lined or equipped with slide buttons.

> A full leather suit or a suit meeting SFI Spec 40.1/2 required for all riders surpassing 120 mph, Two- piece suits must be joined together with a 360-degree metal zipper at the waist.

> Riders running 9.99 seconds and faster must have a valid NHRA competition license.

➤ SNELL 2015 or SNELL 2020 helmets are mandatory for all racers.