

## QMA National Rule Enforcement Procedures

### Tire Treatment Inspection

Tires can be tested before or after qualifying or racing by local or National Safety or Tech Directors for purposes of determining cause for confiscation by any or all of the following means:

Durometer reading significantly different from other competitors in the same class on like tire (+/-12%)

Visible signs of tire treatment (tire appearance)

Physical indications of tire treatment (tire texture)

### Tire Confiscation for Testing

Tires not meeting the inspection criteria of "Tire Treatment Inspection" will be confiscated from the competitor at the scales. Tires will be removed and prepared for shipping as follows:

Remove competitor's tire from wheel

Seal and document each tire in a plastic bag, sealing by means of tape with signatures of competitor and racing official on tape.

Complete Tire Disqualification Form

Seek a volunteer to donate a like tire from the class to use for comparison (optional)

Seal and document volunteer tire in a plastic bag, sealing by means of tape with signatures of competitor and racing official on tape (optional)

Place all bagged tires and Tire Disqualification Form in a box and seal with tape.

Safety and/or technical officials as well as competitor sign the tape on the box.

### Tire Shipping Procedures

Tire confiscated for testing will be mailed by the Club President or Designee straight to the lab.

(Must call National Tech Director for shipping information)

Tires must be shipped within 1 business day.

## Test Results and Competitor Notification

Tire test results will be communicated to the National Tech Director from the QMA approved testing facility. The QMA approved testing facility will make the determination if the competitor's tires have been treated with chemicals other than those found in baseline tires provided by QMA or the "volunteer" tires sent for testing with the competitor's tires. All test results are final and there is no appeal process.

The competitor will be informed of his/her tire's legality through the QMA Chain of Command.

### Competitor's Tires are Legal – No Suspension

If the competitor's tires are found to be legal, he/she will be reimbursed \$50 per tire confiscated by the local club.

### Competitor's Tires are Illegal- Disqualification and Suspension

If the competitor's tires are determined to have been treated and therefore, illegal, then the QMA suspension policy under prohibited tire treatment will be followed. The term of suspension will begin upon notification of illegal tires to the competitor.

First Offense: 30 days Family Suspension

Second Offense: 1 year Family Suspension

Third Offense: Lifetime QMA Family Suspension

### Competitor's Tires are Illegal – Reimbursement

The competitor will be required to reimburse QMA National Office for all costs incurred by QMA and the local club associated with shipping and testing of his/her illegal tires prior to completion of the suspension. The local club will be reimbursed their percentage of the costs by QMA.

#### Competitor Refuses Confiscation

If the competitor refuses to comply with the request to have his/her tires tested it shall be considered a refusal of technical inspection and a 6-month QMA Family suspension shall apply.

#### Competitor Concedes to Tire Treatment

If the competitor acknowledges that the confiscated tires have been illegally treated and wishes to avoid the costs of reimbursing QMA for shipping and testing upon reinstatement, the competitor can begin the appropriate suspension immediately and will be reinstated at no cost upon completion of the suspension.

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