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**ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION SCCA DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES- 2015 RULES & REGULATIONS**

1 DEFINITION 1.1 Championship Series- This series shall be known as the Rocky Mountain Divisional Championship Series, also referred to as the RMDIV Series and shall determine annually the champion Rocky Mountain Division race drivers in SCCA race competition classes as listed in GCR 9.1, and additionally shall provide competition for any other classes, as defined in the Supplementary Regulations.

1.2 Term of the Series- The series shall begin with the first race after the Runoffs and shall end three weeks before the subsequent Runoffs.

2 ELIGIBILITY 2.1 Membership and License **requirements**- Members of the SCCA who hold a Novice Permit **or Full Competition** License are eligible to enter the series.

2.2 Registration for the Series- All SCCA members who finished at least one RMDIV event **shall be** automatically entered into the Divisional Championship Series.

3 RACES 3.1 Designation- All regularly sanctioned Rocky Mountain Division races providing competition for all classes as specified in section 1 of these regulations will be **defined as** RMDIV Championship **races**, unless the organizing region specifically excludes its event from the series. In such cases, that region has the obligation to include a notice of exclusion in its Supplemental Regulations, and to notify the Rocky Mountain Division Scheduling Administrator and the **series pointskeeper**.

3.2 Race Length- Series races shall be scheduled for at least 15 minutes duration, or at least 25 miles in length.

3.3 Interrupted Races- If a race is terminated before the overall leader has run half the scheduled distance and not restarted or rescheduled, **half** (1/2) points will be awarded.

3.4 Entry **forms** for each Rocky Mountain Division regional race entry form shall bear the notice, either on the entry blank or in the supplemental regulations, that the race is an event of the Rocky Mountain Division Championship Series.

4 SERIES SCORING 4.1 Points- Majors points awarded to those competing in the SCCA Majors Championship series are not affected by the RMDIV Championship. RMDIV Championship Points will be awarded per the following for all events including Majors events. 1st - 12 points 2nd - 9 points 3rd – 7 points 4th – 6 points 5th – 5 points 6th – 4 points 7th – 3 points 8th – 2 points 9th – 1 point Qualifying and/or other preliminary races may be awarded points as specified in the supplemental regulations.

4.2 Runoffs Qualification- Drivers in Runoffs eligible classes may be invited to the Runoffs, if they are in the top three (top five for SM and SRF) in points. Drivers may be required to **upgrade** their competition license before their entry is accepted.

4.3 Minimum Number of Events- Drivers must participate in a minimum of at least two Divisional events **and must finish at least eight (8) races in the same class** **to be eligible for the championship.**

4.4 Maximum Number of Events- A driver's accumulation of points from the best ten (10) finishes. Points will be awarded for one out of Division race. Date and location to be announced.

4.5 Drivers who earn an invitation to the Runoffs through the Majors Championship **shall** not take up one of the 3 or 5 allotted invitations available through the Divisional Championship. This provision is intended to maximize the number of competitors that can qualify for the Runoffs.

5. POINTSKEEPER 5.1 Appointment- The **series pointskeeper** shall be appointed by the Rocky Mountain Executive Steward each year.

5.2 Championship Records- The **pointskeeper** will record all series event results and will periodically report to the Executive Steward the points earned by all drivers in all classes.

5.3 Points Publishing- The **pointskeeper** will prepare a compilation of points beginning after the second event and will update the points standings after every subsequent event. These will be posted at Hospitality at all Divisional events. Copies will be available to all entrants. A final standing, indicating trophies to be awarded will be distributed to RMDIV region webmasters as soon as possible after the last event of the year.

6 AWARDS 6.1 Trophies Championship Awards- Trophies will be awarded based on the number of series drivers in each class using the numbers standard of GCR 3.8.2.

6.2 Champions- Class champions will be those drivers having the highest series scores in each class **and have met the participation requirements of section 4.3.**

6.3 Ties for Awards- If a tie exists, the award will go to the driver who: 1) scores the most victories among series entrants; 2) scores the most second-place finishes among series entrants; 3) scores the most third-place finishes among series entrants, as needed; including any first, second, and third place finishes beyond the drivers’ best 10 finishes. If the scores are still tied, all entrants with that score will be considered tied for that position and trophies will be awarded to each tied entrant.

6.4 Driver of the Year- One driver shall be designated as the Rocky Mountain Division Driver of the Year, and will be awarded a special plaque to be presented at the Rocky Mountain Division Convention. The award winner will be chosen by a committee led by the **division pointskeeper**, and composed of the Division Administrator of Flagging and Communications and one driver from each run group.

7 GENERAL 7.1 Rules- In all series events, procedures not specifically addressed in these regulations shall be per the current GCR and the published Supplemental Regulations for the event.

7.2 RMDIV Series Not Restrictive- The series described is not restrictive of any of the activities and procedures of any SCCA region, and is for the purpose of supplementing the established SCCA programs, as well as strengthening Rocky Mountain Division racing for all competitors.

7.3 Rule Changes- Changes and/or addendums to the Rocky Mountain Division Regional Championship rules must be approved by the Regional Executive (or their assigned representative) from every region holding a road racing event in Rocky Mountain Division during the current season.