

2025-2026 Youth ATV Rules

Introduction

Southern Arizona desert racing (referred to as SADR hereinafter) rules and regulations effective January 1, 2025. Off Road racing is a hazardous sport, you could be severely injured or killed, these rules and regulations are established to meet minimum, acceptable requirements and to provide orderly conduct of racing events, these rules and or regulations are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to participants, spectators or any other person or persons. With participation being voluntary, no entrant, pit crew member, sponsor shall have any claim for damages, expenses, lawsuits or otherwise against promoter, track operator, SADR workers or volunteers arising from damage to any vehicle, personal injury or death, monetary loss of any kind whatsoever.

General Rules

1. The race director or referee shall have the authority to penalize, suspend or disqualify any entrant or entrant's crew for rule violations. We also have the right to ban anyone for bad behavior.
2. SADR assumes no responsibility for postponement and or cancellation of events based on inclement weather or unsafe track conditions,
3. SADR reserves the right to refuse or deny any entrants application.
4. Any entrant who fails to fully fill out and sign required entry forms, waivers and releases shall be disqualified and shall forfeit any prizes, points won in that event.
5. No entrant may enter racing areas and ride the track until they have signed all releases and entry forms. No person shall sign the release and entry forms for anyone other than himself or herself. Proper identification may be required.
6. The entry applications of persons under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal

guardians sign the release form.

7. SADR reserves the right to amend any rules based on course conditions, safety of the riders or any other circumstances that may arise.

8. SADR members are not employees; members assume all responsibility for all charges.

9. Safety equipment is the driver's responsibility.

10. You must have a current year SADR membership to receive points for the event.

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12. Members will accumulate points for year-end awards.

13. No racer is permitted to carry fuel except for within the machine's fuel tank.

14. No Paddle Tires Allowed

15. MINIOR RELEASES

16. All SADR Rules will be at the discretion of the promoter, whether written or not.

17. No flying drones without SADR approval

18. SAFETY ISSUES FOR ALL Pee Wee CLASSES (BIKES-QUADS-UTV

170CC). If you get caught on the track without SADR's permission your child could be Disqualified.

19. All participants must conduct themselves in a proper manner. At no time will fighting either verbal or physical be tolerated. Violation of this will result in disqualification of all parties involved. If you feel that there is an issue or issues needing to be addressed and resolved, please bring to the attention of track safety or SADR personnel. This is considered a family event and show proper race etiquette while at all events.

Courses

1. The event courses will be marked. In the event course markings have been knocked down or removed, SADR is not responsible.

2. In the open areas you will be allowed 10' on either side to pass.

3. PLEASE preserve the desert to the best of your ability there will be other wide areas to pass. Do NOT cut corners.

4. Some courses will be desert and obstacles.
5. You will be disqualified for going backwards on the course. NEVER GO BACKWARDS ON THE COURSE.
6. If a rider leaves the course for any reason, he/or she must reenter the course at that location
7. No riders pit crew is permitted to go on the course without permission of the race director.
8. No course cutting- No cheating you may be disqualified

Penalties

These are examples of possible penalties; the race director or referee reserves the right to issue penalties based on the severity of any action. The race referee will have final say in any case.

1. Race vehicle traveling backwards on the racecourse.
2. Pit support vehicles on the track without race director's approval.
3. Disrespectful or abusive conduct toward any race worker or official
4. There is NO Passing in the scoring chute unless directed by an SADR official, speed limit is 5MPH through the scoring chute. Destruction of the scoring chute will result in a time penalty, monetary fine and or disqualification.
5. Course Cutting or Cheating (do not go around any obstacle on the racecourse). This could result in a penalty. Penalty will be determined by SADR Staff.
6. Speeding through any MPH posted signs. Including scoring area, pit area, or marked areas with speed signs. Minimum penalty assessed will be 15 seconds per instance witnessed by any SADR Staff including sweep riders. This includes hitting any chicane structures (tape, cones, etc.)
7. Blocking other racers on the track when attempting to pass. This is a very unsafe practice and if witnessed could be assessed a 30 second penalty per instance witnessed by any SADR Staff including sweep riders.
8. Unclassified/practice – all racers must begin at the starting line and not at any other location on the racecourse.

9. Absolutely NO pit and play riding, this goes for kids and adults, this could result in disqualification of the racer in that camp/pit with a refund.

10. If you do NOT slow down when a SADR official flag you to. If there is a rider down you must slow down when passing them. 45 Second Penalty per instance.

FOLLOW THE RULES AND THERE WILL BE NO REASON TO BE UPSET!

Participants

1. All participants must sign all appropriate forms of registration, and releases all underage entrants must have a notarized copy of parental consent form on file and must be accompanied at all events. Minor releases are good for one year from the date you sign. You may not enter the racetrack until you have signed all race forms and releases.

2. NO PLAY RIDING, you may ride your quad to the start line in first gear, absolutely no play riding is permitted except in a designated area provided by the race director. Please leave non race motorized toys at home, this goes for anyone in your pits and spectators. Racer may be disqualified for noncompliance.

3. Only participants listed on the entry form are permitted to be on the race course.

Pit Area

1. No pit riding is permitted- No children under the age of 14 driving UTV's Etc., will be permitted.

2. There may be live pits (Pro Style) at any event. Most will be slow monitored pit area with posted MPH signs.

3. You must have at least a 5lb fire extinguisher in your pit area during all fuel stops. Participants with a quick fill fuel system must be off vehicle when refueling.

4. Must pit 25' off racecourse.

5. Spectators must stay 50' from course.

6. Dead engine pit stops at all races.
7. Pit support is prohibited from entering the racecourse to provide assistance for a disabled vehicle until the race is over and/or SADR official has granted permission to do so.

Race Vehicles

1. It is the racer's responsibility to have your vehicles safe to ride. It is mandatory for a tech inspection. The race director has the right to insist on any changes that may need to be made prior to your race.
2. Race director or referee reserves the right to change your race number at any time.
3. ATV's must have a lanyard kill switch attached.
4. Some Races will require
5. ATV Nerf bars are recommended but no necessary
6. All race vehicles must have at least one working brake, either front a arm brakes or rear brake/s.

PPE- (Personal Protective Equipment)

1. You must wear a Snell or DOT approved helmet without notable cracks or damage SADR strongly recommends that entrants use helmets specifically designed for racing. The race director or referee has the right to insist you change helmet if they see any such defects. Must have D-ring fasteners, no snaps or Velcro is permitted.
2. Eye protection (Goggles) shatter resistant must be worn by all Motorcycle or Quad entrants.
3. It is highly recommended you wear race style clothing designed to protect your body. (Long Pants, Boots minimum 8" Lace up if not race boot, Gloves, Knee guards).

Numbers

1. SADR is not responsible for scoring if your number is not recognizable to the scorers. It is the rider's responsibility to have the proper number on your race vehicle.
2. SADR reserves the right to change or give entrants temporary numbers if needed.
3. ATV- Number- Front-Rear, back of chest protector

Disqualifications

1. Any use of drugs or alcohol during a race will be subject to disqualification.
2. Any entrant or entrants crew caught going backwards on the course will be disqualified.
3. Any entrant that makes false statements on any registration form or SADR document or false signatures is subject to disqualification, and will not receive any refunds.
4. Any entrant disqualified for any reason forfeits all prize money and or points issued in such event.
5. No crew can go on the track to retrieve a broken vehicle during a race; anyone caught doing so without the race director's approval could be disqualified.
6. Racers are responsible for everyone associated with them such as family members, crew members, animals, kids etc....
7. Any verbal or physical abuse to a SADR official or track worker is subject to disqualification.
8. Any fighting on SADR property is subject to disqualification and permanently banned from future SADR events.
9. Any entrant who purposely runs into or intentionally hits another rider or driver is subject to penalties and or disqualification and permanently banned from future SADR events.
10. Course Cutting- Cheating- may be disqualified.
11. All racers must start on the same ATV/vehicle that they finish on; you may not

change ATV/vehicle during your race. This will result in a mandatory disqualification.

12. All racers must use extreme caution when coming into close proximity with sweep riders, track workers, volunteers, disabled vehicles, etc. Failure to do so, can result in a penalty or disqualification.

These are examples of disqualification; the race director or referee has the right to impose penalties or disqualification based on the severity of any incident.

Pee Wee Classes

ATV 50-79cc, must be on a quad no larger than 79cc

ATV, 80cc-150cc

ATV, 91-300cc displacement limit

SADR reserves the right to modify, change or omit classes at our discretion.

Year End Champions

To be eligible for series points and end of year championship awards UTV racers must:

1. Have a current membership – January to December of each year
2. You must race all but 1 race event in a class or classes. There will be NO dropped races. All races will count toward the year end points.

Season Points

1. You must complete all heats in class to receive finisher points, or you will be considered a DNF (did not finish)

2. If the race is a lapped race, then the overall leader needs to complete all laps.

The rest of the racers in each class must complete 50% of the laps of their class leader. If there are an odd number of laps, the rider must complete their last lap – cannot have half a lap. Example: 3 laps must complete 2 of the 3 laps; 7 laps must complete 4 of the 7 laps. 9 laps must complete 5 of the 9.

3. If the start/finish line is in a remote location and laps are in another location

and you must return to the remote location to finish and take the checker
flag

4. Members can select any number on a first come first serve basis. You keep the
number the whole year

Transponders

Transponders are mandatory at all SADR races; you must purchase one from SADR
they should last several years unless damaged and then you will need to
purchase another one. You must also run numbers on your bike for backup scoring.

Note: Do not put transponder on metal or carbon fiber (including carbon fiber
visors) they will not be readable.