

Saskatchewan Cycling Association BMX RDW and Points Guidelines

Overview

The purpose of this document is to provide a summary of the guidelines of the Saskatchewan Cycling Association (referred to as the “SCA” from herein). The SCA reserves the right to change these guidelines at any time.

Any modifications made by the SCA to the BMX RDW and Points Guidelines will be used at provincial, district and club races. Such provincial modifications may not apply at national or international races.

The guidelines contained herein ensure a well-documented, consistent approach to BMX to race day wins and points calculations in Saskatchewan and will help to ensure that all participants are treated fairly.

These guidelines apply to all Club, District and Provincial BMX activities held in Saskatchewan.

Definitions

RDW = Race Day Win

Blended Group = more than one age and /or ability and / or gender racing in a group for the day’s race

Guidelines

All BMX races will follow the Cycling Canada (referred to as the “CCC” from herein) or International Cycling Union (referred to as the “UCI” from herein) or the Saskatchewan Cycling (referred to as the “SCA” from herein) rules and regulations, including the guidelines in this document.

The SCA recognizes three (3) different race events where RDW and points can be accumulated:

Sask Cup Race Events

- SCA sanctioned Sask Cup Provincial races series (should be an odd number of races to ensure that a tie is less likely)
- SCA sanctioned Sask Cup Grands (Finals)
- Riders must participate in the Grands to be eligible to be awarded a “P” plate
- All Provincial race results, plus the Grands count towards the final point total

SCA Sanctioned Sask Cup Provincial Championships

- Riders must have an SCA General Membership **and** an In-Province or UCI license which is verified at Registration check-in; out-of-province riders only require a UCI license
- Riders must hold a valid race licence
- Results, moto sheets and registration lists are sent to SCA Chief BMX Commissaire for validation and addition to series points and RDW totals

- SCA provides medals (red) and a gift card for the top 3 finishers in each Age / Ability category for the Sask Cup Provincial Point Series winners; at the conclusion of the Grands (Finals)
- SCA provides all riders participating in the Grands (Finals) a “P” bike plate based on their finish in their Age / Ability category calculated from all provincial races plus Grands finishing positions. Every rider in an Age / Ability category shall receive a “P” plate reflecting their finishing position in that category
- SCA Sask Cup series and Grands (Finals) are based on age and ability category
- Out-of-province racers may compete and earn provincial series points. Out-of-province riders are eligible to earn P plates for the series
- SCA provides medals (green) for the top 3 finishers in the Provincial Championships for each group as run that race day
- SCA provides the top 8 finishers in each category participating in the Provincial Championship a “SK” bike plate
- SCA Provincial Championship race is based on age only, no ability categories
- Out-of-province racers are eligible to ride in the SCA Provincial Championship race, but are not eligible to claim any medal or provincial title

For Sask Cup Races:

- Definition of scoring method. The focus at this level of racing is on the placement of rider in their respective age and ability category
- Points are awarded using table 13.7.1. of the Sask Cycling rules and regulations document
- For an unblended group (all one age), points will be awarded by the rider’s placement within the age/ability group
- For a blended group (mixed ages and/or abilities), points will be awarded after the group is broken down to the age/ability of the rider as registered for the day
- Example: Group consists of the following riders finishing in this order for the day:
 - 12 male Novice (A)
 - 12 male Novice (B)
 - 13 male Novice, 14 female Novice
- After the group is broken down, points would be awarded as follows:
 - 12 Male Novice (A) (1st Male Novice 100 points.)
 - 12 Male Novice (B) (2nd Male Novice 80 points)
 - 13 Male Novice (1st 13 Male Novice 100 points.)
 - 14 Female Novice (1st female novice 200 points)

For Provincial Championship Race:

- Definition of scoring method. At this race the focus is on age / gender of the rider only, not ability
- This a single event race
- Final results are determined by finishing position of the day
- When building the moto’s, the different rider ability levels are ignored and all riders of the same age are grouped together
- Example: All 8 year old Males: (Novice, Intermediate, Expert) would be grouped together for the day to determine the best in age group
- Blending rules should be followed for Female riders

- For an unblended group, points are awarded by finishing position for the day within the group
- For a blended group,
 - Medal for first 3 places in the group only
 - Plates are then awarded by Age/sex category
- Example: Group consists of the following riders finishing in this order for the day:
 - 12 male Novice (A)
 - 12 male Intermediate (B)
 - 13 male Novice
 - 14 female Novice
- After the group finished racing, the following would be awarded:
 - 12 Male (A) (1st place medal and SK-1 plate)
 - 12 Male (B) (2nd place medal and SK-2 plate)
 - 13 Male (3rd place medal and SK-1 plate)
 - 14 Female (SK-1 plate)

District (Inter-Club) Race Events – Globe BMX, 13th Ave BMX Regina, Warman

- SCA sanctioned BMX District races - Sunday nights at Globe BMX
- SCA sanctioned District races from other Clubs; such as Regina and Warman when established
- Riders must have an SCA General Membership **and** an In-Province or UCI license which is verified at Registration check-in; out-of-province riders only require a UCI license
- Riders can be a member of any club or race as an independent
- Results, moto sheets and registration lists are sent to SCA Chief BMX Commissaire for validation and addition to series points and RDW totals
- Top female and top male in the District point series will be awarded
- For District racing, the focus is on overall performance of rider vs all other riders in the District
- For this to be a valid comparison then we must only award points as the rider's finish relative to the others in the group of the day
- Points will be awarded only for finishing position in the group of the day
- For an unblended group then award points as per the following:
 - 1st 100
 - 2nd 80
 - 3rd 70
 - 4th 60
 - 5th 50
 - 6th 40
 - 7th 30
 - 8th 20
 - 9^{th place} and higher 10 points
- For a blended group, follow the same awarding of points; no extraction of age / ability, just finishing order for the day
- Using our previous example: Group consists of the following riders, finishing in this order for the day:
 - 12 Male Novice (A)

- 12 Male Novice (B)
- 13 Male Novice
- 14 Female Novice
- After the day finishes then the following points would be awarded:
 - 12 Male Novice (A) (1st 100 points)
 - 12 Male Novice (B) (2nd 80 points)
 - 13 Male Novice (3rd 70 points)
 - 14 Female Novice (4th 60 points)
- These points will then be added together to determine year end standings

Club Race Events – Globe BMX, 13th Ave BMX Regina, Warman

- Non-SCA sanctioned BMX Club races – Tuesday nights at Globe BMX
- Globe BMX members only
- Rider does not require a race license as per Globe BMX rules; Club points stay within the Club
- Club decides if points are tallied or not for Club races
- Club is responsible for providing medal, trophies, prizes, etc. for Club point series
- RDW for Club races are tallied by SCA for licensed riders ONLY; if a non-licensed rider wins a category, no one gets a RDW, essentially taking away a RDW from a licensed rider if there is one in the group
- Results, moto sheets and registration lists are sent to SCA Chief BMX Commissaire for validation and addition to RDW totals
- Points system and awarding of points will be determined and administered by the club

How RDW are Determined

You must win the group you are in to achieve a RDW

Unblended group: must place first in the group to gain a RDW

Unblended that has a main: must win the main to earn a RDW

Blended Group: must place first in the group to gain a RDW

Blended that has a main: must win the main to earn a RDW

Mandatory Upgrades: A rider must upgrade to the next most difficult ability class whenever the following conditions occur:

- Novice Male to Intermediate Male: **10 wins**. (Rider's wins will reset to 0 after an upgrade has been issued)
- Intermediate Male to Expert Male: **20 wins**
- Novice Female to Expert Female: **25 wins**
- Novice Male to Expert Male: **15 wins**. This will apply to 30-39 and 40+ Male 20" categories only

Notes:

Confusion may come in to play when using the word Club. Club, when used interchangeably with District means Inter-Club.

Having three (3) different sets of points makes it complicated and sometimes confusing.

At the Club level, you might want to consider having licensed riders only for the following reason:

- Only Licenced riders can accumulate points towards a Race Standing, as well as Race Day Wins for ability advancement
- To do so requires a **Race License**. See 1.10 of the Saskatchewan Cycling BMX policy document.

It is important to properly group male and female riders. It is a truer indication of the rider's ability relative to others. Also, for points to be valid, riders cannot be broken out by age and ability.

If points were awarded by age / ability then all the Female Novice riders will finish with the same number of points because there is only 1 female rider in each age category.

How the rider finishes in the day's group is a better indication of their relative overall ability.