



# 2020 MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA NSW FORMULA FORD CHAMPIONSHIP

## A.1 ELIGIBILITY

- (i) The objective of the championship is to promote and foster the competition of racing cars complying with the Motorsport Australia regulations for Formula Ford racing cars. The Formula Ford NSW Championship is open to all competitors whose vehicles comply with the 2020 Formula Ford, Formula Ford 1600 or Historic Formula Ford rules as defined by Motorsport Australia.
- (ii) Each vehicle competing in the championship shall be registered with the Formula Ford Association Inc. and be one for which a certificate of origin has been issued.
- (iii) Any inspections shall be conducted by the chief scrutineer in accordance with the provisions of the FFA Handbook and the Motorsport Australia Manual. A Formula Ford Eligibility Officer may assist the Chief Scrutineer if appointed by the organisers. The Eligibility Officer for the Championship shall be Greig Black or as appointed by the organiser.

## A.2 CATEGORY AND CLASS DEFINITION

- (i) Championship Categories
  - Formula Ford 1600 - open to all Formula Ford 1600 racing cars excluding those with historic logbooks. (Designations "K")
  - Formula Ford - open to Formula Ford racing cars as defined by Motorsport Australia or as specified in these championship regulations. (Designation "F")
- (ii) Classes for the Formula Ford 1600 Championship shall be as follows:

- Outright - open to all Formula Ford 1600 racing cars (Designation "K")
  - Modern – open to Formula Ford 1600 racing cars built prior to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2006 but after 31 December 1994 (Class Ka)
  - Classic - open to Formula Ford 1600 class racing cars built prior to 1st January 1995, excluding those competing with Historic Group Fa, Fb or Fc logbooks. (Designation "Kb")
  - Historic – open to Formula Ford 1600 class racing cars with Historic Group Fa, Fb or Fc logbooks. (Designation "H"). Historic Formula Ford Group F eligible for entry to specific rounds on confirmation of National Formula Ford point score.
- (iii) Historic Group F cars are capable of competing in the Formula Ford 1600 competition subject to the requirements of Schedule L in the Motorsport Australia Manual.
- The historic Group F car shall comply with the technical regulations for Formula Ford 1600

### **A.3 CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR**

Round 1	April 4-5	SMSP Gardner Circuit
Round 2	May 23-24	Wakefield Park
Round 3	June 27-28	SMSP Gardner Circuit
Round 4	September 26-27	Wakefield Park
Round 5	November 14-15	SMSP Gardner Circuit

### **A.4 REGISTRATION AND ENTRY**

- (i) The championship registration form shall be completed by the competitor and forwarded to the organisers.
- (ii) In the event of entries greater than track density and notwithstanding 2.6 of the Sporting Regulations, the following entry acceptance criteria shall apply
- (a) NSW competitors Championship Registered Drivers shall take precedence
  - (b) In no circumstance shall a competitor driver registered for the Australian Formula Ford Series take precedence of entry over a non-Australian Formula Ford Series competitor driver.
  - (c) The promoter shall consult the organisers prior to finalizing the entry list.

### **A.5 CATEGORY ORGANISERS**

- (i) The organisers of the championship shall be the Formula Ford Association, herein referred to as "the Organisers".

The Championship Director is Jeff Senior.

At Circuit Administration –FFA NSW committee – Tim Beale and Daniel Holihan

Historic Coordinator, TBA

Media Officer, Daniel Holihan

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- (ii) The organiser's website is [www.formulaford.org.au](http://www.formulaford.org.au)

## **A.6 POINTSCORE**

- (i) Points for each race of the championships shall be awarded as follows:

1st 30 points	11th 10 points
2nd 26 points	12th 9 points
3rd 24 points	13th 8 points
4th 22 points	14th 7 points
5th 20 points	15th 6 points
6th 18 points	16th 5 points
7th 16 points	17th 4 points
8th 14 points	18th 3 points
9th 12 points	19th 2 points
10th 11 points	20th 1 point

The last round will attract double points for placings.

- (ii) One point shall be awarded for pole position for both Formula Ford 1600 and Formula Ford championships
- (iii) One point shall be awarded for fastest lap for each race for both Formula Ford 1600 and Formula Ford championships
- (iv) The Championships shall be won by the Formula Ford 1600 and Formula Ford driver attaining the highest number of points in the rounds scheduled in the Championship Sporting Regulations.

All rounds count towards the title.

- (v) The championship point score, (i) above shall be used for each class point score with the relevant cars collecting the points to twentieth in the class. Pole position and fastest laps points do not apply.
- (vi) In the event of a tie on placings in the Championship, awards shall be determined by comparison of the number of first placings gained in the rounds. If then not resolved, comparison of the number of second placings, then third placings etc. Then if after all comparisons are affected and the award is still not determined, the relative placings in the last round, second last round, etc. shall be the decider.
- (vii) Due to different tyre, weight and engine regulations cars competing as Historic Formula Ford cars will not be eligible for points in the Formula Ford 1600 championship.

#### **A.7 AWARDS**

- (i) Awards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> outright in Formula Ford 1600 and Formula Ford, as defined at clause A2, shall be presented at the Motorsport Australia NSW Presentation Dinner. The organiser may have a separate trophy presentation at a time to be set.
- (ii) Annual Formula Ford Association awards shall be given in addition to those presented by the promoters of the individual race meetings as follows: -

Trophies shall be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the classes nominated in para.A.2(i) and (ii).

- (iii) A minimum of three (3) cars must compete in the class to be awarded FFA Championship trophies. A minimum of three (3) championship rounds must be competed by a driver to be eligible for trophies.
- (iv) Prize money will be dependent on a Championship sponsor.
- (v) Additional Awards may be given by the organisers to each class, subject to sponsorship support.

## **A.8 COMPETITION NUMBERS**

- (i) The number 1 shall be reserved for the sole use of the winner of either Formula Ford or Formula Ford 1600 of the previous year's championship.

Number 1 will be reserved for the category champion which accrued the highest points tally. In 2020 number 1 is reserved for Mitch Gatenby

- (ii) Competitors/driver may otherwise request a competition number from the organiser, which shall be allocated for their use at each round of the championship.
- (iii) A Driver registered for the NSW championship shall have precedence over a non-registered driver having the same race number.
- (iv) Number sizes shall be as per the Formula Ford section of the 2020 Motorsport Australia Manual of Motor Sport.

## **A.9 QUALIFYING**

- (i) The vehicles shall be gridded in the dummy grid prior to the qualifying session in the order of the qualifying results from the previous round. If there are drivers entered who did not set a qualifying time at the previous round they shall be gridded at the rear of the field in order of championship points. If no points have been earned they shall be gridded in order of race number.
- (ii) Notwithstanding A8(i) above, Formula Ford cars shall be gridded at the front of the grid in order of their qualifying results from the previous round. If no points have been earned they shall be gridded in order of race number. For clarity all Formula Ford cars shall be gridded in front of all other class cars.
- (iii) No overtaking is permitting on the "out" lap, unless either directed to by an official, a car has mechanical problems, or a car is signaled to pass by the immediate car ahead.

## **A. 10 RACES**

- (i) The Championship will be made up of 5 Rounds.
- (ii) Unless otherwise approved by Motorsport Australia, each round of the Championship will be made up of three races of a minimum of ten minutes duration. One of the three races is to be run on the Saturday of the race meeting. The length of the races may vary in length within the round or championship.

## **A.11 GRID POSITIONS**

- (i) In all races, all the Formula Ford vehicles will be gridded first, followed by a vacant grid row then the Formula Ford 1600 cars, both classes in normal qualifying order (race 1) or previous race finishing order (races 2 and 3) In the event of Track Density being reached, the vacant row will be deleted, and the Formula Ford 1600 vehicle gridding will commence on the next row of the grid.

The only exception to the above is for any Formula Ford drivers who qualified slower than the fastest Formula Ford 1600, yet had a representative time and no “car difficulties” – in this case, they will be as per their qualifying/race finish position from the previous session, but always relevant to the Formula Ford 1600 Category.

## **A. 12 PENALTIES**

- (i) Qualifying – Competitors/Drivers found to have presented an ineligible vehicle in reference to ride height or minimum weight shall be disqualified from the session and relegated to rear of grid for the next session.
- (ii) Races – Competitors/Drivers found to have presented an ineligible vehicle in reference to ride height or minimum weight shall be disqualified from the results and relegated to rear of grid in accordance with NCR194
- (iii) Driver Conduct – Drivers who have been proven to have broken the Driving Code of Conduct shall be excluded from the session, whether it be qualifying or race. Should the driver be proven to break the driving code of conduct on three occasions in the year, a minimum of 50 points shall be deducted from the drivers’ championship point score.

## **A. 13 CHAMPIONSHIP LIVERY**

- (i) Vehicles shall carry championship sponsors decals as nominated by the organisers. These decals are to be placed in a clearly visible location when viewed from ten metres away either directly in front or from the either side perpendicular to the cockpit opening. Decals are not to be placed on horizontal surfaces or behind wheels when viewed from the side.
- (ii) Failure to comply with 10.1 shall render the competitor/driver ineligible for points at any rounds where the decals are not carried and/or clearly visible.
- (iii) To differentiate the Formula Ford category cars from Formula Ford 1600, the top of the roll hoop structure shall have a prominent orange marking for a

minimum width of 150mm width or to the extent of the structure. In addition, the Formula Ford cars shall have their mirrors coloured dayglo Orange or Pink.

#### **A. 14 TYRES**

- (i) The chief scrutineer will be a Judge of Fact in relation to any decision relating to a breach of these tyre regulations
- (ii) No more than six (6) tyres may be used for qualifying and racing at each round, of which a maximum of four (4) tyres may be new tyres, and two (2) must be used tyres. A competitor/driver may only nominate four (4) new tyres if they wish.
- (iii) Formula Ford 1600 vehicles shall have a maximum of twelve (12) new tyres that can be used throughout the entire 2020 NSW Formula Ford championship. Formula Ford vehicles shall have a maximum of twenty (20) new tyres that can be used throughout the entire 2020 NSW Formula Ford championship.
- (iv) A used tyre is defined as a tyre, which has been nominated for that competitor/driver on a tyre nomination form at a previous round of the 2020 NSW Formula Ford Championship. All other tyres are deemed to be new tyres.
- (v) Competitors/drivers will be required to nominate the identification numbers of each of the tyres, which they propose to use, on a form provided by the organisers, to be completed and handed to the scrutineers no less than sixty (60) minutes prior to the scheduled commencement of the qualifying session. Tyre identification numbers will be checked, at random, during the meeting to ensure that they correspond with the numbers notified by the competitor/driver. Scrutineers may mark the nominated tyres for ease of identification. Only tyres carrying the appropriate marks are permitted for qualifying and at the start of each race.
- (vi) It is the responsibility of the competitor/driver to understand and monitor their tyre usage throughout the 2020 NSW Formula Ford championship to comply with this rule fully.
- (vii) If a marked tyre is damaged it may only be replaced by a tyre of similar wear and only at the sole discretion of the chief scrutineer.

#### **A.15 PARC FERME**

- (i) During each race meeting in the Championship, cars may be impounded in the designated Parc Ferme and must not be removed for any purpose without the permission of the Technical Commissioner or Chief Scrutineer. Only the driver of the

competing car is permitted to accompany the car in the Parc Ferme area. Cars may be weighed at any time.

## **A.16 CHAMPIONSHIP TECHNICAL REGULATIONS**

- (i) Formula Ford 1600 and Historic Formula Ford:
  - a. Technical – Formula Ford 1600 cars shall comply with the regulations as defined by the Motorsport Australia Manual, 2020 Formula Ford Association Handbook or as specified in these championship regulations
  
- (ii) Formula Ford:
  - a. Technical – Formula Ford cars shall comply with the regulations as defined by the Motorsport Australia Manual, 2020 Formula Ford Association Handbook or as specified in these championship regulations

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2020 Championship Registration Form

Driver:	
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Address:		
	State:	Code:

Telephone No.:	Work:           ( )
	Home:           ( )
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Email:	
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<b>Preferred Race Numbers</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice
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Please scan/photograph this registration form and forward to Jeff Senior at [jsr76@hotmail.com](mailto:jsr76@hotmail.com)

I (insert driver's name) \_\_\_\_\_ hereby apply for registration in the 2020 NSW Formula Ford Championship and agree to abide by the Championship Regulations, including any amendments thereto.