MAZDA MX-5 CUP MARTINSVILLE SPEEDWAY RULES

RACE:

- **Race is 100 Laps**
- Entry Fee: $1,500 per competitor for Test and Race / $2,000 for Race only
- Rules same as current 2025 WHEELEN MX5 rule package with the only differences below
    - Spring Location can be moved to different corners but must maintain the same springs.
    - No tire pressure bleeders
    - Left Side Camber Rule No Greater than .7 deg. Positive Camber
    - Right Front Side Camber Rule No Greater than -2.5 deg. Negative Camber
    - Right Rear Side Camber Rule No Greater than -3.2 deg. Negative Camber
    - Left Side Weight- Will be Determined by Driver Weight and only weight add must be added in weight box
    - Left Side PSI for TECH 21 PSI
    - Right Side PSI for TECH 31 PSI
- Caution laps don't count till lap 50.
- Stage brake – Lap 50 (5 minutes) (starts when last car stops) (must be in line before 5 minutes ends)
    - Invert Rule of top 10 / Fan Pick 1-10 to invert # picked
- No tires
- No Fuel
- Light Body Repair
- Set-up Changes
- One Green White Checker
    - After the white flag is out, the next flag is the checker.
- Restarts stay in lane until past S/F line.
- Penalty Car will Restart tail of longest line
- Enter pit road at the yellow line. All 4 tires are inside of the orange box.
- Do not pass pace car on pit entry.
- Exiting pit road under yellow – fall in behind the continuous line of cars that stayed on the track.
- Winner VL – S/F line
- Andersen will direct the post-race inspection cars to the inspection area.
- Pit Road speed 35mph.
- Drivers involved in an incident – stay in your vehicle until a medical team arrives or exit due to fire.
- The Driver and Spotter must always have communication.
- Caution vehicle is parked at the end of the back straightaway and will enter the track from this location.
- Signal to the drivers behind you that you are pitting on the straightaways.
- Cars will be Impounded after Qualifying and only be allowed to add fuel and check tire pressures before start of race.
    - Nonapproved Changes will more competitor to rear of longest Line for Start.
- A car can only change tires if flat.
- Single car Qualifying.
- Restart Zone is clearly defined with double marks on the outside wall and the inside wall.
    - The control vehicle cannot restart before reaching double marks.
    - The starter will display green if the control vehicle has not restarted the race by the single mark on the outside wall and the inside wall.

- It will be the control vehicle's discretion to restart in the zone between the double marks and the single mark on the outer and inside wall.

- Yellow Flag - there will be no racing back to the caution.
  - When the yellow flag is displayed, all cars must slow to a caution pace and bunch up as quickly as safety allows so safety crews can work on track.
  - All cars must get single file and stay single file.
  - Disputes will be settled by race control.
  - Failure to comply can result in penalties up to disqualification.
  - No scuffing around workers on track. You will receive one warning, any further issues and you will be parked for the remainder of the event.
- Cars Involved in the Caution- only car(s) directly involved in bringing out the caution will go to the tail of the field.
- Any cars that spin or stop but were not directly involved with the initial cause of the caution, will get their spots back if they do not go to pit road.
- Rough driving will not be tolerated. If contact with a car causes a yellow flag and the contact is not a "racing incident," that car will also be sent to the tail.
- Rough driving can result in penalties including being sent to the tail of the field or possible disqualification from the event.
- If you stop on track or intentionally create a caution you will lose a minimum of two laps naturally or by penalty.
- Free Pass - at the time the caution comes out, the first car behind the leader 1 lap down will be deemed to be the Free Pass (If free pass is the cause of the yellow then it would go to next car in line).
  - Free pass will stay in their position throughout the caution period (Free Pass may pit if they elect to), until directed to pass the pace car.
  - Free pass must always restart on the tail of longest line until a green lap is completed.
- Choose Rule - on restarts, the lead car remains out front while all others line up single file behind the leader.
  - Drivers will be notified by the flag man and race director that drivers will choose this lap.
  - The leader has the option to choose either lane (high or low) and stay in that position.
  - All cars behind the leader must choose the high (outside) or low (inside) lane for their restart.
  - Drivers must select a lane upon reaching the designated "V" shaped painted mark on the racing surface and must stay in that lane until the green flag is displayed.
  - Changing lanes after choosing will result in restarting at tail of longest line.
  - Cars may gain positions by selecting the shortest lane.
- Restart - once the pace car leaves the field the leader can steadily increase their speed until the box.
  - The leader must accelerate first once in the box.
  - No slowing, weaving, brake checking or decrease in acceleration once the pace car leaves the field.
  - The MINIMUM restart speed is 45 mph.
  - Cars must stay in their lane until the start finish line.
  - No jumping or passing before the start finish line.
- If a green flag lap is not completed before a yellow comes out all cars should go back to their prior position except for any cars that are penalized, receive assistance or pit.
- Slow Cars - will be advised in the drivers' meeting which lane to utilize in the presence of lead lap cars during the race.
  - Lapped cars that create problems for lead lap cars may be penalized.
  - Lapped cars should let the leaders go by on the preferred lane and then resume racing.
  - Lapped cars that are repeatedly passed without giving the preferred lane during the race may be penalized.
  - Cars fighting to stay on the lead lap are not forced to yield to the leaders until the leader has passed them.
  - Must maintain a minimum speed decided by Race Director or will be parked.

- Spotters - are required to be in the designated spotters stand during racing activities.
    - Only one spotter per team is allowed in the spotter stand, no guest.
    - Spotters must have the ability to always listen to race control via a standard electronic scanner or dedicated radio during the event.
    - The frequency for this is _____.
    - Drivers should keep your spotter's patient and polite; spotters keep your drivers the same.
    - Tower will be monitoring spotters during the race.
    - Spotters must always be respectful to officials and other spotters.
    - If the spotter leaves or is removed from the spotters stand you will be parked.
    - Spotter must have Car # on their back.
- Mazda, MX-5 Cup, & track promoter has the option to add additional starters to the feature race.
- Rough driving and taking someone out deliberately will not be tolerated and will result in going to the rear or disqualification.
- Any competitor having contact with the race leader, resulting in the leader spinning and or being eliminated from competition will be penalized.
- Race Control has the right to call over the radio to rescind this policy if the leader is considered, only by Race Control, to be blocking, unless that driver taps out.
- Post Qualifying / Post Race -TECH

MAZDA MX-5 CUP MARTINSVILLE PAYOUTS & OTHER PRIZES

- Pay out Stage Break
    - 1st = $3,500
    - 2nd = $2,000
    - 3rd = $1,000
- Pay out Race
    - 1st Place - $25,000.00
    - 2nd Place - $10,000.00
    - 3rd Place - $7,000.00
    - 4th Place - $5,000.00
    - 5th Place - $4,000.00
    - 6th – 10th Place - $1,000.00 each

- Martinsville Speedway gifting the winner the iconic grandfather clock
- Trophies & checks being presented to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place via podium celebration