

# 2020 NHRA Summit Racing Equipment Division Finals

September 2-6 Firebird Raceway – Boise, Idaho Track Elevation 2,700'

Firebird Radio Station 103.9 FM

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## **Competitor Information**

Entry fees: ALL FUNDS are US

\$50 Test and Tune (Thursday) Car & Driver (Weekend) \$100 Car & Driver - High School \$40 Car & Driver – Jr Street \$40 Car & Driver – Jr. Dragster \$40 \$40 Full Event Crew Full Event Child (6-12) \$15 Children 5 & under Free

#### **EVENT SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, Sept. 2

Parking Noon – 9 pm

Thursday, Sept. 3

Gates Open & Parking 8 AM - 10 PM
Test & Tune 10 AM - 6 PM

Friday, Sept. 4

Gates Open 7 AM
Gambler Race & Time Trials 9 AM

Saturday, Sept. 5

Gates Open 7 AM
Time Trials 8:30 AM
Race of Champions following AM Time Trial

Sunday, Sept. 6

Gates Open 7 AM Eliminations 8:30 AM

Racers may leave trailers overnight on Sunday.

The race will continue to Monday if necessary. Should Saturday's Race of Champions be rained out, it will be continued following the completion of Sunday's event.

#### **Team Structure**

- Each participating track is allowed to bring (50) entries, regardless of class, in addition to (2) High School, (8) Jr. Dragsters, and (2) Jr Street competitors. (Juniors must be ROC rep in order to compete Sunday. No outside entries permitted)
- All team members must have competed in a minimum of two Summit events (in any class) at the track they will be representing at this event.
- Racers in the Race of Champions (Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman, and Sled/Bike) must have competed in at least half of the Summit events (in any class) at the track they will be representing.

#### **Team Designators**

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#### **Event Categories**

Super Pro 7.00 – 12.29 (Altitude Corrected) electronics allowed Pro 9.00 – 14.34 (Altitude Corrected),, transbrake allowed

Sportsman 12.00 & Slower, no electronics

Bike/Sled 7.00 – 14.33(Altitude Corrected),, electronics allowed

High School 11.00 – slower, no electronics
Jr. Street 9.00 & Slower in 1/8 mi.
Jr. Lightning Ages 13 & Older
Jr. Thunder Ages 7-12

#### Run order for Time Trials

Friday – Sportsman, High School, Jr. Thunder, Jr. Lightning, Pro, Jr. Street, Super Pro, Bike/Sled Saturday – Sportsman, High School, Jr. Thunder, Jr. Lightning, Pro, Jr. Street, Super Pro, Bike/Sled

We will make our best effort to give every racer two time trials on Friday and one on Saturday. If you are competing in the Gambler race and lose 1st Round you will be allowed to run your second time run with the non-gamblers. If the need arises, we will have a special session Saturday morning for the Race of Champions participants, and then fill in between ROC rounds with the remainder of competitors.

#### **Gambler Race**

On Friday there will be a Gambler Race. There will be 6 classes: Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman, Motorcycle/Sled, Jr. Thunder and Jr. Lightning. Online entry fees: Super Pro - \$60; Pro - \$60; Sportsman, Bike/Sled, Jr. Thunder, Jr. Lightning - \$40. All registration will only be available online, in advance of the track. The Gambler Race will begin first thing Friday morning. If you are eliminated in the first round of the Gambler race you may get a second time run with all non-gamblers. Once a person has had two runs down the track your day is complete. The exception is for those Gambler racers that are still in competition after the second round.

#### **Oil-Retention Devices**

All racers in cars running guicker than 9.99 seconds in the quarter-mile or faster than 135 mph, must have an oil-retention device equipped.

#### Antifreeze

If you are racing in a car running quicker than 14.99 please do not use antifreeze in your vehicle. Antifreeze is very difficult to clean up and excessive delays could cost your fellow competitors valuable time on the track.

#### Pairings and Lane Assignments

- All classes will be called to the lanes in sessions. Each team will be assigned specific lanes and sessions throughout the event. From those assignments, a random draw will be made to pair the lanes for each elimination round.
- The driver in each class with the best reaction time during the first time run on Saturday will earn the potential bye for first round on Sunday. During subsequent rounds, the best winning reaction time will have earned the potential bye for the following round. For the Race of Champions, the first round bye will be based on a random draw, with the best reaction time earning the bye in following rounds.
- Change to: Drivers will come up in their preferred lane. All efforts will be made to keep racers from same tracks apart. Any lane disputes will be settled by coin flip at the head of staging.

#### **Team Captains**

Each team is allowed 2 team captains. Team captains will handle any and all questions that arise during the event. The Firebird's Race Control Tower will be restricted and limited to only essential NHRA and Firebird race officials for this year's event. Should a captain have a question please reach out to a D6 team member or Firebird official at Pit Control. Division Director's ruling in any dispute is final.

#### **Summit Series Decals**

Each competitor will be required to run the series decal for the duration of eliminations.

#### **Contingency Decals**

The NHRA Trailer will have a very limited supply of these. All racers are encouraged to have and/or get decals from the manufacturer prior to the event. Decals must be on vehicle for duration of eliminations. The contingency verification will take place after the race, but will be checked against photos from earlier rounds to see that decals were in place.

#### **ET Finals Rules and Regulations**

- All racers planning to participate at the 2020 Summit E.T. Finals will be required to register online for the event at Firebird.
- When registering online for the event, you will also be asked to fill-in the Online Tech Card and the Online Waiver and Release in advance of the event. In lieu of no on-site specific tech inspections, random spot checks may likely be conducted throughout the event.
- All classes, with the exception of Bike/Sled, will be run on a five-tenth full tree.
- Deep staging will be allowed, but it may not be written on the vehicle, nor will the starter make any changes to the starting procedure for those deep staging. Those deep staging assume all risk and must get in first as Autostart will be on for ALL categories.
- Bike/Sled will run on a split tree. Racers wanting a Pro Tree must put a P at the end of their dial (i.e. 9.00P). Look for a " " on the scoreboard prior to your dial-in.
- CrossTalk will be used in Super Pro only. Racers not wanting CrossTalk need to place an "N" at the end of their dial-in (i.e. 9.00N). Look for a "
   – " on the scoreboard prior to your dial-in.
- No passengers will be allowed in any vehicle during time trials or competition (exception: Jr. Street).
- Dial-ins and numbers must be on the front, left side, and rear windows
- Shoe polished numbers are only allowed in Sportsman and High School.
- Dial-ins must be displayed prior to leaving the head of staging lanes and entering the ready area, and may not be altered beyond that point unless conditions warrant it and it is permitted by event director.
- Once a driver <u>pre-stages</u> their vehicle, they have accepted the conditions of the race (Diai-Ins, cross-talk, and tree type). Re-runs will not be granted.
- Excessive braking may be grounds for disqualification. Starter and/or Event Director will have final authority on issuing a warning or an expulsion. If a warning is issued, any subsequent infraction will be grounds for immediate disqualification.
- Any racer or crew member found to be under the influence of alcohol or other substances, during racing hours, will be immediately excused from the event and the facility.
- Team designator must be displayed on the driver side lower portion of the windshield, top of the cowl on dragsters and on the headlight for motorcycles.
- To compete at the Summit E.T. Finals a racer must have competed at a minimum of two Summit events (in any class) at the track they will be representing.
- Racers may only compete for one team at the Finals.
- Penalties will be enforced should one team vandalize another team's pit decorations.
- No artificial noise-makers allowed.
- A driver may compete in a maximum of (2) classes. (Junior Racers are permitted to race in 2 ET classes in addition to their Junior class if the position on the team is earned.)

#### Pit Vehicles

Team captains are responsible for policing their team's pit vehicles for improper use and no motorized pit vehicles are allowed from sunset until 1 hour prior to racing resuming the following day. All riders must be licensed and a minimum of 16 years of age.

#### Pit Areas

Each team will be designated a specific pit area. We ask that all participants curtail any noisy activities at 10:00 p.m. (including music, race engines running, etc.) on any night. Please also be respectful of the facility and use trash cans to dispose of any trash prior to leaving the facility.

#### Special Awards

We will award special awards to the Best Appearing vehicle in Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman, Bike/Sled, and Jr. Dragster. Best Engineered will each be awarded to one racer on Sunday. The NHRA Certification Team will select these award recipients.

#### **High School Eliminator**

Open to any student that has attended high school during the 2019/2020 calendar year. NHRA Membership/License (Grade 7) is required. High School racers will also be able to enter either Pro or Sportsman on Sunday. No Motorcycles or electronics allowed. If Saturday's race is rained out, High School will be contested on Sunday. If that happens, High School competitors can only run one class with one car, and must race a separate vehicle in Pro or Sportsman.

#### Jr. Dragster

Jr. Dragster drivers are eligible to make runs during the Test & Tune on Thursday. Friday is time trials and a Gamblers race. Saturday is the Race of Champions (Division Champion) and Sunday the Jr Dragsters will compete with their Team for the Team Championship. Each track may send up to eight (8) drivers. Racers will be split into Lightning and Thunder classes based on age. A driver who started the season as a 12-year-old but turned 13 during the season can run in Thunder but cannot dial quicker than 8.90.

#### Team Championship/Track Manager's Challenge

Saturday's Track Manager's Challenge will award one point per round won in all seven classes. Sunday, each participating track will be awarded one (1) point per round won in the six contested classes. The team with the highest point total will be crowned the Northwest Division Team Champions.

#### **Race of Champions**

Each track may send up to six representatives in Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman, and Sled/Bike. In addition, a Wild Card (7<sup>th</sup> racer in each class) is permissible and may be randomly drawn from the pool of racers who have perfect attendance at each participating track. The winners of this race will be eligible to attend the NHRA National Championship race and compete for the Summit Racing Series National Championship and an additional \$5000 National Champion Bonus.

Race Of Champions Purse	Super Pro	Pro	Sportsman	Sled/Bike
Winner	\$4000*	\$3800*	\$3400*	\$3400*
Runner-up	\$500	\$400	\$200	\$200
Semi-final	\$100	\$75	\$50	\$50

<sup>\*</sup>includes \$3000 travel bonus for attending the National Championship event

Event Purse (Sunday)	Super Pro	Pro	Sportsman	Sled/Bike
Winner	\$3000	\$2500	\$1000	\$1000
Runner-up	\$1500	\$1250	\$500	\$500
Semi-final	\$700	\$500	\$150	\$100
Quarter-final	\$150	\$125	\$85	

#### **Contingency**

Sundays Event Winners and Runner-Up finishers in Super Pro, Pro ET, Sportsman, and Bike/Sled are eligible to receive Contingency money from participating Contingency sponsors. Racers are responsible for having any necessary product stickers and any other supporting information required by the individual paying contingency sponsors.

#### **Restricted Area/Startingline**

Only NHRA employees, track employees, and racers/crew in competition are permitted in competition area (from the burnout box area forward). Mascots and team cheering is not permitted on the startingline.

#### Class Changes, Multiple Entries, Multiple Drivers

If you need to change from one class to another, please notify the tower. During each day, each car can only have one driver, and each car can only compete in one class. A possible exception to this is when a High School racer shares a car with a parent. In that case, the parent or student (not both) can run time trials on Friday, the student would compete in High School on Saturday, and the parent would compete on Sunday. Under no circumstances can a car make multiple runs in a time trial session, regardless of who is driving. Drivers are allowed to compete in multiple classes provided they have a separate car for each class.

#### **NHRA Membership Required**

All competitors must be NHRA members in order to participate. All competitors must also have a valid and current NHRA competition number.

#### Racing Fuel

Firebird Raceway does not have fuel onsite.

#### Firebird Raceway

Firebird does offer a full service facility complete with multiple food & beverage outlets, walk-in souvenir stores, modern restrooms and such. We do not offer showers on-site at the raceway, unless you count pit water for more than just a race car cool down area.

#### **AREA HOTELS**

Hilton Garden Inn 208-938-9600 (Eagle)

Hampton Inn - Suites 208-887-3600 (Meridian and I-84)

My Place Hotel – 208-898-0009 (Meridian)

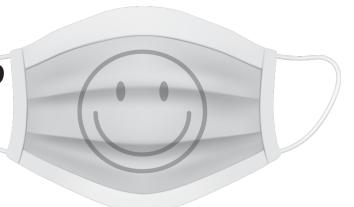
Be sure and mention to the motel that you'll be racing at Firebird for best rates.

# SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES



Firebird Raceway has developed a comprehensive program to reduce exposure to COVID-19 and to manage the health and well-being of its employees, participants, crew members and attendees. In accordance with the State of Idaho health and safety guidelines, Firebird Raceway will be establishing the following additional initiatives:

# PER ADA COUNTY MANDATE, FIREBIRD RELEASES FACE COVERING POLICY FOR ATTENDEES



In order to keep our guests safe and to comply with the Ada County order issued on July 14, 2020, Firebird is supplementing its current policies to require face coverings as follows:

- Effective July 15, face coverings will be REQUIRED in the safety inspection/tech line, food and beverage lines, Sport Shop souvenir store and restrooms.
- Face coverings will not be required where social distancing of 6-feet is achievable.
- Masks can be purchased at our souvenir store during events.
- Face covering requirements do not apply to (a) children under the age of two; (b) persons with medical conditions, mental health conditions, or a disability that prevents them from wearing a face covering; (c) persons who are deaf and hard of hearing, or communicating with a person who is deaf and hard of hearing, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication; and (d) persons who are eating or drinking while engaging in social distancing.

## **PARTICIPANTS & ATTENDEES**

- Firebird Raceway will institute ticket selling procedures that will dramatically limit physical interaction between customers and Firebird staff including advance registration sales and in-car ticket purchasing (no ticket windows/line).
- 2 Firebird will hire additional security and customer service representatives to enforce social distancing guidelines throughout the facility.
- Firebird Raceway will open multiple entrances and exits and will adjust in real time to maximize the ingress and egress to safely manage traffic flow.
- Firebird Raceway has installed mobile hand sanitizing stations and will have dedicated employees to monitor, clean and stock these stations throughout each event. Additionally, employees will be cleaning and sanitizing high traffic areas on an increased schedule.
- Firebird Raceway has installed signage and visual markers to designate social distancing for spectator viewing areas, restrooms and its food and beverage stands.
- 6 Access to the Race Control Tower will be restricted and limited to essential Firebird staff only.

## **PARTICIPANTS & ATTENDEES CONTINUED**

Firebird encourages you to do your part by staying home if you are sick or do not feel well.

The process of payouts for events will not take place on-site or in the Race Control Tower on the day of the event. Firebird will mail prize checks to the race winners.

The staging lanes/starting line are the main congregating areas for racers, crew members and their families. We will be implementing policies and procedures for this area that provide limited access to crewmembers, including limited time in the area. Our security staff, starting line crew and Firebird Safety Team staff will closely monitor this area to prevent unauthorized gathering.

**10** Firebird staff will request that all patrons space out in the grandstands for physical distancing. i.e. - Members of the same household may sit together in a group, to allow an appropriate buffer between seats.

**11** As a proactive measure, Firebird encourages attendees not to congregate or gather in larger groups during or following the conclusion of a race day. Compliance of social distancing measures must be adhered to at all times.

**12** Ada County now mandates the use of Face Coverings when physical distancing of 6 feet cannot be maintained.

# RACER AND CREW GUIDELINES

When parking in the pit area, please leave a minimum of 6' between race cars and/or transportstrailers.

Please adhere to social distancing guidelines and refrain from gathering in large groups with people outside of your team.

Firebird Raceway has installed mobile hand sanitizing stations and will have employees monitoring, cleaning and stocking these stations throughout the event. Additionally, employees will increase inspection and cleaning of high traffic areas (i.e. restrooms).

Crews must leave the starting line as soon as its team vehicle completes its pass.

5 NO CONGREGATING ON STARTING LINE WILL BE PERMITTED.

Access to the Race Control Tower will be restricted and limited to only essential Firebird staff.

With the importance of physical distancing, we will not offer a post-race group winner's circle presentation (photo) at this time. Instead, an individual photo will be taken at the end of the event of the champion and award.

The process of payouts WILL NOT take place on-site (in Sport Shop or tower on the day of the event). We will be mailing checks after the race. Unless on file, a W-9 for the racer will be required before a check will be issued (for payouts greater than \$600). When filing out the W-9 it must be legible and can be emailed to race@firebirdonline.com. Link to W-9 (first page): https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf

