



WELLINGTON FAMILY SPEEDWAY – CLASS ADDITION & REMOVAL POLICY

Purpose

This policy outlines the process for proposing a new Speedway New Zealand (SNZ) class to be raced at Wellington Family Speedway and the criteria under which existing or trial classes may be reviewed or removed. This process guideline is at the discretion of the club committee and may be modified or varied as they see fit.

1. Definition of a Class

A "class" refers to a specific type of Speedway New Zealand race car category that competes at Wellington Family Speedway.

2. Proposing a New Class

Step 1: Notify the Club

- Any club member wishing to propose a new class must first notify the club via info@wellingtonspeedway.co.nz.
- This initial contact may enable the club to connect interested parties working on similar initiatives.

Step 2: Competitor Requirement

- A minimum of **10 race-ready competitors domiciled within the Wellington region** is required.
- Drivers who *"might buy a car"* do not count toward this total but can be advised as part of the proposal.
- Competitors must own a car and be ready to race for the following season when the proposed class is to start.
- Cars domiciled in other regions (Palmerston, Wanganui etc), even if planning to contract to Wellington, do **not** count toward the 10.

Step 3: Exhibition Opportunity (Optional)

- If communication is maintained with the club, the group may be offered an **exhibition meeting** to gauge interest and generate public and club support.

Step 4: Submit a Proposal

Once 10 competitors are confirmed, submit a proposal including:

- Class description (type, background, where it races)
- Driver list and their details
- What the class will bring to the club and the opportunity
- Any relevant supporting material

This will be presented to the **Club Committee** for evaluation and vote.

3. Acceptance and Trial Period

If accepted, the class is guaranteed **two seasons** at Wellington Family Speedway on a **trial basis**. In these years the class may be offered a reduced racing calendar to help with commitment from drivers. At the conclusion of this period, a review will take place based on the following criteria:



Review Criteria

- **Class Numbers:** Consistent presence of local competitors both contracted and racing at meetings
- **Club Impact:** Contribution to or disruption of club culture and operations
- **Operational Fit:** Scrutineering, organisation, refereeing, readiness, etc.
- **Spectator Appeal:** Entertainment value and public interest

If all criteria are satisfactorily met, the class will be given **Green Light Status** and formally adopted as a full-time class.

4. Yellow Light Review Process

If, after two seasons, a class fails to meet key criteria or concerns arise regarding its sustainability:

- The class will receive a **Yellow Light Warning**, granting **one additional season** to improve.
- A final evaluation will be held at the conclusion of that season.

Outcomes:

- If the class improves: it may be granted one more year of monitoring. This is at the sole discretion of the committee and only in extraordinary circumstances. This will be the class's final opportunity and a full and final decision will be made at the conclusion of that season.
- Green-Lighted – the class is adopted as a full time Wellington Speedway Class
- If it fails to improve: the class may be **removed** from the Wellington schedule.

5. Incumbent Class Monitoring

All full-time classes at Wellington Family Speedway are subject to ongoing performance monitoring.

Low Numbers

- If a class falls below sustainable competitor numbers, the club may issue a **Yellow Light Notice** at season's end.
- Incumbent classes are in the yellow-light phase with yearly reviews. Unlike a new class the yellow light period may continue at the **sole discretion of the Club Committee**.

6. Important Notes to think about when proposing a class

- **Adding a new class** means less track time for current classes.
- The club **will not approve** new classes that rely on out-of-region cars to meet minimum numbers.
- What will the class bring to the club as a whole? While going racing in a class you enjoy is great the club is a larger organisation has many members who must be considered when proposing.
- The Club Committee retains final discretion on all class matters.

For more information or to begin the proposal process, contact:

 info@wellingtonspeedway.co.nz