



COMPETITION DIRECTIVE

2020 – 03

Driver Qualification.

1. To participate in an H1 Race, each Driver must:
 - (a) possess (i) a **current** First-Class Airman Medical Certificate (FAR 67.102 - 67.115) or Second-Class Airman Medical Certificate (FAR 67.201 - 67.215) issued by an FAA-authorized aviation medical examiner (AME) who is specifically authorized for such purpose; or (ii) a **current*** (not "pending") Department of Transportation / Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (DOT) Commercial Driver "Medical Examiner's Certificate" Form MCSA-5876 (14 CFR 391.41 & 391.43) valid for "interstate" (not restricted to intrastate or intracity) operations and issued by a certified DOT medical examiner specifically authorized under 14 CFR 390. (*subject to the annual H1 limitation set forth in Paragraph 8 below).
 - (b) within the last twelve (12) months, successfully complete a capsule training program approved by H1,
 - (c) be registered with APBA as a Racing Member.
2. Any Driver who is not a "Qualified Driver", is deemed a "Qualifying Driver", and must also:
 - (a) pass a written (or oral) test, conducted by Race Officials prior to competing in a Heat,
 - (b) run a minimum of fifteen (15) laps or more, accumulated at Testing or Time Trials (at a Race or an H1 approved testing event), two-thirds (2/3) of the which must be above 130 MPH (as certified by H1) prior to competing in a Heat,
 - (c) start as the Trailer Boat and complete two (2) Heats of racing, without committing an infraction under the Racing Rules,
 - (d) start in a position determined by Race Officials for the following two (2) Heats (whether completed or not, but only provided the Driver makes a legal start),
 - (e) only if deemed necessary by Race Officials, during any Heat in any of the next three (3) Races in which such Driver participates (following completion of the Heats required by (d) above), start in an alternate starting position,
 - (f) meet with the Chief Referee (or their designee, in person or by phone) to be evaluated following each Race related to the Heats described in (c), (d) & (e) above.
3. The requirements set forth in Section 2(a)-(d) above must be completed in no more than two consecutive racing seasons, or the requirements are reset.
4. Any Qualifying Driver who has not completed the requirements of 2(c) & (d) shall not be eligible to participate in a Final Heat at any Race, unless determined otherwise by Race Officials.

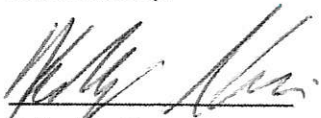
5. Race and High Points shall be awarded with respect to all Heats completed pursuant to Section 2 above (subject to any penalties affecting points).
6. A "Qualified Driver" shall be any Driver who has fulfilled any **one** of the following:
 - (a) completed the requirements set forth in 2 (a) - (d) above during the current or two (2) previous racing seasons,
 - (b) completed at least two (2) Heats (not including those set forth in 2(c) & (d) above) during the two (2) previous racing seasons,
 - (c) completed at least ten (10) Heats (not including those set forth in 2(c) & (d) above) during the five (5) previous racing seasons, or
 - (d) completed at least twenty-five (25) heats during the previous ten (10) racing seasons.

It being understood that the requirements set forth in 2(e) & (f) above may still apply to a Qualified Driver until such three-race period is completed.

7. Any Driver that suffers or has suffered a "disqualifying" medical condition or other event that would make them ineligible for the Certificates set forth in 1(a) above shall not participate as a Driver at an H1 event until the required medical certificate is reinstated by the FAA or DOT, as applicable. Any Driver that participates in a Race (as a Driver) without reporting such medical condition (or other disqualifying event) to the H1 Director of Medical - shall be disqualified from participating in any Race for a period of **five (5) years** (beginning upon such discovery or later reporting after such prohibited participation).
8. The "duration" of the Medical Certificates described in 1(a)(i) above shall be as set forth in FAR 61.23(d)(1)(iii) and (d)(2)(i) as necessary to obtain a "commercial pilot certificate or control tower operator certificate" - which is currently 12 months. The duration of the 2-Year Medical Examiner's Certificate described in 1(a)(ii) above shall be limited to 12 months for the purposes of determining the eligibility of a Driver under this Competition Directive; and such Certificate must not be subject to "periodic monitoring" during such 12-month period.
9. The "definitions" set forth in the 2020 Racing Rules shall apply to this Competition Directive.

This 2020 Competition Directive is necessary due to inconsistencies in Rule 4M regarding Driver Qualification and the current MOU with APBA. It is also in the best interest of the sport and our fans to increase competition at all races by putting "racing" boats on the water. And with the short racing season ahead of us - or possibly no racing season ahead of us - we will be challenged to qualify any additional drivers in a timely basis.

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