



Meeting Agenda
2019 AMA Congress Meeting

Specialized Sports Commission

Friday, December 6, 2019
Hilton Columbus Downtown

Meeting Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting

- a. Comments by the AMA Specialized Sports Manager – Ken Saillant
- b. Comments by the Commission Chair – Delvene Reber
- c. Take attendance
 - Present
 - Absent with notice
 - Absent without notice

2. Proposal Items

- a. SS-1219-1 Hillclimb Sound Requirements List
- b. SS-1219-2 Adding 113cc Open Class
- c. SS-1219-3 Change 86-400cc to 113-400cc
- d. SS-1219-4 Change 0-600cc to 113cc-Open
- e. SS-12-19-5 Change 86-125cc to 113cc-125cc

3. Agenda Items

- a. SS-A1219-1 Upper Body Protection

4. Closing of Meeting



**American Motorcyclist Association
Proposal for Rulebook Revision**

Specialized Sports Commission Proposal Item

**Proposal: SS-1219-1
Hillclimb Sound Requirements List**

Current

Appendix 5.2, Chapter 1, Paragraph 2, Page 277

Sound Requirements: Machines entered in all meets (except drag racing and land speed trials) shall have mufflers/silencers that don't exceed the maximum dB/A required by the state where the meet is being held or the prescribed dB/A above, whichever is less.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

Sound Requirements: Machines entered in all meets (except drag racing, **hillclimb** and land speed trials) shall have mufflers/silencers that don't exceed the maximum dB/A required by the state where the meet is being held or the prescribed dB/A above, whichever is less.

Reason

Add hillclimb to the sound requirements list of except events

Submission

Mike Bronk

Discussion

VOTE

For: _____ Against: _____

DECISION

Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____



**American Motorcyclist Association
Proposal for Rulebook Revision**

Specialized Sports Commission Proposal Item

**Proposal: SS-1219-2
Adding 113-CC Open Class**

Current

Section 3.6, Chapter A, Paragraph 32, Page 169

Add new class.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

2-Stroke class 113cc-Open 2-stroke motorcycles.

Reason

Most districts are running this class and it should be add to the class list.

Submission

Mike Bronk

Discussion

VOTE

For: _____ Against: _____

DECISION

Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____



**American Motorcyclist Association
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Specialized Sports Commission Proposal Item

**Proposal: SS-1219-3
Change 86-400cc to 113-400cc**

Current

Section 3.6, Chapter A, Paragraph 32, Page 169

400 Stock Class Motorcycles 86-400cc with engines in matching frames and stock wheelbase.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

400 Stock Class Motorcycles **113 -400cc** with engines in matching frames and stock wheelbase.

Reason

So mini cycles cannot race in motorcycle class.

Submission

Mike Bronk

Discussion

VOTE

For: _____ Against: _____

DECISION

Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____



**American Motorcyclist Association
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Specialized Sports Commission Proposal Item

**Proposal: SS-1219-4
Change 0-600cc to 113cc-Open**

Current

Section 3.6, Chapter A, Paragraph 32, Page 169

Four-Stroke Class **0-600cc** four-stroke motorcycles.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

Four-Stroke Class **113cc-Open** four-stroke motorcycles.

Reason

So mini cycles cannot race in a motorcycle class.

Submission

Mike Bronk

Discussion

VOTE

For: _____ Against: _____

DECISION

Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____



**American Motorcyclist Association
Proposal for Rulebook Revision**

Specialized Sports Commission Proposal Item

**Proposal: SS-1219-5
Change 86-125cc to 113cc-125cc**

Current

Section 3.6, Chapter A, Paragraph 31, Page 168-169

125 Class 86-125cc motorcycles.

Proposed (Proposed changes in **bold**)

125 class **113cc-125cc** motorcycles

Reason

So mini cycles cannot race in a motorcycle class.

Submission

Mike Bronk

Discussion

VOTE

For: _____ Against: _____

DECISION

Yes: _____ No: _____ Amended: _____



American Motorcyclist Association Agenda Item for Discussion

Specialized Sports Commission Agenda Item

Agenda: SS-A1219-1 Upper Body Protection

Item

Presented for discussion and feedback by the Medical and Safety Commission

The Medical/Safety Commission has been researching and working on a proposal for upper body protection. As you know, All racing disciplines with the exception of trials place the rider at risk for injuries to the sternum, ribs and thoracic spine. The underlying soft tissues such as the lungs and heart are also placed at risk. Because of the physical maturity and structural development of Youth athletes under the age of 14, they are at risk for commotio cordis, which occurs after a direct blow to the sternum. This may lead to sudden cardiac death. Protection from roost related to rocks may also allow better concentration of the rider and potentially allow safer racing. Also, modern chest/back protectors are well ventilated to reduce heat load to the rider.

Based on this data, the Medical Safety Commission is going to be moving forward a proposal that will make upper body protection mandatory for youth riders under the age of 14 competing in any speed related racing disciplines. When looking at the landscape of the current racing disciplines, the only racing discipline that we see not fitting into a "speed event" would be Trials.

Because this type of rule would impact multiple racing disciplines, we are seeking input and feedback from all of the racing commissions with regards to how or what impact a mandatory rule for upper body protection could have on specific disciplines of racing. Below is what we have determined is the best proposal to try and implement for 2021, with the intent of reviewing the deployment of a new rule and if it might warrant "mandatory for all racers" status in the future.

Please review the proposal and submit a written response to the Medical Safety Commission no later than March 6, 2020. This response should include bullet points of support, concerns, or any recommendations of what modifications you believe would better suit your specific type of racing.

Proposed Change

E. Competition Apparel

1. Protective pants made of leather or other durable material and long sleeve jerseys must be worn.
2. When a riding jersey or other apparel is used for rider identification, it is recommended that an 8-inch high number be on the back, and the number be of contrasting colors. ***When a back protector is worn outside of the jersey, the number should be placed on the back protector.***
3. Boots must be worn in all meets. They must be at least 8 inches high with any combination of laces, buckles, or zippers, or be specially designed and constructed for foot and leg protection.
4. ***A chest and back protector must be worn for all competitors under the age of 14 (at the date of competition). The protector may be worn under or over the jersey. It must cover the sternum anterior ribs, posterior ribs, and spine from T1 to T 12. For road racing a back protector must be worn under their leathers unless integrated into the design of the leathers .***
5. It is recommended that riders use the available protective equipment (i.e. gloves, neck brace, and knee protectors) to help protect against the possibility of injury.
6. All riders must utilize a shatterproof face shield or shatterproof goggles.
7. Wearing of Helmets: It is mandatory for all participants taking part in practice and competition wear a full face helmet. The helmet must be properly fastened, be of good fit, and be in good condition. The helmet must have a chin strap retention system.

Submission

Medical/Safety Commission



**American Motorcyclist Association
SPECIALIZED SPORTS COMMISSION**

AMA Competition Commissions are volunteer bodies that consider, disseminate, amend, interpret, and assist in the enforcement of both technical and operational rules for amateur and pro-am competition events sanctioned by the AMA.

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