



Superbike Road Race

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Qualifying Information



250cc National and 600cc SuperSport

Categories

The Bermuda Motorcycle Racing Association (BMRA) will launch two new categories for the 2020 season at the RUBiS Southside Raceway. The new categories are the 250cc National and the 600cc SuperSport. Both categories will run for the whole season.

Entrants in these categories will also have the opportunity to qualify for the Bermuda Charge Road Race tentatively scheduled for September, based on race results achieved in the first 3 months of the season at Southside.

The Government of Bermuda has given its support for the road race, via the Ministry of Tourism and Transport, and the competition currently awaits sanction while working through stakeholder processes. Final confirmation of the event will not be issued until sanction is received. The BMRA 250cc National and 600cc SuperSport season will run regardless of any changes to the road race schedule.

Registration

All national applicants for the Bermuda Charge Road Race must be registered members of the BMRA. Membership must be active on or before the BMRA season start date of 10 May 2020.

Age

All applicants for the road race must be twenty-one (21) years of age by 05 September 2020. BMRA members under the age of 21 may still enter and compete in the National Hero or SuperSport season at the Southside Raceway, but will not be eligible to enter the Bermuda Charge road race.

Nationality

Applicants for the 250cc National must provide identification confirming they are Bermudian nationals, or PRC holders. All other categories are open to both national and international applicants.

Participation

National applicants for the 250cc National and/or the 600cc SuperSport road race must complete at least four (4) of seven (7) qualifying race days at the RUBiS Southside Raceway. BMRA will tentatively schedule the 7 qualifying race days within the 3 month period between 10th May and 9th August 2020. Each scheduled race day will include qualifying races in both categories.

A DNF result (Did Not Finish) will not count as a completed race. Applicants are encouraged to enter all 7 qualifying race days in anticipation of improved experience and results.

Performance

Once a minimum of four (4) qualifying race days are complete, applicants must have recorded at least one (1) result that is within fifteen percent (15%) of the fastest competitor in their category. This is required in order to advance.

Assessment

Applicants must pass an independent competency assessment, which will be overseen by race officials from the International North West 200. The assessments will take place on a specialised track set-up at the RUBiS Southside Raceway in August. There is a single \$30 assessment fee, which covers assessment for all categories/motorcycles that the applicant is entering.

Driving Licence

All participants must have a current and valid driver's license.

Traffic Record & Bermuda Road Safety

As part of a commitment to improving safety on Bermuda's public roads, it is important that all Bermuda Charge road racers are credible ambassadors for road safety.

Road race applicants must provide a copy of their Traffic Record, which is available from the Magistrates' Court, on the 3rd floor of the Dame Lois Browne Evans building. The Magistrates' Court charges a \$10 fee for this service, and the record will take approximately 15 working days to process.

Race Officials will inspect the records for any demerit points issued in the 6 month period leading up to the September 2020 road race. Any record which, in the opinion of the Officials, demonstrates insufficient or irresponsible judgment, or ability, may lead to disqualification of the competitor from further participation in the event.

The Traffic Record policy will be further advanced in the 2021 race season by increasing the time period under examination from 6 months to 12 months. This policy is designed with the following objectives:

- Incentive for new or young race prospects to drive responsibly on the roads if they wish to qualify for participation in the road race event.
- Encouragement for existing Bermuda Charge race permit holders to drive responsibly or risk having the permit revoked.

The Bermuda Charge will also actively encourage road safety groups, advanced riding schools and youth riding schools to have a presence at the Race Village during the event. It

is in the interests of everyone involved to use this public platform to deliver road safety education.

Health Insurance

Each approved competitor must submit proof of health insurance.

Medical Fitness

All competitors will be required to complete a declaration confirming that they are medically fit to compete. The Bermuda Charge reserves the right to request certified evidence of this.

Substance Testing

The Bermuda Charge will supply certified medical examination for Competitors, Officials and Marshals to reduce the risks of alcohol and/or substance intoxication. All competitors must undergo testing, and Officials and Marshals must undergo testing if requested to do so.

Testing will be carried out by Central Diagnostics Laboratory, Bermuda. Any competitor who refuses to be tested in accordance with procedures, or who is found to have a level of alcohol or substance in their body that is higher than that permitted (zero tolerance), will be excluded from any remaining races, and will be subject to disciplinary procedures.

Permit

Following successful qualification, the Bermuda Charge, in affiliation with BMRA, will issue a permit authorising participation in stated categories of road races as they deem appropriate. The permit must be displayed on a lanyard at all times during the race meet, and will entitle the competitor to Access All Areas + GRID in the restricted zones, as well as access to premium viewing zones in spectator areas. There is a fee of \$75 for the permit. Competitors in possession of a permit will not be required to undertake a competency assessment for racing in the following year.

Eligibility for a race permit shall be determined by the Bermuda Charge and BMRA based on such factors as the Officials determine are indicative of the applicant's ability to perform satisfactorily in the event and at all race-related activities including personal conduct, and contact with the media.

Officials shall have the right to require competitors to demonstrate their ability to ride competitively before they shall be permitted to practice or qualify.

Any competitor who, in the opinion of the Officials, shows insufficient skills, judgment, or ability may be disqualified from further participation in the event.

Scrutineering

All competing vehicles will be inspected by technical experts from the International North West 200 before being cleared for entry. Vehicles that meet the technical regulation criteria will be accepted.

Race Entry

Upon presenting a valid permit, the competitor may register to enter the Bermuda Charge road race.

Each competitor will have the opportunity for a small group familiarisation run of the route with a suitably experienced rider liaison (typically a former professional racer). Rider liaison

will lead competitors with two-way radio headsets, to coach them through the safest and most effective course strategies. Candidates who are new to road racing will need to undergo a mandatory one-to-one induction with rider liaison prior to racing.

There will be a dedicated race manual detailing approximate race speeds and hazards in each section of the route. A briefing session will be delivered by a nominee of or the Clerk of the Course. This person will be familiar with the circuit. The content of the briefing will include information on the layout of the course, highlight any changes in the circuit from previous years, identify any particular items of concern such as speed management features or accident 'black spots' and the obedience of flag signals. All riders intending to compete at the event must attend the briefing meeting. The Clerk of the Course will obtain confirmation prior to the start of each race, that all riders participating in the race have been present at the briefing meeting. Riders who cannot provide evidence of attending the briefing will not be permitted to participate in racing.

The road race entry fee is \$195, and gains access for all practice runs and races the competitor is qualified to enter, as well as all mandatory inductions and briefings. A competitor entering both the 250cc National Hero race and the 600cc SuperSport race is only required to pay one race entry fee.

There are two races tentatively scheduled in each category, with a minimum expectation of two practice runs per category.

Road Race Pricing Summary (payment due August 2020)

\$30 Assessment

\$75 Permit

\$195 Race Entry

Qualifying Timeline

