



NOW600 General Rules for 2019

This rulebook contains the official rules for all sanctioned events of the National Open Wheel 600 Series in 2019.

SECTION I: RACING PROCEDURE

1. RACEceivers are MANDATORY to race in a National Open Wheel 600 Series sanctioned event in 2019. Unless otherwise noted, NOW600 will use frequency 454.000 at all sanctioned events.

1a. Drivers caught not wearing a RACEceiver will be DQ for that race. If in the A-Main driver will forfeit all points and monies for that race.

2. Drivers wishing to run for points in the NOW600 Micro Series will be required to purchase a NOW600 license. License does include a secondary insurance policy from Reel Media.

2a. Paid registered drivers must compete in 90% of all NOW600 sanction races to be eligible for full end of the year recognition and point fund. Drivers racing in 75-89% of events will receive that percentage of point fund. Any driver under 75% will not be eligible for end of the year awards.

3. National Tour Loyalty Program: Drivers that race 100% of the National Tour will be eligible for the end of the year loyalty program. At the end of the season banquet the drivers that compete in ALL NOW600 National events will get \$5 extra per National race that was ran added to their end of the season point fund. There will be special event races throughout the season where extra bonus money will be added.

3a. Nightly Loyalty Program: Each driver in the top three at 100% attendance and are NOW600 members will receive \$30 "appearance money." In the event of a two day show drivers will receive appearance money on the second night.

4. A car and driver qualify as a team. Each driver can qualify only one car. No driver will be permitted to change cars after taking the green flag of his qualifying heat race.

5. The lineup that takes the green flag will be the lineup that we use to calculate passing points. Any driver that elects to tag the back of the field will receive no passing points, but will get their finishing points.

6. The race is considered official once the flagman displays the green flag.

7. Single White Line: Front row must stay side-by-side until they reach the white line or cone placed in turn four. Pole car must set a steady pace at the discretion of the race director. All other drivers must stay in proper position nose to tail until the green flag or light is displayed. Warning for jumping the start will be given in the drivers meeting. NO on track warning will be given. If you jump the start you will go back one row and receive no passing points.

7a. Following three initial start attempts, the field will start single file if one lap is failed to be completed.

8. Caution Rule: Any car that causes two unassisted cautions will be blacked flag for that race.

9. Single file restarts will be nose to tail, all cars must stay in order until they have passed the cone on the front stretch. The leader may not accelerate until they have reached the chalk line in Turn 4. Passing before the cone will result in getting docked 2 positions in the finishing order or in the next yellow, which ever may come first. Going below the cone, other than avoiding a wreck in front of you will result in going tail back of the field. Hitting the cone will also result in the offending car being placed to the tail end of the field.

9a. Once the yellow light and flag are displayed, drivers must immediately get single file where they are running. There will be NO tolerance for drivers being side by side another car trying to get in line or fighting for a position. If you are told more than twice to get single file you will be DQ for that event.

10. Any car needing a second push will be placed to the tail of the field and will go towards there two caution rule.

11. Two-Way radios are prohibited. If caught driver will be DQ and will not receive points or pay and may result in suspension from a NOW600 sanctioned race.

12. When your race is called report to the staging area immediately! Any car not in staging when race is rolling out will be placed to the rear of the field and receive no passing points.

12a. Drivers in the staging area must line up in their correct starting spot upon entering the track. Please pay attention to the pit steward if he or she is trying to get you in line. If you don't you will be put on the back of that race. NO EXCEPTIONS. We want to go lights out as soon as you enter the racing surface.

13. All cars must run the NOW600 Series Decal Package to be eligible for end of the year awards and contingencies. A detailed layout and decals will be given free of charge.

14. If any car drops out of the starting lineup the field will be moved up, only exception is when two or more cars in the same row fall out then the lineup will be crisscrossed.

15. Any car not driving at a reasonable speed will be blacked flagged for safety precautions.

16. Cars that pull into the infield or to the pits will not be allowed to re-enter the racing surface once they go down a lap in NOW600 Series competition.

17. NO SHIFTER STARTS. Drivers will be required to start the race in race gear. Any driver observed to be shifting on the start, or any car which appears to be shifting on the start will be placed at the rear of the field.

18. Drivers shall always remain seated in their car with seatbelts secure while on the racetrack, except under an open red flag. Any driver getting out of the race car seat shall be disqualified from that race. Additional penalties may be assessed for sportsmanship incidents that occur while out of the car. An exception will be made for a safety issue such as, but not limited to, fire. The decision by the NOW600 Series officials at the time of the violation is final.

SECTION II: POINT SCALE:

A-MAIN POINTS:

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| 1. 26 | 12. 11 |
| 2. 23 | 13. 10 |
| 3. 21 | 14. 9 |
| 4. 19 | 15. 8 |
| 5. 18 | 16. 7 |
| 6. 17 | 17. 6 |
| 7. 16 | 18. 5 |
| 8. 15 | 19. 4 |
| 9. 14 | 20. 3 |
| 10. 13 | 21. 3 |
| 11. 12 | |

Drivers not qualifying for the A-Main will receive 1 point.

NOW600 does not award heat points.

Provisional: National drivers that have run 90% of the National events are eligible for a provisional. There are events that Provisionals will not be allowed. NOW600 officials will notify teams of these. The driver highest in National points, not making the show, has first choice at a provisional and then the second and on down. No more than one points based Provisionals will be allowed per night. Points based Provisionals award full payout for the position earned at the close of the A-Main, but only award Semi points (1). Any team who has competed in 90% of the year's events, and is in good standing is not limited on the number of points based Provisionals per year they may use. Any promoter will be allowed to add any car that they wish. Provisional rules apply to National Tour races only.

SECTION III: RACE FORMAT

Each race night will consist of Hot laps, Heat Races, Semi's and A-Main races.

SPECIAL SHOWS - There will be special events scheduled through the year, NOW600 Series will inform all drivers of specific changes to the racing program at the drivers meeting.

Number of Heat Races will depend on car count, at each race drivers will draw for heat race starting position, lowest number pill draw up front, highest number pill draw to rear of heats. First lowest pill drawn will start on the Pole of the first heat (1st) race, the second lowest to the Pole of the second (2nd) heat, etc.

Pill Draw: All drivers entering a NOW600 National Series sanctioned event must pay a pill draw fee payable at draw. NOW600 Members will be charged \$10, non-members will be charged \$15. Draw will open one hour prior to Drivers Meeting and will conclude once the Drivers Meeting has begun. If a driver is running late they may call or text us and we can sign them in. If a driver fails to draw they will be placed on the back of the next available Heat Race and will not receive passing points.

PASSING POINTS will determine the starting positions of the Semi's and the A-Main lineups.

NOW600 Series will advise driver of the make-up of the number of heat races, main events, field maximum size and other pertinent information at the drivers meeting.

Heat Races will be 8 laps in distance, taking the Top 14 in passing points including heat race winners to the A-Main.

A-Main Invert: High Point Driver in each class will draw either a 0, 4 or 6 pill to determine the number of positions being inverted for the A-Main.

-If less than 14 cars there will not be an invert.

Semis will be 12 laps in distance and taking the Top 6 to the A-Main. If two Semis are scheduled the top 3 from each will transfer.

All A-Mains will be 20 laps or 20 minutes with 20 cars starting the A-Main.

- In the event of a two-day show, the second day will go 25 laps or 25 minutes.
- If a race nears the time limit under a caution, the race will restart as a green, white, checkered.

2 DAY SHOWS - Racing procedures for two-day show will be the same as if they were one-day show, except: Top 4 from the first night will lock into Night 2, the remaining drivers that are NOT locked in will run a complete show. Top 10 in Night 2 passing points will lock into the A-Main straight up. Everyone else will run either a Semi lined up by NIGHT 2 passing points, or if not enough cars to run a Semi they will line up in the A-Main per NIGHT 2 Passing Points.

SECTION IV: WEIGHING PROCEDURE

1. Minimum weight is posted in the National Open Wheel 600 Series Rulebook under each division it includes car with driver, all cars must make weight, any car that does not make weight will be disqualified and earn no pay or points for that race. If the driver does not make weight in the heat race will receive no points, and must start tail back of the Semi Feature, in the event of no Semi Feature the driver may start on the tail end of the A-Main event.

2. Winner of the Heat Race and Semi's along with the Top 5 in the A-Main MUST report to the scales following the checkered flag, any driver that does not report to the scales will be DQ for that race and receive no points or pay.

SECTION V: YELLOW FLAGS

1. All cars that have stopped on the yellow will be placed to the tail end of the field in the order they were running before the yellow. Cars that require to go to the pits to get any work done before coming back out will have until the caution light goes out to rejoin the field, if the driver does not get back out before the light goes out will not be allowed

to re-enter unless a lap does not get complete, if any driver enters the track after the light goes out they will be automatically DQ and receive no points or pay for that night. Cars will be lined up in the order they return to the racing surface. Any car that does not require work to be done on their car will line up according to how they were before the caution.

2. Working on your car or having a track official work on your car during a yellow on the racing surface will penalize that driver to the rear. Exception to this rule is if a NOW600 Series official stops you to check over it.

SECTION VI: RED FLAGS

1. The car(s) that the red flag was thrown for and any other cars that change any tire will be placed at the rear of restarting line-up. All other cars not involved will get the position they were running in prior to the red flag, if ready to join restarting line-up when called provided they did not exit the track or designated red flag work area.

2. It shall be the decision of the fNOW600 Series officials as to what cars the flags were displayed for, and their decision is final.

3. All Restarting line-ups will be single file after one lap with any lapped cars being placed in lineup.

Note: Any car changing any tire during an OPEN red flag will be placed at rear also. (Wheel spacers may be changed if monitored by track officials).

4. A race is considered official once the checkered flag is thrown. If a red or yellow come out after the checkered flag is thrown the payoff and scoring will be the same as if the flags were not shown.

SECTION VII: MISCELLANEOUS

1. SPORTSMANSHIP - Micro Sprint car racing is a very emotional sport. As such, good sportsmanship is the key element of any competitive racing program. This must include respect for all participants – drivers, owners, pit crews, and officials. For our part, we will make every effort to be consistent with our rules regardless of whom or what is involved. We will treat all participants with respect and expect similar treatment in return. A racer's pit area is his territory – therefore please stay out of other racer's pit areas, especially after an incident where you have been involved with that racer. Drivers – remember that you are responsible for the actions of your crews. Any offending parties will be fined appropriately and disciplinary actions will be initiated as deemed necessary.

2. WORK AREA: NOW600 officials will designate a "Work Area" before the event starts. Officials will announce at the Drivers Meeting where said area is located. Drivers will NOT receive time in the work area. Once the lineup is good and the lights go out you will not be allowed to re-enter unless we do not complete a lap. The light will not be instructed to go out until the leader takes the one to go signal from the flagman.

2a. Any Driver that re-enters after the light is out will be disqualified for that event and fined up to \$1,000.

3. Protest Fees (Figures in Parenthesis Are Filing Fees)

Motor tear down RULES TBA.

P & G fuel test \$1000 (\$250).

Other technical protest: \$500 (\$250).