



2025 International Hot Rod Association IHRA TEAM FINALS

(1/8 Mile Race Format)

The purpose of the IHRA Team Finals is to promote IHRA drag racing at member tracks on a local level and reward attendance with national recognition and competition. This event will be run in a 1/8th mile format.

- 1. TEAM PRE ENTRY** - Each track will be responsible for collecting and paying IHRA the car & driver entry fees for their team. This must be done on or before the completion of Fridays activities.
- 2. DRIVER ELIGIBILITY** - Each participating track will keep a points system to determine the drivers who will represent their track. Each racer must be entered in the points program, as well as run at least (3) points meets OR 50% of available races, of the track they represent. No buy-in entries from racers not running at local track. Any track found using buy-in entries may be suspended for 1 year if voted by participating track operators.
- 3. TEAM COMPOSITION** - Each team will consist of 50 members. Teams may be assembled any way the track deems appropriate if the total number of members is no more than 50. Alternates- each team may have two alternates. Alternates may compete in gamblers races. Sportsman class competitors will not earn team points or occupy and place on the 50-person roster. Each track may bring as many Sportsman Racers as they want. Tracks are not allowed to bring a second team.
Each team will be provided with team code decals, and each car competing must have a team code decal displayed on the TOWER SIDE of their vehicle next to their permanent car number and on the front of the vehicle. Each team captain must notify the race director of car substitution.
Each team will also include the name of each track champion on the roster separately to delineate who will run in the Race of Champions. This special event will be only for an Ironman and will not have any bearing on Team Points, IHRA series eligibility. Each roster position will add \$80 to the roster fee.
- 4. TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP** - The team championship will be determined by a points system with one (1) point being awarded to the winner of each round. In the case of a tie, the teams will each choose a participant to compete in a runoff to determine the winning team.
Each team entering a team captain in the Track Operators race, regardless of outcome, will receive one bonus point. The winning track is responsible for the purchasing and distribution of awards as determined by the track. The winning track will receive an Ironman.

5. **CREDENTIALS, MEMBERSHIP & LICENSING** - Each participant, including but not limited to Juniors & Motorcycles, must be a currently licensed member of IHRA. All racers must have an approved IHRA license. License runs will not be allowed at the team finals. Participants and crew coming in after the posted gate closing time will have to have their credentials left in the overnight will call to gain admission when the gates are secured. Track operators or team members are responsible for setting this up in advance.
6. **TRACK CODE & PERMANENT NUMBERS** - Each participant must have a track code properly displayed on the TOWER SIDE of their vehicle next to their competition number and on the front window. Permanent competition numbers must be displayed on the front, right side and rear of the vehicle. Shoe polish allowed on substitute street legal vehicles. IHRA will select the track code.
7. **TECH INSPECTION** – Tech inspection is the responsibility of each individual track. All vehicles will be inspected, in advance of the race, by and at the home track. The track operator will then issue a tech card to the participating racer. This tech card will serve as the racers' credential when registering at the racetrack. Random inspections will be performed by an IHRA official at the event.
8. **WRIST BANDS** – The IHRA will provide colored bands. These are to be placed on the wrist of each person admitted through the track gate. Team members, alternates, team captains, track employees and crew members must always wear the wristband throughout the weekend.
9. **TEAM CAPTAIN** - Each track will provide a track owner/operator or manager to serve as Team Captain for their team at the IHRA Team Finals. Track operators may run in the main event (if their team is not full) and participate in the gamblers races (regardless of their team being full). If they choose to do this, then they may not participate in the track operators' race (see # 12 below). Team operator or track assigned captain must arrive early and park their team.
10. **RACERS** – No racer may enter any races without being listed on roster. No racer may represent more than one (1) track at the team finals. Once a racer declares the team that he/she wishes to represent, he/she may not change teams. Two drivers are not allowed to drive the same vehicle. Drivers may not drive 2 entries in the same class. A racer may enter more than one class in the bonus races and main event provided the car meets the criteria for both classes. Box racers must physically remove the box from the vehicle to compete in the No Box class. Bike/sled racers may compete in Box or No Box as well as Bike.
11. **IHRA SUPER SERIES** - Any IHRA Super Series competitor that has an IHRA competition membership number registered and valid according to IHRA records can win the IHRA Team Finals main event championship in their division will become eligible for the IHRA Super Series World Championship race. To be considered eligible after winning the IHRA Team Finals main event, a competitor will be verified by IHRA as having met all the same program rules and eligibility requirements as required of each IHRA Super Series track champion. These requirements are published and outlined in the IHRA Super Series section of ihra.com. If your registration is not renewed within a 14-day period from the expiration date or you fail to meet any of the posted eligibility requirements of the program, the main event winner will not be eligible for the IHRA World Championship. In addition, should a main event winner fail to meet the eligibility requirements, the main event runner-up is not eligible to take their place.
12. **TRACK OPERATORS RACE** - Will be open to team captains of each participating track.

The race will be limited to non-competition, licensed street legal vehicles with DOT tires and mufflers. Vehicles may not dial faster than 7.40 (1/8 mile). No electronics of any kind are allowed. One Main Event eliminator point will be added to each team that enters the track operator's race.

13. TIME TRIALS - Time trials will be run in sessions by class. Do not come to the staging lanes until your class is called.

14. ATV's & PIT BIKES – A racecar permanent number must be displayed on all such vehicles. No joy riding permitted. All riders must have a valid state driver's license. A security person will be appointed to apprehend violators. Violators will lose one (or more) team point(s) for each violation, depending on severity of violation. No skateboards, go-carts, etc. allowed. Track operators also share responsibility to help enforce this rule.

15. ELIMINATIONS - Will be run at the IHRA Team Finals in the main event:

TOP ET	(1/8 mile: 0 – 9.00)
MODIFIED ET	(1/8 mile: 0 to 19.00)
SPORTSMAN	(1/8 mile 7.40 & slower)
MOTORCYCLE	(1/8 mile - 0 to 13.99)
TCR	(All Run)
JR DRAGSTERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• (ELITE & MASTER 7.50 & Slower (MASTER LICENSEE IS LIMITED TO 7.90 & SLOWER)• (ADVANCED 8.90 & Slower)• (NOVICE & YOUTH 11.90 & Slower (YOUTH LICENSEE IS LIMITED TO 13.90 & SLOWER)

16. ELECTRONICS - The penalty for intentional non-compliance will result in a five (5) point reduction for the team, and a MINIMUM one year suspension from all competition for the racer.

- a. **All Classes** – Stutter boxes, timed down track throttle stops, on-board computers, and wheel pickup sensing devices are prohibited.
- b. **Top ET** - Delay boxes, trans brakes, two steps, and playback tachometers are allowed. Air throttles, used as launch control devices, are allowed. Factory (OEM) installed computers will be permitted, but laptop computers are not allowed while in competition.
- c. **Modified ET** - Delay boxes and air throttles are prohibited. trans brakes, two steps and automated shifters are permitted. **Delay boxes are not allowed to remain in the vehicle.**
- d. **SPORTSMAN** - 7.40 and slower 1/8 Competition is limited to full bodied door cars IHRA Super Series license mandatory for eligibility to compete at the World Finals. Data recorders, Delay Boxes, Trans-brakes, 4-wheel line locks and Nitrous Oxide prohibited. Two-wheel line locks permitted non-drive wheels only. Automated shifter: Prohibited unless OEM. Throttle control: Throttle must be manually operated by the driver's foot. Electronics, pneumatics, hydraulics, or any other device may in no way affect the throttle operation. A fixed stop under carburetor or gas pedal is permitted. Throttle timers, staging controllers and counters prohibited. Ignition: Stutter boxes prohibited. Single stage (high side only) rev limiters permitted. Starting line rev limiters prohibited. Two step rev limiters prohibited, any other rpm limiting devices installed to function as a down-track rpm controller are prohibited. Switches & buttons: All switches and/or buttons must be standard mechanical connection type.
- e. **Motorcycles** – Same as TOP ET.

17. CHRISTMAS TREE – The tree will be separated with a blinder. Cones, with glare reduction

covers, will be placed on all LED bulbs. Cross talk will be used in TOP ET class with no opting out!

18. **AUTOSTART** – Autostart will be used to start races. See the IHRA rulebook for Autostart settings.
19. **LANE CHOICE** – Will be announced at the event. Team member separation will take precedent to lane choice when the situation arises.
20. **BYE RUNS** - Bye runs will be determined randomly by an IHRA tower official for the first round. The best reaction time (for the following rounds) will determine the bye. If there is a tie, the car closes to the dial will receive the bye. A racer can be selected for a bye run (assuming they don't get to use it) if they continue to earn it each round. Once a racer makes a bye run, they are not eligible again until everyone else left in the class has made a bye run. A new bye run will be selected every round. This takes precedent over the team rule. Note: If the racer selected for a bye is mistakenly missed and runs in competition, the run will stand regardless of the outcome. The bye run will receive lane choice.
21. **TEAM MEMBER vs. TEAM MEMBER IN MAIN EVENT** - The team finals is an event designed to promote team competition. Therefore, racers from the same team will not run each other, even in a run-off situation, unless they are the only ones left in competition. Circumstances such as the number of entries, track layout, pit parking or traffic conditions can make this difficult to accomplish. It is the tracks responsibility to help assure that racers from the same team do not race each other. If racers from the same team running each other should become the only alternative, the cars will run each other, and the runs will stand. Note: the only exception to this is in a bye run situation.
22. **TEAM PIT PARKING SELECTION** - Team parking will be determined based on the order of finish from the year before. The number 1 finisher has first pick, number 2 has second pick, etc.
23. **BONUS RACE** - Bonus races will be run as long as the weather and time permits.
24. **RACE PROCEDURE AND SAFETY RULES** - All IHRA race procedure and safety rules will be in effect unless stated otherwise in this agreement. Contestants should become familiar with the IHRA rulebook, revisions, and this agreement before entering the event.
25. **COURTESY STAGING** – Mandatory. A car that accidentally lights both bulbs will be allowed to back up and restage, if time allows. If the auto start system activates the tree and the entry is not re-staged the entry will be eliminated.
26. **DEEP STAGING** - Please be aware that deep staging is allowed in all classes (EXCEPT TOP) but not guaranteed. It is up to the racer to get in deep as soon as possible. It is not the responsibility of the starter. Deep stagers will light both pre-stage and stage in adherence of courtesy staging.
27. **EXCESSIVE BRAKING** – Excessive breaking will be handled at the discretion of the race director and starter. Some instances will warrant immediate disqualification, and some will warrant a warning.
28. **TEEN CHAMPIONSHIP RACING (TCR)** – Each IHRA Track participating at Team Finals will

be able to bring as many Teen Championship Racing competitors as they wish and compete in a run-off eliminator during Saturday's Main Event. IHRA will be rewarding the winner and class runner-up with a custom Team Finals plaque. There is no entry fee, and this does not count towards team composition and team points.

29. SPECIAL AWARDS – Below awards will be selected throughout the weekend.

Best Appearing Car/Truck	Best Appearing Team
Best Appearing Open Bodied Car	Best Team Spirit (The entire event)
Best Appearing Motorcycle	Best Decorated Grandstands
Best Appearing Junior Dragster	

29. WEATHER – If weather delays the main event, it will be completed on the first available day.

30. CONTINGENCY –It is the driver's responsibility or the team's responsibility to acquire any needed contingency decals prior to the event.

31. PURSES & PAYOUT

A. MAIN EVENT ELIMINATORS:

TOP

Winner	\$6,000 & Ironman & Gold Card
Runner Up	\$1,500
7th Round Loser	\$500
6th Round Loser	\$300
5th Round Loser	\$200
4th Round Loser	\$100

MODIFIED

Winner	\$6,000 & Ironman & Gold Card
Runner Up	\$1,500
7th Round Loser	\$500
6th Round Loser	\$300
5th Round Loser	\$200
4th Round Loser	\$100

SPORTSMAN

Winner	\$4,000 & Ironman & Gold Card
Runner Up	\$1,000
7th Round Loser	\$500
6th Round Loser	\$300
5th Round Loser	\$200
4th Round Loser	\$100

MOTORCYCLE

Winner	\$3,000 & Ironman & Gold Card
Runner Up	\$1,000
7th Round Loser	\$500
6th Round Loser	\$300
5th Round Loser	\$200
4th Round Loser	\$100

JR. DRAGSTER

Winner	\$3,000 & Ironman & Gold Card
Runner Up	\$1,000
7th Round Loser	\$500
6th Round Loser	\$300
5th Round Loser	\$200
4th Round Loser	\$100

B. THURSDAY EARLY BIRD GAMBLERS RACE (No ET Breaks)

BOX: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

MOD: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

SPORTSMAN: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

BIKE: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

JUNIOR: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

Potential Purse based on 70% of the entry **if a buyback round is run**. – Win, R/U, Semi's in Box, No Box & Motorcycle, Junior. Purse paid to the actual number of entries remaining in each position and will not be rolled over due to an odd number of cars. Purse paid to the actual number of entries remaining in each position and will not be rolled over due to an odd number of cars.

C. FRIDAY GAMBLERS (No ET Breaks)

BOX: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

MOD: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

SPORTSMAN: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

BIKE: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

JUNIOR: 70% of entry W, R/U, Semi

ENTRY FEES -

Car & Driver (ALL CLASSES)	\$80	
Crew	\$50	(event)
Child (6-12)	free	(event)
General Admission (Adults)	\$25	(Sunday)
General Admission (Child 6-12)	free	(Sunday)
Membership & License	Mandatory	
Thursday Gamblers Race	\$70	(1 st round buybacks \$30)
Thursday Juniors Gamblers	\$50	(1 st round buybacks \$10)
Friday Gamblers Race	\$70	(1 st round buybacks \$30)
Friday Juniors Gamblers Race	\$50	(1 st round buybacks \$30)
Saturday Run 4 The Money	\$20	(Collected in the lanes)

No refunds if the event is partially or completely rained out.

32. TRACK CODES FOR THE DIVISION 3 TEAMS (Tentative List) -

	TRACK NAME	CODE
1.	?????	?
2.	?????	?
3.	?????	?
4.	?????	?
5.	?????	?
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9.	?????	?

IHRA SUPER SERIES TEAM FINALS SCHEDULE

If weather delays the event, it will be finished on the first available day.

TRACK ADDRESS

Radio Station ????

Main Event Run Order: TCR, Sportsman, Juniors, Modified, Motorcycle, Top

Gamblers Races Run Order: TCR, Sportsman, Juniors, Modified, Motorcycle, Top

Wednesday

Parking: 4:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Thursday

Parking and Registration 8:30 am – 9:30 pm

Time Trial (1) 10:30 am

Early Bird Gamblers Race After Time Trials

Friday

Parking and Registration 9:00 am – end of competition

Team Captains Race 9:30 am

Special Awards Photos 9:30 am

Race of Champions TT and Elim 9:30 am

Friday Gamblers Race Following ROC

1st Time Run New Arrivals Only After Friday Gamblers Race

Track Operator meeting After Friday Gamblers Race

Saturday

Gates Open 8:30 am – end of competition

Ministry Service 8:30 am

Team Photos 9:00 am

Saturday Run 4 The Money Following Photos

Main Event Eliminations Following R4M To completion

Sunday

Gates Open 9:00 am

TBA 9:30 am

FOOT TRAFFIC ONLY BEGINNING 1 HOUR AFTER RACING HAS ENDED EACH NIGHT
Schedule may change at any time. Specialty events are time and weather permitting.