

8.50 INDEX

Racers must sign up for points prior to first round of eliminations.

Racers: Please park in barricaded area located next to the staging lanes. Make sure to have your tech card completely filled out, and a Raceway Park tech official will come to you.

There will be two qualifying sessions: 6:30 and 7:00 pm. First round will be at 7:45 pm. Racers will be expected to be present when called to the lanes, and there will be no make up qualifiers. If you are not present during any round, the race will go on without you.

PAYOUTS:

8 car field

\$1000 to win, trophy
\$400 runner up, trophy
\$150 semis

16 car field

\$1000 to win, trophy
\$400 runner up, trophy
\$150 semis
\$75 quarters

Special Awards for 8 car field or 16 car field:

Plaque - #1 Qualifier
Plaque - #1 Qualifier Bonus
Plaque - Best Appearing Crew
Plaque - Best Appearing Car

CLASS RULES...

To qualify for the 8.50 Index race, you must be 9.00 seconds or quicker. In order to expand the eliminator in the 1st round, the qualifying field must be 9.00 or quicker for all cars.

- Open to any car that qualifies 9.00 e.t. or quicker
- Sportsman ladder (**Race drivers who are broke must notify the tower as soon as qualifying is completed!**)
- .4 Pro Tree/Heads Up/No Breakout/Quickest ET gets lane choice
- No Deep Staging
- Mufflers Required. No Bullets Allowed. 2 or 3 chambered mufflers recommended.
- Maximum tire 10.5" (ex. W33.0/10.5-15W)
(All cars running 11.00 and quicker must have metal, screw-in valve stems.
- Any race fuel permitted
- Minimum vehicle weight: 2800 lbs. for Small Block/3000 lbs. for Big Block
- Auto Start set at 10 seconds for timeout, activated during Qualifying and Eliminations
- Courtesy Staging is in effect.

If both cars run quicker than 8.50 in eliminations, the car closest to 8.50 wins.

BODY/INTERIOR

- Full-bodied factory rear wheel drive street type cars
- A ribbon-type window net SFI Spec 27.1 is mandatory on full bodied cars that are required to have a roll cage
- Must be street appearing/no gutted interiors/carpeted interior even if rear seat is removed (The interior should look clean and professionally done)
- No car will be permitted to go faster than the Chassis is certified for by the NHRA
- Must have door panels
- Racecar lettering on windows only (Sponsor Logos permitted)
- Height on hood scoop to be a maximum 9 inches
- No one-piece fiberglass front ends-
- Back half or stock suspension permitted
- Windows, Lexan permitted (Roll down windows optional)
- Must have stock style front suspension
- No full round or square tube chassis cars
- On board fire extinguisher is permitted and recommended

ELECTRONICS

- Bracket Racing Aids: No throttle stops, No Electric shifters or Optical sensors. No delay boxes or other driver aided electronics. The application or use of any device, mechanical or electronic, that permit the driver to ascertain the position of their vehicle in relation to the starting line is prohibited.
- Progressive Nitrous controller system permitted

NHRA RULEBOOK: Delay boxes/Devices 8.2 under prohibited, 8.7 switches, 9.1 computer

ENGINE/TRANSMISSION

- Trans Shield meeting SFI Spec. 4.1 mandatory in all cars running quicker than 10.99 or 135 mph
- Oil retention device (Diaper) recommended for all cars running 9.99 & quicker
- OEM or aftermarket transmissions with a maximum of 5 forward speeds permitted, including "clutchless" models. Any gear change must occur from direct action by the driver. Pneumatic, Electric, Hydraulic shifters prohibited. Clutch release devices prohibited. Trans brakes and 2-steps allowed.
- Jacket/Pants/Gloves/Neck Collar mandatory in all cars running 9.99 and quicker or 135 mph and quicker
- NOS permitted as well as other power adders
- No dragsters

Points will be awarded as follows for an 8 car field: Winner 3 points, Runner-Up 2 points, Semi-Finalist 1 point, 1st Round Loser 0 point, Attempting to Qualify 1 point, Qualifying in Top 8 1 point (Alternates will not receive this point), #1 Qualifier 0 point. Points will be awarded as follows for a 16 car field: Winner 4 points, Runner-Up 3 points, Semi-Finalist 2 points, Quarter-Finalist 1 point, 1st Round Loser 0 point, Attempting to Qualify 1 point, Qualifying in Top 8 1 point (Alternates will not receive this point), #1 Qualifier 0 point.

If there is a tie for a position, the tiebreaker is as follows: A. Number of elimination wins. B. The rating point system: Each driver will be rated according to his/her position in the standings. The rating system will begin after competition of the fifth points day (July 9). The rating will be as follows: If a racer is in first place, one rating point will be awarded; second place will receive two rating points, third place will receive three rating points, etc. If two or more racers are tied with the same amount of points for any position, they will each receive the same amount of rating points i.e. tied for fifth each racer gets five rating points. The rating numbers will be increased based upon what place the racer is in. This will continue through the end of the 8.50 Index Points Series. On the last points day, if a racer is in seventh place and earns enough points on that day to move him/her into a tie for third place, the racer with the lower rating points will finish the year in third place and the higher rating points racer will be fourth. The only way a runoff will be necessary is if the earned points, number of wins, and rating points are the same. If after the tiebreaker, a result for a position has not been determined, a one-run run-off will occur. NOTE: Top 8 points earners after October 29 will receive an embroidered Jacket courtesy of Raceway Park.

YOU MUST MEET ALL NHRA AND NJ STATE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS! If you are caught cheating, you will be banned and NHRA will be notified. Rules are subject to change anytime before or during event/s to keep the 8.50 Index Class competitive. Race director has all final decisions!