

# 2019 Atlantic Pro Cup Rules

**1.1** The Atlantic Pro Cup (hereafter known as the Series) is a regional point's series administered by Carolina Cup Pro Series (CCPS) hereafter referred to as the Series. This Series shall consist equally of NCR, CCR, SCR and Atlanta Regions of SCCA.

**1.2** The series will be run as restricted regional races sanctioned under the current General Competition Rules (GCR) of the SCCA and the Series rules. All host region's supplemental regulations apply. All Series races must be insured to regular SCCA standards by the host region.

**1.3** No rules, regulation or comment in these rules is considered to imply an exception to the latest GCR of the SCCA and in any dispute regarding interpretation, the GCR and standard operating practice of the SCCA will take precedence.

**1.4** The host region for each Series race will establish and collect the entire entry fee applicable to the Series race and pay CCPS directly a \$50.00 fee for each entrant. An entrant is defined in the current SCCA GCR. These Fees will be used by the CCPS for administration costs and prize purse fund. See also rule 10.1.

**1.5** Any SCCA region can be considered to host a Series event.

**1.6** No SCCA regions are required to host a Series event.

**1.7** The Series reserves the right to limit the number of Series events conducted each season.

## **Carolina Cup Pro Series Organization:**

**2.1** The CCPS committee will govern the Atlantic Pro Cup. The committee will be comprised of members of NCR, CCR, SCR and ATL. Each region will assign one current region member to the committee. Each committee member will have one vote.

**2.2** The Board of Directors of any region hosting a Series race shall inform the committee of any meetings and/or Board meetings pertaining to Carolina Cup Pro Series business.

**2.4** The committee will appoint a series administrator who will maintain points and distribute prize money. For 2019, this will be Richard Mesick.

**2.5** In the event of a tie in any voting procedure within the committee, the Regional executives of NCR, CCR, SCR and ATL will be asked to cast a vote. If a

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tie still remains, the Board of Directors from each region will cast individual votes.

2.6 At the end of each season, the committee will present a financial report of the Carolina Cup Pro Series to the NCR, CCR, SCR and ATL committee members.

2.7 The committee has the right to change and/or amend these rules with the approval of the committee and notification to the Board of Directors of the NCR, CCR, SCR and ATL, without prior notice to the competitors. Any change will not affect previously awarded points or money.

## Eligibility – Cars:

3.1 All cars must conform to the current SCCA GCR competition specifications and/or any other sanctioning body specifications as it applies to the class.

3.2 Cars in the following classes are eligible to participate in APC: ITS, ITA, ITB, ITC, IT-7, IT-7R, ITT, ITR, SM, SRF, SRF3, T3, T4, B Spec, STL, STU, WDCR SSM, SMSE, WDCR SRX7, CCR SSM, SMX and SM5.

3.4 SSM class entries shall be prepared to the Showroom Spec Miata Rules of either Central Carolina Region or Washington DC Region. A car competing in SSM shall comply fully with one set of rules or the other including all seals and tire rules required by those rule sets.

WDCR SSM Rules can be found here:

<http://atlanticprocup.com/files/class/wdcrrssm.pdf>

CCR SSM Rules can be found here:

<http://atlanticprocup.com/files/class/ccrsm.pdf>

3.5 ITT shall be prepared to the Atlanta Region ITT Rules.

Atlanta Region ITT Rules can be found here:

<http://atlanticprocup.com/files/class/itt.pdf>

3.6 WDCR SRX7 Rules can be found here:

<http://atlanticprocup.com/files/class/wdcrrsx7.pdf>

3.9 Any SCCA or NASA member/competitor may propose a new class for Series eligibility. Such proposals should be sent to their regions board member or to the Series Administrator for those in guest regions for consideration by the CCPS committee. The CCPS Administrator shall in a timely manner distribute the proposal to the committee for discussion and their vote to approve or deny the proposal. The person(s) submitting the proposal will be notified directly via E-

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mail of the Board's decision. If approved, the Series Administrator will post the details of the new class and the implementation timing on the Series website (<http://www.atlanticprocup.com>).

## Eligibility – Drivers:

4.1 The SCCA Driver eligibility rules for Club Races, as provided in the current GCR, will apply to the Series.

## Entries:

5.1 Each entry will register as a team.

5.2 Each team will register a team name, the class they will compete in, and the team owner's name, postal address, E-mail address, and Social Security Number.

5.3 Every Entree will receive two (2) official Series decals that must be placed on the car. The position of the decals is as follows: one (1) located on the driver's side and one (1) located on the passenger side. Additional decals will be available for purchase from the CCPS Administrator.

5.4 A representative from each team must sign in with the Series administrator in the timing and scoring building at each Series event and declare which eligible car number is intended to accrue team points at that event. Failure to do so at least 1 hour prior to the start of the Series race may result in no accrual of points and prize money for that team at that event. Event sign in forms will be available at each Series event.

5.5 Each declared points entry will be issued an official season decal for that season. The official decal must be displayed on the right rear taillight area in a highly visible manner. Failure to display the official event decal may result in no accrual of points and prize money for that team at that event. "Highly visible" shall be at the discretion of the Series Officials.

5.6 No team can enter more than one car in a class at any given Series event regardless of Series status.

## CCPS Race Events:

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**6.1** Car numbers will be issued by the host region registrar on a first come, first serve basis.

**6.2** Each Series race will be scheduled for at least 45 minutes in length and held after at least one scheduled minimum fifteen-minute qualifying session. The host Region will establish the qualifying session's duration. The starting grid for each race will be in order of shortest elapsed lap time per each team as recorded in the race's qualifying session(s). Where as a schedule limits the availability of a second qualifying session for a double event weekend the fastest lap from either the first qualifying session or the first day race will be used as the official qualifying time.

**6.3** The operating steward has the right to shorten a Series event at any time if necessary, without any prior notice due to an unforeseen reason. The Series Officials, and host region Officials also reserve the right to shorten a Series race for any appropriate safety or schedule related reason. Shortened races that run for more than 50% of the scheduled time distance and not restarted shall be a considered complete and shall be scored as of the last fully scored on track (hot) lap in accordance with GCR rule 6.10.5.B. If the race is considered incomplete, then points and payout will be awarded based on the starting grid for the race. Non-qualifiers who started will received points and payout based on first come first served.

**6.4** All races require each entry to perform a mandatory pit stop. There will be a mandatory 2-minute pit stop during each race for all cars during a 45-minute scheduled event. Any race over 45 minutes will require a 5 minute pit stop for every 2 hours of racing. Fueling will not be permitted during a 2 minutes pit stop.

**6.5** There will be a 40 MPH speed limit on pit road.

**6.7** OFFICAL RACE RESULTS will be available at the track if time allows and if there are no outstanding protests. If OFFICAL RACE RESULTS are not available at the track post-race, the results will be emailed to all teams that have provided the Series with a valid E-mail address, per GCR 3.7.2.

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## Pit Stops:

**7.1** The mandatory pit stop during each Series race will be a minimum of two (2) minutes in length. The pit stop shall not commence until at least 1 full (hot) lap has been completed after any green flag start or re-start. The pit stop must have 1 hot lap on the track to be considered completed prior to checkered flag. Failure to make the required 2 minute pit stop may result in a lap penalty or possible disqualification. See Rule 6.4 a & b for stop length specifications. Any car entering the pits 5 minutes or more before the checkered and not returning shall be considered having a legal pit stop.

**7.2** Timing the pit stop will be determined using the following methods:

### Method 1:

Use the timing charts for the race as provided by timing and scoring to determine the fastest lap times for competitors. By adding 2 minutes plus the time required to traverse pit lane at 40 MPH to this fastest lap time, a total pit stop time shall be determined for each entry. Lap charts shall then be checked to confirm that each competitor did have a total lap time equal to or greater than the previously determined lap time.

### AND, OR Method 2:

A log will be maintained to show the time and car number of all cars entering and exiting pit lane during the event. A study of the log shall show that all cars having entered and exited pit lane in a total time equal to or greater than 2 minutes plus the time required to traverse pit lane at 40 MPH.

Any non-compliance found by these methods will be reported to the Chief Steward with penalty recommendations.

**7.3** Computation of the 40 MPH transit time in pit lane at the maximum allowed 40 mph speed limit is as follows:

Charlotte, 22 seconds @ 40 MPH.  
Kershaw, 11 seconds @ 40 MPH.  
Road Atlanta, 14 seconds @ 40 MPH.  
Road Atlanta Pro Pits, TBT @ 40 MPH.  
Roebeling, 19 seconds @ 40 MPH.  
Summit Point, 14 seconds @ 40 MPH.  
VIR, 12 seconds @ 40 MPH.

**7.4** NO pit stops are permitted to be initiated during a full course yellow. Any car that is in the process of their mandatory pit stop when a full course yellow is displayed will be allowed to continue with that pit stop and re-enter the track upon completion of the stop.

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7.6 The minimum penalty for a short pit stop will be accessed in this order: 0 to 5 seconds – 1 lap, 6 – 15 seconds 2 laps, 15 – 30 seconds 2 laps and 5 season points max, over 30 seconds or no pit stop minimum penalty moved to last place in class with no series points and no series payout. Maximum penalty can be disqualification.

7.7 The car engine shall be off and the driver completely out of the car during any refueling and no one shall be working on the car during the refueling process. Only those personnel involved (either holding funnel or pouring fuel from gas can) with the refueling shall wear fire resistant clothing with face coverings (balaclavas) and eye protection (goggles or face shield), gloves and closed shoes. All other individuals going over the wall must wear sleeved shirts, long pants and closed toed shoes. All pit areas must be equipped with a competitor supplied 10 lb. 60 BC or ABC fire extinguisher to GCR specifications and held by a crew member with the pin REMOVED during fueling operations. The competitor must supply water or speedy dry in case of a fuel or oil spill.

7.8 Fueling gear shall consist of a gas can with a filler spout or funnel at a minimum. Overhead fueling rigs are allowed. A maximum of 20 gallons of gas is allowed in the “hot pit” area per car.

## Series Points:

8.1 Series points will be awarded according to the SCCA's National points system for race finishers refer to GCR Rule 3.1.1.C.

8.2 Each team will be granted two (2) dropped points events to be used to calculate the current year end championship. Additionally, 10 bonus points will be given to any team participating in all scheduled events.

8.3 Points will be awarded according to the finishing position of all registered team entries.

8.4 Upon receiving the OFFICAL RACE RESULTS for each Series race, the Series administrator will calculate individual points and post them to the official Series web site ([www.atlanticprocup.com](http://www.atlanticprocup.com)).

8.5 The current point standings will be available from the Series' administrator at each event.

8.6 In the event of ties for year-end Series' points, winners will be determined according to the process listed in the GCR for awarding National competition points.

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**8.7** To be eligible for the year end Series points Championship, a team must **START** in at least 30% of all the scheduled races.

## **Trophies:**

**9.1** For each individual points race, the host region will provide suitable trophies at the host regions discretion.

**9.2** For the end of the season Series' point's Championship, trophies will be awarded by the Series to the winner of each class.

## **Prize Fund:**

**10.1** Per rule 1.4 above, the host Region for each Series race will establish and collect the total entry fee for each Series race. \$50.00 of the total entry fee for each Series race collected by the host SCCA Region will be promptly forwarded by the host Region to the CCPS Administrator to support the Series prize fund and Series' operating expenses. The breakdown of the prize fund payout will be as follows: \$15.00 will be paid out for each race; \$25.00 will be paid out for year-end prize fund. Series operating expenses will be offset in-part from fees collected for entries ineligible for individual race and, or year-end prize fund payouts.

**10.2** Pay out by class for each single event and the year end points championship will be as follows:

**1st Place, 45%.**

**2nd Place, 25%.**

**3rd Place, 15%.**

**4th Place, 10%.**

**5th Place, 5%.**

**10.3** Additional funds or contingencies may be added to the individual race and, or year-end prize funds through sponsors. Specific classes or conditions may be sponsored.

**10.4** Sponsors may reserve the right to require certain criteria for eligibility.

**10.5** Series individual event prize money will be awarded according to the finishing position of all entries that have registered for the Series points.

**10.6** For Series points' awards and prize fund earning purposes, entries (teams) that are not registered with Series, will not be considered and all other Series entries will move up within class.

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**10.7** Any awards and/or prize money won shall be made payable to the registered team owner.

## **Disqualification:**

**11.1** Any team found to be in violation of these rules may be disqualified. Disqualification will result in the loss of points and/or prize money.

**11.4** Previously awarded prize money will not be recovered or redistributed.

