

EASTBOUND INTERNATIONAL DRAGWAY (2026)

DRIVER INFORMATION

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

(Regular Event)

SATURDAY

8:00am - 12:00 noon	Registration Gate
8:30am - 12:00 noon	Tech Inspection Opened
10:00am - 11:45am	Test and Tune/Fill-in runs
11:45am -12:30pm	Staging Lanes Closed for Track Cleaning and Surface Prep
12:30pm – close	Gamblers - entry fee required (\$20) with optional mulligan (\$20). Fill-in Runs between competition rounds only – will be available only when first 2 rounds of competition have been completed

SUNDAY

8:00am - 12:00 noon	Registration Gate
8:30am - 12:00 noon	Tech Inspection Opened
10:00am - 11:45am	Test and Tune/Fill-in runs
11:45am -12:30pm	Staging Lanes Closed for Track Cleaning and Surface Prep
12:30pm – until completed	Thunder Competition Fill-in Runs between competition rounds only – will be available only when first 2 rounds of competition have been completed

3:00 pm (approx.) to close Street Wars Heads-up event *(Selected dates throughout the season)*

****Special Events may have altered schedule**

REGISTRATION AND TECH INSPECTION

When you enter the facility, please proceed to Gate three (3) and report to the registration kiosk. Once your registration is confirmed and any required fees have been paid you will proceed up the hill entering the track at turn two of the oval, turn to your left on the oval and proceed around the oval in a clockwise rotation to either your assigned pit area or directly to the tech garage on the floor of the facility at the far end of the oval near turns 3 and 4. Inspections for all vehicles, street driven or race will occur at the tech garage as per inspection requirements. Vehicles will enter from the spectator side (grandstands) or dragstrip side, through the tech garage and continue in a clockwise rotation when exiting. Tech inspection will be available at the tech garage on the day of the event generally from the time pit gate opens and continues throughout the test and tune session. Vehicles arriving after test and tune has ended will be advised at the entrance gate of tech availability and location. Please note: Vehicles that have not been approved by a track official or have not met safety regulations are not permitted to enter the staging lanes or proceed down the dragstrip unless directed by a track official.

ALL VEHICLES ARE REQUIRED TO MEET THE SAFETY REGULATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE 2026 IHRA OFFICIAL RULEBOOK APPLICABLE TO THE ELAPSED TIME (ET) OF YOUR VEHICLE IN THE 1/8 MILE.

ALL STREET DRIVEN AND ALTERNATE USE VEHICLES (INCLUDES BIKES/SLEDS/ATV/UTV)

For street driven vehicles and alternate use vehicles a tech inspection must be completed at each event. One complete inspection is mandatory at the first attended event for the season and a more general inspection at each subsequent event. All drivers **must** have their inspection sheet completed and signed by the track official before entering the staging lanes. Inspection sheets will be available at the tech garage. Vehicles attending concurrent events (Fri/Sat/Sun) will be subject to one inspection only for any one event. ALL DRIVERS MUST REPORT TO THE TECH GARAGE FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL DAY OF COMPETITION AND SIGN THE VERIFICATION SHEET. Drivers who have not paid the required fees at the gate or have not reported to the tech garage before entering the staging lanes cause's significant delays in the tower, and on track, as our records will not have that car recorded in the field for that event.

Please do not park in or enter any staging lane before paying your entry fees and/or having your tech inspection completed or we will ask you to move your vehicle from the lanes immediately. No vehicles will be permitted to go down the track until all applicable fees for the current event are up to date, mandatory documents such as waiver have been signed, required tech inspections have been completed and you have signed in at the tech garage

RACE ONLY VEHICLES (INCLUDES JR. DRAGSTERS)

One complete inspection is mandatory at the first attended event for the season only. While no additional inspections are required, it is mandatory you confirm your attendance and the vehicle being entered for each daily event is confirmed at the Tech Garage. Although all fees have been paid at the gate it is mandatory FOR ALL DRIVERS TO REPORT TO THE TECH GARAGE FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL DAY OF COMPETITION AND SIGN THE VERIFICATION SHEET. This confirms for the tower your entry to the event. It is the responsibility of the driver to ensure all fees for the current event have been paid. Drivers who have not paid the required fees at the gate or have not reported to the tech garage before entering the staging lanes cause's significant delays in the tower, and on track, as our records will not have that car recorded in the field for that event.

Please do not park in or enter any staging lane before paying your entry fees and/or having your tech inspection completed or we will ask you to move your vehicle from the lanes immediately. No vehicles will be permitted to go down the track until all applicable fees for the current event are up to date, required tech inspections have been completed and you have signed in at the tech garage

INFORMATION SHEET

During your first visit to the track for a new season there is a one-time **mandatory** requirement to complete an information sheet. This sheet provides the necessary information for the tower to correctly identify the driver and the vehicle particulars during the event. There is a provision on the sheet as well to provide details on your sponsors/supporters which the announcer will make every effort to promote when your car is in **competition**. This sheet will be made available to you upon entry at the gate. An update to your information sheet for car or sponsorship changes can be submitted at any time.

BURNOUTS

Due to the increased use of street tires and **drag radials** we are experiencing difficulty in maintaining the condition of our starting line. We have determined extra preparation will be required to ensure optimal conditions and we will be implementing procedures to achieve that goal. Even when we prep the track properly, it requires the cooperation of all drivers for good track conditions to last throughout the event. In an effort to provide a safe and effective starting line for all events we will be requesting all drivers with **street tires** and **drag radials** to limit their burnouts to the water box area and just beyond, markers will be placed to identify the burnout stop point. **We specifically request that you do not burnout through the starting line area.** We are asking for your cooperation at this time but if it is felt that this request is not being observed by any driver, track officials will address the concern individually with that driver. If track officials observe the request is not being adhered to by multiple driver's additional restrictions may be implemented.

GAMBLERS SERIES

IMPORTANT NOTE ON COMPETITION/POINTS:

THE OVERALL SEASON POINT RECORDING AND PROCESS WILL NOT IDENTIFY GROUP A OR B, AND WILL DETERMINE YOUR PLACEMENT BY TOTAL ACCUMULATED POINTS.

Delay boxes are not permitted to be used during any Gambler events. Any vehicle determined to be using a delay box will be eliminated from the competition immediately and forfeit any points earned in that event

The additional entry fee for Gamblers is \$20.00. There will be **no buy backs** permitted but we will be offering an option to purchase a mulligan at the time of entry for an additional \$20.00 which can be used in any round, with the exception of the semi-final or final round. The mulligan **MUST** be purchased at the time of entry and all monies collected **WILL** be awarded to the winning drivers as outlined in the payout section included in this handout.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: All gamblers and/or mulligan monies **MUST** be paid when you agree to enter the event and prior to the beginning of the first round and there is no option for entry once the competition has begun. There will be no prepay option and all monies must be paid in cash at the entry gate kiosk on the day of the event.

GAMBLER COMPETITION

1. Two ladders will be created within one gamblers event and we will split the field equally based on car/bike/sled count to be known as Group A and Group B.
2. All quicker ET's go on one side of the ladder known as Group (A) with the slower ETs on the other known as Group (B).
3. ALL bikes and sleds, no matter what ET will be placed in Group (B)
4. If there are an uneven number of cars, the odd car will be placed in the most applicable field as determined by Eastbound Park race officials.
5. If the fields have been set, late entries will be placed in the field based on verifiable data. If we have no data available on a car for group identification it will be placed in the applicable ET field as determined by Eastbound Park race officials.

Please note: If you have made a qualifying run on the event day, the ET recorded will be entered as your position in the field. However, track officials may adjust a placement if requested and warranted

6. The Gamblers series will use card draw in the staging lanes for competition parings, including bye runs and competition will be a full tree (sportsman tree).

*****No driver may change vehicles once eliminations have begun. However, a driver may enter a substitute vehicle before eliminations begin.**

POINTS – GAMBLER

Answer the call for first round, stage under your own power - 20 points

Round win - 10 points

Final round appearance while staging under your own power (both groups A & B) - 1 point

Group A or Group B final round win - 10 points + 3 bonus points

.500 reaction time during competition - 1 point (multiples count) **GAMBLERS EVENTS ONLY**

GAMBLERS PAYOUT

Group A final round runner-up: \$40.00 payout

Group B final round runner-up: \$40.00 payout

Group A final round winner: 50% of remaining pot after runner-up payouts

Group B final round winner: 50% of remaining pot after runner-up payouts

THUNDER SERIES

POINTS WILL BE AWARDED AND TOTALLED FOR ALL SCHEDULED POINT EVENTS ATTENDED.

WDRA membership is **NOT REQUIRED** to compete in the Thunder Series and you may accumulate points for year end awards.

Pairings - Random Pairings by card draw, including any bye run.

1. Super Pro – Et 7.00 and quicker – Delay boxes permitted ***
2. Pro/Street/Bike/Sled - Et 6.80 and slower - No delay box permitted * ** ***
3. Vehicles with an ET between 6.80 and 7.00 may enter their class of choice, superpro or pro, but must meet the safety requirements of that class and abide by current rules for the class chosen
4. Points are awarded for the class you choose to compete in and no transfer of points is permitted from one class to another
5. ATV/UTV – Any Et – No delay box permitted
6. Jr. Dragster – Any ET – No delay box permitted * **

*Cars in pro, street, bike, sled and Jr. Dragster with delay boxes must have the delay box zeroed.

**If car numbers are not sufficient for a separate class in pro, street, bike or sled those classes may be combined into one field for eliminations.

***No driver may change vehicles once eliminations have begun. However, a driver may enter a substitute vehicle before eliminations provided the substitute vehicle is capable of the original vehicles ET bracket. If the substitute vehicle is outside the original vehicles ET bracket A ONE weekend grace period is permitted for the total race season and points may be awarded for the current class. If a driver wishes to continue with the substitute vehicle beyond the one-time exception, he/she must change to the substitute vehicles ET bracket with no transfer of points from the original class.

CONSOLATION ROUND

1. Consolation round is open to any participant who was unsuccessful in securing the win in round one of either the super-pro or pro/street/bike/sled competition
2. There no points awarded in the Consolation rounds (10% of Thunder payout applies, overall winner only)

POINTS-THUNDER SERIES

Answer the call for first round, stage under your own power - 20 points

Round win - 10 points

Final round appearance while staging under your own power - 1 point

Event winner final round win - 10 points + 3 bonus points

THUNDER PAYOUTS

SUPERPRO AND PRO/STREET/BIKE/SLED

- A. PAYOUT TOTAL IS \$25.00 PER ENTRY
- B. \$300.00 MINIMUM PAYOUT
- C. PAYOUT FOR 1ST (60%) AND 2ND (30%)

- D. CONSOLATION ROUND (WINNER ONLY 10%)
- E. MINIMUM OF EIGHT (8) ENTRIES REQUIRED TO RUN EACH CLASS
 - If less than 8 vehicles in any of the above classes we may combine the classes for competition where track rules and safety regulations permit.
 - Note: All payouts rounded
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YEAR END POINTS AND AWARDS

- A. POINTS AND AVERAGES SCORED ON BEST OF ALL OFFICIAL SCORED EVENTS
- B. AWARDS FOR 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD in PRO/STREET/BIKE/SLED CLASS, SUPER PRO CLASS AND JR. DRAGSTER (TOP FIVE (5) GAMBLERS)
- C. TO QUALIFY FOR KING OF THE HILL A DRIVER MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE FOR 75% OF THE OFFICIALLY SCORED RUNS IN THE THUNDER SERIES (the 75% attendance applies to king of the hill only)
- D. BIKES AND SLEDs ARE ELIGIBLE GAMBLERS, THUNDER AND KING OF THE HILL AWARDS. ANY OTHER OFF-ROAD VEHICLES ARE NOT CURRENTLY ELIGIBLE FOR THE ABOVE CLASSES AS NUMBERS DO NOT WARRANT, AN ADDITIONAL CLASS WILL BE ADDED IF NUMBERS WARRANT AT FUTURE EVENTS (8 OR MORE)

TIE BREAKERS

- (1) Driver with most officially scored races attended (Show Points during the current season)
- (2) Driver with the MOST FINAL ROUND WINS in points races during the current season
- (3) Driver with the MOST RACE RUNNER-UPS in points races during the current season
- (4) Driver with the MOST SEMI-FINAL ROUND APPEARANCES in points races during the current season

NOTE: To earn points for any run you must stage under power including any bye run. Bye runs can be a test & tune pass or drive through after staging.

NOTE: For safety reasons reversing of any type vehicle out of the staging area and driving in the reverse direction through the staging lanes is not permitted unless directed to do so by a track official. WHENEVER MOVING IN A REVERSE DIRECTION, YOU MUST BE GUIDED BY A TRACK OFFICIAL, NO EXCEPTIONS. Please respect this policy.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

During the transition from the Thunder Series to Street Wars (traditionally Sunday's program) there will be a period where **both Street Wars vehicles** and **eliminated competition vehicles** will be directed slightly off the preferred line in an effort to maintain the track surface for the vehicles still in competition. Cones or another suitable marking device will be placed at the starting line indicating the restricted area. We will be prepping and maintaining the full width of the starting line surface therefore the track should have a secondary useable line. The preferred line limitation will only be in place for a short period while the Thunder Series competition concludes and after that time the full starting line surface (any line) will be then opened to all vehicles. At this time, we estimate only one to two rounds remaining in the Thunder Series competition at the scheduled start for Street Wars, therefore we expect this transition period to be brief. This modified procedure **will not** be applicable to any other weekend program offerings.

GENERAL COMPETITION INFORMATION

Please do not use the staging lanes for general parking and do not proceed to the staging lanes unless your class or fill-in runs have been called. Doing so results in unnecessary congestion, race delays, and often difficulty for track officials to organize car fields. Also, the unnumbered far right staging lane is a mandatory emergency lane, parking in that lane at any time is not acceptable, but during competition it is strictly prohibited.

1. All vehicles will be inspected in accordance with Eastbound International Dragway rules and **2026 IHRA Official Rulebook**. It is the responsibility of the driver to be in compliance with the safety rules for their class/division.
2. Driver must wear full length pants, shirt, and closed shoes (t-shirt permitted)
3. All drivers must utilize a helmet and protective clothing requirements as per the minimum specifications outlined in the **2026 IHRA Official Rulebook** under the ET bracket they are competing in
4. Dial-ins and car number must be on driver's side quarter glass and rear windows (recommend dragsters use display panel). A track official will provide a car number but it is solely the driver's responsibility to place the number and dial-in on the car in an area clearly visible to the tower. /
5. Drivers must use staging lanes 1 thru 4 only and are not permitted to use the emergency lane on the far right. Jr. Dragsters **only** may use the far-right unnumbered lane but a stop line will be identified to permit access for emergency vehicles.
6. While it is **recommended** delay boxes are removed or disconnected for specific competitions, it is solely the driver's responsibility to ensure the delay box, if on-board, is not operational for any starting line advantage. If a delay box is observed being used for any starting line advantage in any NO-BOX event or class the driver is immediately disqualified from the event and all points/earnings for that event are forfeited
7. We request all street cars with air conditioning to please turn it off, completely off. The water from the unit drops to the track causing an unsafe condition, not only for you if water drips under your tires, but for the driver entering in that lane behind you.
8. All hubcaps and beauty rings must be removed from wheels
9. Any equipment remaining in the vehicle must be securely mounted (ex. stereo equipment, speakers, controllers, etc. Officials have the right to deny any vehicle deemed not safe or stop any vehicle deemed unsafe at any time during the competition.
10. All cars are requested to proceed around the infield area in a clockwise rotation for warm-up and returning to the pit area. It is important to note there are certain areas where two-way traffic flows. Please observe our 5 mph (8km) speed limit in all areas. Driving without respect for other drivers, spectators or track officials will not be tolerated.

11. The track surface is prepared for maximum traction and safety for our drivers and track staff. In an effort to ensure that safety is maintained we will not permit soft compound tires (ex, ice radials, and snow rated tires) or any off-road design tires to enter the starting line area.
12. Pairings, bye runs and lane choice by card draw or chip from the hat.
13. Once paired in the staging lanes the race is official, unnecessary delays, refusal to compete or breakage not allowing you to complete the race results in disqualification. In the event of a no start or minor breakage during **normal competition** a maximum of two additional minutes as determined by track officials will be allowed to make the call. The driver will be advised of the two-minute warning. If time permits or a special event is occurring, exceptions may apply.
14. For safety reasons reversing of any type vehicle out of the staging area and driving in the reverse direction through the staging lanes is not permitted
15. Dial-in boards must be reviewed by the driver on each run, competition or other and accepted. If a driver enters the pre-stage, it is understood that he/she has accepted the dial-in entered by the tower to be correct and accepts the race. If not considered correct the driver must inform the starter before pre-staging of the error and the starter will notify the tower of the requested correction. If the race is accepted there is no option for dispute based on the dial-in.
16. Red-lights count and result in elimination. In the event of a double red-light the driver who red-lights first is eliminated
17. Any vehicle crossing the center line, coming in contact with any safety retainer (outside wall) is immediately disqualified no matter what the outcome at the end of the track. This infraction would supersede a red light in the opposite lane.
18. If you receive a bye run in competition you must stage the car under its own power and at a minimum take the tree (stage) to be granted a win. Red lights or boundary infractions are not grounds for disqualification on bye runs. For safety reasons you are not permitted to stage your car for a bye run and then back out of the lights, last motion must be forward. Reversing of a car in the staging area is not permitted
19. If dual infractions occur in a competition run the car making the worst infraction will be disqualified, if the infractions are considered equal the first offender will be disqualified
20. Right lane always has the right-of-way for entering the return road, no matter what the ET of the racing vehicles in either lane is. It is mandatory that the right lane be given priority; left lane must always yield until right lane car has entered the return road.
21. We make every effort to ensure announcements and calls to staging lanes are timely and clear. We will make every effort to ensure drivers are advised their class is current being called or running. It is important to note though that it is the driver's responsibility to be ready and be attentive to when his or her class is called. If a driver does not make the call for their class their opponent will be granted a bye run and they will be eliminated from competition (min two calls).

NOTE: NOT reporting to the staging lanes in a reasonable time period when YOUR class has been called is grounds for disqualification. If you arrive when the majority of the class has run resulting in pairing issues, other modifications to the competition or bye-runs already determined or ran, you will be eliminated from that competition.

22. If you have a concern, please ensure you bring it to our attention at the tower. We do request though that only the driver(s) enter the tower with the information they wish to present.
23. These rules can be amended at any time by the Race Director and all decisions of the Race Director are final

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