



Technical Bulletin #2017-01

To: American Flat Track Community

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Subject: **Rule 1.5 Competition Numbers**

Note: The following rules overwrite and supersede any previously published versions of the rules. Text in **red**, **bold**, *italic font* indicates a change or addition; ~~strikeout~~ identifies text that has been removed.

The following changes have been made to Rule 1.5.c in the 2017 American Flat Track rulebook, regarding AFT Twins and AFT Singles competition numbers.

1.5 Competition Numbers

- a. Competition numbers are non-assignable and non-transferable, except by AMA Pro Racing.
- b. AMA Pro Racing reserves the right to revoke, reassign or transfer competition numbers to another rider at any time.
- c. Unless otherwise specified, the following numbering protocol will be used for all American Flat Track classes:
 - i. National Number 1
 1. The National Champion from the previous season will be required to carry the National Number 1 plate when competing in the class in which their championship was won, and AMA Pro Racing will reserve the champion's previous National Number in that class until the renewal deadline for the following season.
 2. If a new National Champion does not repeat a championship the following season, the rider may select from available National Numbers 2 – 9 or may return to their previous National Number.
 3. If a rider wins a National Championship prior to the end of the season and there is not a defending champion in the class, the new National Champion may request to use the National Number 1 for the remainder of the season.
 - ii. National Numbers 2 – 9 (AFT Twins only)
 1. Only previous AFT Twins National Champions may choose from available single-digit numbers 2 – 9.
 2. If National Numbers 2 – 9 have all been issued, the former AFT Twins National Champion holding a National Number 2 – 9 with the fewest points earned in the previous season may be required to choose an available National Number 10 – 99.
 3. National Numbers 10 – 99
 4. Riders who have earned Championship points during a season are eligible to apply for a National Number 10 – 99 in that class the following season.
 5. A rider will have the option to retain their National Number 10 – 99 **in the class earned** provided that they score points in the class during the previous season and renew by the deadline.
 6. Previously-licensed GNC1 competitors who scored points during the previous season and are approved for an AFT Singles license will not be guaranteed their previous GNC1 number in AFT Singles; however, they may apply for their previous National Number 10 – 99, **if available** and will have priority over riders selecting new National Numbers. **As a courtesy to riders with National Numbers moving from Twins to Singles in 2017, AMA Pro Racing will reserve their National Number in the Twins class until the 2018 renewal deadline in the event the rider decides to return to the Twins class.**
 7. If National Numbers 10 – 99 have all been issued, the rider with the fewest points earned in the previous season may be required to choose an available Number 101 – 299.