# 2024 KWA ZULU NATAL BMX COMMISSION

(Affiliated to KZN Cycling & CSA)



# General Information, Rules and Race Format 2024

# **CLUBS**

There are 3 clubs on the KZN BMX circuit, for information on these clubs contact the following club officials: -

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The parents of riders run these clubs, and they are often in need of help to maintain the track, run meetings and raise money for track amenities, equipment, and year- end awards. Offers of help are always well received. They will also be happy to sort out any queries or problems.

# **MEMBERSHIP**

To compete in any of the (National) BMX COMMISSION of SA races and to qualify for KZN BMX selection and/or KZN BMX awards, you must be a CSA registered BMX rider, as well as a member of any CSA registered Club.

Cost of annual membership is made up as follows: -

- Giba Gorge Cycling club –
   Annual Adult R1530/ Child R925

   Family memberships Adult1 R1520 Adult2 R1450 Child1 R925 Child2 R605 Child3 R435
   The above memberships can be done monthly please and gives you full access to the park please go to <a href="https://www.gibagorge.co.za/park-fees/">https://www.gibagorge.co.za/park-fees/</a> for more information.
- PMB Club 1st Member R1200, 2nd Member R900 additional Members R650
- Queensburgh 1st Member R750, and R650 for additional Members

All BMX Club memberships will be conducted online via Eventbrite or directly with their club. Please note that if you want to change clubs, you have to be released from your current club by the chairman. Send your club chairman an email to request your release. A release letter from your current chairman needs to be sent to the new club as well as the KZN BMX ASSOCIATION.

# **RACE INFORMATION**

### **RACE ENTRY:**

- KZN Event entries will be pre-entries and will be done online through <a href="http://www.eventbright.com">http://www.eventbright.com</a>
   Race entries will close at 12h00 PM (midday) on Friday before the weekends racing.
   Late entries and on the day, entries will incur an additional R60 on top of the entry fee. The online entry system will change during the year. Riders will be notified accordingly.
- Club Event entries will be pre-entries and will be done online through <a href="http://www.eventbright.com">http://www.eventbright.com</a>
   Race entries will close at 12h00 PM (midday) on Friday before the weekends racing.
   Late entries and on the day, entries will incur an additional R60 on top of the entry fee. The online entry system will change during the year. Riders will be notified accordingly.

#### RACE TIME:

On the day entries and Registration (confirmation of online entries) is between 10:30am and 11:30am. Official gate practice at 11:30am

Finalised Moto Sheets to be updated on <a href="https://our.sqorz.com/org/kznbmx/">https://our.sqorz.com/org/kznbmx/</a> at 11:45am

Marshal Briefing at 11h40am

Riders Briefing at 11:50am Racing starts at 12:00pm

#### **ENTRY FEE:**

KZN Points & Club Events will be charged as per the figures below with a discount to multiple family members:

	1st Rider	2nd Rider	<b>3rd Rider</b>
Single Race	R190	R180	R80
Double Header	R290	R250	R160

Development Riders R30 per race

1st Time Riders R30

Riders who choose to compete in two classes will pay R80 for the 2nd class.

Late registration will be R60 per rider per race and this will be a compulsory fee. Clubs will reimburse KZN BMX should late registration fees not be charged.

As a member of KZN BMX you will pay these fees at all KZN BMX sanctioned events even if you are not a member of that club.

IF you are not a member of KZN BMX or an affiliate cycling discipline member – The cost is R190 per rider for KZN Special Events and R190 for KZN Points Events). The entry fee includes the cost of a Medic at the track on race days but excludes the purchase of the Cycling South Africa day license for riders not registered with Cycling South Africa. The cost of this license is currently R50 per day.

Open Class/Elite Riders: No elite class for the 2024 season. Riders 17+ will be combined in 17+ Supa class

#### **GATE ENTRY:**

Gate entry at Queensburgh, and Pietermaritzburg is FREE. At Giba Gorge, riders on race days will enter free, however spectators will be required to pay the going rate the facility charges for visitors on the weekend. Currently this is R45.00 per person; however, this is subject to change.

Please refer to Giba website <a href="https://www.gibagorge.co.za/park-fees">https://www.gibagorge.co.za/park-fees</a>

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The registration procedure is as follows: -

The KZN BMX Commission will set up an information and registration table at all race meetings. All riders not in possession of a CSA membership card must report to this table and register with the KZN BMX Commission before they will be allowed to process a late entry for racing on the day (riders under the age of 18 must be accompanied by their parent/guardian)

For late and on the day entries, an admin member of KZN BMX will be on hand to assist with the registration process.

All members are to register their permanent number, even if they have a SA or World number. If you do not register your number, it may be awarded to someone else.

Riders can request a KZN racing number in advance by emailing admin@kznbmx.co.za

No Duplicate number boards will be accepted, regardless of if a duplicate exists in different age groups or class.

The online race entry system will check a riders CSA membership/license during the race entry process. No CSA membership will prevent an online entry into a KZN Event. For late entries, once in possession of a membership number, riders can simply present a printed copy of their CSA Membership at the race registration table at all subsequent KZN events (and pay the appropriate fee) in order to enter the days racing: - no more filling in forms and signing of indemnities.

Riders who have earned SA Numbers or World Numbers can use these numbers. All other riders must ride with the number that they have chosen or been allocated for the duration of the season.

During competition, riders shall be identified by an identification number.

Each bicycle entered the competition must have a number plate attached to the front of the handlebars. The upper edge of this number plate may not extend above the crossbar safety pad on any handlebars having a crossbar.

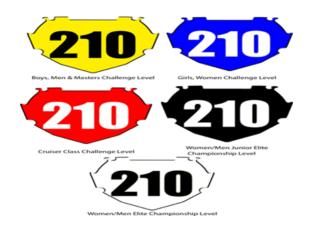
Number plates must be made of plastic or other similar flexible material.

Minimum sizing requirements of numbers:

Height – 7cm, Width – 4.5cm, Line Width (spacing between the numbers) – 1,5cm.

Riders must use the plate and number colour combinations as specified for the category in which they racing as follows:

CHALLENGE LEVEL	BOARD COLOUR	NUMBER COLOUR
BOYS, MEN & MASTERS	YELLOW	BLACK
GIRLS & WOMEN	BLUE	WHITE
CRUISER	RED	WHITE
CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL	BOARD COLOUR	NUMBER COLOUR
JNR MEN & WOMEN	BLACK	WHITE
(ELITE)		
MEN & WOMEN (ELITE)	WHITE	BLACK



#### **KZN BMX COMMISSION COMPETITION RULES & FORMAT**

There are two Basic Competitions:

#### **Novice Championships & Expert Championships.**

Even though provision has been made for the above classes, if there are insufficient riders to make a class, riders will be trophied at year-end in the class where they rode the majority of their races. This will be at the discretion of the KZN BMX Commission. It is therefore possible that a novice can be trophied in an expert class. In these cases, they obviously have the advantages as stated in "AGE CLASSES" below.

Each race meeting will be run in accordance with the rules as stipulated in the 2024 National BMX Commission of SA rule book (as amended from time to time). Where a conflict exists, the rules as stated here under will take precedence.

In all competitions, points scored will be accumulated in the respective championship series. If there are not enough riders to make a class, riders will race in combined age groups (age classes) as shown below (see Age Classes). As far as possible, riders will ride and be trophied in his/her own age class. Points will be available for online via <a href="https://our.sqorz.com/region/za/orgs">https://our.sqorz.com/region/za/orgs</a> website. Direct all queries regarding the points directly to the KZN Secretary admin@kznbmx.co.za

Riders will receive recognition of their achievements at the annual year-end awards evening.

The KZN BMX Commission reserves the right to withhold all points, trophies, and awards from a rider until such time as he/she has settled all outstanding debts and affiliation fees owing to the KZN BMX Commission, its affiliates or to the BMX Commission of SA.

#### FORMAT FOR KZN SERIES RACE MEETINGS

KZN series will make use of UCI rules.

#### NOTE:

- 1. Novices accumulating wins of 10 or more for the current year **will** be moved up to expert the following year. Any Novice rider wishing to move up to expert during the year may do so by applying in writing to the KZN BMX Commission. If approved, they may move up but will lose all Novice points accumulated.
- 2. **Once an Expert ALWAYS an Expert!!!** (Unless written and accepted representations have been made to the KZN BMX Commission Committee)
- 3. At KZN BMX events there will be Girls Classes if possible. To promote girls racing, the commission will endeavour to make up classes containing only girls, whether expert or novice. This will be done by matching similar abilities in an effort to promote this initiative. The commission will be the sole decider of to the Make-up of these classes on the day. Girls who would prefer to ride with boys may do so within the rules as stated within this rule book.
- 4. All riders must affiliate to a registered club and CSA Membership before 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 to qualify for their respective Championship Series.
- Clipless Pedals Rule: Please Note that all novice riders will NOT be allowed to ride "clipped in".
   Interlocking pedal-cleat systems are allowed for Expert BOYS 13 and older and Expert GIRLS 14 and over.

#### **KZN BMX SERIES**

Points are scored towards this competition at **Official KZN Points race meetings** and are accumulated per rider/age class.

To qualify a rider must have ridden a minimum of 9 legs and must have competed at least three at each of the 3 venues being used for the 2024 year's Series.

The Points will be calculated by using the riders best 10 of the 15 legs in competition, i.e., the riders worst 5 legs will be dropped.

Each Leg shall comprise of (3) motos plus the necessary qualifiers and (1) one main.

All races (Moto's and Finals) count and points are scored as follows: -

#### **POINTS**

#### **Novice and Expert**

1<sup>St</sup> - 10 Points

2<sup>nd</sup> – 8 Points

3<sup>rd</sup> - 6 Points

4<sup>rd</sup> – 5 Points

5<sup>th</sup> – 4 Points

6<sup>th</sup> – 3 Points

7<sup>th</sup> – 2 Points

8th - 1 Points

# BONUS POINTS (2 PTS) WILL BE AWARDED TO A RIDER FOR EVERY EVENT (RACE MEETING) THEY COMPETE IN.

In the event of a tie in end of year scores, the riders will be awarded the place they tied for and the following position will be eliminated.

Example: -In the event of a tie on the day, the trophied position of the riders will be based on the positions they finished in the previous moto(s). KZN points will be scored according to the "tied" position.

Rider	Points	Awarded position		
a	1000	KZN No. 1		
b	1000	KZN No. 1		
С	995	KZN No. 3		

- 1. KZN BMX Year end trophies will be awarded in individual age classes (where possible)
- 2. In the top 3 Positions.

#### **AGE CLASSES**

- 1. The age a rider will become on his birthday this year will determine the age class he/she rides in. It is the responsibility of the rider or parent / guardian to ensure that the rider has entered the correct age class.
- 2. On the day A minimum of 3 riders to make a class ... at the discretion of the club / KZN BMX officials. Girl classes require 2 riders to make a class.
- 3. If there are insufficient riders in a class, the riders will move to another class. The rules for this are as follows: Riders will be merged up (moved up) until a class is formed.
- 4. Girls generally to race in girls' classes unless written application is submitted to the KZN BMX Commission and accepted, or insufficient numbers require the combining of classes.
- 5. In the event that no class is possible, according to the above rules, the rider will be placed into a suitable class according to his/her ability.
- 6. NO RIDER MAY MOVE UP without Commission acceptance! Riders who apply in writing and their application is accepted by the KZN BMX commission panel will be allowed to move up a class for

**the balance of the season**. Any Rider whose application is successful must do so for the balance of the season. They will forfeit all previously earned points.

- 7. Riders, electively riding up an age class at National events is not allowed.
- 8. Riders caught riding without helmets at any time will be disciplined according to the rules as documented.
- 9. Race Classes are as follows:

#### 9.1 **BOYS CLASS**

#### NOVICE

11 & 12

6 & U 7 & 8 9 & 10 11 & 12 13 & 14 15 & 16 17 & Over EXPERT -6 & U 7 & 8 9 & 10

**OPEN Supa CLASS 17 & Over** - Class is open to any Rider 17 & Over. Younger riders may enter on discretion of the commission following a request in writing.

**CRUISER/OPEN WHEEL Class** (30 and over) – Minimum of 5 riders to make a class. Will be combined with Open Class if under 5 riders

#### 9.2 **GIRLS CLASS**

8 & U 9-10 11-13 14-16 17 & Over

+ Special classes may arise ... at the KZN committee's discretion

#### RACE KIT

All riders must have the correct kit otherwise they will not be allowed to race.

- 1. Full face helmet.
- 2. Full finger gloves.
- 3. Closed shoes.

Clipless Pedals Rule: Please Note that all novice riders will NOT be allowed to ride "clipped in". Interlocking pedal-cleat systems are allowed for Expert BOYS 13 and older and Expert GIRLS 14 and over.

- 4. Long pants or racing shorts with full length shin and knee guards.
- 5. Long sleeve shirt (no lycra)
  - > Shirts may not have a printed racing number on. This rule will be strictly enforced as of January 2023.
- 6. Knee guards (unless in race shorts), elbow guards and chest protectors are recommended but not required.

#### **CLUB EVENTS AND NIGHT SERIES**

These events will be run at the Club's discretion.

#### THE KZN BMX TEAM POOL & AWARDING OF KZN COLOURS

A KZN BMX "team pool" will be selected at the" National Inter Provincial Challenge" legs by the 3 club chairman's and the KZN BMX Commission. The format of this event is as stipulated by the BMX Commission of South Africa.

From this "team pool" 2 teams will be selected to score points for the Province. Please note that all "pool" selections will count towards KZN BMX colours whether selected in the team or not. Riders who fail to

participate at the venue, without having submitted a valid reason to the KZN BMX Committee, will forfeit their selection and will not be credited for it.

A panel of 3 selectors (one per club) as well as a KZN BMX selector & KZN team manager will compile a team list of deserving, fully **affiliated** riders, and based on their performances at KZN Points meetings, for approval by the KZN BMX Committee. The KZN BMX Chairman/Secretary will notify all selected riders timeously.

The Team pool, once ratified by the KZN BMX Committee, is final.

Please note that selection for the "team pool" does <u>not</u> mean that colours will be awarded, as the awarding of KZN BMX Colours is <u>performance based</u> (see rules below).

#### **KZN BMX COLOURS**

KZN BMX Colours are awarded each year at the annual awards evening. Only expert riders who are affiliated to a BMX club and registered with CSA as a BMX rider will be considered. This means that all outstanding fees and debts to the above-mentioned organizations must be remitted in full before an award will be considered. This is an extremely prestigious award, and it is therefore requested that each individual respect the final decision of the KZN BMX commission. The minimum criteria for awarding Colours have now been standardized nationally.

Each rider must be 10 years or older (born before or in 2014) competed at expert level AND must have: -

- 1. Displayed good attitude, dedication, and exceptional sportsmanship to BMX at all times. <u>AND</u> must qualify for at least 3 of the criteria 2 6 below,
- 2. Competed as an official member of the KZN "team pool" at the "National Inter Provincial Challenge Series" legs as part of the A Team. Riders who are not selected in the KZN Team will be considered for colours if they achieve a position which places them in the top 25% of the qualifying riders in their class in either the SA Cup Series and/or the SA National Championships final results.
- 3 National Age Group Series
  Achieve a position within the Top 25% of all qualified riders in the age group.
- 4 **SA National Championships**Achieve a position within the **Top 25%** of all qualified riders in the **final Moto**.
- Must have been selected **and competed in** the National (Protea) team at international level. Also note that these selections are defined and determined by the BMX Commission of SA.
- Won the title of **KZN #1 in their Age Group** in the KZN Series (minimum of 3 qualified riders in the series).

Name	Sportsmanship	#1 KZN SERIES	SA TEAN	TOP 25% NAGS	TOP 25% SA	KZN A TEAM	TOTAL POINTS
Joe Soap	1	1	1	1	1	1	6

#### **ADDITIONALLY**

The KZN BMX Commission Committee will, at its discretion, also assess whether the level of competition in each class is of a sufficiently high standard to warrant the awarding of colours.

#### **NOTE**

The KZN BMX Commission Committee urges all members to accept that their decision will be final and that, in the interests of protecting the integrity of the award, subsequent discussion be eliminated. The KZN BMX Secretary will ensure that a list of all members, meeting the above criteria, be presented to the KZN BMX colours selection meeting after the last National Inter Provincial Challenge, for final approval. In the event of the KZN BMX committee not reaching a 2/3 majority the Chairperson will have the casting vote. A member who pays his affiliation fees will be regarded as having read, understood, and undertaken to abide by all KZN BMX rules herein as well as decisions made by the KZN BMX Committee.

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