



## HEAVEN VMX Inc. – CODE OF CONDUCT

### Holeshot Evolution And Vintage Era National

Established in 1999 - The HEAVEN VMX Inc. club is unique with a rich & proud history which has provided many hours of good times for its members over the years. Our Code of Conduct has been put together so all members have a clear outline of what is expected of them so that all riders have an enjoyable and fun weekend, are able to minimise the risk of injury and allow the meeting to run smoothly for everyone's enjoyment and satisfaction.

1. **Machine Preparation** – At all race meetings your machines will be examined by an MA qualified scrutineers before they are cleared to be ridden at the event. All machines MUST be scrutineered before they are ridden or raced. Our committee has prepared a Scrutineering Checklist for you to follow as you prepare your machine(s). Please ensure all points on that checklist are completed. We don't want to disappoint by disallowing a machine entry.
2. **Riding Apparel** – All riders must wear appropriate protective riding gear. A race approved helmet, motocross boots, protective pants, protective long sleeve shirt, goggles & gloves. We also highly recommend a kidney belt, neck brace, body armour and knee braces.
3. **Punctuality** - We try to keep a relaxed atmosphere at the race meetings. We are all there to have fun after all. Our weekends are busy though, and ran by active members who, like you, want to have enough time to practice, race and service their bikes, as well as run the meeting. For this reason it is very important to be on time for Sign On and Scrutineering. If a rider arrives outside the allotted scrutineering and sign on period we cannot guarantee when an official will be available to scrutineer your machine or sign you in. Please be patient as you may have to wait quite some time to be processed.
4. **Marshalling** – The HEAVEN VMX Club utilises a system which shares the marshalling responsibilities across all senior riders. At each meeting, you will be called upon to make your contribution. For the smooth running of the meetings, it is important you make yourself available on time for your marshalling responsibilities. Unless otherwise arranged with our Race Co-ordinator, you will be expected to be available for your marshalling duties until the end of the race meeting. If a circumstance arises where you need to leave early, we expect and require you to let the Race Co-ordinator or Race Secretary know as early as possible so a suitable replacement can be found. Suitable reasons for leaving early without completing your marshal duties do not include things like 'I want to get going early' or 'I don't feel like racing anymore' please remember your fellow racers and club members stood at the marshal points when you rode – and we all notice early departures!

5. **Riders Briefing** – All riders must attend a riders briefings and is a condition of entry. Please be on time as important information about the running of the meeting is discussed and explained. These briefings are the one time in the weekend that all riders are together and the time when the most important and relevant information about how the meeting will be run is discussed and you can ask questions.
6. **Riding in the Pits** – We are very fortunate at most Heaven meetings to have an open pit, where riders can ride their bike through the pits to their car & trailer. The rule with riding in the pits is simple, SLOW DOWN and take care. 1<sup>st</sup> gear idle only.
7. **Passing Slower Riders** –Due to the nature of our club, we are fortunate enough to have riders of all levels of ability join us. As a member of our club, while you ride with us in practice and in racing we expect you to show full respect and take care around other riders - particularly slower riders. No matter how heated the battle, you are to give lapped riders adequate room as you pass them and not jump over them or aggressively take their lines. Any riders not taking this care and unduly putting slower riders at risk may be excluded from the meeting immediately. Riders being lapped should hold their line and allow faster riders to easily pass.
8. **Racing** - Racing motorcycles is a dangerous sport. At HEAVEN VMX while we all enjoy our racing, we do all we can to ensure our race meetings are as safe as they can be, and that we all go home at the end of the weekend in one piece, and with a smile on our face. Our club values spirited competition, provided the racing is fair, ‘rubbing is racing’ as they say. We will not accept any rider purposely ‘taking out’ another rider, making ‘desperate moves’ which put another rider at unnecessary risk or riders that continually block and obstruct others from passing them. We expect good, clean hard racing, after all this is all for fun and the enjoyment of competing. Any rider deemed to be taking too many risks with the welfare of themselves or other will risk being excluded from the meeting immediately.
9. **Camping** – Please be aware that the club does have an MNSW camping permit in place for meetings which include several conditions for campers. Riders or spectators must sign on the camping permit (one responsible person per camp site). Campers must be aware that they need to be considerate of other campers by keeping noise down, contain camp fires if allowed, be aware that after 10pm that generators, load music etc must be turned off. These are all conditions of the camping permit
10. **Respect for the Event Facility** – At all the properties our race events are held at, we are visitors. Members are expected to only ride in the allocated riding area and only start their machines within the time frame outlined on the program. We also expect all members to treat the entire facility with respect and where there are close neighbours, keep the noise level reasonable at night times. Please also clean up after you at the end of every meeting leave your camp clean, take rubbish with you don’t leave it for other members to clean up.
11. **Have Fun** – While we have covered several serious matters in this document, the bottom line is that we run these meetings to have fun with likeminded mates and come home to our families safe. What makes HEAVEN VMX special is the relaxed, fun & social atmosphere, around a high adrenaline sport. The trick to keeping it that way is while you have that fun to do the right thing by your fellow club members.

Enjoy your racing.