



New Racer's Information

If you are reading this information packet, you have taken the first step towards one of the most exciting things you will ever do in your life. Riding a motorcycle is exhilarating in it's own right; the freedom, the rush, being immersed in the environment, and being a part of the machine are all characteristics that make it so alluring. For some reason though, you're searching for something more...

That's why you've come to the right place. WMRRA, Washington Motorcycle Road Racing Association is the official sanctioning body for road course motorcycle racing in Washington State and we are here to help you find that "something more!" Skills once thought mastered on the street, will soon be honed to a higher level of precision. Speeds that were once considered insane will become second thought as you plan your pass for the lead. There is no place like the track to step into the ring of competition and compare your abilities with others. WMRRA exists to offer this opportunity to race in the safest environment possible.

WMRRA's novice program will give you the experience and skills needed to compete safely on the racetrack. The following pages will outline the process and we hope you choose to become part of our tight knit family of racers. You will meet a community of people that will help you achieve your goal or thoughts of racing...leading to life long friendships. So we welcome you to read more, ask questions, come check us out and hopefully get involved with our great sport. We know you won't be the same if you do.

The most difficult thing is the decision to act, the rest is merely tenacity. The fears are paper tigers. You can do anything you decide to do. – Amelia Earhart

I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

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2012 WMRRRA New Racer School (NRS) Description, Dates, & Costs

There are two things you need to complete. One is the WMRRRA NRS classroom session, which is hosted by WMRRRA. The other is the NRS on-track segment, which is hosted by a WMRRRA approved track day organization.

NRS Classroom Session

The goal of the classroom session is to provide the novice racer with the fundamental knowledge needed to compete safely on a racetrack. Remember, completion of the mandatory classroom session is one of the requirements to obtain your Novice license. Below are just some of the things that will be covered during the NRS classroom session.

- WMRRRA Rules and Regulations
- WMRRRA Race Day procedures & etiquette (both on and off track)
- Safety Equipment
- Bike Preparation
- Tires
- Riding Techniques
- Expect racer mentors
- Questions & Answers

There will be two NRS classroom sessions for the 2012 season. These sessions are one day of classroom instruction. You must mail your application by the deadline to be accepted to that session. The cost of the NRS classroom session is \$225. This also includes your WMRRRA membership fee and your race license (\$175 for novice license & \$50 for class). An added benefit of WMRRRA membership is that many local motorcycle shops offer discounts to WMRRRA racers. You will also need to register and complete the NRS on-track segment separately with a WMRRRA approved track day organization.

	Session 1	Session 2
Registration deadline (postmark)*	Thursday , March 1 st , 2012	Saturday, June 30 th , 2012
Classroom	Sunday, March 11 th , 2012 Noon – 5:00PM	Sunday, July 8 th , 2012 Noon – 5:00PM
On-Track	2Fast Sullivan Race School Epic Track Days Check individual websites for NRS Dates & Locations	2Fast Sullivan Race School Epic Track Days Check individual websites for NRS Dates

*NOTE: Entries received with postmarks after the deadline will be returned to sender.

NRS On-Track Segment

The goal of the on-track segment of the WMRRA NRS is to give you much more insight into what it takes to negotiate a racetrack at speed with confidence, safety, and control. Riders who successfully pass this track based segment, along with the classroom, will qualify for a Novice race license with WMRRA. Then, let the real fun begin! Below are just some of the things that will be covered during the NRS on-track segment.

- Review of WMRRA morning procedures & orientation
- Review of WMRRA on-track procedures & orientation
- Divide into small groups for individual instruction
- Braking and turning exercises
- Close quarters and passing exercises
- Pre-grid & warm up laps
- Gridding
- Practice normal & wave starts
- Race simulation

WMRRA Approved NRS On-Track Providers

For 2012, the WMRRA approved track day providers for the on-track segment of the NRS are [2Fast](#), [Sullivan Race School](#), and [Epic Track Days](#). Please visit their websites for pricing, schedules, and registration. Classroom sessions will only be accepted if completed in 2011 or 2012.

After completing both the NRS classroom session **AND** NRS on-track, you will receive your Novice race license.

WMRRA New Racer School Application

How do I sign up for the school?

- 1) Fill out the **2012 New Racer School & Membership Application** (included in this packet)
- 2) Include a check, money order, or credit card information for \$225 in US funds made out to **WMRRA**. This covers the classroom session, your membership, gate pass, and race license and only full payments will be accepted*. You will need to register for the on-track segment through one of the approved track day organizations separately.
- 3) Mail by deadline listed above to address on application.
- 4) Visit one of the WMRRA approved track day organizations and register for the NRS on-track segment. You can find a list of approved track day organizations on our website, <http://www.wmrra.com>.

*E-mail confirmations will be sent out once your application is processed.

Registration deadlines (postmark/fax) for 2012 are:

Sunday, March 1st, 2012 – Session 1
Sunday, June 30th, 2012 – Session 2

If you have questions or comments please feel free to contact me either by email at novice.rep@wmrra.com.

WMRRA New Racer School Checklist

You will be required to have the following to participate in the on-track segment of the NRS:

Required Equipment

- DOT or SNELL approved full face helmet in good condition – no flip-face helmets!
- Back Protector
- A one-piece leather suit, or a leather jacket and pants that zip completely together
- Leather gloves and boots that cover both your wrists and ankles
- Personal medical insurance is not required but it is STRONGLY recommended
- A race-prepped motorcycle (see below)
- An AMB transponder. Please see attached paperwork for information on ordering one.

New Racer School on Track Bike Requirements

See the organization's prep rules for technical requirements. For the NRS on track schools, technical bike requirements will only have to meet the organizational requirements for that school. There is no need to require you to race prep your bike for the NRS on track session. However, it is strongly recommended and proper race prep will be required to race.

Race Preparation Requirements

Your bike must be race-prepped before it will be allowed on the track. The WMRRA rulebook and the classroom session cover in detail the race prep requirements. Several veteran racers mentor new racers; a list of racers who are willing to help will be made available to you at the classroom session.

General requirements are:

- Safety wire: Brake calipers, axle bolts, pinch bolts, exhaust hangers, oil drain plug, oil filler cap, oil filter cover/filter, and external fluid connections
- Anti-freeze must be flushed and replaced with water (Water Wetter™; is allowed)
- Install case covers or case protectors for oil and clutch cases
- Remove mirrors and turn signals
- Remove headlights and taillights
- Remove side and center stands
- Tires must be in good condition - the newer, the better
- ...and more, depending on the make and model of your motorcycle.

Please refer to the rulebook for specific information about your make and model bike.

Knowing the rules is your responsibility and ignorance is not tolerated!

Note: WMRRA and track day organizations do not provide any riding gear or motorcycles. Cruiser type motorcycles are not recommended for racing.

New for novices in 2012:

We as a club have gone back to black numbers on yellow backgrounds for all Novice racers, whether new or returning. Last year we tried red numbers on white background and it was terribly difficult to read them. So please have your race bikes ready with the new change...black on yellow for number plates.