



## **Zero Tolerance Policy**

*Effective January 1, 2021 (rev.)*

**Welcome to the North Carolina Quarter Midget Association. We are very proud of our facility, race track, club officials, members, and our family atmosphere.** To ensure that your family's experience here is a positive one, we have instituted a "Zero Tolerance" Policy. Please review the violations below and make sure that everyone associated with your race team is familiar with them. This Policy will be strictly enforced and all decisions will be made by the NCQMA Board of Directors.

- ZTP form must be filed within 24 hours after incident. Form may be submitted in person or emailed to any Board member. The form can be requested from a Board member or downloaded from the membership page on the NCQMA website.
- All information involving ZTP violations will be kept confidential between the Board and the parties involved.

Violation/Action	Suspension Term*
1 Deliberately damaging, destroying or defacing NCQMA property and/or facility	Minimum (1) year plus cost of damages
2 Being under the influence of drugs or alcohol during racing conditions (i.e. from start of registration to tech completion)	Minimum (6) months - 180 days
3 Making any physical/verbal threat or contact to any person at the NCQMA facility (including drivers)	Minimum (1) month and up to 4 races
4 Throwing object in pit area or hot chute	Minimum (2) race weekends
5 Driver: Ignoring instructions from a track official	Race weekend - driver is done for the day and receives a DQ for that day
6 Handler: Ignoring instructions from a track official	Minimum (1) race weekend and handler is done for the day
7 Violating NCQMA rules and regulations - including, but not limited to, smoking in non-designated areas, violating NCQMA practice policy and cleaning tires without discarding debris.	Minimum (1) race weekend
8 Excessive yelling, comments or obscenities directed at a track official, handler or driver	Minimum (1) race weekend
9 Driver deliberately hitting another driver while on racetrack or in hot chute	Done for the day and DQ from class (driver only)
10 Driver making an offensive or derogatory hand gesture to track official	Done for the day and DQ from class (driver only)
11 Any disrespectful conduct toward the Chief Steward and/or race official	Done for the day and DQ from the class (driver and handler)
12 Any violation of the Social Media Policy for USAC .25 Members and Officials	Minimum (1) race weekend

**\*Suspension Terms**

- NCQMA Board can choose to suspend member, driver, and/or handler at Board's discretion. All Driver Suspensions are for that individual Driver only.
- All Suspension Terms begin the following race date on the Schedule or as noted above. All Suspensions will be approved by Board of Directors in attendance of race event. Suspension Term will be determined by the Board Members in attendance on date of violation. Suspension Term can carry over to next calendar year.
- Multiple violations/actions within a 12 month period will receive a suspension term.
- All Suspension Terms may be adjusted due to the severity of the violation by the Board of Directors. Written Notification of Suspension term will be sent, postmarked within 5 days of violation.

- Appeals must be received in writing within 7 days of receiving written suspension notification. Any DQ or suspension in reference to ZTP will not be allowed to be used as a "drop" in points.
- An appeals committee will be set up by the Board of Directors. This committee will consist of 3 NCQMA club members (in good standing with the club), a race day official, and a Board member.

**I have read and understand the NCQMA Zero Tolerance Policy.**

<i>Primary Handler (print below)</i>	<i>(sign)</i>
<i>Secondary Handler (print below)</i>	<i>(sign)</i>
<i>Alt. Handler (print below)</i>	<i>(sign)</i>
<i>Driver 1 (print below)</i>	<i>(sign)</i>
<i>Driver 2 (print below)</i>	<i>(sign)</i>
<i>Driver 3 (print below)</i>	<i>(sign)</i>
<i>Date</i>	