



# RACER BRIEF

## 55th SCORE Baja 500

May 31-June 4, 2023 Ensenada B.C., Mexico



This Racer Brief is your guide for this Baja 500 event. It contains information for onsite registration requirements, tech/contingency days, race day, course information and post-race activity. Racer Brief, Penalty Bulletin, Controlled Access document, email, or text contents are a supplement to the SCORE Rule Book. Failure to read and comply with race documents may result in penalties or disqualification. A final Racer Brief and Penalty Bulletin will be in your Driver Packet. All other race information is posted on the SCORE website/Race Info/select the Baja 500 logo or sent electronically.

**CAUTION** - All competitors are reminded that off road racing is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injury or even death. ***YOU MUST BEAR THE ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR OWN PERSONAL SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS WHEN PRE-RUNNING AND RACING.***

**CAUTION - SPECTATORS** - It is important to remember that SCORE cannot regulate the conduct of spectators. Be advised that spectators may engage in malicious activity by building ramps, digging ditches and placing objects on the course. Course marking signs may be altered or removed. ***BE ALERT!!*** Use extreme caution in crowded areas or when spectators are putting themselves in danger by standing on or too close to the course.

**CAUTION - HIGHWAYS AND ROADS – EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED AT ALL TIMES DURING BOTH PRE-RUNNING AND RACING!!**

Roads used by the public may be used for sections of this race course. You must expect at all times to encounter local traffic on the race course, especially oncoming traffic during pre-running and during the race. Remember... Local citizenry may be totally unaware that this race course passes through their area and certainly will not be expecting a race vehicle or chase vehicle entering the road or crossing a road from either side.

Use **EXTREME CAUTION** when approaching road crossings and intersections! Slow down, look and proceed only when it is safe to do so!

### ***1. General Information - All times Pacific Time (PT)***

*Contents subject to revision*

**1-1 DRIVER / RIDER MEETING – ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY** - Meeting will be held at 7:00pm Fri, June 2 in Cathedral Room at Riviera del Pacifico CC. Random draw for attendance will be conducted. Any team called and not in attendance will be penalized 1 hour. A banded team representative **MUST** attend this meeting.

**1-2) AIRCRAFT & UAS (DRONE) REGISTRATION REQUIRED** – If your team is utilizing a helicopter, fixed-wing aircraft or UAS (drone), you must pre-register the aircraft and pilot or UAS operator with SCORE.

**1-3) AIRCRAFT PILOT SAFETY MEETING** – Aircraft pilot and UAS (drone) operator participation is **MANDATORY**. Advance signing of waivers and submission of an insurance certificate is mandatory or no operating privileges will be granted. Meeting is 6pm Friday, June 2 in Cathedral Room, Riviera del Pacifico CC.

To register aircraft, go to [score-international.com](http://score-international.com) > Race Info > select Aircraft Registration & Requirements to obtain a Registration form and Aircraft and UAS (drone) waiver form.

For assistance, contact [aircraft@score-international.com](mailto:aircraft@score-international.com). If aircraft or drone is used for commercial filming or photography, it must be registered with SCORE as a media aircraft or UAS (drone). Refer to GL 8 in General Regulations and Policies for flight rules and registration requirements.

**1-4) IMPORTANT** – All UAS (Drones) must observe a no-fly zone of 250 yards (228m) radius in all directions from the Start-Finish line. Failure to observe this no-fly zone will result in penalties for the team contracting the aircraft or UAS.

**1-5) COMPLETE CONTINGENCY AND ANUBE FORMS IN ADVANCE** – Complete Anube Lease Agreement **AND** Contingency Declaration forms on our Race Info website. Submit Agreement electronically to Anube. Print Contingency Declaration Form off SCORE website, complete and bring form to race with you. On Tech day, keep Contingency form with race vehicle and turn in form in the Contingency areas.

**1-6) ENVIRONMENT** - All competitors must do their part to protect and preserve the Baja ecological environment. Please instruct your team that it is mandatory and extremely important to properly dispose of all solid and liquid waste. **CAUTION** – Do not leave tires along the racecourse or anywhere in the desert! This is un-sportsman like and disrespectful of Baja and its gracious people. **TAKE YOUR FLAT TIRES AND LIQUID AND SOLID WASTE WITH YOU TO AVOID PENALTIES.**

**1-7) INSURANCE COVERAGE** – You **MUST** be listed on the official race Entry List and your teams entry **PAID IN FULL** before SCORE insurance coverage will be in effect. Please review Section 13 for Liability and Medical insurance coverage.

**1-8) WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT WHILE PRE-RUNNING OR RACING IN MEXICO** - In case you or a crew member are involved in an accident while pre-running or during a race in Baja, Mexico, there are certain steps that must be followed. Please review these **IMPORTANT STEPS** that are outlined in **Section 14, Page 15-16.**

**1-9) VERY IMPORTANT** – It is the responsibility of each competitor to read and thoroughly understand this Racer Brief, Penalty Bulletin, Controlled Access documents and the SCORE Online Rule Book. These documents outline all information governing conduct and access for this event! Failure to comply with these rules can result in penalties, disqualification, suspension and/or loss of awards.

## ***2. Race Registration Information***

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### **2-1) ONLINE REGISTRATION**

**Online Registration** closes at 5 pm Friday, May 19. Payment in full is required at that time. After that date, all Registration must be done in person in Ensenada during registration hours. Late fees will apply.

Individual registrations and individual signed waivers are required for each of the following participants:

- **Each Driver - Co-driver - Rider - Co-rider - Navigator**
- All banded Participants entering SCORE Controlled Access Areas must have signed a waiver and have submitted it to Registration - Maximum of five (5) bands are available for essential team members to access Tech-Contingency and the post-race area. Go to [Score International.com](https://www.scoreinternational.com) > Race Info > Controlled Access (section 6-1) for details.
- Waivers must be signed by all individuals to be issued a SCORE wristband.

**2-2) Baja 500 ONSITE REGISTRATION HOURS IN ENSENADA**– Wednesday, May 31 - 2pm-8pm. Thursday, June 1 – 8am-5pm and Friday **FINAL DAY**, June 2 - 8am-5pm. Registration is required for each individual team member. **NO walk-in registrations accepted after 4:00 pm on Thursday and Friday!**

►► **YOU MUST COMPLETE ONSITE REGISTRATION BEFORE ENTERING VEHICLE IN TECH / CONTINGENCY LINE!** Only banded persons may operate vehicle going through tech line.

► **IMPORTANT! Person operating vehicle MUST BE BANDED RACE PARTICIPANT.**

► Registration will be in Red Room in Riviera del Pacifico Cultural Center in Ensenada. Drivers / Co-Drivers / Navigators and Riders / Co-Riders are required to register and sign waiver forms. If there is no signed waiver from the DOR / ROR on file by the close of registration, the entry will be withdrawn from the event.

► You **MUST** bring your driver's license or photo I.D .with you to registration. Driver's/Co-driver's/Riders/ Co-riders eighteen (18) years of age or older must present a driver's license, navigators only are required to present a photo I.D. (Refer to the Minor Policy for anyone under eighteen (18)).

If you currently have a timing transponder, you will need to enter the transponder number during the online registration process. Take a photo of the serial number so you will have the number available to verify in registration. **Registration cannot be completed until your transponder number is verified.**

**2-3) INFORMATION PACKET** - At registration, each entry receives an envelope containing valuable race information that *you must read and thoroughly understand! Fill out Contingency Form (print from website) before getting in Tech line!* Failure to fully complete this form will void any contingency awards. *Form must stay with vehicle and be given to Contingency personnel during tech!*

**2-4) ADDING CO-DRIVERS / NAVIGATORS / RIDERS / CO-RIDERS** - Registered DRIVER or RIDER of RECORD MUST BE PRESENT to authorize additional Co-Drivers, Navigators and Co-Riders to their entry.

**2-5) NO LATE REGISTRATION OR LATE TECH ON RACE DAY - No Exceptions!**

## ***3. Pre-Running and Pre-Race Information*** - All times Pacific Daylight (PDT)

There is one (1) shortcut for Sportsman classes, 7sx and 11 ONLY. It begins at RM 212.55 and rejoins main course at RM 249.10. Sportsman course distance is 440.72 mi. (709.26 Km). Link distance is 3.60 miles.

**3-1) PRE-RUNNING** – Course from RM 33.86 to RM 446.86 will be open for pre-running beginning at 8:00am on Saturday, May 20. Outbound from RM 4.90 to RM 33.86 is open only on Friday, June 2nd NO Inbound pre-running at ANY time! Pre-running is your opportunity to view the course and make your notes for race day. Careless and thoughtless actions during pre-running can impact future pre-run accessibility. Respect the people who allow you to enjoy this pre-run privilege on their land!!

**Pre-running is NOT racing!** Use caution at all times as many roads and trails are used for local traffic. Refer to Course Notes for detailed course information. CAUTION! *Be aware at all times that vehicles may be moving slowly, oncoming or stopped on the course! Be alert for cross traffic at intersections on roads and trails.*

You **MUST** observe all speed limits during pre-running and be courteous to everyone you have contact with. **DO NOT GO BACKWARDS ON COURSE AT ANY TIME, INCLUDING CHASE VEHICLES, DURING PRE-RUNNING.**

*Remember... you are a guest in their country!*

**3-2) TRANSPORTING RACE FUEL** – Drums and dump cans containing fuel cannot legally be transported across the border into Mexico. Only fuel in vehicle tanks is allowed. VP is the Official SCORE fuel supplier for 2023. You can possibly arrange for your fuel to be delivered at race site or to other locations.

**3-3) QUALIFYING** – There is no qualifying for this event.

## ***4. Tech Inspection and Contingency Day***

**4-1) ADVANCE CHASSIS INSPECTIONS for 4-wheel vehicles** – If you are racing with SCORE for the first time, or your vehicle is due for re-inspection, make an appointment to have the inspection done prior to race week. To schedule an appointment call Tech Director Dan Cornwell +1 (619) 572.8245 for assistance or email [tech@score-international.com](mailto:tech@score-international.com).

**4-2) CHASSIS INSPECTION / Stella III EVO Bracket Check / Installation & Purchase (if needed)**

**Thursday, June 1** from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Chassis inspections will be just past interview ramp. **NO** chassis inspections on tech day Friday, June 2!

**4-3) TECH DAY– Friday, June 2 – 8am-7pm** – Includes Contingency / Tech Inspection / Transponder Check and Stella Tracking Device Installation for all classes. You **MUST** complete your race registration before placing your vehicle in the tech line!! Vehicle will not be allowed to enter tech line until vehicle registration is complete and a banded participant is operating vehicle! All persons in Tech/Contingency area **MUST** be banded! All vehicles must be in Tech line by **6:00pm** Friday to be inspected. Any vehicle that did not complete tech inspection will not be allowed to start event.

**ABSOLUTELY NO CHASSIS INSPECTIONS WILL BE DONE ON TECH DAY OR RACE DAY!**

➔ **TECH LINE POLICY - VERY IMPORTANT – A BANDED PARTICIPANT** (*river/Co-Driver or Rider/Co-Rider*) must operate the vehicle at all times moving through the contingency/tech inspection line. Participant must be behind wheel or steering while walking beside vehicle. All classes including motos, quads and UTVs are required to travel the entire Tech/Contingency route and be available for event interviews.

Driving suits, helmets and HNR devices for each 4-wheel participant must be presented at tech inspection to receive required stickers for this event. All Moto and Quad riders must present helmets for stickers. Minor participants must bring their safety gear and appear in person to have gear approved for correct fit.

**4-4) TRANSPONDER CHECKS** - Transponder check will be located before tech area on Tech day. All transponders must be checked and operation verified before proceeding further. Vehicle will receive a "T" sticker indicating transponder has been verified. *Vehicle Must have sticker to enter tech area!*

**4-5) STELLA III EVO DEVICE ASSISTANCE** - Stella representatives will be at the Chassis Inspection location during the chassis inspection hours Thursday, June 1, 9am-5pm. They will provide technical assistance and verification of mounting and wiring for your Stella installations. See Section 8 for more information on Stella III EVO Devices. If you have not pre-paid for these Stella III and EVO bracket kits, onsite payment must be cash only.

Stella III EVO Bracket Kits will be available to purchase if you have not already done so. Refer to Section 8-1 and 8-3 for additional information.

Stella SPICA (pronounced SPEAK-ah) devices will also be used at this event. There is no cost and no wiring required. Devices will be distributed to participants in Anube area during tech.

**4-6) CONTINGENCY DECLARATION** – To be eligible for potential awards from SCORE contingency sponsors, you must complete the top portion of the Contingency Declaration Form in its entirety **BEFORE** entering the contingency/tech line. In the *Sponsor Product* columns. Check the boxes at left of company listings for their products you are using on your vehicle. Contingency stickers for SCORE contingency sponsors May **NOT** be available at this event. Plan ahead to be certain you have stickers you need. Contingency sponsor stickers must be on vehicle before entering the tech inspection area! **NOTE:** Failure to display SCORE stickers on vehicle disqualifies you from any race payout!

**4-7) NON-COMPLIANCE ITEMS IDENTIFIED** – If Technical Inspectors identify any rule or a safety issue that is not in compliance, the specified item(s) must be resolved before you arrive at the start line. If the item is not resolved, a ten (10) minute penalty will be assessed or you may not be allowed to start the race. If you are not allowed to start, you will not be refunded any portion of your entry fees.

## ***5. Race Day Staging and Start*** - All times Pacific Time (PT)

**EXTREMELY IMPORTANT HYDRATION INFORMATION** - Difficult sections of this SCORE course can create the increased need for adequate and continuous hydration for all competitors. Do not wait until race morning to start to hydrate! Experts recommend starting your personal hydration at least 48 hours before strenuous exercise! Believe us... this course will be strenuous!

Moto and Quad Riders are required to have a hydration pack and rear facing high-intensity flashing blue LED light on helmet or upper area of backpack. Minimum hydration-pack capacity is one (1) liter, and two (2) liter capacity is required if temperature is expected over 80° F (26.7° C). Riders will be checked during Tech and again in start line, and not allowed to start without this equipment.

➔ All vehicles will be checked for adequate water supply for participants just prior to start. Vehicles without sufficient water supply will not be allowed to start until adequate water is in vehicle!

**5-1) RACE DISTANCE AND TIME LIMIT** – For all Pro classes, total course distance is **473.67 miles** (762.30 km) Time limit is **20** hours from your start time. Min. avg speed to finish is 23.68 mph (38.11 kph). Sportsman shortcut course is 440.72 miles (706.27 km) and Min. avg speed is 22.04 mph (35.47 kph).

**5-2) RAMP AND START LINE** – Restricted area – Only participants starting event either in vehicles or on Motos/Quads, and SCORE staff, and guests are allowed in start area on Raceday.

**5-3) STAGING & START for Motos & Quads** – First moto leaves Ceremonial start at **3:30 am**. Staging will start at **3:00 am** Saturday. Starting interval is One (1) Minute for Pro Moto Unlimited – For all other classes one rider every 30 seconds. STAGING will begin before START Ramp. Entries received after the start position draw will start in the order the entry is received.

Riders will receive their small SPICA unit at Tech Inspection. You will be required to carry the SPICA unit on your person and pass the unit from rider to rider.

This is in case you are separated from your moto/quad, you will have the unit on your person to request assistance using the SPICA unit. Refer to the Penalty Bulletin regarding penalties for failing to transfer the SPICA unit between riders.

# ***ABSOLUTELY NO REFUELING IN STAGING AREA AT ANY TIME!***

## **STAGING TIMES for 3:30am Ceremonial Start - ALL MOTOS AND QUADS - BE ON TIME!**

|   | Class            | Stage |  |   | Class            | Stage |    | Class              | Stage |
|---|------------------|-------|--|---|------------------|-------|----|--------------------|-------|
| 1 | Pro Moto Unltd   | 3:00a |  | 5 | Pro Moto 40      | 3:05a | 9  | Pro Quad Ironman   | 3:10a |
| 2 | Pro Moto 30      | 3:00a |  | 6 | Pro Moto Ironman | 3:05a | 10 | Baja-e Motos/Quads | 3:10a |
| 3 | Pro Moto Limited | 3:00a |  | 7 | Pro Moto 60      | 3:05a | 11 | Sportsman Moto     | 3:10a |
| 4 | Pro Moto 50      | 3:00a |  | 8 | Pro Quads        | 3:10a | 12 | Sportsman Quads    | 3:10a |

**5-4) STARTING GAP** - There will be an approximate 4-1/2 hour time gap between the last Sportsman Moto or Quad starter and the first SCORE Trophy Truck starter.

**IMPORTANT BIKES/QUADS** – For safety purposes, the bikes/quads will start at 3:30 am with the 4-wheel classes starting at 8:15am.

## **STAGING TIMES for 8:15am Ceremonial Start – ALL 4WV BE ON TIME!**

**5-5) STAGING & START for FOUR WHEELERS** – First truck out at approximately 8:15 am. Staging will begin before Start Line. Vehicles will begin staging Saturday morning starting at 7:15 am. Trophy Truck and TT Legends interval is one minute. There is a 3 min. gap and all other classes start one vehicle every 30 seconds. *Vehicles start order within each class based on either San Felipe 250 results or Baja 500 Draw results and registrations received after the draw.*

Refer to SCORE In-Class Order Start section for Baja 500 on website.

|    | Class           | Stage |    | Class              | Stage |    | Class              | Stage |
|----|-----------------|-------|----|--------------------|-------|----|--------------------|-------|
| 1  | Trophy Trucks ♦ | 7:15a | 13 | Class 1/2-1600     | 8:00a | 25 | Trophy Lite / 3000 | 8:30a |
| 2  | TT Legends ♦    | 7:15a | 14 | Class 8            | 8:00a | 26 | Baja-e Trucks      | 8:30a |
| 3  | Class 1         | 7:15a | 15 | Heavy Metal        | 8:00a | 27 | Baja-e Cars        | 8:45a |
| 4  | TT Spec         | 7:30a | 16 | Hammer Trk Unl-Ltd | 8:00a | 28 | Baja-e UTVs        | 8:45a |
| 5  | Class 10        | 7:30a | 17 | Class 5 Unltd      | 8:00a | 29 | Class 2            | 8:45a |
| 6  | Pro UTV Open    | 7:30a | 18 | Class 3            | 8:15a | 30 | Class 11           | 8:45a |
| 7  | Pro UTV FI      | 7:30a | 19 | Class 5-1600       | 8:15a | 31 | Sportsman Trks     | 8:45a |
| 8  | Class 7         | 7:45a | 20 | Baja Challenge     | 8:15a | 32 | Sportsman Buggies  | 9:00a |
| 9  | SCORE Lites     | 7:45a | 21 | Stock Mid-Size     | 8:15a | 33 | Sptsmn UTV Open    | 9:00a |
| 10 | Pro UTV NA      | 7:45a | 22 | Class 7F           | 8:15a | 34 | Sptsmn Stock UTV   | 9:00a |
| 11 | Pro UTV Unltd   | 7:45a | 23 | Class 7sx          | 8:30a |    |                    |       |
| 12 | Pro Stock UTV   | 7:45a | 24 | Stock Full         | 8:30a |    |                    |       |

**\*\* Times may be revised based on entry counts    All Times Tentative    ♦ TT and Legends Start is Intermixed**

## ***IMPORTANT... It is critical that you stage at the times shown above!!!***

**5-6) LATE STARTERS** - A competitor who is late for his assigned start time will start at the back of the class that is currently being interviewed on the ramp. The elapsed time of a late starter begins at your DESIGNATED START TIME, not your actual late start time. Late starters must follow SCORE official's directions for late start procedure to avoid a penalty. If SCORE officials determine it is their procedures that caused start delays or last-minute adjustments to the start order, your time will be adjusted to when you are actually given the green flag. Start Line will close 10 minutes after last competitor scheduled to start.

## **6. Race Day Course Information & Regulations**

**6-1) FINISH AREA** – This is a controlled access area. Only banded race participants (Driver/Co-driver and Navigator and Rider/Co-Rider) in vehicle or on moto/quad have access to this area at start event. All banded race participants will be allowed on finish ramp when their vehicle finishes.

**6-2 SPECTATORS AROUND COURSE** – All racers must be extremely alert AT ALL TIMES for potential spectators who may disregard the barriers anywhere around the racecourse. Be alert for possible spectator traffic that can be traveling in either direction on racecourse at any time!

**6-3) RADIO FREQUENCY** - SCORE will use 151.625 (SCORE Relay) for the main race operations radio frequency. Please use this frequency to report an emergency, request assistance, or report out of race status. Refer to Section 9 for guide to monitoring this frequency. Be certain all crew team members know your team frequency, radio operation and how to contact SCORE Relay! **Refer to Page 11.**

**6-4) SHARED RADIO FREQUENCIES** - If two or more teams are using the same frequency, team requesting emergency access to shared frequency has top priority. Failure to observe this policy will result in a penalty or disqualification to the team failing to relinquish the frequency for the emergency request,

**6-5) COURSE MARKINGS** – The racecourse is marked with orange/white ribbon, orange signs/black arrows, green wrong way markers, and mile markers every Five (5) miles. Markings are not guaranteed to remain in place. All race teams are strongly advised to use the official GPS course file. Less than 1% of potential dangers are marked. **Make your own course notes for race day.**

**6-6) HIGHWAYS ARE RESTRICTED AREAS** - Pitting or performing any service of any kind is not permitted on any portion of any paved highway surface. You will receive a minimum penalty of 1 hour. The paved highway is considered a restricted area because use of the highways is subject to permission by the Mexican Federal Highway Police. Chase vehicle travel on the highway sections must be done in a safe and prudent manner. Passing on highway section must be made on the left-hand side only and within the designated zone speed limit. All competitors must possess a valid driver license and passport or at least have a copy of it while racing or pre-running in case you need an emergency international transport. All chase crews and team members should carry their passports and drivers license as well.

**6-7) SPEED ZONES** – Thirteen (13) speed zones are established for this Baja 500: Refer to Penalty Bulletin for detailed specifications for each speed zone. Speed limit for each zone is listed in Penalty Bulletin.

**6-8) SPEED IN CHECKPOINT ZONES** - There is two (2) full-stop on-course staffed checkpoints plus finish. All checkpoints have a **15 mph** speed limit from 150 feet before to 100 feet after each checkpoint. All locations are marked on GPS file and there will be physical markings on course. Markings are not guaranteed to remain in place. All race teams are strongly advised to use the official GPS course file. Refer to Penalty Bulletin for checkpoint speed zones and locations for this event. *Penalty for speeding in any checkpoint zones is a minimum of 15 minutes!*

**6-9) REAR FACING BLUE LIGHTS - NO NERFING** - Class 11 and all Sportsman classes are required to display a rear-facing blue light illuminated at all times. High-intensity, minimum 100 lumen flashing blue lights will be **MANDATORY** for Motos and Quads. **NO NERFING** is allowed at any time on any “blue light” vehicles. Any reports of this violation may result in time and/or other penalties! ► ► **Only above classes are allowed to run blue lights! – No others!**

**6-10) IMPORTANT - AMBER LIGHTS** - All 4-wheel race vehicles in ALL classes are required to run a continually illuminated rear-facing **AMBER** light. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If light is not working you will be stopped at next checkpoint.

**6-11) COURSE COMPLIANCE** - Mandatory Stella III EVO devices will be used to identify course deviations. Washes are open only to the banks on either side and major silt beds are open. Short coursing is not allowed. Do not deviate from the official GPS course. It is essential to race using the official GPS course files and periodically check for any later updates posted on the SCORE website.

**REMEMBER...** Width of race course is limited to 60 feet (18.288 m) either side of center of course. If you deviate outside these course limits, you are NOT covered by SCORE insurance and you can be penalized!

**6-12) HIGHWAY CROSSINGS** – Some Full Stop Checkpoints may be located at highway crossings. There is a **15 mph speed limit 150' before the stop and 100' past the stop at all checkpoints.**

Clearly mark all road crossings on your GPS files for reference. You must be aware of all approaching road crossings. **IMPORTANT:** Be extremely cautious of cross traffic when crossing any highway!

**6-13) PASSING – MOTOS AND QUADS** – If you are barely averaging the minimum speed of 23.19 mph, you must be prepared to be passed by the lead truck or buggy as early as Rm 167 at approximately 11:47a, and possibly even sooner! **You must be EXTREMELY ALERT for trucks approaching from behind!**

**6-2 SPECTATORS AROUND COURSE** – All racers must be extremely alert AT ALL TIMES for potential spectators who may disregard the barriers anywhere around the racecourse. Be alert for possible spectator traffic that can be traveling in either direction on racecourse at any time!

Four-Wheel Vehicles in a position to pass a Motorcycle or Quad **MUST SIGNAL WITH STELLA DEVICE AND NOT ATTEMPT TO PASS UNTIL THE RIDER HAS MOVED TO THE SIDE OF THE COURSE. RIDERS MUST REMAIN AWARE OF APPROACHING TRAFFIC AND MOVE OVER AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.**

SCORE strongly recommends when Moto/Quad riders are caught by the first 4-wheel vehicle you must remain super vigilant and **GET OFF THE COURSE BEFORE** you are caught by the next vehicle. Riders must pull off the course to a safe distance and wait for dust to clear and additional vehicles to pass before re-entering the race course. Riders, if you try to outrun a four-wheel vehicle to avoid being passed, you will receive a DQ.

Riders, get off the course early: If you wait for the four-wheel vehicle to pull right up behind you before pulling off the course you will be a DQ. Drivers, if you have trouble passing, be sure you get the correct number of the rider. *Moto and quad riders, never race in the dust of a four-wheel vehicle, you are putting yourself in "extreme" danger. **BEWARE of vehicles following very closely behind another vehicle!***

**BE AWARE AT ALL TIMES!** If you are passed by a vehicle and you are still on course you are riding in the dust. Riders, if you are riding slow and you have been caught by the four-wheel vehicles you are in "extreme" danger and must bear full responsibility for your own safety.

**6-14) PASSING - TRUCKS AND CARS** - Drivers: If you are tapped by a competitor move over... blocking traffic is un-sportsmanlike and you may be nerfed or penalized. Refer to Section 6-9 (above) for important restrictions on nerfing designated "blue-light" classes.

**6-15) VIRTUAL CHECKPOINTS** – Pro Classes have 185 Standard Numbered (1-185) Virtual Checkpoints (VCPs) and two (2) special lettered (A and B) VCPs.

Sportsman Classes have 176 Standard Numbered (1-176) Virtual Checkpoints (VCPs) and two (2) special lettered (A and B) VCPs.

*The standard penalty for failure to clear a Numbered VCP within 120 feet is 10 minutes. Lettered VCPs must be cleared within 40 feet.* In order to avoid confusion regarding the locations of the VCPs, it is essential to race using the official GPS course file and check for updates on the SCORE website. **Review Penalty Bulletin for additional VCP information and penalties.** **VCP Data is FINAL – No Protests Allowed.**

**6-16) ABSOLUTELY NO GOING BACKWARDS ON COURSE AT ANY TIME!** - Going backwards on the race course in a race vehicle or a chase vehicle at any time while race is in progress can get your team a DQ.

**6-17) CHASE VEHICLES** – Drive safely at all times. Unsafe passing or dropping a tire off the road is the cause of most fatalities on Mexican Highways. You should be 100% prepared the day before the race. Expect the unexpected. Leave early and expect to be late to your destination.

Make sure each chase vehicle has copies of insurance for all of your other chase vehicles. Carry the largest fire extinguishers you can and have a good medic bag in each chase. Keep your passport and driver license with you should you need to be emergency transported to the United States. Have a list of cell phone numbers, SAT phone numbers and radio frequencies for your team and other teams. **Turn off your off-road lights when on public highways and roads!** No going backwards on the course at any time.

If you are speeding on the highway in a chase vehicle, you are endangering yourself and those with you. If you are in a chase vehicle that is being driven in a dangerous manner, tell the driver you are uncomfortable, and if that does not work, report it to your team manager. If dangerous chase team actions are reported to SCORE, the competitor that team is associated with may be penalized or disqualified from event.

**CAUTION:** Highways are patrolled by the Mexican Federal Highway Police. Speed limit on paved highways varies by speed zone. There may also be lower speed limits in many towns and villages. Speed Zones and speed limits for participants are listed in Penalty Bulletin. These limits also apply to chase vehicles. **You MUST observe all speed limits!**

**6-18) OBSERVATION AIRCRAFT-** Teams using aircraft or drones to monitor race vehicle progress are totally responsible for their pilot actions and safe aircraft operation during entire event. Refer to GL 8 in SCORE General Regulations for aircraft operations regulations for all SCORE events. Pilot(s) are required to attend Mandatory Pilots Meeting at 6pm on Friday, June 2nd. Waivers are required for all pilots and drone operators. **NOTE:** DOR and ROR race participants are directly responsible for actions of their flight crew as well as all their ground personnel. Participation in this meeting and signing of waivers is mandatory or no operating privileges will be granted.

**6-19) TEAM PITS** - All pits must be located on **RIGHT SIDE of pavement ONLY... NO EXCEPTIONS!** Never pit less than 30 feet and no more than 50 feet off the course. Give yourself extra room for safety.

Do not pit on the outside of a turn or within 250 feet of the exit of a turn. Pitting is not permitted within 300 feet before and 100 feet after a checkpoint. Use common sense and keep your team members safe!

Improper pitting will result in a 30-minute penalty if protested, or if SCORE is provided with evidence of possible violations.

**6-20) PIT REFUELING** - Fire is always a danger during refueling. All fueling personnel should wear adequate protective clothing gear, and persons should be assigned to specific extinguishing functions. Position multiple fire extinguishers in the immediate refueling area during each stop. A minimum of three (3) 20 lb. ABC rated fire extinguishers should be in each pit and manned and ready for use at all times.

Grounding the race vehicle during the refueling stop is a must. All personnel using pressure and elevated tank fueling systems are required to wear helmets, face shields and flame-resistant clothing during refueling operations.

**6-21) PIT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS** – Several professional pit support organizations will offer expert pit services to race teams for this event. Refer to PIT SUPPORT listing under the Race Info / BAJA 500 race logo for information on each of these experienced pit support groups.

**6-22) TIME ON COURSE – DRIVERS and RIDERS** will have 20 Hours from their designated start time to complete this 473.67 mile (762.30 km) racecourse. Minimum average speed of 23.68 mph (38.12 kph) will be required to finish this event. Sportsman classes minimum speed is 22.04 mph (35.47 kph) to finish.

**6-23) OFFICIAL TIMING FINISH and FINISH LINE STOP** – After crossing under the official finish timing loop, be prepared to stop for your post-race wristband check. This stop must be made in a safe and controlled manner. Cones are leading into the timing loop; if you hit a cone you will be penalized one (1) minute for each cone. You also will be fined if you hit the timing loop.

**6-24) REPORTING STATUS IF YOU DROP OUT OF RACE** – If your vehicle becomes disabled anywhere on the course, and you cannot proceed further in the race; it is **IMPERATIVE** that you report your situation and position to the SCORE 151.625 at Race Control. We don't want to spend hours looking for you on the course when you have packed up and are on the way home. Please be considerate for all the personnel that are working very long hours to stage this challenging SCORE event!

**6-25) DISABLED VEHICLES** - It is each competitors responsibility to retrieve their vehicle if it becomes disabled anywhere on the course during the event. This possibility should be addressed during pre-race planning with your team. No retrieval vehicle may drive backwards on course **AT ANY TIME!** If disabled with mechanical issues, actuate the Stella unit to alert racers behind your disabled vehicle!

**6-26) SCORE MEDICAL HELICOPTER** - SCORE's medical helicopter is totally committed to supporting life-threatening emergencies. Use for any other purpose will take away the helicopter support needed for a critical emergency. If a SCORE medical helicopter is requested for any non-emergency service, you can be endangering someone's life. Deploying the SCORE medical helicopter for any non-life threatening service request will be billed to the Driver or Rider of Record at the rate of \$2500 per hour with a \$5,000 minimum. Total time billed will include re-fueling time. SCORE recommends all team members are trained on the proper radio procedures and use of the Stella III EVO and SPICA devices to request life-threatening medical assistance vs. non-life-threatening services.

**6-27) SPECTATOR INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE** - Race competitors engaging in intentional and/or direct physical contact with a spectator or spectator's property may incur penalties at the discretion of the Race Director. If the Race Director determines contact was accidental, he may elect to not issue penalties. No penalty will be assessed if spectator property is placed or thrown in front of race vehicle or is property of the offending race team.

All allegations of wrong doing must be submitted within one (1) hour after the last scheduled finisher in the class the offending vehicle is entered in and must be supported by video evidence. Refer to 2023 Baja 500 Penalty Bulletin for penalties based on each specific situation.

## **7. Checkpoints**

**7-1) CHECKPOINTS** - There are two (2) full stop checkpoints plus finish line for this event. Open and close times shown are APPROXIMATE based on projected number of entries. These times are for your reference during the event, and a guide for our check crews.

**7-2) CHECKPOINT CLOSING TIMES - ALL MOTOS AND QUADS** - You **MUST ARRIVE** at each checkpoint before closing time. If late **AT ANY CHECKPOINT**, you will be stopped and your race is over!

**NOTICE:** Failure to stop as instructed will result in disqualification and no points awarded. Refer to Penalty Bulletin for details.

**7-3) CHECKPOINT CLOSING TIMES - TRUCKS AND CARS - IMPORTANT** – If you experience a race stoppage such as a log jam on the course that is beyond your control, or have problems and are running late, and the checkpoints in front of you have closed, you can continue on using extreme caution, as if you were pre-running. Watch for local traffic that may think all race vehicles have passed and will not anticipate

| Checkpoint Number & Mileage | Total GPS Miles | CP to CP Miles | Total GPS Km | CP to CP Km | Moto & Quad CP Open | Moto & Quad CP Close | Truck & Car CP Open | Truck & Car CP Close |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Start                       | 0.00            | 0.00           | 0.00         | 0.00        | 3:00a Sa            | 4:35a Sa             | 8:00a Sa            | 11:14a Sa            |
| Check 1                     | 211.62          | 206.73         | 340.57       | 332.70      | 7:29a Sa            | 2:30p Sa ♦           | 12:29p Sa           | 9:08p Sa ♦           |
| Check 2                     | 326.64          | 115.02         | 525.67       | 85.11       | 9:59a Sa            | 6:27p Sa             | 2:59p Sa            | 1:06a Su             |
| Timed Finish                | 468.78          | 142.14         | 754.43       | 228.75      | 1:05p Sa            | 12:35a Su            | 6:05p Sa            | 7:14a Su             |

♦ Ck 1 Normal Closing Time extended 1 Hour

All PRO Classes must average a minimum of **23.19 mph** (38.12 kph) and will have **20 hours** to finish. Sportsman classes must average a minimum of **21.55 mph** (34.68 kph) and will have **20 hours** to finish.

**7-4) FULL-STOP PHYSICAL CHECKPOINT RULES** - Checkpoints may be located at paved road crossings. You are required to enter the coned area at each Physical Full-Stop Checkpoint at 15 mph in single file manner and come to a COMPLETE STOP at the stop sign. The checkpoint corridor is not considered part of the race course. Entering and exiting all checkpoints must be done in a safe and prudent manner in order to guarantee the safety of all checkpoint workers. ➔ Passing is not permitted 300 feet before a checkpoint.

Not coming to a full stop or exceeding the **15-mph speed limit** from 150' before to 100' after the checkpoint will result in a minimum fifteen (15) minute time penalty! Refer to Penalty Bulletin for additional information.

➔ *Missing a full-stop physical checkpoint will result in a one (1) hour penalty for each checkpoint missed!*

**7-5) HELMETS, HNR DEVICES, SAFETY HARNESS AND WINDOW NETS** - Helmets, HNR devices, seat belts and safety nets for all vehicle occupants must remain SECURELY FASTENED in place any time vehicle is in motion. Any violations reported by checkpoint captains or video evidence submitted by others will result in penalties assessed by the Race Director.

**7-6) OFF-ROAD LIGHT OPERATION** - All off-road lights on vehicle must be switched "OFF" when there is oncoming traffic. All front facing off-road lights and light bars must be turned off when vehicle is being operated on any section of race course that is on a paved highway or public road. Only two (2) small lights suitable for normal highway driving can be in operation on these highways and roads. These highway lights must be connected and operated by a separate auxiliary switch. All front facing off-road lights and light bars must also be turned "OFF" when in the 15 mph checkpoint zones. **Motos and quads** require only one (1) front facing light. A helmet mounted high intensity light is acceptable for this requirement.

➔ This regulation applies to all trucks, cars, UTVs, motos and quads. and also includes all team and chase vehicles. Violations by any of the above vehicle categories are subject to team penalties or possible disqualification from event.

At all SCORE events, Motos and Quads are required to have a rear facing high-intensity flashing **BLUE LED light** on their helmet or upper area of backpack. Light must be rated 100 lumens minimum and have DVF (Daylight Visible Flash) feature. Lights will be checked at tech inspection and at start line.

## 8. Stella Devices and Transponders

**8-1) Stella III EVO Systems (Mandatory)** - SCORE will be using the Stella III EVO and SPICA systems for all classes at this event. You can **order this kit in advance** direct from Anube website, or Stella III EVO kits, and Stella III upgrade kits and brackets can be purchased during Chassis inspection on Thursday, June 2nd. **All onsite purchases are cash only.**

Stella and SPICA devices are mandatory and leased from Anube on a per race agreement. The Stella III devices require a race team representative to sign the terms and conditions lease contract during pre-tech or at tech inspection, unless lease contract was completed online.

You must be certain the Stella device is returned at the end of the event. **Tampering with or covering these devices in any manner will result in an automatic disqualification (DQ).**

➔ **Participants finishing the race in the allotted time must make sure that all Stella and SPICA tracking devices are turned into Stella personnel immediately after crossing the finish line.** Failure to turn in the equipment will result in your entry being assigned a DNF and you will not receive placement or finish points.

All competitors that DNF must return the tracking recorders to Stella Tracking located at the finish line. If you are not returning through Ensenada, you must ship devices directly to Anube. Refer to **Section 10-5** (page 12) for deadline and shipping information.

**IMPORTANT:** You are responsible for damage and return of Stella III EVO and SPICA units up to the retail value of \$1300. Anube does offer race day insurance to protect from damage while racing. Insurance DOES NOT cover lost or stolen units. You will purchase this insurance while at the Anube station during Tech. Insurance cost is approximately \$40 payable directly to Anube.

**8-2) Stella III EVO BRACKET KIT Required** – Bracket Installation Kit is a one-time purchase direct from Anube. Kit includes mounting bracket and hardware to permanently mount in/on your vehicle. The unit's power cords must be wired into your battery and the bracket must be installed prior to Tech so that the actual Stella III EVO device can be installed for race day. The lease of the Stella III EVO unit is included in your entry fees but the brackets are not. We suggest leaving brackets installed on your vehicle to be ready for your next SCORE race.

**8-3) SPICA Devices** – All 4-wheel Vehicles, Motos and Quads will be using this device in addition to the Stella III EVO unit. This is an additional data logger and safety device. For 4-wheel classes, SPICA unit must be placed in a pouch and zip tied to the "A" pillar.

You can use any small pouch you may already have, or as an option, Anube will have a pouch available that is custom made for the unit at a cost of \$10. The Anube pouch is custom fitted to the SPICA with a transparent panel that will allow you to read the display on the SPICA unit.

Moto and Quad riders must carry the SPICA unit on their person. Unit must be transferred to new rider when changing riders. Failure to transfer unit will result in a 10-minute penalty for each checkpoint passed with no SPICA unit. SPICA devices will be distributed to all classes at start line or during Tech inspection day.

**8-4) Stella III EVO and SPICA Information** - To learn about the Stella III systems and their operation, SCORE has informational videos and assembly information in both English and Spanish. *These videos and documents are on the SCORE website > Race Info > select SCORE Tracking.*

➔ ➔ SCORE highly recommends that in addition to DORs/Co-Drivers, Riders/Co-Riders, Navigators and all team members view the Stella III EVO video and learn how to operate the device in an emergency.

**8-5) SCORE SPORT TAG TIMING TRANSPONDER** - Transponders are REQUIRED and are for precise timing of all vehicles in the event. Your transponder number will be verified at race registration and you must bring the number with you or take a photo of the serial numbers on the side of the transponder so you can confirm it quickly at registration. Your race entry will not be considered complete until the transponder number is verified. Transponders are purchased by the team, not leased. You do not return the Sport Tag transponder at the end of the race.

**IMPORTANT: THE NUMBER ON THE TRANSPONDER MOUNTED ON YOUR VEHICLE MUST MATCH THE NUMBER THAT IS VERIFIED IN REGISTRATION if you want to be scored accurately! THIS IS A MUST!**

Two **SPORT TAG** transponder models are now being used. Small unit on left will be used by select classes beginning at the Baja 500. Earlier model (on right) will be phased out before the Baja 400 to complete the conversion to new model.

**SPORT TAG** transponders can be purchased through Registration while completing your online registration, or onsite at race registration. If you purchase through Registration, you will pick up your transponder in registration at the race.



If you already own a transponder, you must enter the serial number (transponder number) when completing your online race registration. **THIS A MUST** for accurate timing recording! We recommend replacing the **SPORT TAG** unit between one and two years after being placed in use to ensure maximum signal strength. (Internal battery is not replaceable.)

**NOTE:** You **MUST** have the correct transponder mounted on your vehicle prior to entering the combination contingency/tech line. Transponder number must match number entered in your registration information. Stop as directed at the timing loop located on tech/contingency row for your transponder verification check. When transponder is verified, a timing sticker will be applied to the vehicle and you can then proceed on to the Contingency and Technical Inspection area.

**8-6) PERSONAL TRACKING DEVICES** - It is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** that all riders and drivers have a personal tracking device that is in the vehicle or worn on their person and within reach **AT ALL TIMES**. This is a benefit to both your pit and chase personnel tracking your location during the race. *Your personal tracker should also be used during pre-running.* Anube Stella III EVO devices are available to lease for pre-running. Order device online at: <https://usa.anubesport.com/product-category/score-international>.

## **9. Race and Radio Communications**

**9-1) RADIO FREQUENCY** - SCORE will use **151.625** (SCORE Relay) for the main race operations radio frequency. **YOU MUST USE** this frequency to report an emergency, request assistance, and report out of race status.

→ ***PLEASE DO NOT ASK for status reports repeatedly every few minutes!***

**9-2) WISE WORDS FROM THE SCORE RELAY GROUP** - ***Expect the Unexpected AT ALL TIMES!*** Communications in remote areas are a challenge for everyone involved in racing. SCORE Channel **151.625** is universally recognized for communications in Baja, but even this operation has terrestrial limitations and there are remote areas where there will be absolutely no VHF communications.

You must remember there will be times on the course where VHF communication may simply be unavailable. It imperative that you understand that in remote areas first responders and help can be a very long way off and it is your responsibility keep these situations in mind and stay 100% focused during the race!

→ → ***Be Race Smart - Be Safe - Have a Backup Plan in Place!!***

**NOTE:** When you are unable to contact SCORE Relay you will be on your own for communications. Please plan accordingly. The SCORE Relay Team strongly recommends that every competitor have secondary satellite-based communications in the vehicle and a list of Emergency numbers to call.

SCORE Relay will be coordinating race communications. We will try to answer instant messages, but sometimes calls move very fast and we are too busy for status checks when the channel is Code Red.

Here is the number to call if you have an Emergency and do not have clear communications to the SCORE Relay Team. This number is for **EMERGENCY ONLY - NOT FOR STATUS REQUESTS!**

## **SCORE Relay Contacts**

**SCORE Relay Race Frequency 151.625**

**Relay Direct Phone Line 011 52 646.194.8705**

**Use for **Emergency ONLY****

**Line is both voice and text**

***SCORE Relay will be available to receive both English and Spanish calls***

If calling (*Baja*) phone numbers from U.S. you must first dial +52 before Baja numbers listed above

**9-3) SCORE RELAY CHANNEL ETIQUETTE** - If you are monitoring SCORE Relay on 151.625, please unplug your mic. If you feel it must be plugged in, be sure it is in a proper microphone hanger. There is nothing worse than a stuck mic during an emergency; someone's life or an urgent race situation can be at stake. Radio checks should be done quickly and **ONLY** before the race.

When you activate SCORE Relay channel, **WAIT** and **LISTEN** before speaking...there may be an emergency that you would be interrupting. The Relay person can hear what you cannot hear. Just because you do not hear anything does not mean there is not a Code RED life or death situation going on 200 miles from where you are located.

►► **Monitor this 151.625 channel a sufficient amount of time before speaking to know you are not ‘walking’ on someone else’s emergency.**

**9-4) REPORTING STATUS IF YOU DROP OUT OF RACE** – If your vehicle becomes disabled and you cannot proceed further in the race; it is **ABSOLUTELY IMPERATIVE** that you report your situation and position to SCORE Relay at Race Control. We don’t want to spend hours looking for you out on the course when you have packed up and are on the way home.

***Please be considerate for all the personnel that are working very long hours to stage this event!***

## 10. Post-Race Activities

**10-1) UNOFFICIAL & OFFICIAL RESULTS** – Unofficial finishers will be posted in the media area periodically during the race. Unofficial finishers will be posted at 9:00 am Sunday both online and at the SCORE Ensenada office. Any inquiries on race results must be resolved with SCORE Race Director Jose “G” From 9:30 am to 11 am Sunday at the SCORE Ensenada office.

**10-2) SCORING** – Driver or Rider of Record must either start or finish the event to be eligible to receive start, placement and finish points. If a DOR/ROR does not start or finish the event, the entry will only be eligible for trophies and race payout. A DOR/ROR designated as a non-finisher (DNF) will receive starting points only, and a DOR/ROR who is disqualified will receive zero points for this event. Refer to General Regulations GDC 2, GDC 3 for additional information.

**10-3) PROTESTS** – To protest another competitor, you or one of your authorized crew members, must submit a detailed written protest to SCORE. The written protest ***must be filed within one (1) hour*** after the last scheduled finish of the final competitor in your class. The written protest must be delivered to Race Director Abelardo Grijalva (“Jose G”).

SCORE may consult with the Competition Review Board, and the matter will be heard as soon as practical. Contact the Cruz Roja Command Center, SCORE Timing trailer or Abelardo (Jose) Grijalva to request forms.

To file a technical protest, you must present a written protest within 30 minutes after the last scheduled finish of the final competitor in your class and submit a \$1000 cash fee to SCORE Technical Director Dan Cornwell. Contact the Cruz Roja Command Center, SCORE Timing trailer or Abelardo (Jose) Grijalva to request protest forms.

**10-4) REQUEST FOR “GOOD SAMARITAN” TIME CREDIT** - If you stop to assist another racer who is in need of *immediate emergency medical assistance*, or a life or death situation, you may be eligible for a time credit for the time you are stopped. The ***written request*** for time credit must be delivered by you, or a member of your team, to Race Director Jose A. Grijalva, **within one (1) hour** after the finish of your class. Forms are available from Cruz Roja Command Center, SCORE Timing Trailer, Race Director Jose Grijalva. Request must include vehicle number of competitor you assisted, race mile, time stopped and re-started and description of assistance given

**10-5 ►IMPORTANT ACTION REQUIRED...** *Be sure that the tracking devices are turned into Stella personnel immediately after crossing the finish line.* Failure to turn in the equipment will result in your entry being assigned a DNF and you will not receive placement or finish points. All competitors that DNF must return the tracking recorders to Stella Tracking located at the finish line. If you ***DO NOT RETURN THROUGH Ensenada***, you must ship devices directly to Anube. Deadline to return devices is **Wednesday, June 14, 2023**. If units are not received at Anube by this deadline, you will be charged for full retail price of the unit!

***Shipping instructions are on the Anube Lease Agreement Form that you signed to lease the Stella III device for this SCORE event.***

**10-6) TROPHIES** – Awards Celebration is at the Riviera del Pacifico Center. You must arrange to have your trophy picked-up by one member of your team if you are not going to personally claim your trophy. No trophies can be brought back across the U.S. border by SCORE International.

## 11. Media Coverage of the SCORE Baja 500

**11-1) DEADLINE** for Team Media Credential registration is Friday, May 19 at 5:00 pm.

Any team with personnel who will be shooting still and video for the team website and team social media platforms must complete and submit the application located under the MEDIA tab on the SCORE website homepage. There will be NO late, onsite SCORE Team Media Registration at the event. You will be contacted by SCORE Media staff regarding the status of your application.

**11-2) TEAM MEDIA CREDENTIALS** - Team media personnel pre-registered and approved by SCORE for Team Media Credentials must go to Media Registration Tent in the SCORE Compound during Media Registration hours to sign Media waivers, be banded, receive Media badge, and purchase Media vest. Media credentials are required or your personnel will be required to put their equipment away and exit media access areas. *Badges, wristbands, and vests must be worn at all times including when out on the course.*

**11-3) LIVE VEHICLE TRACKING** – Available at [www.score-international.com](http://www.score-international.com) during the race.

**11-4) NATIONAL TV EXPOSURE** – Be sure to have in-car cameras and if possible one with intercom audio. Optimal location is one facing forward from behind the driver with intercom audio, a second camera also facing forward and a third camera facing back. Position your team name, vehicle number and sponsors stickers within view of the camera shots. Put the in-car cameras within reach of co-driver for lens cleaning.

## 12. SCORE Contacts:

|                     |                                                                     |                                                          |                                                                     |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jose A. Grijalva    | President &<br>Race Director                                        | 011 52 646.162.7336 (Baja)<br>011 52 646.189-7087 (Baja) | race-director@score-international.com<br>Jose G. (Alternate number) |
| Juan Tintos         | General Mgr.                                                        | 011 52 664.151.6622 (Baja)                               | jbtintos@hotmail.com                                                |
| Marco Arturo Durazo | Admin./Legal                                                        | 011 52 646.121.8256 (Baja)                               | madurazo@hotmail.com                                                |
| Dan Cornwell        | Tech Director                                                       | 619-572-8245                                             | tech@score-international.com                                        |
| Federico Montes     | Co-Tech Director                                                    | 011 52 646.127.0346 (Baja)                               | tech@score-international.com                                        |
| Hector L. Ponce     | Course Personnel<br>& SCORE Raceday Personnel Operations            | 011 52 646.203.2470 (Baja)                               | hlpr92@hotmail.com                                                  |
| Jacky Rocha         | Ensenada Office<br>& Racer Assistance and Onsite Racer Registration | +011 2 646.127.9997 (Baja)                               | jacky@score-international.com                                       |
| Rigoberto Lozoya    | Medical Rescue Dir.                                                 | 011 52 664.266.8889 (Baja)                               | rigo@bajarescue.mx                                                  |
| Cruz Roja           | EMERGENCY                                                           | 011 52 686.240.1630 (Baja)                               |                                                                     |

→ If calling (Baja) phone numbers from U.S. you must first dial 011-52 before Baja numbers listed above

## 13. SCORE Insurance Coverage:

**13-1) INBURSA SEGUROS CIVIL LIABILITY INSURANCE** – Following are Terms and Conditions of Civil Liability for participants in the 2023 SCORE Off-Road Races.

### Notice to all SCORE participants

#### Basic terms & conditions of Civil Liability - 2023 SCORE Races

Civil Liability: \$ 900,000 USD maximum for the event. Bail Bonding Service

Coverage starts the opening day of pre-running for the event. Your entry fee MUST Be “Paid In Full” to activate the insurance coverage.

Coverage stops when the insured vehicle either finishes the event, is disqualified, is “declared out of the event” for any reason, or when the event vehicle time has been stopped, or when the time limit on the event has expired.

Coverage is only in force while the event vehicle is on the official course of the event, and only while participating or pre-running the event, and at no other time.

The Insured is covered only when driving or riding in their assigned event vehicle or their pre-running vehicle.



## RACER BRIEF - 2023 BAJA 500

The Insured must be a registered driver or a registered co-driver for the event that is being insured, with all drivers having paid their entry fee in full.

Any accident, damages, or injuries must be reported to the promoter of the event, or the insurance representative during the timeframe of the event.

The bonding service coverage is provided during the day and timeframe of the race only, and at no other time.

Bonding service is provided as a result of a covered bodily injury accident only.

The Bonding Coverage provides for a professional legal bonding service that would be required in the event of judicial proceedings filed in the Mexican Republic against a participant as the result of a covered bodily injury accident.

The bonded participant is required to cooperate and keep the bond in effect by attending any and all legal or court proceedings in Mexico, in connection with the accident that took place during the race in Mexico. Failure by the bonded participant to cooperate and keep the bond in effect would result in legal actions against the bonded participant. The legal actions would include, but not be limited to, cost of the bond, cost of the issuance of the bond, court cost and the issuance of a warrant for their arrest.

Coverage excludes:

- Any injuries when drivers or co-drivers are not in/on their event vehicle.
- Any damages that occur in a pit area or while pitting.
- Any damages or injuries incurred when the event vehicle is outside of the official course of the event, or in violation of any traffic laws while on any highway section of the event. Official Insured Course is defined as 60 feet (18.3 meters) from centerline to either side of course.
- Conditions that are not caused by a covered accident.
- Damages to the insured event vehicle, and any other event vehicles.
- Any participate "under" the age of 16 at the time of the event.
- Any bonding service as a result of property damage
- Any bonding service during pre-running or practicing
- Any bonding service for a participant without a valid driver's license.

Insurance Policy issued by Inbursa Compania de Seguros

When calling regarding an accident, state that you are a participant in the SCORE BAJA 500 race.

### ACCIDENT MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

**13-2) General De Seguros S.A.B** – Overview of Accident Medical Insurance for 2023 SCORE Baja 500 participants. Your entry fee MUST Be "Paid In Full" to activate the insurance coverage and all co-drivers/co-riders navigators must be listed on your entry to be covered pre-running. Additional co-drivers, co-riders and navigators can be added at registration but will only be covered by the insurance after your entry is updated in Registration and fees paid if required:

#### Eligible Participants:

Registered & Banded Drivers, Co-Drivers, Navigators, Riders and Co-Riders.

Accident coverage for up to six (6) eligible participants is provided as part of the entry fee. This coverage is activated when entry is paid in full. Coverage for additional participants (seven (7) or more persons) is available for purchase. Contact SCORE Registration to add over 6 participants.

#### Covered Activity:

While participating in the sponsored and supervised activities of the policyholder, starting the opening day of pre-running, May 20, 2023 at 8:00 am.

Coverage included while engaging sanctioned off-road racing event on an approved and/or sanctioned course. Practice away from sanctioned course is not included, and coverage concludes at end of race time limit or when a vehicle is disabled and no longer able to compete.

**\$ 12,500.00 Maximum Accident Medical Benefits** (Covered services are only available at Baja Mexico facilities.)

**\$ 1,000 Deductible** (Payable at time of service)

**Benefits Include:** Accidental Death maximum benefit \$30,000

**Exclusions:**

- Emergency Medical Evacuation
- Intentional self-inflicted injury
- Suicide or attempted suicide
- War or act of war, whether declared or not
- Participation in civil riots, strikes or popular movements or terrorist acts
- Sickness or disease
- Aircraft
- Injury or loss while being legally intoxicated
- Injury or loss attributed to the use of drug/narcotics
- Injury covered by occupational benefits
- Participation in activity not specifically covered by policy
- Conditions that are not caused by covered accident
- Any treatment, service or supply not covered by policy
- Commission of, or attempt to, commit a felony
- Dental
- Accidental Burn and Disfigurement
- Coma Benefit
- Bereavement & Trauma Counseling Benefit
- Repatriation Benefit
- Dismemberment

**Submission of Claim:**

All claims must be submitted at the time of injury or no later than 7 days after an insured's loss. For assistance

Contact: Enrique Melero Marin +52 (646) 947-8631 or Aaron Rojas Vergara +52 (646) 117-4233

**Insuring Company:** General De Seguros S.A.B

**Servicing Medical Facilities for 2023 SCORE Baja 500: Ensenada – Tijuana – San Felipe**

**Ensenada:**

Option 1.-Hospital CARDIOMED, Av. Obregón 1018, 22800, Ensenada. Tel. 646-178-0351, 646-178-0944

Option 2.-Hospital VELMAR, De Las Arenas 151, Playa Ensenada, 22880, Tel. 646-173-4500

**San Felipe:**

Baja Medical Center, Carretera Federal #5 San Felipe B.C. Tel. 686-576-0200

**Mexicali:**

Option 1.-Hospital Hispano Americano, Venustiano Carranza 2008, González Ortega Poniente 21397, Mexicali B.C. Tel. 686-562-3333

Option 2.-Hospital Almater, Novena 1799, Plutarco Elías Calles, 21376, Mexicali B.C. Tel. 686-523-8050

**Tijuana:**

Hospital Del Prado, Bugambillas 50, El Prado, 22105, Tijuana B.C. Te- 664-681-49009648

➔ If calling (*Baja*) phone numbers from U.S. you must first dial 011-52 before Baja numbers listed above The insurance coverage information outlined above is a description of the accident medical insurance but it does not list all of the policy exclusions, that apply to the policy contract. The interpretation of insurance conditions is governed by: Mexican law will always apply and in the courts of Mexico City.

**14. What to do in Case of an Accident While Pre-Running or Racing in Mexico**

When calling regarding an accident specify that you are a participant of the SCORE Baja 500 race. In case you are involved in an accident while pre-running or during a race in Baja, Mexico, you must know and follow these steps.

**14-1)** Always carry your valid Driver's License, Passport, Vehicle Registration and Proof of Current Insurance Policy valid for Mexico with you at all times.

**14-2)** If the accident occurs **DURING PRE-RUNNING**, and you are registered and covered by the SCORE insurance, contact the insurance company immediately at one of the phone numbers listed below. Have clear information of where the accident happened including Race Mile, Kilometer marker, date and time, full details of what happened, if there are injuries or fatalities, and if you should require an ambulance or rescue to be dispatched to the scene of the accident.

**Insurance Contact During Pre-Running:**

**INBURSA SEGUROS** - Main Telephone 01.800.911.9000 Alternate Contacts:

Enrique Melero Marin +011 52 646.947.8631 or Aaron Rojas Vergara 011 52 646.117.4233

➔ If calling (*Baja*) phone numbers from U.S. you must first dial 011-52 before Baja numbers listed above.

**14-3)** If the accident occurs **DURING RACE WEEKEND**, contact the SCORE Relay using channel **151.625** and **report the accident immediately**. Always have clear information of where the accident happened, including Race Mile, Kilometer marker, date and time, full details of what happened, if there are injuries or fatalities, and if you should require an ambulance or rescue to be dispatched to the scene of the accident.

If you are not able to contact SCORE Relay and there are injuries or fatalities, contact the insurance company at one of the above numbers.

**14-4) DO NOT LEAVE THE SCENE OF THE ACCIDENT...** and especially if there are injuries or fatalities; it is against Mexican laws. Leaving the scene of the accident will only make things much worse.

**14-5)** Get the support of the Insurance Company adjustor as they will assist you with Legal advice and proper representation. It is imperative that this is done immediately after the accident. Complete accident report must be filled out as soon as you finish the event but **it should be reported immediately!**

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