

2021 NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION GENERAL INFORMATION

CONTESTANT ENTRY FEES: Contestant entry fees are due prior to gates opening for the event at 12 p.m. on Thursday, September 16, 2021. The team is to consist of 48 qualifiers, with a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 24 in the four E.T. Brackets (S/Pro, Pro, Sportsman, & S/P Bike, min. does not apply in S/P Bike). In addition, each track is permitted 2 High School entries. Total fees due: \$2,400.00 (48 x \$50). Indicate any 2021 NHRA Gold Card Holder and deduct \$50 each. There is no charge for High School entries. Make check payable and send fees to: Neysa Jones, NHRA Division 3 ET Series, PO Box 34300, Indianapolis, IN 46234. Event crew passes for \$40 each will be available at the event pit gates.

TEAM ROSTER: The Team Roster or team entry list is due in the Division office by Monday August 30, 2021. The Track Manager and/or Team Captain may make changes to your roster, including Race of Champions representatives, until 12 p.m., Thursday, September 16. Note: The #1 position in each category is your representative for the Sunoco Race of Champions, NO alternates or substitutions will be permitted for the Sunoco Race of Champions participants after roster deadline.

TEAM CAPTAIN: The Team Captain may be the track manager or a designated representative of the team present at the E.T. Finals, who may be called upon in the event of any schedule changes, etc. (It is recommended that the Team Captain NOT be a racer competing in the event, so as not to burden them with necessary get-togethers.) The Team Captain will be the "official connection" between the event director and your team members. A Team Captain meeting will take place at the Parks Tower Friday, September 17, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

CONDUCT:

Un-sportsman like conduct will not be tolerated. Please refer to the 2021 NHRA Rulebook. A midnight noise curfew will be in effect for this event. Any individual and/or team found to be violating the curfew with excessive noise or unsafe behavior will be subject to removal from the facility and/or disqualification from the event and forfeiture of points earned per the Division Director. Overnight security will be in place.

<u>TECH CARDS:</u> Tech cards must be completed and submitted online by Friday September 10th. These are to be **COMPLETELY FILLED OUT.** Note, submitted tech cards will be used to confirm participant entry into the event.

<u>COMPETITION LICENSE</u>: To avoid delays in processing of competition licenses, we ask that competition licenses be obtained in advance. Neither the North Central Division office nor the Glendora offices will be processing licenses the week of the event. Licenses will not be processed on site.

<u>TECH INSPECTION:</u> It is the responsibility of each Track to explain the online tech process. Self tech will be conducted by the racer by completely filling out the information on the tech card. Spot checks will be performed on site. **A car/bike may only be entered by one driver/rider and may only be entered in up to two categories.** A qualified racer may be entered in a maximum of four brackets. Of importance are all of the safety items, refer to the 2021 NHRA Rulebook E.T. Bracket Racing and General Regulations sections. An NHRA Competition License and ET Number is required for all entrants, except High School. These are to be obtained prior to the event (Note: it must be an NHRA ET number and not a Super Gas or other category number.) **S/Pro and Pro cars running 6.39 or quicker will be required to have an NHRA/SFI Chassis Certification. Certifications will not be available at the event.** (ALL CONTESTANTS MUST HAVE A VALID NHRA LICENSE & MEMBERSHIP (does not apply to High School).

<u>DELAY BOXES:</u> Delay boxes will be permitted in S/Pro (1/8 mile 4.30 – 7.75) and Super Pro Bike (1/4 mile 7.50 – 15.99). Delay boxes will NOT be permitted in Pro (1/8 mile 5.40 – 8.99), Sportsman (1/4 mile 12.00 – 19.99), or High School. **Any racer found to be using a delay box or device in Pro, Sportsman or High School will be disqualified, in addition, his or her team will be disqualified from any Team Championship standings and awards.**

<u>CHRISTMAS TREE:</u> The Christmas Tree will be fully blinded/shaded with Compulink L.E.D. bulbs aimed in-line toward each lane. The Compulink CrossTalk feature will be used in Super Pro and Super Pro Bike. AutoStart will be used in all categories. The timeout interval will be 10-seconds and the dial-in will be considered accepted once the driver has prestaged. Details of the Compulink AutoStart and CrossTalk features will be posted at the NHRA trailer at the event.

E.T. CONVERSIONS: Below is a handy reference guide in converting 1/8 mile to 1/4 mile elapsed times. These are only estimates, the racer's performance at the NHRA Summit Racing Series Finals dictates their safety requirements. Every effort should be made by the Track Manager and Track Tech Advisors to place the qualified entry in the proper Bracket on your Team Roster. Minimum or maximum numbers in each bracket may not be exceeded.

ET BRACKET	1/8 MILE	=	1/4 MILE +/-	2021 Div 3 FINAL Brackets
Super Pro	4.30 - 7.67	=	7.00 - 12.50	4.30 - 7.75 1/8-Mile
Pro	5.40 - 8.81	=	8.50 - 14.50	5.40 - 8.99 1/8-Mile
Sportsman	7.68 - 12.99	=	12.00 - 19.99	12.00 - 19.99 1/4-Mile
Super Pro Bike	4.50 - 9.92	=	7.50 - 15.99	7.50 – 15.99 1/4-Mile

ASSIGNED TEAM PIT AREAS: Team parking will once again be used at this year's E.T. Finals. A map of the park will be issued at the time of registration indicating each Team's parking area. These are general areas and do not have specific dimensions. Team areas in the grandstand are on a first saved basis. Grandstand areas are to be reasonable in size. No banners or decoration may cover any permanent track signage or cause damage. All decorations are to be removed by the team at the conclusion of the event. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.

TEAM DESIGNATIONS: Each team member will be issued Team Designation letter decals. These decals will be issued at the event and are to be displayed on either side of the race vehicle and windshield (headlight or helmet on bikes).

2021 TEAM LETTER CODES

EAST SIDE TEAMS (Main Gate)	WEST SIDE TEAMS (Gate 8)
A – Beech Bend Raceway	C—Coles County Dragway USA D – Kentucky Dragway
I—Lucas Oil Raceway	E – Edgewater Sports Park
J—Byron Dragway	G—World Wide Technology
N—National Trail Raceway	K—Kil-Kare Dragway
S – Summit Motorsports Park	T – Wabash Valley Dragway
	V – Ohio Valley Dragway
	W - Wagler Motorsports Park

TEAM POINTS CHAMPIONSHIP: A bonus for the Team Championship awards has been posted by the NHRA Summit Racing Series Division 3 E.T. Series. A racer will receive one point for his/her team, for each round win. All ties will be broken by awarding the total tie-breaker points earned by a team based on 5 points for a winner; 4 points for a runner-up; 3 points for a semi-finalist; and 2 points for a quarter-finalist. Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman and Super Pro Bike will be counted together for the Team Championship and eligible for NHRA Summit Team awards. The NHRA Summit Racing Series decal must be displayed on each entry to earn team points.

2021 NHRA SUMMIT RACING SERIES FINALS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

1st Place Team \$200 plus a Summit Team Champion jacket to each Team Member.

2nd Place Team \$100 to each Team Member.

<u>TIME TRIAL SESSIONS:</u> Time Trials will be conducted in sessions. Cars/Bikes are to report to the staging lanes only when instructed to do so. The run cards given each contestant will be closely watched. *Any racer found to exceed the number of allotted daily runs would be disqualified from the event.* Every effort will be made to provide each racer with their allotted time run sessions as scheduled.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

There will not be any Jr Dragster competition at this event.

Thursday, September 16, 2021

TEST AND TUNE: \$50 tech card, must be purchased separately upon entry. Testing will be from 12pm-6pm.

Friday, September 17, 2021

TIME TRIALS: Two per entry, S/P, Pro, Sportsman and S/P Bike. High School will run 1 time trial.

RACE OF CHAMPIONS: The Race of Champions will be held Friday afternoon, September 17. There will be an individual race for each of the 4 brackets (S/Pro, Pro, Sportsman, & S/Pro Bike). The fields will consist of the #1 qualifier from each track in their individual bracket as designated on the Team Roster.

Note NO alternates or substitutions will be permitted and the Race of Champions qualifier must compete in the same E.T. bracket during regular eliminations. Qualifiers should complete both of their scheduled Friday time trial runs prior to the start of elimination, which get underway at 3:00 p.m. A special time trial session for Race of Champion participants that have not taken their allotted 2 time runs will be run prior to driver introductions. Race of Champions qualifiers will not receive any additional time runs. Drivers will be introduced on stage in front of the Parks Tower prior to the first round of competition. The 2021 cash purse for the Race of Champions will be \$5,200.

	Super Pro	Pro	Sportsman	S/Pro Bike
WINNER	\$1000	\$700	\$400	\$700
Runner-up	\$400	\$300	\$200	\$300
Semi-finalist	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$150

FRIDAY BONUS BRACKET RACE: A special bonus race will be run on Friday evening for Pro, S/Pro, S/Pro Bike and Sportsman classes. Racers who have not qualified for the Race of Champions will be eligible to enter the bonus race. Entry fee of \$50 must be paid prior to the start at the NHRA Registration Trailer. Entry permitted only to the class in which a racer qualified for the Summit ET Finals. Multiple class entry permitted only for those who qualified for multiple classes. Vehicle in competition must be the same as their registered and teched ET Finals vehicle. No backup vehicles permitted. No refunds after the start of the first round of the race. No buybacks permitted. High School competitors will be permitted to enter the Sportsman class.

Pro, S/Pro and Sportsman Payout: Winner \$1000, RU \$400, Semis \$150, Quarters \$75 S/Pro Bike Payout: Winner 60%, RU 20%

Saturday, September 18, 2021

<u>DIALING FOR DOLLARS:</u> Special jackpots will be run during the Saturday morning time trial sessions. There will be 4 individual jackpots, one each in S/Pro, Pro, Sportsman and S/Pro Bike, with a \$10 entry fee (collected in the staging lanes). 50% of the jackpot will go to the racer closest to his/her dial-in, 25% will go to the second closest to his/her dial-in. In case of a tie, reaction time will be the first tie breaker, if a tie still exists, the first run recorded will be used to break the tie.

BEST APPEARING AWARDS: A Best Appearing Car will be selected in S/Pro, Pro ET and Sportsman and the Best Appearing Bike will be selected from the S/Pro Bike entries. Judging for the Best Appearing Awards will take place during the Dialing for Dollars. Additionally, the Best Engineered Entry and Best Appearing Crew will be selected. Winners will be announced Sunday morning.

NATIONAL DRAGSTER TEAM SPIRIT: There will be a *National DRAGSTER* Team Spirit award presented to the team showing the most team spirit/support during the event. The *National DRAGSTER* Team Spirit Award will be judged throughout the event with the winner announced during the special award presentations on Sunday. Winning track receives \$400.

HIGH SCHOOL ELIMINATOR: Each track may have two High School representatives who are currently enrolled in high school or was a 2021 graduate. No entry fee will be charged. The student and/or their car for competition may NOT be entered in any other bracket at the E.T. Finals. The dial-in limit is 12.00 seconds or slower. No tow vehicles allowed. Tires are limited to a DOT street tire. Minor release forms have been included in this packet and must be properly completed and turned in at time of registration. An NHRA Competition number is not required. The Team Letter code will be used for scoring i.e. A1, A2; B1, B2, etc. High School will be offered one time trial on Friday, followed by an additional two time runs

and eliminations on Saturday. Elimination rounds will be run in rotation between other categories. The winning student will receive an NHRA trophy, a Champion's ring, a Gold Card, and a Champion's jacket.

TRACK OPERATOR RACE: A special Track Operator Race will be contested on Saturday afternoon. This is for Track Operators and/or Managers, one per track. The same car rules for the Track Operators as applies in High School. **The car and/or driver may not have participated in the event in any other category. No co-pilots in competition.**

Sunday, September 19, 2021

ELIMINATIONS CONTINUE

<u>SUNDAY BONUS BRACKET RACE:</u> Those eliminated in the first or second round of eliminations of the Summit ET Finals are eligible for this race which will include Pro, S/Pro, S/Pro Bike and Sportsman classes. High School competitors will run with be permitted to enter the Sportsman class. Entry is \$50 must be paid prior to the start of the Sunday Bonus Race. Entry permitted only to the class in which a racer qualified for the Summit ET Finals. Multiple class entry permitted only for those who qualified for multiple classes. Vehicle in competition must be the same as their registered and teched ET Finals vehicle. No backup vehicles permitted. No refunds after the start of the first round of the race. No buybacks permitted.

CONTINGENCY AWARDS: Eligibility for manufacturers' 2021 NHRA Summit Racing Series Division Championships Contingency Awards is based on use of product, display of decal on each side of the vehicle during the event, and signing of an advertising release. Check with sponsors for exact qualifications. Sponsors have the right to request post-event inspections for product verification. A limited number of sponsor decals will be available during registration hours at the registration trailer.

PRIZES: All Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman, S/Pro Bike and High School participants will receive an NHRA Summit Racing Series hat and 2021 qualifier decal at the event. Division Champion jackets and special Division Champion gold rings will be awarded at the annual NHRA North Central Division Awards Banquet. Rings are presented to the S/Pro, Pro, Sportsman, S/Pro Bike and High School Division Champions at the banquet.

2021 North Central Division Finals Cash Purse

	S/PRO	PRO ET	SPORTSMAN	S/PRO BIKE
	(4.30-7.75)	(5.40-8.99)	(12.00-19.99)	(7.50-15.99)
Champion	\$7,000 *	\$5,500 *	\$4,000 *	\$4,000 *
Runner-up	2,000	1,250	500	500
8th Rd Loser	1,500	750	400	400
7th Rd Loser	1,000	600	300	300
6th Rd Loser	500	300	250	250
5 th Rd Loser	250	150	100	100
4th Rd Loser	100	75	75	75
3 rd Rd Loser	50	50	50	50

Includes \$3,000 National event qualifying bonus from Summit Racing Equipment.

NHRA SUMMIT RACING SERIES NATIONALS: Division Champions in Super Pro, Pro, Sportsman and S/Pro Bike will advance to the NHRA Summit Racing Series Nationals to be held in conjunction with the NHRA Finals in Las Vegas, Nevada., October 29-31, 2021. Each national participant will receive \$3,000 for attending and entering the event. Each NHRA Summit Racing Series National Champion will receive \$5,000. Should the Division Champion not be able to attend the national championships then the Race of Champion winner will be invited and will receive the \$3,000 upon participation. The third alternate will be the event runner-up and the fourth alternate will be the Race of Champion runner-up. Should none of the four be able to attend, then the position will be left vacant. Participants must attend national championship to receive \$3,000 bonus. A total cash purse of \$116,000 has been posted for the NHRA Summit Racing Series National Championships.

WORKER LIST: We encourage each track to contact us prior to the event with a list of volunteer workers that would be interested in assisting with the event. Qualified workers will be needed in registration, staging and starting line. The NHRA

Certification Team will coordinate staging operations for eliminations on Saturday and Sunday, enabling the track operators and volunteers to enjoy the event with their teams.

We've tried to cover just about everything, but should you have any questions please don't hesitate to call. Remember the **Team Roster is due by digital submission August 30, 2020. Entry fees are due by 12:00pm Thursday, September 16, 2021.** We look forward to working with you in making this one of the best E.T. Finals yet!



NATIONAL HOT ROD ASSOCIATION DIVISION III 2021 NHRA SUMMIT RACING SERIES GUIDELINES

PURPOSE OF SERIES: To promote E.T. Bracket Racing attendance at NHRA E.T. series member tracks on a local level of competition with local qualifiers competing in a Division III E.T. FINALS Championship. Only qualified contestants, those contestants who have participated in at least three-(3) track point's events, from participating NHRA E.T. series member tracks, will be eligible for the E.T. Finals.

1.) TRACK ELIGIBILITY

- A.) Tracks must be in good standing with NHRA and the Division III E.T. Series and must abide by all the rules and regulations established by the Series. If a track within the Division III E.T. Series is in violation of the series requirements, the Series Executive Committee will take appropriate action to reprimend the track, which may include fines and/or loss of eligibility in the Series.
- B.) Out of division tracks must have approval of both Division Directors involved and receive a majority vote by the Division III E.T. Series member tracks. A new member track has the option to join the series by March 1 of the current year.
- C.) REVISED 11/93; 3/10; 1/11; 12/19. Tracks will be responsible for payment of a \$50 entry fee per car/driver, less any entry for any current NHRA Gold Card holder. Contestant entry fees are due by the opening of the gates for the event. Penalty for late payment could result in the forfeiture of E.T. Finals team points. Team Rosters are to be submitted by August 30, 2021. All track's points standings as of 8/30/21 are to be submitted to the Division office. Points must list number of events each racer has participated in.
- D.) The track manager or team captain is the only person permitted to make additions or replacements to a team roster before 12pm on Thursday September 16, 2021.
- E.) REVISED 1/02. Delay boxes will be permitted in Super Pro (1/8th mile 4.50-7.75) and Super Pro Bike (7.50 15.99) only for the NHRA Summit Racing Series Division III Finals. The Christmas Tree will be fully blinded/shaded with all L.E.D. bulbs aimed toward each lane. The Compulink CrossTalk feature will be used in Super Pro and Super Pro Bike. The timeout interval will be 10-seconds and the dial-in will be considered accepted once the driver has pre-staged. The tree configuration is at the option of all tracks for their weekly events.
- 2.) One team allowed per member track. REVISED 01/21 Team entries will be based on the number of tracks in the Division for the current year. The team totals will be as follows:

IVISION TRACKS	TEAM MEMBERS	TOTAL ENTRIES
12	52	624
13	48	624
14	44	616
15	40	600
16	36	576
17	32	544

3.) REVISED 12/19 The date and location for the 2021 North Central Division NHRA Summit Racing Series Finals will be September 17-19, 2021 at Lucas Oil Raceway. The 2022 site will be voted on at the 2021-planning meeting. Any track wishing to submit a proposal to host the 2022 event must submit a written proposal by August 31, 2021 to the NHRA North Central Division office.

4.) REVISED 1/09; 1/18 The number of E.T. Brackets for the 2021 E.T. Finals will be five (5) including the following categories:

 SUPER PRO
 (1/8)
 4.30 – 7.75
 PRO
 (1/8)
 5.40 – 8.99

 SPORTSMAN
 12.00 – 19.99
 SUPER PRO BIKE
 7.50 – 15.99

 HIGH SCHOOL
 12.00 – slower

- 5.) REVISED 01/08; 06/17; 12/18 The maximum number of car/bike entries per track at the 2021 E.T. Finals is 48 with individual bracket entries limited to a minimum of 2 (no minimum for S/Pro Bike) and maximum of 24 to send a full team. Maximum 2 High School in addition to original 48 entries. Tracks are responsible for payment of all entries, less any NHRA gold-card holders. Cars and bikes are counted together for Team Championship. A driver may be entered in a maximum of four categories. A vehicle may be used in up to two categories, excluding super pro bike. Vehicles cannot be used by more than one participant at the event. High School or Track manager drivers and/or their cars may not be entered in any other eliminator at the E.T. Finals. Competitors are not permitted to compete for more than one team at this event.
- 6.) REVISED 12/19 Replacement vehicles are permitted prior to the first round of eliminations. No changes are permitted after the first round of eliminations for each class that has begun. The original vehicle must be withdrawn from competition and cannot be reinstated for the remainder of the event. The replacement vehicle cannot be or have been utilized by another participant at the same event. A technical inspection must be completed on site before continuing competition and certification must be current if required. Drivers are not permitted to switch categories and must remain in their designated class. Additional time runs for replacement vehicles will not be permitted. Drivers are limited to one replacement vehicle per class at the event.
- 7.) REVISED 1/02. Each track may have up to two (2) High School representatives who must currently be enrolled in high school or a 2021 high school graduate. No entry fee for car & driver will be charged. The vehicle must be street-type with a dial-in of 12.00 or slower; tires are limited to DOT street tires. All other Sportsman E.T. rules apply. High school class does not earn team points.
- 8.) REVISED 11/97; 1/07, 12/14, 12/15 Event entry fees: Car & Driver or Bike & Rider \$50. Full Event Crew passes \$40.
- 9.) REVISED 1/07. A Race of Champions will be run on Friday for each eliminator consisting of the #1 qualifier from each track in each ET Bracket. No alternates allowed.
 Posted Awards:

	S/PRO	PRO	SPORTSMAN	S/P BIKE
	(1/8 mile)	(1/8 mile)	(1/4 mile)	(1/4 mile)
Winner	\$1,000 +	\$700	\$400	\$700
Runner-up	\$400	\$300	\$200	\$300
Semi-final	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$150
+ 2021	Wild Card Entry fo	r S/P Bike		

10.) REVISED 1/05*. 2021 E.T. Finals Purse:

	S/PRO	PRO	SPORTSMAN	SUPER PRO BIKE
Champion	\$7,000	\$5,500	\$4,000	\$4,000
Runner-up	2,000	1,250	500	500
8th Rd. Loser	1,500	750	400	400
7th Rd. Loser	1,000	600	300	300
6th Rd. Loser	500	300	250	250
5th Rd. Loser	250	150	100	100
4th Rd. Loser	100	75	75	75
3 rd Round Loser	50	50	50	50

Includes \$3,000 National event qualifying bonus from Summit Racing Equipment.

Note: must attend National Championship event to receive bonus.

All event winners will receive an NHRA Wally® Trophy, jacket, and NHRA Gold Card. All Champions including High School will receive Champion rings.

11.) The 2021-membership fee for all North Central Division member tracks is \$200, by August 16, 2021.

- 12.) Division 3 E.T. Series member tracks may remain open on the E.T. Finals date, provided their posted purse does not exceed \$2,500 or their normal posted purse, whichever is higher, unless approved by the E.T. Steering Committee thirty (30) days prior to the event.
- 13.) REVISED 03/17. A Division 3 E.T. Series Steering Committee will consist of the Division Director, E.T. Finals host track operator and two members of the general track membership. The Steering Committee will be responsible for various duties as may be directed by the general track membership. They will review event budgets, projections and expenses. The Division Director and E.T. Finals host track operator will hold permanent seats on the committee. The remaining three positions will be voted on by the general track membership every year.

Division Director Host Track Representative Track Representative Track Representative 2021 Steering Committee
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- 14.) 1/00. The Steering Committee has been directed to review the E.T. Finals event schedule and develop various fun activities that all participants will enjoy. All member tracks are encouraged to provide ideas on making the event fun and successful for the participants.
- 14.) The 2021 Division 3 NHRA Summit Racing Series champions in S/Pro, Pro, Sportsman and S/P Bike will be qualified to participate in the 2021 NHRA Summit Racing Series National Championships which will be held in conjunction with the NHRA Finals in Las Vegas, Nevada, October 29-31, 2021. Should the Division champion not be able to attend the Race of Champion winner will be invited to attend and in doing so would receive the bonus Summit money. The second alternate is the event runner-up; third alternate is Race of Champion runner-up. 2021 Division 3 NHRA Summit Racing Series champions must hold a valid NHRA Competition Number or License to compete at the NHRA Finals in Las Vegas, Nevada. (Effective 10/2013 the minimum 18 year old restriction was lifted.) *NHRA Finals subject to change.*