

2008 Tecate SCORE Baja 1000 - Race Briefing

- 1) The Competitors Meeting will be held on Thursday 11/20 at 7:00pm in the Cathedral Room of the Riviera Convention Center.
- 2) 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 PERSONAL SAFETY.
- 3) The roads used for this race course are open to the public. You must expect at all times to encounter oncoming traffic. Be advised that spectators may engage in malicious activity. When approaching a group of spectators, slow down and be alert.
- 4) The speed limit for all race vehicles on all highway speed zones is 60 mph. This speed limit will be enforced with the IRC tracking device. Passing on the highway sections must be made on the left-hand side only and within the 60 MPH speed limit. All participants MUST possess a valid driver license while operating the race vehicle.
- 5) HIGHWAY SPEED ZONES - There are FIVE (5) paved highway sections subject to the 60 mph speed limit. It is not permissible to run dirt roads that may parallel the highway in order to exceed the 60 MPH speed limit or pass other vehicles.
 - 1) Rumorosa (2.9 Miles) - Right on HWY 2 KM 72 @ Mile 116.1 / Right off HWY 2 KM 66 @ Mile 119.0
 - 2) Salada (2.9 Miles If Necessary) - Right on HWY 5 KM 69 @ Mile 223.2 / Right off HWY 5 KM 74 @ Mile 226.1.
 - 3) San Matias (2.5 Miles) - Right on HWY 3 KM 142 @ Mile 422.8 / Left off HWY 3 KM 137 @ Mile 425.3.
 - 4) San Vicente (3.9 Miles) - Right on HWY 1 KM 102 @ Mile 491.3 / Left off HWY 1 KM 96 @ Mile 495.2.
 - 5) Santo Tomas (6.8 Miles) - Left on HWY 1 KM 51 @ Mile 549.8 / Right off HWY 1 KM 41 @ Mile 556.6.
- 6) HIGHWAY SPEED PENALTY - SCORE evaluates the highway speed data for EVERY finisher. Penalties for exceeding the mandatory 60 MPH highway speed limit are based on the duration and degree of the violation.
- 7) All competitors must do their part to protect and preserve the Baja ecological environment. Please instruct your team that it is very important to properly dispose of all solid and liquid waste. Do not litter, start fires, or deviate from the marked course.
- 8) The race course is marked with orange/white ribbon, yellow reflective tape, orange directional arrows, green wrong ways, and mile markers every five miles. SCORE cannot guarantee that course markings will be in place on race day. It is the responsibility of each competitor to race in a controlled manner and be able to slow down to avoid danger spots.
- 9) Four-Wheel vehicles that are in a position to pass a motorcycle or atv MUST NOT ATTEMPT TO PASS UNTIL THE RIDER HAS MOVED TO THE SIDE OF THE COURSE. Motorcycles and ATVs must remain aware of approaching traffic and move over as quickly as possible. Four-Wheel vehicles are ultimately responsible for the safety of passing. USE YOUR HORN!!!
- 10) SCORE will use 151.625 (Weatherman Relay) for the main race operations radio frequency. Please use this frequency to report an emergency or ask for help.
- 11) Stub Cans WILL NOT be used at this race. You are required to enter all checkpoints in a 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.
- 12) Passing is not permitted 300 feet before a checkpoint. Pitting is not permitted within 300 feet before and 100 feet after a checkpoint. Pitting is not permitted within 100 feet before or 100 feet after a paved highway crossing. No towing, pushing or pulling through a checkpoint or greater than 1% of the course, which at this race is 6.3 miles.
- 13) No towing or pushing of Four-Wheel vehicles within 1 mile of the finish line. However, wristbanded vehicle occupants are permitted to push a disabled race vehicle across the finish line.
- 14) A competitor who is late for his assigned start time will start at the back of the class that is currently starting. The elapsed time of a late starter begins with his DESIGNATED START TIME, not the late start time.
- 15) All competitors will have 31 HOURS from their designated start time to complete the race, provided that each checkpoint is cleared within the scheduled closing time. Checkpoint locations and closing times are as follows:
CHECKPOINT 1 – NORTH OF LAGUNA SALADA / MILE 141.1 – SATURDAY @ 2:00AM.
CHECKPOINT 2 – WEST OF BORREGO / MILE 286.2 – SATURDAY @ 7:00AM.
CHECKPOINT 3 – WEST OF SAN FELIPE / MILE 351.1 – SATURDAY @ 10:00AM.
CHECKPOINT 4 – WEST OF BORREGO (REPEAT) / MILE 407.1 – SATURDAY @ 1:00PM.
CHECKPOINT 5 – SOUTH OF SAN VICENTE / MILE 496.2 – SATURDAY @ 4:00PM.
CHECKPOINT 6 – WEST OF OJOS NEGROS / MILE 589.4 – SATURDAY @ 7:00PM.
- 16) The race will Start and Finish in front of the Riviera Convention Center on Boulevard Costero.
- 17) Motorcycles and ATV classes will report to staging at 6:00AM for a 6:30AM start.
One every 30 seconds in the following order: 22, 30, 40, 21, 20, 50, 60, 25, 24, SPTMOTO>, SPTMOTO<, SPTATV, SIDECAR.
- 18) There will be a three hour gap between the last SIDECAR starter and the first SCORE TROPHY TRUCK starter.
- 19) Four-Wheel vehicles will begin staging at 9:30AM and will start at APPROXIMATELY 10:30AM to 10:45AM.
- 20) Four-Wheel vehicles will start one every 30 seconds in the following order: TT, 1, 10, SL, 8, PT, 1/2-1600, 5, 6, 7, BC, 5-1600, 7SX, SF, SM, 9, 3, 17, SPTK, SPBG, 11, SPUTV.
- 21) Late registration will open on Friday morning at 5:30AM in the Red Room at the Riviera Convention Center.
- 22) A technical protest MUST be filed no later than 30 minutes after the first finisher out of the money in your class.
- 23) Unofficial Results will be posted at the San Nicolas Hotel Saturday evening at 7:00PM and the Competition Review Board will meet at 9:00PM. The Awards Presentation will be held Sunday morning at 10:00AM poolside at the San Nicolas Hotel.