

2007 SEASON

# DECCLA

## ENDURANCE RACE RULES AND REGULATIONS

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### 1 - LICENCES

Anyone in possession of a valid licence issued by the RFME for the current year or licences processed via the Region of Murcia Motorcycle Federation for this event: JUNIOR-SENIOR-VETERAN. Foreign participants must hold an international licence or a UEM licence for the current year, or they must hold a national licence issued by the appropriate organization in their home country along with a permit allowing them to take part in a UEM race.

### 2 - RIDERS AND TEAMS

Each team can have two or three riders.

Each team can bring a relief bike of the same type as the primary bike and with the same race number. The team can use the relief bike if damage occurs to the primary bike and the primary bike can no longer be used. If a team brings along a relief bike, both the primary and the relief bike must pass scrutineering. If a team swaps to the relief bike during the course of the race, the team will be disqualified and will not be eligible for classification in the results of the race.

### 3 - RIDER'S GEAR

During the race, riders must wear a helmet, gloves, boots, and one-piece leathers (or suitable one-piece clothing made from another approved material). All items of clothing must be securely zipped or fastened. All clothing and other personal equipment must meet the standards prescribed by the technical regulations of the FIM (International Motorcycle Federation). If the weather is bad, riders may wear protective clothing against the cold and rain on top of the items already mentioned.

During the entire duration of the race, all competitors must wear an armband on one of the sleeves of their leathers. The colours of the armbands identify competitors as follows:

<b>Yellow armband</b>	<b>Rider no. 1 (the person who starts the race)</b>
<b>Green armband</b>	<b>Rider no. 2</b>
<b>Blue armband</b>	<b>Rider no. 3</b>

### 4 - SPECIAL TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

All bikes must meet the **deccla's** technical and safety requirements in keeping with FIM norms.

### 5 - REGISTRATION

Teams can register by sending a fax to the organizers. It is important to include the attached registration form, filled out in full, and proof of payment of the event fee. **Fax no.: 0034 968 200259**

Registration will close either 10 days before the event or when all places have been filled. A maximum of 50 teams will be permitted to take part. This figure is valid both for practice and for the actual race.

Fees are to be transferred to the Club DECCLA account - account number 2043 0021 73 0200516973 at the Caja Murcia bank or account number 0075 1065 17 060 0087652 at the Banco Popular. Fees must be received 10 days before the event. Teams registering outside of this period will be subject to a surcharge to be paid at the circuit when confirming entry.

## 6 - ASSIGNMENT OF GARAGES

Since the number of garages is limited, each team may have to share a garage with another team to ensure that space is available for everyone. The organizers will place signs stating the numbers of the teams in question outside each garage.

## 7 - SIGNING ON

Signing on will take place according to the time table in the Cartagena race office.

Spanish competitors must present a valid licence and their DNI. Foreign participants must present a valid licence, race permit, and their DNI or passport. Once participants have signed on, they will be issued with the required paperwork, armbands, and scrutineering cards.

## 8 - SCRUTINEERING

Preliminary scrutineering will take place in the designated area at the circuit. Participants will be told where to go for scrutineering when they sign on.

During scrutineering, officials will check all parts specified in the technical regulations. The clothing and personal equipment of all participants will also be subject to scrutineering. The organizers may carry out scrutineering whenever they deem it necessary during the event. If any offence is uncovered, the team in question will be subject to expulsion from the race. In the case of less serious anomalies or faults, participants will be obliged to resolve the issue in question before returning to the track. Any bike that is not presented for scrutineering or that does not pass scrutineering will be excluded from the race.

Following a fall, the team in question must contact the official in charge of their team before being allowed to rejoin the race. This is to allow additional scrutineering to take place. Any bike that returns to the track without being checked by officials following such an incident will be disqualified.

## 9 – BRIEFING

The BRIEFING will take place in accordance with the timetable, prior to the official practice sessions. All competitors are obliged to attend the briefing, and attendance will be checked by asking all present to sign a register. Any competitor not present at the briefing will be subject to a fine of 75 euros. Failure to pay the fine will result in the disqualification of the team from the event.

## 10 – CHANGES TO TEAM MEMBERS

It is permitted to alter the competitors in a team up to 30 minutes before the start of the race. Pit officials or the race manager must be informed of any such changes.

## 11 - BEHAVIOUR ON THE TRACK

**All movement against the flow of the race is prohibited both on the track and in the pit lane.**

If an accident occurs or if a bike is unable to continue, the rider must immediately take action to remove the bike from the track to a position where it poses no danger to the rest of the race. If it is possible to repair the bike in question without additional parts, this may be done in situ. If this is not the case, the competitor must follow the instructions of track officials and wait to be returned to the pits by means of the circuit van. The team may re-enter the race only after receiving permission from the organizers.

Whilst on the track, it is absolutely prohibited that anyone approach a bike other than its current rider, marshals, the clerk of the course, or the track officials.

The clerk of the course and any of his officials reserve the right to call in any bike whose rider commits a disqualification offence or that might pose a serious danger to its own rider or to other competitors. If it is necessary to call a bike in, a black flag will be displayed at the start/finish line, indicting the number of the bike that must leave the track. If this occurs, the team leader will be informed of the reason for calling the bike in.

## 12 - BEHAVIOUR IN THE PIT LANE

For the entire duration of the event, only people who are required and authorized may enter the garages and the pit lane.

**The maximum speed in the pit lane is 40 km/h.**

The placing of any objects that might impede bikes or persons from circulating in the pit lane is prohibited. Smoking, naked flames, and containers of gas are all strictly prohibited in the garages and pit lane.

Unless the bike is being worked upon (see below for details of the limited tasks allowed in the pit lane), the work area in the pit lane must be kept clean and free from materials, tools, and other objects. Only the following tasks are permitted in the pit lane: Refuelling, adding oil, external maintenance and adjustment. Any other work constitutes repair work and must be carried out in the garage. If at any time work carried out on the bike results in the spillage of liquids, oil, or fuel on to the floor of the pit lane, the bike in question may not be restarted until both the bike itself and the affected area have been cleaned.

When making their way towards the end of the pit lane to join the track, competitors must observe the traffic lights and pay attention to other competitors when entering the track.

## 13 - BEHAVIOUR IN GARAGES

When stationary in the garage or pit lane, competitors must switch off their engines. **The sole case in which it is not necessary to switch off the engine is rider changeover.**

**Whenever the bike is stationary in order to allow repair work, refuelling, or any other task other than rider changeover, the engine must be switched off. If the engine is not switched off, the race officials will impose a penalty on the team.**

One pit official will be assigned to every three or four garages and will introduce him or herself to the relevant team leaders. Team leaders must inform their pit official of all incident, rider changeovers, repairs, and so on. The pit official will note down all such incidents and request the signature of the team leader.

The access gate to the pit lane will remain open at all times. However, the access gate to the paddock will remain closed. A container must be placed under the bike when

changing oil or carrying out similar engine work. All such tasks must take place in the garage and not in the pit lane.

#### 14 - RIDER CHANGEOVER

Each bike is to be ridden by two or three riders belonging to the team in question in turn. **No single competitor may spend a consecutive period of more than 60 minutes on the track. The minimum duration of each stint is 15 minutes.**

Rider changeovers may only take place in the pit lane work area in front of the garage assigned to the team in question. Once the rider changeover is complete, a team member must inform the relevant pit official. Failing to do so will result in a penalty as stated in the attached table.

#### 15 - CHANGING BIKES

It is permitted to exchange the primary bike for another bike of the same type and with the same racing number in cases where the primary bike **cannot be repaired**. If a team chooses to swap to the relief bike, the team in question will be disqualified. It may finish the race, but will not be eligible for a placing. The team is responsible for making sure that the transponder is attached to the relief bike. Both bikes must be in the garage when the changeover is made.

#### 16 - REFUELLING

Teams can refuel whenever they wish. Refuelling must always be carried out in front of the garage assigned to the team in question. **The engine must be switched off and the bike must be placed on a support that keeps it in a vertical position. The rider must dismount from the bike before refuelling.** Only team members may carry out refuelling.

It is prohibited to carry out refuelling at the same time as repair work. No other work may be carried out on the bike immediately after refuelling. Any repairs, checks, or adjustments must be made **before** refuelling the bike. It is absolutely prohibited to refuel the bike by changing the tank. If the tank needs to be replaced as a result of damage to the bike, it must be completely empty of fuel.

#### 17 - PRACTICE SESSIONS

Practice sessions will take place in accordance with the timetable. Each team may only use one of their bikes in the official practice.

#### 18 - TEAMS PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE

The maximum number of teams that can take part in the race is 50. Grid places will be assigned once the results of the official timed practice are in.

#### 19 - START

There will be a Le Mans start.

All qualifying bikes and their no. 1 rider must join the track for a sighting lap. At the end of this lap, participants must place their bike at the relevant grid position. At this point, only rider no. 1 and one assistant may be present.

Any rider experiencing problems at this point must immediately return to his garage. It is absolutely prohibited to place one's bike on the grid in any way that might impede the start of the race.

Any bike arriving late must start from the pit lane or at the rear of the grid.

- 1 minute board: All riders move into their start position (opposite their bikes on the other side of the track)
- 30 second board: All riders must now be standing opposite their bikes on the other side of the track.
- The race is started by the **lowering** of the national flag.

At this point, each participant runs towards his bike to start the race. **ENGINES ARE ON FOR THE START OF THE RACE.**

**Any rider who is in motion or who is not standing forward of his bike on the opposite side of the track when the race is started will be penalized. Teams will also be penalized if the rider's assistant steps onto the track to push the bike.**

## *20 - STOPPING THE RACE - RESTART*

If the race has to be stopped due to abnormal or unanticipated circumstances, the race will be called if 75% of the entire planned duration of the race has elapsed.

If this is not the case, the race will be restarted and the bikes will line up on the grid in the same order as for the initial start. Results will be decided on the total number of laps completed in both sessions.

## 21 - SAFETY CAR

Certain incidents such as inclement weather and serious accidents may pose a safety risk or make it impossible for the race to continue as normal. In such cases, the clerk of the course may decide to send out the SAFETY CAR. When the safety car is on the track it will switch on yellow warning lights. From this point onwards, all marshals will display a white flag and the letters SC or a yellow flag. The safety car will join the track, with its lights flashing, from the pit lane, regardless of the position of the race leader. All riders then line up behind the safety vehicle. Overtaking is prohibited whilst the safety car is on the track. When the clerk of the course is certain that the incident causing the safety car to be deployed has been resolved, the safety car is ordered to leave the track. It does so via the exit to the pits. **Overtaking is prohibited until the safety car has left the track and the rider in question has passed the line where green flag is displayed.** Any rider who overtakes whilst the safety car is on the track will be penalized.

## 22 - FINISH

When the planned duration of the race has elapsed, the **last lap sign** is displayed. Following the last lap, the chequered flag is waved as the race leader reaches the finish line.

## 23 - FINAL PLACINGS

Placings are decided on the basis of the number of laps completed before the lowering of the chequered flag. Penalties are taken into account.

Teams must fulfil the following conditions to be placed:

1: Pass the finish line a maximum of 6 minutes after the race leader receives the chequered flag.

2: Complete a minimum distance of 75% of the distance covered by the winning team.

If several bikes are on the same lap when the race finishes, placings will be determined by the order in which the competitors in question finished the last complete lap before the planned duration of the race elapsed.

## 24 - SUSPENSION/POSTPONEMENT

The organizers reserve the right to suspend or postpone the race in exceptional circumstances, without obligation to compensate participants, by returning the entrance fees paid with the exception of fees paid by participants who agree to take part on another specified date. In the case of the suspension or postponement of the race, the relevant authorities will be informed of the circumstances immediately.

## 25 - PENALTIES

OFFENCE	PENALTY	PENALTY FOR REPEAT OFFENCE
Overtaking when danger flags are being shown or when the safety car is on the track	4 laps	Exclusion from race
Failing to wear an armband or swapping armbands with another rider	4 laps	Disqualification
Changing bikes	Disqualification	
Failing to attend the briefing and not paying the fine imposed	Exclusion from race	
Not informing officials of changes to team riders	Disqualification	
Carrying out repairs outside of the designated zone	2 laps	4 laps
Not being re-scrutineered after a fall	Disqualification	
Breaking the pit lane speed limit	4 laps	Disqualification
Receiving external help outside of the pit lane	Disqualification	Exclusion from race
Ignoring the black flag	Warning	Disqualification
Failing to switch off the engine for pit stops in accordance with the rules set out in section 13 on behaviour in the pits	3 laps	5 laps
Failing to inform officials of repair work, parts replacement, or refuelling	Warning	2 laps
Failing to inform officials of rider changeovers	Warnings	2 laps
Carrying out rider changeovers outside of the designated zone	2 laps	3 laps
Failing to observe changeover times	1 lap for each 10% above/below allowed period	
Refuelling by replacing the fuel tank	Disqualification	
Refuelling without switching off the engine	4 laps	Disqualification
Refuelling without placing the bike on a stand, or with the rider still on the bike, or by more than one person	4 laps	6 laps
Rider in motion immediately before start of race (not in start position)	2 laps	

Rider receiving non-authorized assistance during the start of the race Team members stepping onto the track during the start of the race	3 laps 3 laps	
Not signing to acknowledge incidents	2 laps	
Unauthorized race number change	Disqualification	
Scrutineering offence	Exclusion from race	
Riding in the opposite direction that of the race	Exclusion from race	
Unsporting behaviour	Exclusion from race	
Damaging circuit facilities/property	Exclusion from race	
Unauthorized bike change	Disqualification	

## 26 - COMPLAINTS

Any complaints, whether of a sporting or technical nature, must be made in accordance with the specifications of the Sporting Code (Código Deportivo) of the RFME and the corresponding annexes pertaining to speed.