

# **Formula Ford Championship**

## **Ford (FF), Club Ford (CF) and Post Club Ford (PCF)**

Sponsored by SVRA

The Formula Ford Championship is designed to celebrate the history of these great affordable open wheel cars. These cars have been consistently providing close, fun competition since their inception. The actual series began when Ford began providing stock Cortina engines as an alternative to the highly modified 1000cc MAE engines being utilized in F3. The new Formula Ford class quickly replaced F3 as the 1<sup>st</sup> rung of the ladder to Formula 1 and the rest is history. These cars have been raced all over the world and many of the most notable racing drivers in history got their start in the Formula Fords.

Formula Fords are one of the longest running series in the history of motorsports and has had a consistent rule set all these years. The goal of this series is to provide close competitive racing while adhering to the "Spirit of Vintage Racing," it is our hope to create large competitive fields of cars.

The Formula Ford Championship is a nationwide series made up of multiple regions. There will be Regional and National Series Champions. This season the National Series Championship race will be held at the US Vintage Racing National Championship at Circuit of The Americas (COTA) at the end of the year. Each regional championship will be determined by points and awards given out at the Saturday night banquet at COTA. The Formula Ford National Championship winners will be crowned on Sunday. There will be a podium for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in finishing order and a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall series points champion's podium.

The Formula Ford Championship is open to all cars from 1967 to 2008 with Ford / Kent motors that meet the SVRA Formula Ford Rulebook requirements. The FF Rulebook may be seen at;

<https://svra.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/SVRA-Formula-Ford-Rulebook-rev-118-1.pdf>

All vehicles are required to display the official Formula Ford Championship sticker to be eligible for points. Series sponsor stickers may be required.

All cars will be weighed exiting the track post-race, the minimum weight is 1125lbs with driver. Cars may be weighed at any time. Failure to comply with weigh-ins will result in disqualification of position, loss of session points and will start at the back of the field for the next session. Official event scales will be declared at the beginning of the weekend. The weight is the weight; there is no margin of error. The event scales reflect the final decision for weigh-ins.

## **Competition & Conduct**

If a car is prepared beyond the spirit of any of the rules, the car may be disqualified at any time. All cars should be prepared and driven with the “Spirit of Vintage Racing” in mind. All competitors must maintain respect for directors, event officials and their fellow competitors on and off the track at all times. We are here to have fun first and foremost.

Any car infractions or unsportsmanlike conduct on or off track during the course of the season shall be dealt with by the regional directors and/or national director. Points may be deducted at director’s discretion.

## POINTS

FF, CF and PCF will maintain separate overall point standings for purposes of the season point's championship.

**Points will be awarded for finishing positions for 2 races per weekend as follows.**

1st = 11 points

2nd = 10 points

3rd = 9 points

4th = 8 points

5th = 7 points

6th = 6 points

7th = 5 points

8th = 4 points

9th = 3 points

10th = 2 points

11th + 1 point

**Points will be awarded for 2 Qualifying sessions per weekend as follows.**

Points will be awarded for laps completed (rain or shine), 1 point per lap will be awarded based on laps completed as shown on the official event timing and scoring sheets, 8 laps maximum, If actual total Qualifying session laps are more or less than 8 a formula will be applied to equal the maximum 8 laps.

Example, a Qualifying session for whatever reason only has 6 laps;  $8/6=1.333$  points per lap. If you completed 4 of the 6 laps  $4 \times 1.333=5.333$  points will be awarded. If a Qualifying session is called by the event directors (not regional directors) because of inclement weather all cars will receive 8 points. If a Race is called for the same reasons, points will be awarded for the best times in the previous qualifying session or, finishing position of the previous race.

There is one double regional race at The Brickyard and drivers will score points based on their (in region) finishing position not overall finishing position.

The final regional race at COTA will be held on Saturday and will be a double point's race and will count as the last regional race. The Formula Ford National

Championship for FF, CF and PCF will be decided on Sunday and will be a double point's race.

A Tie Breaker rule will be applied as follows:

1. Race Starts (Saturdays Qualifying Race is considered a race)
2. Race Laps Completed
3. Average of all Race Finishing Positions
4. Qualifying session points

**NOTE:** Drivers with any violation of any prep rules, or being found underweight anytime during the season shall NOT be eligible for any tie breaker rule.

Drivers may attend events outside their local region for regional points as long as these events are supported by the Formula Ford Championship. (Please see the Formula Ford Championship schedule)

Any competitors that choose to race nationally instead of regionally may score national championship points at any scheduled events but these points will not count toward a regional championship. This choice must be approved by the National Director prior to your first point's race.

A maximum of 4 events will be scored including 1 out of region event. Competitors may score regional points at the first out of region event attended only. After a 5<sup>th</sup> race in or out of region the lowest scoring weekend event points will be dropped for the maximum number of 4 event weekends. Any official scheduled events after the first five are not eligible for scoring points.

COTA will be the fifth point's event for all regions and will include 2 Qualifying sessions and a Saturday race. The points scored at this event may not be dropped.

All Drivers are responsible for emailing their highlighted, official, weekend time sheets / results to the National Director in order to score points. Times sheets must be received no later than 7 days after an event to receive points. Any problems arising at non SVRA events will be assessed by the event organizers, regional director/s and national director, any decisions made will be in the best interest of the Formula Ford Championship and will be final.

## **Registration and Certification**

All cars must complete the registration process for the Formula Ford Championship in order to be eligible for points.

- Fill out the online Competition Passport
- Upload the required pictures to the Competition Passport

Once the Competition Passport is complete the Competition Passport will be locked. Any modifications or changes in car specs during the year must be updated via email with documentation and pictures.

All cars will have their Official Competition Passport posted on the SVRA Website for public viewing. All cars on the Website are considered to be in good standing with the Formula Ford Championship; once a car has been withdrawn or disqualified it will be removed from the website.

The Formula Ford Championship will be featured in Vintage Racing Quarterly (VRQ) magazine with point standings and pictures.

**Competition Passports must accompany all cars at all events.**

As part of the continued efforts to support and grow vintage racing, SVRA will absorb all costs associated with the Formula Ford Championship as to not place any burden on any not for profit racing organizations or the competitors themselves. We simply ask that drivers commit to running at least three events.

# Regions

## National Director:

Rick Parent, [rick@svra.com](mailto:rick@svra.com)

Local regions are determined by the state in which you reside.

### 1- Northwest Region:

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- Oregon
- Washington
- Idaho

### 2 - Southwest Region:

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- California
- Nevada
- Arizona

### 3 - Big Sky Region:

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- Montana
- North Dakota
- South Dakota
- Wyoming
- Nebraska

#### **4 - Mid Central Region:**

**Director/s**

**States:**

- Utah
- Colorado
- Kansas

#### **5 - Longhorn Region:**

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- New Mexico
- Oklahoma
- Texas
- Arkansas
- Louisiana

#### **6 - Central region:**

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- Minnesota
- Iowa
- Missouri
- Wisconsin
- Illinois
- Michigan
- Indiana
- Ohio

#### **7 - Northeast Region:**

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- Kentucky
- Virginia
- West Virginia
- Maryland
- Delaware

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- Rhode Island
- Connecticut
- Massachusetts
- New York
- Vermont
- New Hampshire
- Maine

## **8 - Southeast Region:**

**Director/s:**

**States:**

- Mississippi
- Alabama
- Tennessee
- Georgia
- Florida
- South Carolina
- North Carolina



# **Official Races by Region**

## **1 - Northwest Region:**

1. Pacific Raceways, April 27-28 (SOVREN)
2. Spokane County Raceway, June 8-9 (SOVREN)
3. Pacific Raceways July 5-7 (SOVREN)
4. Portland, July 25-28 (SVRA)
5. Portland, September 7-8 (SOVREN)

## **2- Southwest Region:**

6. Willow Springs, March 22-24 (VARA)
7. Autoclub Speedway, April 26-28 (SVRA)
8. Weather Tech Raceway, May 3-5 (SVRA)
9. Willow Springs, September 14-15 (VARA)
10. Any other FF Championship race in any region

## **3 - Big Sky Region:**

Any official FF Championship Race in any region will count for Big Sky Regional points

## **4 - Mid Central:**

None at this time

## **5 - Longhorn Region:**

11. MSR Houston, February 22-24 (CVAR)
12. Hallet, March 22-24 (CVAR)
13. Eagles Canyon Raceway, April 12-14 (CVAR)
14. MSR Houston, May 17-19 (CVAR)
15. Texas Motor Speedway, September 20-22 (CVAR)

## **6 - Central Region**

16. Road America, May 16-19 (SVRA)
17. Mid Ohio, June 20-23 (SVRA) Indy,
18. August 1-4 (SVRA)
19. Gratten, August 16-18 (VSCDA)
20. Road America, September 11-15 (VSCDA)

## **7- Northeast Region**

21. Lime Rock, May 24-27 (SVRA)
22. Thompson Speedway, June 20-22 (VRG)
23. NJMP, July 26-28 (VRG)
24. Watkins Glen, September 5-8 (SVRA)
25. VIR, September 19-22 (SVRA)

## **8 - Southeast Region**

26. Roebling Road, Feb 15-17 (SVRA)
27. Road Atlanta March 28-31 (SVRA)
28. VIR, April 5-7 (VDCA & VRG)
29. Indy, August 1-4 (SVRA)
30. Roebling Road, September 7-8 (VDCA)