

## KALAMAZOO SPEEDWAY TIRE PROGRAM REVISED FOR 2022



We want to share a note that was received from Hoosier Racing Tire on March 30. Please keep in mind that Hoosier makes their living by selling race tires to race tracks and racers and we have been warned that proceeding with our currently published tire policy will result in running out of tires.

Gary,

I saw on-line what you are doing for tire limits. I would suggest cutting the outlaw cars back to 2 tires a night for weekly shows and cut the other classes back to 1 tire per night or we will be out of tires if the demand continues. And you should severely cut back on any new practice tires.



HOOSIER RACING TIRE

So with that warning in mind, please take note of the following important changes.

1. One of the most reluctantly made decisions over the last 22 years is that tire soaking will be permitted as a means to nursing old tires into racing tires. **HOWEVER, ABSOLUTELY NO TIRE SOAKING MATERIAL (INCLUDING SHRINK WRAP) WILL BE ALLOWED ON SPEEDWAY PROPERTY.**

2. Revised tire pricing follows (as always, the price includes mounting and tax):

OSLM (3035/3045)	\$165
TLM (F-70s)	\$155
Street Stock (800s)	\$145
Outlaw FWD (790s)	\$130

3. The following table lists the dates each class races and the number of new tires that may be purchased or brought to the track to race on for that date. Teams will supply the 2-3 used tires that will be needed in order to race for most weeks of the season. In the event of a rainout, tire allotments will NOT roll over to the next week; the next week will pick up as if we'd gone racing. If a driver skips a race night and returns on a subsequent night, the team will be allowed the number of new tires listed for the night they are racing.

OSLM		TLM		Street Stock		Outlaw FWD	
Race Night	# new tires	Race Night	# new tires	Race Night	# new tires	Race Night	# new tires
April 29	4	April 29	4	April 23	4	April 23	4
May 6	3	May 6	3	April 29	2	April 29	2
May 20	2	May 20	2	May 6	2	May 20	1
June 10	4	June 3	3	May 13	3	June 3	2
June 17	3	June 10	2	June 3	2	June 10	1
July 8	2	July 1	2	June 17	2	June 17	2
July 16	4	July 8	2	July 1	2	July 1	1
Aug 12	3	July 16	4	July 8	2	July 15	2
Aug 19	2	July 22	3	July 15	4	July 22	1
Aug 26	4	July 29	2	July 22	2	July 29	2
		Aug 5	2	July 29	2	Aug 5	1
		Aug 12	3	Aug 5	3	Aug 12	2
		Aug 19	2	Aug 12	2	Aug 19	1
		Aug 26	2	Aug 26	2	Sept 2	3
		Sept 2	3	Sept 2	3		

4. Drivers racing weekly at Kalamazoo Speedway may purchase one set of tires at one of the two open practice sessions. We are unable to offer cash and carry tire sales for out of town drivers at this time.
5. The unique set of circumstances facing us all are temporary and we are certainly hopeful that we will resume normal operations (including the soaking ban) in 2023. However, until we are able to achieve normal operations, we will all have to buckle down and try our best to keep the sport alive.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

For your convenience, the parts of the last post on tires that are still in effect (tire marking, qualifying, etc.) are included below so all tire information is contained in one place.

### **Group Qualifying Changes for the Outlaw Super Late Models, Template Late Models and Street Stock**

Cars in these classes will be going through tech to have race tires marked before the qualifying session for each class. Each class will have two sessions; however, qualifying times will only be taken from the second session. Times for all sessions will continue to show on the scoring tower. While not a change in qualifying procedure, the **Outlaw FWD** cars will also have their tires marked in tech prior to qualifying,

### **Outlaw Super Late Models, Template Late Models, Street Stocks and Outlaw FWDs**

New tires may be purchased as indicated in the earlier table. Teams must supply their own used tires. A tire that was scuffed for 8 laps at three-quarter speed the week before is not a used tire. A used tire will have a minimum of 20-25 race laps on it and the center line and the tire wear tabs must show proof of this. Heat races may be run without marked tires; features will be run with the marked tires. Teams that change a tire during qualifying or prior to the feature must have the tire checked prior to going out on the track. Teams that change a tire during a feature should plan on receiving a visit from a track official following the completion of the race.

Let's work together to have a successful season despite the obstacles and not expend energy trying to figure out a way to cheat the system. Speedway officials are committed to offering a level playing field and reserve the right to reject tires not deemed to have sufficient wear to be deemed "used". There will always be used takeoffs outside the tire barn that teams may run. There is no charge for the takeoffs; however, if a team wants the tire mounted, it will be \$5.00.

### **Zoo Stock**

This class will have the same DOT rule that it's had for the last 4-5 years.

And, sorry, due to tire allocations from Hoosier there will be no mid-week tire sales. There will be no cash and carry tires sold after a race night to be used at other events. No, we aren't happy about any of this either.

We thank all of you for your understanding; we are all in this together.