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# COMPETITION BULLETIN

TO: All AMA Sports Dirt Track Competitors

FROM: AMA Racing

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SUBJECT: **AMA Sports Dirt Track Sound Enforcement**

Sound continues to be a concern for AMA Racing. There is a concerted effort to reduce and enforce sound limits in AMA Pro Racing disciplines. The Supercross and Motocross disciplines are enforced to 99 dB/A. The Supermoto sound limits will be enforced to 101 dB/A for the 2008 season. There will be testing this year for AMA Pro Flat Track.

The 2008 AMA Sports Rulebook states that sound testing is optional and a promoter responsibility, it also states that the promoter may impose penalties for non compliance. It is understood that compliance with this rule is not a simple process for the dirt track community as in many cases stock frames are not used and exhaust systems require fabrication. The AMA will be enforcing sound limits at the AMA Dirt Track Grand Championships and will be strongly encouraging promoters to use the same format.

The 2008 AMA Dirt Track Grand Championships will use the following criteria for enforcement:

**99 dB/A** - requirement per the 2008 rulebook

**up to 100.5 dB/A** - verbal warning (based on the variance per the J1287 test procedure)

**up to 103 dB/A** - written warning

**over 103 dB/A** - required to modify and retest

**over 103 dB/A and unable to modify** - probation with the AMA for the remainder of the year. Any violation of the AMA rulebook for the remainder of the season will automatically be a fine and or suspension from AMA Competition.

There is no anticipated change in the required sound limit for 2009, however the 2009 AMA Dirt Track Grand Championships will require sound level compliance to compete.

Should you have any questions concerning this information, please contact the AMA Racing Technical Department at (614) 856-1900 or email [tech@amaproring.com](mailto:tech@amaproring.com).