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## 2018 Rule(s) Bulletin

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### The following is an informational bulletin:

**To: DIRTcar 2017 Members**

**From: Sam Driggers, Mike Perrotte**

**Re: 2018 Driver Protection requirements**

Please find below, a quick resource and informational guide for the 2018 season Driver Protection requirements. Many of you already have, or are very close to full compliance.

The requirements will be released with the 2018 rulebooks, however, we are sending this to give additional advance notice to verify your equipment and give the chance to shop the off season shows if you need something additional.

Please give a call if you have questions. As we have demonstrated in the past, we will work with teams to integrate these components into your racing operation. Our industry has nothing to gain with negative social media posts, "hair on fire" proclamations or piling on. Please use this advance notice for what it is intended.

These requirements were in the 2017 rulebook and the 2018 rulebook will provide some additional details if needed. We have included a summary at the bottom

We have divided this by DIRTcar Divisions for quick reference.

- **DIRTcar Late Models**

Required:

- Head and Neck Restraints
- Intrusion Plates
- Compliant Fuel Cells
- Compliant Containment Seats
- Fire Suppression System

- **DIRTcar Northeast Big-Block Modifieds, 358 Modifieds, Sportsman Modifieds, Pro Stocks**

Required:

- Head and Neck Restraints
- Compliant Fuel Cells
- Compliant Containment Seats
- Fire Suppression System (recommended - mandatory in 2019)

- **DIRTcar UMP Modified**

Required:

- Head and Neck Restraints
- Intrusion Plates
- Compliant Fuel Cells
- Compliant Containment Seats
- Fire Suppression System(recommended)

- **DIRTcar Pro Late Models**

Required:

- Head and Neck Restraints
- Compliant Fuel Cells
- Compliant Containment Seats
- Fire Suppression System(recommended)





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### All other DIRTcar Divisions: Pro-Modifieds, Stock Cars, Factory Stocks

- Head and Neck Restraints (recommended)
- Compliant Fuel Cells (recommended)
- Containment Seats (recommended)
- Fire Suppression System (recommended)

### Component Summary:

The specific rules will be included in each series/Division rule books. The following is only a General Summary of the basic elements:

#### Head and Neck Restraints:

The head and neck restraint must be SFI 38.1 approved and display a legible and valid SFI 38.1 label.

#### Intrusion Plates:

A minimum 1/8" (.125") thick magnetic steel intrusion plate on the driver's side door bars is mandatory. A bolted or clamped plate measuring a minimum of 16" x 26" or Individual plates welded between door bars.

#### Compliant Fuel Cells:

Either meet FT3 or SFI 28.3 requirements **and/or** Include: a metal container, bladder, foam, top Bolted fuel valve plate with flop valve or roll over check valve, threaded cap, steel rack or minimum two straps each way.

#### Fire Suppression System –

10-pound system meeting SFI 17.1

#### Containment Seats –

Seats must be "Full Containment" style constructed of aluminum to the general design specifications of current industry standards (SFI 39.2). Design shall include comprehensive head surround, shoulder and torso support system, energy impact foam, and removable head foam. Consult with your seat manufacturer for questions and recommendations regarding your seat safety system.

Seats manufactured using carbon fiber or composite materials must meet SFI 39.2 specifications.

Up-fitting an existing seat with bolt-on kits will be permitted with a seat manufacturer-produced kit and an acceptable base seat approved by the seat manufacturer. Consult with your seat manufacturer for recommendations regarding your current seat. If Left Head Surround does not exceed 7 inches from the back of the headrest, a left side seat net meeting SFI specifications is required.

Please note:

Approved uniforms, "in date" seat belts, helmets, gloves, and other requirements are also covered in Section 3 of the General Specifications. Please refer to Section 3 for complete requirements.

World of Outlaws Craftsman Late Models and World of Outlaws Craftsman Sprint Cars - please refer to series general rules and specifications.

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