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Rule Update for 2026 – Sway Bars.

*** Note – the only rule addition is the Sway Bar rule in each divisions suspension components section. All other rules remain the same.

17.8.3 – Suspension Components – (18.8.3 for DIRTcar 358 & 19.8.3 for DIRTcar Sportsman)

- A. Independent front and/or rear suspensions will not be permitted. No Cantilever suspensions allowed.
- B. A-Frames and/or ball joints will not be permitted for steering axis (kingpin only).
- C. Four-wheel steering actuated by the steering wheel and/or of any type will not be permitted.
- D. All suspension systems (including travel limiters) and designs must be mechanical. Hydraulic, pneumatic (air), electronic, radio and/or computer assisted for adjustments, and/or in-or-out of cockpit type suspensions, and/or suspension adjustment systems will not be permitted. Only one travel limiter permitted per car.
- E. Traction control of any type, including within the braking system is not permitted.
- F. Only a single brake bias and shut off along with single side, mechanical rear panhard adjustment will be permitted in the cockpit. Any other type of adjustment will not be permitted in the cockpit.
- G. Only double-sided torque arms (two) will be permitted and must be mounted in a fixed perpendicular position to the rear end. Front slider rods and the torque arms attaching point must be centered in chassis (left to right). Both sides of the torque arm assembly (right and left) must be symmetrical in size and shape. Both sides of the torque arm assembly (right and left) must be attached to the center pick up point.
- H. Spring rods allowed on right rear radius rod only. Must be a conventional approved spring rod. No externally mounted shocks attached to radius rod. No Rubber biscuits allowed on the left rear radius rod.
- I. Only conventional type aluminum birdcages. All Bird cages must be clamped or fixed to rear end tubes and cannot move. Maximum bracket thickness 2" (inches). Any new birdcage designs must be approved.
- J. The only material used to fabricate axle housing mounts (birdcages) that will be permitted is aluminum unless approved by DIRTcar. Axle housing mounts fabricated of exotic; heavy materials will not be permitted.
- K. When fabricating axle housing mounts detail must be paid to functionality. The completed axle housing mounts, when comparing the right and the left side, must be as similar in design as possible.
- L. Left front droop may be limited by chain, tether or solid stop. No springs, cushions or rubber allowed.
- M. Sway bars are not permitted to be used anywhere in the car.

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