

Awana® Grand Prix Races: Standard Procedures*



During check-in each driver's name and car number are recorded. After the check-in is complete and during the message and preliminary announcements, the race secretary will draw slips of paper containing the names and numbers of all the qualified cars and drivers. These will be listed on the play-off sheet in the order drawn. (Write directly on the over-head transparencies, using non-permanent markers only!) The first name drawn is in the first heat and in the red lane; the second name, blue lane; third name, green lane; fourth name, yellow lane; fifth name, second heat, red lane, etc. As the last five or six slips are drawn, avoid having a heat with only one or two drivers in it. Instead, keeping the order the same, eliminate one lane in the last couple of heats to provide at least a three-way race, if possible.

As soon as all the qualified cars and drivers are listed on the play-off sheet for the first set of elimination races, shuffle the slips of paper, and repeat the draw for rounds two and three. Optionally, a fourth set of elimination races can be run if a fourth grand finalist is desired. As racing goes on, it will be necessary to strike the names(s) of the grand finalist(s) from succeeding rounds once the prior round is completed. There is a chance that this will result in a two-way race. If that occurs, make last minute changes to provide at least a three-way race, if possible.

As racing proceeds, advance the names of the winners of heats to the next level of competition until a winner for that round is determined. (Remember to eliminate the winner's name and number from each remaining play-off sheet before commencing the next round.)

The winner of the first play-off round (sheet #1) becomes the first grand finalist. Place his/her name on the grand finals sheet. He/she will race in the red lane in the first heat of the grand finals to determine first, second, and third place winners for speed. (An optional fourth place may also be determined.) The winner of the second set of elimination races becomes the second grand finalist. He/she will race in the blue lane in the first heat of the grand finals, and so on for the third (and fourth) grand finalist(s).

The grand finals is a series of four heats. Each car will race in each of the coloured lanes once. Score each car that crosses the finish line. A first place finish is three points, second is two points, and so on. (If there are four grand finalists, use four, three, two, and one points.) After the four heats, tally the points for each car. The highest scoring car is first place, etc. If a first place tie occurs, race the two cars in the best of three races, switching lanes after each race. If a tie occurs for second (or third) place, a single race determines the winner.

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Racing Specifications



The following specifications will govern the Grand Prix Open events in this region.

1. Overall length shall not exceed 17.8 cm/7"
2. Overall width shall not exceed 7 cm/2¾"
3. Overall height shall not exceed 10 cm/4"
4. Car weight shall not exceed 150 gm/5¼ oz.*
5. Wheel bearings, bushings, washers and springs are prohibited.
6. No starting devices are permitted. Car must be free wheeling.
7. Only Awana wheels and axles may be used.

Note: the block of wood from the Awana Grand Prix Racer Kit with the addition of the Awana wheels and axles will meet the size requirements. Weight may be added, but the completed car may not exceed a total weight of 150 gm/5¼ oz.* Weights must be securely fastened to the car.

Cars may not have raced in a previous season. A clubber may have help from a parent or other adult in constructing the car, provided that the clubber does at least 50% of the work. Sparks and Cubbies are not permitted to participate in the Grand Prix Open events in this region.

*Conforms to Canadian standards.