



Brett Downey Safety Foundation
30213 Gulf Stream Dr. Canyon Lake, Ca 92587
www.mxsafty38.org

Ph: (951) 704-0248
Fax: (951) 304-0221

FLAGGER GUIDELINES

"Get Educated"

Read the flagger guidelines thoroughly and complete the flagger test on the next page.

The flagger is the single most important employee of the track. Many people rely on the flaggers to keep their loved ones safe out on the track. The purpose of the flagger is to warn riders of danger and most importantly reduce the risk of an already dangerous sport.

When the yellow flag is waving riders cannot jump and/or pass. If a rider does jump and/or pass on the yellow flag, report that rider's number to a track official and the rider will be docked a lap.

When a rider crashes, it is your job to wave the yellow flag to warn other riders about the crash. Do not assist the rider in anyway. Even if the rider is injured. It is the EMT's job to assist down riders.

While flagging, point to direct the riders to a safe path to ride through and avoid the crash.

A flagger must have his/her flag in hand at all times. Do not play around with the flag, as a rider may think there's a crash, when there isn't. Keep flags held down along side of you while there's no down rider.

When waving the flag, be sure your flag is projected in a clear visible manor. Do not just wave a stick, while the flag is tangled up. The flagger and his/her flag should be clearly visible.

Be sure to be in the proper flagging position: wave the flag a good distance in front of the crash. This allows the riders adequate time to slow down. It's important to know the speed the riders are going and understand a lot of riders ride with their head down.

A flagger must always hold their position until the danger is cleared, even if parents or fans are screaming at you to do something else.

Never leave your post unless instructed to do so. Never assume someone else will flag your area.

It could be a long day at the track. Flaggers must come prepared with appropriate clothing and apparel for the weather. Boots or shoes with ankle support are highly recommended as well as sun block & lip balm.

Flagging is dangerous, serious injury and/or death can result. Always keep your eyes on the track and be aware of your surroundings. Dirtbikes weigh 250lbs and you do not want to get hit by one. A flagger must be alert at all times. They must be constantly looking for crashes and troubled areas.

It's very important the flaggers communicate and help each other out. The flagging crew is a team and a successful team is everyone working together.

Be kind to the riders and their parents. They are paying customers and must be treated accordingly.

No Alcohol and/or drugs, before and while on duty. Must be at least 16 years old to flag.

SIGN: _____

DATE: _____

Signing verifies you have read and understand these guidelines thoroughly

The Brett Downey Safety Foundation thanks you for your hard work and effort. Together we can help make the sport of motocross safer!



FLAGGER TEST

Please circle the correct answer to the questions below.

1. If a rider crashes on the landing of a jump. The flagger should position him/herself?
 - A) At the exact spot of the crash
 - B) In front of the take off of the jump to give the rider's enough time to slow down.
 - C) Don't worry about position as long as the yellow flag is waving
 - D) All the above
2. If you're waving the yellow flag and a rider jumps a double. You should?
 - A) Yell at the rider not to jump
 - B) Don't worry about it. The rider jumping didn't come close to the down rider
 - C) Remember the number and color of the bike and report it to a track official
 - D) The rider is your friend, you'll let it slide
3. A rider has crashed in your area. You begin to wave the flag, but you notice the rider has an injured leg. Do you?
 - A) Stop waving the flag and help the rider off the track
 - B) Take the boot off the rider to examine the leg
 - C) Continue to wave the flag to warn other riders of the crash
 - D) All the above
4. You have to use the restroom. Do you?
 - A) Leave your post and go
 - B) Hold it until the races are over
 - C) Tell the person in charge so they can cover your post
 - D) All the above
5. You're waving the flag to warn riders of a crash and your cell phone rings. Do you?
 - A) Answer the call and tell them you're busy
 - B) Do not answer it
 - C) Answer it and hold a conversation
 - D) All the above
6. It could be a long day at the track, as a flagger you should come prepared with?
 - A) Proper clothing and apparel for the weather.
 - B) Sun block & lip balm
 - C) Boots or shoes with ankle support
 - D) All the above



Brett Downey Safety Foundation
30213 Gulf Stream Dr. Canyon Lake, Ca 92587
www.mxsafty38.org

Ph: (951) 704-0248
Fax: (951) 304-0221

7. What is the primary purpose of a flagger?

- A) To water the track
- B) To pick up a down rider's bike
- C) To warn rider's of danger
- D) None of the above

8. When waving the flag to warn riders of a dangerous situation, you and the yellow flag should be?

- A) Sitting down while flagging
- B) Standing in a clearly visible position
- C) Attending to the down rider and flagging at the same time
- D) Doing nothing, someone else will flag

9. A flagging crew is a team. And a successful team must?

- A) Communicate
- B) Help each other in every way possible
- C) Be passionate and care about their job
- D) All the above

10. The job of a flagger is very important because?

- A) You get paid
 - B) You get entertained by the races
 - C) People rely on you to keep their loved ones safe
 - D) You get a free lunch
-