







Dear Motocross Racer,

# Honda 150 European Championship

The Honda 150 European Championship is the new junior support class to the FIM Motocross World Championship. As part of Honda's global programme to support young racing talent the series provides the best young 11 to 14 year old Motocross racers from around the world the opportunity to develop and showcase their skills at an international level. Taking place at three rounds of the 2013 FIM Motocross World Championship the entry package includes use of Honda CRF 150 R race motorcycle, transportation of the motorcycle to the races, technical and coaching support, fuel, tyres, tools, hospitality area and workstations. All the rider has to do is arrive at the circuit with a mechanic helper and race!

All the bikes are completely identical and strictly controlled, meaning fair and equal racing in which the best rider on the day should win. As an official support series to the FIM Motocross World Championship the safety standards and medical support are of the highest level possible. The championship winner will be promoted within the Honda Racing family and rewarded with the fantastic prize of a fully supported ride in the European MX 250 championship aboard a Honda CRF 250 R.\*

### Honda 150 European Championship 2013 Calendar

JULY 23-24 Lausitzring selection and training camp

JULY 28 Lausitzring, GermanyAUG 18 Bastogne, Belgium

AUG 25 Matterley Basin, England

# **Regulatory Body**

The Honda 150 European Championship is run in affiliation with the FIM Europe. Riders should be nominated for entry to the selection camp by their national federations. The competitors will then be selected by representatives of the FIM Europe and Honda. Licensing will be processed by the FIM Europe in conjunction with the riders affiliated national Motocross federation.

The license requirement is for a FIM Europe MX Junior or Promosport license for European riders, or a Continental Union License for competitors from outside Europe. You will also require a 'Start Permission' for the race or championship and to have the FIM Europe 150 MX entry form stamped by your federation and returned to the organizer.

### Championship prize

The winner of the 2013 Honda 150 European Championship will receive a fully supported entry into the 2014 EMX 250 Championship, riding a latest model Honda CRF 250 R.

\*Prize subject to meeting license requirements for EMX 250. An alternative prize will be offered if not applicable.





















### The Entry package

The Honda 150 European Championship is a fully supported championship. The entry package includes:

- Use of Honda CRF 150 R motorcycle.
- Official team wear for rider and one helper
- Entry fees, tyres, consumables and fuel at races.
- Technical and coaching support
- Use of work stations, tools and stands located in the Honda 150 European Championship paddock village

The entry package does not include:

- Competitor travel to and from the circuits
- Accommodation
- Food and drink (This will be available at a subsidised rate)
- Rider's personal insurances
- Crash or technical damages

### Selection procedure

Riders will be chosen based on their age, achievements and future potential.

### **Technical controls**

The sporting and technical regulations for the Honda 150 European Championship can be viewed at www.uemmoto.eu. The most fundamental point is that:

### No modifications at all are permitted to the motorcycle other than minor setup adjustment!

To prevent any rider carrying out modifications to their motorcycle all machines will remain with the Organiser between races and will be transported free of charge to the circuits by them. Routine servicing will also be carried out as part of the entry package and the motorcycles will be regularly inspected to ensure the regulations are being met.

## **Provisional Schedule**

**Saturday** Free / Pre-qualifying practice. 20'

Free start practice. 5'

Qualifying race. 15' + 2 laps

Sunday Warm up. 10'

Race 1. 20' + 2 laps

Schedule may be subject to change at organisers discretion.





















#### How it works:

All the riders must bring a helper who is an official Guardian, or who has been assigned temporary Guardianship of the rider. They should also bring a helper who is competent in basic motorcycle mechanics and ideally have experience at working in a Motocross racing environment. The guardian and mechanic helper can be the same person if applicable.

For each round of the championship a special Honda Paddock Village will be constructed. This will provide working space for each bike and a hospitality unit for the use of riders, mechanics and guests. It will be the base for all the EMX 150 Riders over the weekend and will feature TV monitors to follow all the weekends racing plus a technical and briefing area. The Organiser will have technical staff on hand for advice and assistance, and to help the young racers in their development there will be regular classroom briefings from experienced World Championship level riders. These briefings will cover track conditions, qualifying and race strategies, physical preparation, bike set-up and other subjects relevant to pursuing a career in international Motocross racing.

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### WHAT LICENSE DO I NEED?

European applicants should have a FIM Europe Promosport or MX Junior license. Riders from outside Europe should have a Continental Union license. You will also require 'start permission' and the FIM Europe EMX 150 Entry form.

### AT WHAT AGE CAN I RACE?

The European Junior Cup is open to riders aged between 11 and 14 years old at season start. (April 2013)

#### ARE THERE ANY RULES SPECIFIC TO THE FIM MOTOCROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PADDOCK?

The MX1 paddock is a busy, exciting place and the racing weekend is sure to be great fun. However the Motocross World Championship is at the highest level of racing and all competitors and staff are expected to be ambassadors for the sport, Honda and the other series Sponsors. As such you will be expected to wear your Honda team wear in a presentable manner at the circuit, be well behaved over the weekend and interact well with the visiting public. Remember you are racing before an International crowd and in front of some of Motocross racing's most influential people, so it's important to create a good impression for your future career.

#### WHAT MODIFICATIONS CAN BE MADE TO THE MOTORCYCLE?

No modifications can be made to the motorcycle at all, with the exception of:

- Replacement of handlebar and clamp for raised handlebar.
- Replacement of suspension springs.
- Adjustments on front suspension within the prescribed range for the motorcycle and unit
- Adjustments on rear suspension within the prescribed range for the motorcycle and unit
- Height of the fork may be moved within a safe prescribed range for the motorcycle
- Tyre pressures within the range advised.
- Chain adjustment to the manufacturers prescribed tolerances.

Handlebars, clamps and suspension spring changes will be supplied as a no cost option by the organiser. Only parts supplied by the organiser may be used. Fork caps, brake and coolant reservoirs and motor oil seals may not be opened without the permission of the Organiser. If required the Organiser can be requested to check fluid levels are within the manufacturers advised range.





















### WHAT TYRES WILL WE USE?

The Honda 150 European Championship will run on Dunlop tyres according to the series schedule. All the tyres will be fitted by the organisers at the track. Wheels will be collected at the paddock village, taken for fitting and then returned by the Organiser staff. The riders' mechanic /helper will be responsible for removing the wheels from his rider's bike and fitting them again. All wheels will be numbered for each rider to ensure you use only your own wheels.

The tyres will be constantly monitored and reviewed to ensure satisfactory performance level. Tyres remain the property of the Organiser.

#### WHAT HAPPENS IN THE EVENT OF DAMAGE?

Should damage occur to the motorcycle the Organiser will have a stock of replacement parts at the circuit. These should be fitted by the Riders helper who may be assisted by the Organiser technical staff if required. All crash damages will be assessed by the Organiser technical staff prior to work commencing, and immediately afterwards to ensure repairs are to a safe and presentable standard. Severe crash damage may also require the scrutiny of the UEM technical representatives. Any replacement parts required including for motor and gearbox repairs are available at subsidised rates but are additional to the entry package. Any works that cannot be carried out at the circuit can be undertaken at the Organiser workshops at best possible cost. Price lists for all spare parts will be available prior to the season start. All spare parts must be paid for prior to receipt, either by credit card or cash payment. It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure that their motorcycle is maintained to a presentable and safe condition that is fit for purpose.

#### WHAT ABOUT TOOLS AND FUEL?

Each rider will be issued with the loan of suitable work tools for basic maintenance and adjustments and a full set of all tools that could be required will be available for loan at the technical bay of the Paddock Village. Each rider will also receive a sufficient fuel allocation for the weekend.

#### CAN I WEAR ANY BRAND OF RIDING GEAR OR HELMET?

Yes — we know that riders have different preferences for riding equipment. The only requirement may be for the placing of the series sponsors on the riders gear and of course that the equipment is of a suitable safety standard. We may offer you special promotions from series partners but this is at the riders choice.

### CAN I PROMOTE MY SPONSORS?

Yes – the rider's team name will appear in the official programme, in the results sheets and in the website. There will be allocated spaces on the motorcycle for sponsor logos. The only condition is that there can be no conflict with the series sponsors and logos must be placed in the assigned positions.

### WHY SHOULD I CHOOSE THIS RACE SERIES?

Honda Racing in association with the FIM Europe, Youthstream, PATA Chips and Dunlop have worked very hard to provide an exciting platform for riders from all backgrounds and all nations to be able to compete on a fair and equal basis. All the racers in the Honda 150 European Championship will benefit tremendously from the knowledge and new skills they gain by competing in this international level championship. They will be able to showcase their talent in front of a huge crowd, the world's media and the teams and top riders of the Motocross World Championship.

We are confident that many riders in the Honda 150 European Championship will progress upwards within the Motocross World Championship and that the series will become a proving ground for some of the best young MX racers in the world.

Yours in Sport

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