

## 2024 Parker 400 Final Information Letter

January 7th, 2024

## 24 Things to Know Before Hitting the Road to The Parker 400

## 1) Racer Information Page

As a reminder, the Racer Information Page is the home of all of our available race information. Everything below lives on the Racer Information Page, so you can always reference it at any time. It will be updated constantly as information becomes available. Please reference this page for any questions you may have.

If we know it, it's here: https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/the-parker-400/racer-information/

## 2) Final Schedule of Events

Please review the final Schedule of Events on this page: https://theparker400.com/schedule-of-events/

Some key updates include **moving Qualifying to the afternoon** to give those qualifying adequate time to go through race registration, technical inspection and receive the Timing & Scoring transponders at registration.

Please always check the <u>Schedule of Events</u> for up to date times.

## 3) Sign The Event Waiver Today - Racers & Pit Crews & Campers

All racers, crew members and anyone entering any pit must sign our event waiver. This includes children, who must have an adult with them at all times. <u>Since racer camping is in the pit, this includes people camping within the Main Pit.</u>

- Adult Waiver The Parker 400 adult waiver is now available to sign on this page.
- Youth Waiver The minor event waiver is only available to sign in person, accompanied by their legal guardian.

#### Please pass this waiver link on to anyone who needs to sign it.

Once signed, you can pick up your actual waiver wristband in person at the following events:

#### **ONSITE WAIVER WRISTBAND PICK-UP LOCATIONS:**

- Desert Clean Up Registration
- Pre-Running Check In (Tuesday & Wednesday)
- Race Registration Check In RACERS ONLY (Thursday)
- Merchandise Truck PIT CREWS USE THIS ONE (Thursday)
- Main Pit Entrance (Thursday Saturday)

## 4) Adding Additional Drivers

There are a lot of you that do not currently have co-drivers or additional drivers registered. **Please**, **PLEASE** take care of all of your additions and changes ahead of time, so onsite registration is a breeze!

Email kilian@unlimitedoffroadracing.com if any assistance is needed.

Additional Drivers (and Pit Crew Members) are managed by the Driver of Record from within their UNLTD account, under the "Manage Entries" Page.

Detailed instructions on how to add your co-drivers and additional drivers can be found on this page: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/register/</u>

#### Again, please do this ahead of time.

#### 5) Registering Pit Crew Members

Anyone in the racer pitting/camping area needs a Pit Access Wristband, in addition to a Waiver Wristband. <u>This includes people camping within the Main Pit, since racer camping is in the pit.</u> Everyone must wear a "Pit Access Wristband" inside the pit, excluding racers (they have their bands).

**Driver of Records** are required to preregister their pit crew members from within their UNLTD account prior to the race, under the "Manage Entries" Page.

- The first six pit crew members are free.
- All additional pre-registered pit access wristbands are \$20.
- Pit access wristbands will be sold for \$30 onsite at the merchandise truck located at Tech & Contingency.
- No passes will be sold at registration.

#### **Pre-Registered Pit Crew:**

Your Driver of Record will be given all pre-registered Pit Access Wristbands at onsite registration, so you **do not need to go to drivers registration**. You should go straight to waiver pick up located beside the red merchandise truck at Tech to pick up your Waiver Wristband. **Reminder** - Waiver Wristbands still need to be picked up by each **individual**.

#### If you did not pre-register:

You may purchase additional pit crew wristbands from the red merchandise truck but <u>you must first have</u> <u>a WAIVER wristband</u>. There is a waiver wristband pick up location next to the red merchandise truck.

#### 6) Race Course Files

All official course files are now available to download on this page: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/the-parker-400/race-format/</u>

## 7) Pre-Running

<u>Pre-running does not officially begin until Tuesday, January 9th at 8:00am</u>. We will have teams marking the racecourse on Sunday and Monday - Please do not go on the race course prior to pre-running opening. Please adhere to the rules below and be aware that there are many OHV users out riding during the week. Please use extreme caution.

#### Pre-Running Check In:

Check in is required at the race course exit of the CRIT Start/Finish Line Gauntlet (at the beginning of the gas line). All registered racers must check in and sign the event waiver prior to beginning their pre-run.

- Max pre-running speed is 35mph.
- Seat belts and helmets must be worn at all times.
- No numbered race vehicles.

#### 8) Thursday Tech Inspection Off/On Load Instructions

All adult vehicles must offload and onload their vehicles at Main Pit and drive their race vehicle to 11th Street, via Geronimo Drive, on the approved route on this page: https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/the-parker-400/tech/

This route will be marked with arrows.

If you are caught driving on the streets without a police escort you will be issued a ticket and subject to penalty.

Specific Youth instructions will be sent out soon.

#### 9) Mandatory Driver Headshots at Registration (All registered racers)

All registered racers will need to get a driver headshot by our Director of Photography, Vincent Knakal, **prior to registering onsite**. There will be a photography room set up inside racer registration.

Please wear a team shirt or your race suit if you wish - We will be providing you with this headshot to use for your own marketing purposes after the event. Our preference is without a hat but if you're losing all your hair like me, you may wear a hat. This photo will be used for your UNLTD Account profile and may be used for your team marketing purposes.

If you got a driver portrait taken at The California 300, you do no need to get one here at Parker.

#### 10) Onsite Driver Registration

**Onsite Registration Location**: Parker Community Center

All registered racers must check in at Driver Registration located at the Parker Community Center to receive their Driver Band and other additional information. <u>Pit crews do not need to come to driver</u> <u>registration</u>. Registration is open from 8:00am-5:00pm on Thursday, January 11th.

Late Registration & Tech - If you are unable to make driver registration on Thursday, there will be an hour window each morning before the racing begins to get registered and your vehicle teched. All late race registrations are subject to a <u>\$100 cash late registration fee per person</u>. Youth racers are waived this fee. At that point, we cannot guarantee racer shirts or any other items handed out at race registration.

Please contact our Race Registration Manager Katie Johnson ahead of race week at <u>katie@unlimitedoffroadracing.com</u> or Thursday-Sunday of race week via text at (702) 232-9146.

## 11) Timing & Scoring Transponders

Timing & Scoring Transponders are mandatory for all classes. <u>Transponders are rentals and must be</u> returned to Post Race Tech after your race.

Rental Cost: Transponder rental fee is included in your entry fee.

**How to Get Your Transponder:** Your transponder unit will be assigned to your **Driver of Record** at onsite registration and will come with two heavy duty zip ties. You are responsible for mounting your transponder to your vehicle prior to your vehicle arriving at Technical Inspection. Details on how to properly mount your transponders will be provided to you at onsite registration. Our staff will be at Technical Inspection, to verify you have mounted your transponder in the correct position.

How to Follow Your Timing Live – You can follow your live timing at UnlimitedOffRoadRacing.com/live.

## Transponder Return = Post Race Tech

**Staff Removal at the Stage -** Our staff will do our best to remove your units at the finish line, but it is still your responsibility to make sure the unit is returned. You do not finish, please return the units to Technical Inspection immediately after your race concludes.

**Late fees**: Please understand how late fees work, if your transponder is not returned. Click here for full details: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/transponders/</u>

## 12) RacingTrax Tracking Units (Adult Classes & Youth 1000 Only)

Tracking units are mandatory for all Four Wheel and Youth 1000 classes. RacingTraX will serve as the official tracking provider for the 2024 race season. A \$250 tracker fee will be paid directly to Racing Trax.

Click here to reserve your tracking unit directly with Racing Trax.

## 13) Drivers Meeting

There will be an in person drivers meeting inside the Mohave Room at BlueWater Resort & Casino. Please always check the Schedule of Events for up to date times. This is where you will receive all the final race related information.

Attendance is mandatory by all registered racers. Attendance will be taken at random.

## 14) Final Race Format / Start & Finish Procedures

Please visit the final race formats, start format, start intervals and finish procedures here: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/the-parker-400/race-format/</u>. Please note, all four wheel vehicles, including Youth 1000, will now be starting single off the line.

## 15) Staging & Race Start Times

Please always check the Schedule of Events for up to date staging times. Please be on time!

**Staging Location**: Race staging will take place in the bottom end of the Unlimited Pit, near the start line. Our staff will be onsite to get you into position. Race staging is located at the bottom end of the racer pits (near start line.

## 16) Qualifying Details

# How long is qualifying? Do I need a co-driver? Does the person who qualifies need to start the race?

All qualifying information is on this page: https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/the-parker-400/qualifying/

## 17) Course Marking Guide

Please take a minute to familiarize yourself with our course markings. These are all the course markings you will see on race day. A description of each types of signs and explanation of meaning for each sign can be found here: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/course-marking-guide/</u>

## 18) Pit Information Guide

All pitting information can be found here: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/the-parker-400/pit-information-guide/</u>

**Update January 7th** - Chase Teams / Pit Crews are no longer allowed to drive between CAP Canal and Midway Pit. Just like previous Parker races, Midway Pit will be an isolated pit, meaning teams must be fully moved in by the start of the race each day. The access road to Midway will be closed to traffic at the start of the race and teams will be required to remain in place at Midway until 5pm.

#### Reminder - Pit Crews need <u>3 things</u> to enter the pits:

- 1. Waiver Wristband Every person needs a Waiver Wristband.
- 2. Pit Access Wristband Every person needs a Pit Access Wristband.
- 3. Vehicle Pit Pass Every vehicle needs a Vehicle Pit Pass.

How many do I get with my entry? Who can pick up my wristbands? What do I do with them?

## 19) Specific Rulebook / Technical Inspection Reminders

Every year it's a thing. Let's not make it a thing.



• Window Nets - Window nets are required from B-Pillar to A-Pillar and that the maximum gap is one (1) inch.

- Fire Extinguishers All vehicles must have a 2.5lb fire extinguisher easily accessible from inside of the vehicle. All vehicles must also have a 5lb fire extinguisher mounted on the exterior of the vehicle.
- Helmets: We require SNELL & FIA approved helmets. No DOT or ECE. Specifically:

Helmets used in **four-wheel vehicles** must meet the following requirements; Snell memorial foundation, SAH2015, SA2015, or SA2020 with a legible Snell sticker attached, FIA Standard 8860-2004, 8860-2018, 8860-2018-ABP, 8860-2010, and 8859-2015 with a legible with a legible FIA sticker attached.

Youth rider/driver may use SNELL/FIA CM2016.

• Neck restraints, helmet apron (or head sock) and shoes will be checked at Technical Inspection for all racers.

It is your responsibility to make sure you meet all General, Technical and Class specific requirements in the UNLTD Off-Road Racing Rulebook: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/rulebook/</u>. Please contact Bill Savage at <u>tech@unlimitedoffroadracing.com</u> with any Technical Inspection questions.

## 20) Race-Day Communications Radio Frequency

Race-day communications will be broadcasted on 151.625 (Weatherman Relay). Please make sure you have this frequency programmed into your radio.

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**Race teams** - You will use this channel to call for status checks on vehicle location, report vehicle out of race, relay pertinent safety info (spotted a downed vehicle, need help at RM xx, etc).

Drivers/Co Drivers - You will use this channel to call for immediate assistance or request retrieval.

#### 21) Helicopters

At UNLTD Off-Road Racing, we place the utmost importance on safety, adhering strictly to all Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and local laws, as well as airport safety regulations. Our approach to helicopter safety is centered around ensuring the well-being of our pilots, racers, and the public at all of our events.

All team helicopters must be registered with UNLTD Off-Road Racing on this page: <u>https://unlimitedoffroadracing.com/helicopters/</u>

#### 22) Protesting

If you wish to file a competition protest due to incidents related to your race, you may do so via the electronic form linked below. <u>Please DO NOT stop race officials during the event to discuss your</u> <u>protest.</u> Note that protests can only be filed by either the Driver of Record or Team Captain and must be filed no later than 30 minutes after the completion of the race/heat you competed in.

There is no deposit required to file a safety related protest (unsafe speed, course cutting, excessive nerfing, etc) but technical protests will require a \$500 deposit payable via Venmo @UNLTDOffRoadRacing. (Refunded to you if the protest is valid.)

Please provide any pertinent evidence you have to support your claim either via file upload on the form or via email as noted in the form instructions. Race officials will review all available evidence prior to making penalty decisions.

## LINK TO PROTEST FORM

**Please note** - Unsportsmanlike conduct at our start/finish line is grounds for time penalties, disqualification and/or permanent ban from future events. This conduct includes but is not limited to profanity, crossing the ped fence into the finishing corral, physical intimidation and/or aggressive driving into or out of the finishing corral. You may appeal any decision by race officials using the official protest form. However you may not verbally accost our timing, scoring, staging, or officials. Racers are responsible for the actions of their teams.

## 23) Tracking and Live Scoring

Our live scoring and tracking will be live on both Friday and Saturday on this page: unlimitedoffroadracing.com/live.

Please do tell all your friends and family not at the event that they can follow you battle it out on race day!

#### 24) Have Fun & Be Kind!

It's time for you to enjoy the event and have a great race. Our team works hard to put together these events and we appreciate your participation. Please treat all members of our staff with courtesy and respect and we will do everything we can to help ensure you and your team have a great race weekend.

**95% of our team are volunteers** who dedicate their personal time and energy to provide a safe race course for racers. If you or your team would like to get involved, please feel free to reach out to our Race Operations Manager Jason Prichard (jason@unlimitedoffroadracing.com) for additional info on volunteer opportunities.

Thank you for choosing to race with UNLTD Off-Road Racing.

Respect is earned one mile at a time.

- The Parker 400