

Official AMBCS Pay Dirt Program Rules

The following is a compilation of the official Pay Dirt program rules. Any questions regarding these rules should be directed to Cody Burnett at -cburnett808@gmail.com

Pay Dirt Program Purpose. It is the primary purpose of the Pay Dirt program to encourage riders to help in the upkeep of the trails in the state of Arkansas. We have beautiful trails in this state and it takes so few to bring joy to so many. The program rewards those riders that participate in the program with first place points in the AMBCS series. Thank you for participating in the program.

Opportunities. Participants can accumulate Pay Dirt hours through one, or through a combination, of the following opportunities. All Pay Dirt opportunities must be registered with the Pay Dirt coordinator.

1. “Required AMBCS Race Specific Pay Dirt Opportunity”:

- a. Each Race /Race site/Trail is required to host a Pay Dirt opportunity prior to its race date. This Pay Dirt opportunity must be published at minimum 2 weeks prior to its offering.
- b. The Pay Dirt work announcement form must be turned in to the Pay Dirt Coordinator no later than two weeks prior to the scheduled work day.
- c. The Pay Dirt Leader is responsible for recording Pay Dirt Participant information on the official Pay Dirt Participant Work Form and delivery that form to the Pay Dirt Coordinator.

2. “Non AMBCS Race Specific Pay Dirt Opportunity”:

- a. Pay Dirt opportunity must be published on the AR bulletin board no later than Tuesday prior to the scheduled work day.
- b. The Pay Dirt coordinator must be notified prior to the scheduled date of the work day by the Pay Dirt Leader of that Pay Dirt opportunity via the Pay Dirt Work Announcement form.
- c. The Pay Dirt Leader is responsible for recording Pay Dirt Participant information on the official Pay Dirt Participant Work Form and delivery that form to the Pay Dirt Coordinator.

1. “Self-Guided or Small Group Trail Work”:

- a. Trail work must be verified by either Trail-Specific Trail Coordinator, applicable Mountain Bike Club Trail Coordinator, or Race directors.
- b. Any of the above have the discretion to sign off on trail work completed.
- c. Upon completion of 8 hours of trail work, form shall be submitted to the AMBCS Pay Dirt Coordinator.

Application and Guidance. Only the physical time working on the trail itself counts, travel time does not count toward your hours.

1. Eight (8) hours of Pay Dirt equals one first place finish.

- a. This first place only corresponds to a first place in the category that you are racing in when you perform the Pay Dirt.

- b. The Pay Dirt Points only replace points for a race in which the racer paid an entry fee and began racing. It does not replace a race the racer failed to arrive and begin racing.
 - c. Paydirt can only be used to replace a race for which you have paid an entry fee and began racing. You must line up for and start the minimum number of races required for a series in order to have pay dirt replace the worst finish or DNF.
 - d. In other words, you can NOT do the following in a series that requires 5 finish to be eligible for series awards: Rider cannot start only 4 races then submit paydirt points to count as his fifth race.
 - e. If you move from between categories (3, 2, or 1) and have already performed the Pay Dirt, it does not move with you to the new category. You will however be allowed to perform another Pay Dirt service after you move to the new CAT to get first place points. Only one first place finish can be accrued per CAT per year.
2. All Pay Dirt hours must be received by the Pay Dirt coordinator by November 1st unless the Pay Dirt is performed on one of the AMBCS Race courses that is on the schedule in November. Any and all Pay Dirt performed in November must be turned in by 5 days prior to the final race of the XC season.
 - a. For Pay Dirt performed in the month of November, only work done on trails that have AMBCS races on them during the month of November will qualify. Also, only work performed under the "Required AMBCS Race Specific Pay Dirt Opportunity" will qualify.
3. It is the responsibility of the Pay Dirt Leaders, or for "Self-Guided or Small Group Trail Work" the person performing the work (Pay Dirt Participant), to provide the Pay Dirt Coordinator with a completed Pay Dirt Work Participation Form after completion of the actual work day. Signatures of all Pay Dirt Participants are required.
4. All Pay Dirt hours must be received by the Pay Dirt coordinator by November 1st unless the Pay Dirt is performed on one of the AMBCS Race courses that is on the schedule in November.
 - a. Any and all Pay Dirt performed in November must be turned in by 5 days prior to the final XC race of the season. For Pay Dirt performed in the month of November, only work done on trails that have AMBCS races on them during the month of November will qualify.
 - b. Only work performed under the "Required AMBCS Race Specific Pay Dirt Opportunity" will qualify during the month of November.
 - c. It is the responsibility of the Pay Dirt Leaders, or for "Self-Guided or Small Group Trail Work" the person performing the work, to provide the Pay Dirt coordinator with a completed Pay Dirt Work Participation Form after completion of the actual work day. Signatures of participants are required.

Qualifying Trails. Any trails within the state can offer a Pay Dirt opportunity as long as it is open for public use and is a marked trail and a natural surface and is designated for use by Mountain Bikes. (Example: Sweeping the asphalt at the river trail does not qualify.)