

WORLD FIGURE 8 RACE ROOKIES

The Speedrome World Figure 8 Championship Three Hour Endurance race began back in 1977. The rookie status was held out until the 1979 event to get a base of drivers established. Since that first official "rookie" year there have been many drivers join the action. Here is a list of race rookies for each year plus their finish (on the left) and their laps completed.

1979 Rookies-----

9th	Rick Tomasik	298 laps
11th	Jerry McCluskey	278 laps
13th	Ray Bray	276 laps
16th	Mike Harsin	235 laps
18th	Sandy McIntyre	199 laps
19th	Gary Grose	155 laps
20th	Ray Gaddis	154 laps
23rd	Ben Benedict	117 laps
24th	Nick Weaver	109 laps
25th	Leathal Bowles	108 laps
28th	Joe Jackson	89 laps
29th	Joe Lucas	88 laps
30th	Jerry Kincaid	87 laps
32nd	Tom Gregory	75 laps
33rd	Barb Supple	65 laps
37th	Ed Sutton	45 laps
38th	Mike Hughes	34 laps
39th	Bill Tunny Jr	31 laps
40th	Billy Arnold	31 laps
42nd	Jim Koontz	29 laps
43rd	Dave White	27 laps
44th	Bob Supple	24 laps
46th	Bobby Rodgers	19 laps
47th	Danny Turner	18 laps
48th	Dennis Love	17 laps
51st	Lloyd Sutton	4 laps

1980 Rookies-----

7th	Gary Haskett	321 laps
8th	Dave Miller	303 laps
10th	Donnie Garrigus Sr	298 laps
16th	Larry Harmon	226 laps
17th	Bill Horn	221 laps
18th	Rich Fenwick	206 laps
21st	George Sutton	171 laps
26th	Randy Watson	108 laps
30th	Dave Bazy	98 laps
31st	Jack Dandy	88 laps
33rd	Paul McDougall	70 laps
35th	Mark Carey	62 laps
38th	Chuck Pate	46 laps
41st	Bill Cloud	34 laps
43rd	Herbert Conrad	29 laps
44th	Mike St John	18 laps
46th	Tony Brady	14 laps

47th	Bill Frye	13 laps
48th	Ron Hood	12 laps
49th	Junior Shirley	11 laps
50th	Dave Grayson	8 laps
51st	Bill Snyder	6 laps
53rd	Mitch Keener	3 laps

1981 Rookies-----

6th	Gary Earley	427 laps
7th	Lonnie Breedlove	415 laps
12th	Mike Klein	253 laps
17th	Jack Dossey Jr	210 laps
20th	Duane Mertens	164 laps
21st	Dean Griffin	160 laps
22nd	Tom Varsel	147 laps
23rd	Mitch Reno	147 laps
30th	David Rodriquez	115 laps
33rd	Mike Knight	89 laps
34th	Sam Brandenburg	62 laps
35th	Dave Sensney	60 laps
38th	Phil Lynch	49 laps
40th	Herb Rose	46 laps
41st	Roger Goodwin	44 laps
42nd	Jim Cook	43 laps
44th	Ernie Harsin Jr	20 laps
47th	Gene Reed	15 laps
48th	Jess Lepper	13 laps
52nd	Gene Stallings	3 laps

1982 Rookies-----

11th	Lyle Heiss	359 laps
13th	Mike Burgess	340 laps
16th	Tom Studt	291 laps
24th	Johnny Rye	218 laps
25th	Kurt Yipe	213 laps
27th	Ray Jo Fager	188 laps
31st	Jeff Hizer	145 laps
32nd	Jerry Pritsch	129 laps
34th	Marvin Banther	107 laps
35th	Bill Gregory	98 laps
37th	Jerry Gordon	83 laps
41st	Glenn Kerns	51 laps
43rd	Skip VanMeter	33 laps
44th	James Fox	31 laps
45th	Larry Harris	29 laps
47th	Joe Casteel	27 laps
48th	John Langham	21 laps
49th	Glenda Hester	20 laps
50th	Mike Holt	20 laps
54th	Jim Wampler	9 laps
55th	Butch Hoskins	9 laps
56th	Bob Coffey Jr	8 laps
57th	Bobby Stephens	6 laps

58th	Don Paugh	3 laps
59th	Ken Supple	2 laps
60th	John Butler	2 laps

1983 Rookies-----

5th	Dempsey Apperson	394 laps
6th	John Bradley	357 laps
9th	Jeff Brown	355 laps
17th	Bob Stewart	216 laps
26th	Donnie Logsdon	155 laps
29th	Butch Lanham	132 laps
31st	David Stayton	126 laps
32nd	Dave Rhyne	115 laps
34th	Gary Keener	113 laps
35th	Phil Jenkins	111 laps
36th	Ed Fruits	96 laps
37th	Gary Dugger	95 laps
39th	John Jeck	88 laps
40th	Manny Aguiler	80 laps
41st	Danny Mills	70 laps
45th	Bruce Tunny	51 laps
48th	Bob McFadyen	26 laps
49th	Scott Martin	26 laps
50th	Gene Miller	23 laps
53rd	Jerry Spray	11 laps
54th	Mark Wilison	7 laps
55th	Woodie Stines	5 laps
57th	Don Sloan	2 laps
58th	Bill Sinex	2 laps

1984 Rookies-----

14th	Dave Lambert	238 laps
15th	Duane Lee	237 laps
20th	Tom Eastom	190 laps
22nd	Mitch Diekman	172 laps
23rd	Ronnie Clontz	172 laps
31st	Leonard Basham	105 laps
33rd	Mike Stiles	89 laps
37th	Mike Baas	77 laps
39th	Vern Okopski	74 laps
40th	Wayne Burns	67 laps
42nd	Ray Joe	63 laps
43rd	Oza Hoosier	49 laps
47th	Joe Lowe	30 laps
50th	Jim Burnett	27 laps
54th	Dick Horn	19 laps

1985 Rookies-----

14th	Kevin Phegley	205 laps
18th	Ken Carpenter	196 laps
25th	Russ Champagne	157 laps
30th	Tom Mathews	137 laps
36th	Jerry Carter	98 laps

39th	Parker Wade	78 laps
40th	John Dossey	76 laps
41st	JR Harris	76 laps
47th	Kenny Payne	41 laps
48th	John Johnson	41 laps
54th	Jim Coop	21 laps
57th	Allen Hargraves	18 laps
58th	Jack Poli	16 laps
61st	Dan Wright	14 laps

1986 Rookies-----

10th	Joe McKinney	327 laps
13th	Joe Biondelillo	321 laps
17th	Guy Strode	280 laps
20th	Ken Ahlgren	257 laps
40th	Tom Spencer	110 laps
48th	Clyde Cole	64 laps
50th	Eddie Deal	61 laps
51st	Gene Huston	61 laps
52nd	Gary Cardwell	51 laps
54th	Jim Hammond	41 laps
57th	Mike Cain	34 laps
59th	Curtis McMurtrey	10 laps

1987 Rookies-----

18th	Bill Riley Jr	192 laps
30th	Pat Herrman	121 laps
38th	Butch Campbell	95 laps
39th	Larry McEntire	91 laps
46th	Ron Cross	57 laps
47th	Kent Krimmel	57 laps
51st	Jerry Lewis	34 laps
52nd	Jerry Cassetty	33 laps
53rd	Dale Kuhn	28 laps
56th	Howard Gift	24 laps
57th	Mark Young	21 laps
59th	Paul Porter	16 laps
63rd	Bill Clark	8 laps
65th	Russ Dailey	2 laps

1988 Rookies-----

10th	Charles Coles	238 laps
12th	Jeff Rich	228 laps
16th	Leroy Young	216 laps
23rd	John Abney	192 laps
28th	Mike Champagne	175 laps
29th	Steve Ridener	174 laps
31st	Jerry Brown	152 laps
37th	Al Grinde	139 laps
48th	Danny Gaddis	95 laps
50th	Jerry Vanderhoof	81 laps
52nd	John Conner Sr	57 laps
55th	John Weliver	40 laps

58th	Billy Allen	21 laps
59th	Rich Catron	21 laps
60th	Lee Padgett	15 laps
61st	Lonnie Terry	15 laps
62nd	Ken Allen	14 laps
63rd	Dale Knauss	14 laps
64th	Charlie Oakes	13 laps
67th	Buzz Fortner	12 laps
69th	Jeff King	10 laps
70th	Claude Hopper	9 laps
71st	Ron Spears	8 laps
72nd	Kenny Rackley	5 laps
73rd	Ben Campbell	5 laps
74th	Jerry Moore	3 laps
75th	James Shafer	2 laps
76th	Robby Voils	2 laps

1989 Rookies-----

19th	Darwin Blankinship	218 laps
25th	Jerry Whitten	182 laps
30th	Scott Farr	172 laps
44th	Curtis Murphy	66 laps
45th	Johnnie Johnson	66 laps
51st	Mike Gehrich	54 laps
58th	Mike Blackwell	39 laps
59th	Don Bullock	31 laps
60th	Bob Hunt	31 laps
62nd	Bob Bucholz	25 laps
64th	Eddie VanMeter	20 laps
65th	Rob Catron	19 laps
71st	Rusty Siegman	11 laps
74th	Doug Greig	2 laps
75th	Larry Burger	2 laps

1990 Rookies-----

12th	Boyd Butcher	169 laps
31st	Fred Bear Jr	122 laps
35th	Tom Collins	96 laps
43rd	Mike Poynter	63 laps
50th	Darren Sizemore	45 laps
51st	Myron Wampler	42 laps
52nd	Randy Mayfield	39 laps
62nd	Kenny Sizemore	8 laps
65th	Randy Cronenwett	3 laps

1991 Rookies-----

18th	Pat Pierce	215 laps
29th	Donnie Kafoure	135 laps
30th	Robby Frye	129 laps
36th	Country Brown	65 laps
39th	Buster Seitz	61 laps
42nd	Dennis Cherry	59 laps
43rd	Dave Cumbee	58 laps

46th	Charles Graham	49 laps
47th	Jeff Ciesiolka	46 laps
49th	Stacey Munns	44 laps
52nd	Doug McEntire	39 laps
55th	Johnny Hubbard	34 laps
56th	Preston Maxwell jr	31 laps
58th	Walker Dewitt	24 laps
60th	Troy Terry	22 laps
63rd	Tony Hull	15 laps
65th	Ken Lewis	13 laps
66th	Robert Amos	12 laps
68th	Steve Frost	9 laps
69th	Billy Whiteman	5 laps
73rd	Allen Norris	1 lap

1992 Rookies-----

2nd	Rodney Sizemore	372 laps
16th	Tom Wagner	285 laps
17th	Craig Pace	278 laps
20th	Dennis Whisman	261 laps
29th	Bobby Whitaker	195 laps
34th	Tracy Frye	143 laps
36th	Ernie Herrera	133 laps
38th	Danny Appearance	101 laps
40th	Jeff Catron	86 laps
42nd	Roger Edwards	83 laps
44th	Dan Pearson	74 laps
48th	John Curtis	49 laps
50th	Jack Smith	46 laps
51st	Stanley Stargell	42 laps
56th	David Bussie	32 laps
58th	Frank Norman	19 laps
59th	Tom Thacker	18 laps
60th	Duane Hicks	17 laps
61st	Bobby Douthitt	17 laps
64th	Kim Gibson	12 laps
67th	Jon Elkins	7 laps
70th	Mike Ostewig	4 laps
71st	Greg Sloan	3 laps
72nd	Buddy Vertrees	2 laps
74th	Bob Smith	1 lap
75th	Henry McDougalle	1 lap

1993 Rookies-----

7th	Gary Bedell	330 laps
28th	Kevin Ford	136 laps
31st	Mike Nelson	125 laps
34th	Tony Anderson	113 laps
37th	Allen Oberting	95 laps
39th	Gary Rogers	91 laps
43rd	Clayton Rhoton	77 laps
50th	Bob Brandenburg	54 laps
53rd	Bobby Johnson	42 laps

54th	Wayne Newkirk	40 laps
57th	RJ Norton Jr	33 laps
66th	Tim Taylor	24 laps
76th	Jay Wayner	13 laps
79th	Rodney Smith	10 laps
81st	Bob Higgins	9 laps
83rd	Chris Spurgeon	6 laps
85th	Dennis Damron	4 laps
86th	Tim Spurgeon	3 laps

1994 Rookies-----

16th	Roger Vincent	263 laps
17th	Scott Box	237 laps
31st	Kelly Phegley	150 laps
32nd	Steve Prine	128 laps
41st	David Watkins	79 laps
48th	Curt Bilbrey	56 laps
53rd	Jerry Johnson	43 laps
57th	Larry Carter	38 laps
60th	Ronnie Rigdon	32 laps
61st	Dave Lewis	30 laps
67th	David Reel	16 laps
69th	Butch DeVries	12 laps
71st	Denny Buckler	11 laps
76th	Eddie Snapp Sr	2 laps
77th	Derrick Decker	2 laps

1995 Rookies-----

42nd	Mike Haskett	79 laps
45th	Bruce Cooper	63 laps
54th	Marvin Owens Jr	38 laps
56th	Bob Johnson	29 laps
59th	Andy Rice	23 laps
67th	Tim Carney	5 laps

1996 Rookies-----

18th	Jerry Lee Ward	211 laps
25th	David Morris	169 laps
27th	Michael Kennedy	164 laps
35th	Jimmie Foster	95 laps
45th	Mike Phegley	32 laps
60th	Jim Burkhead	8 laps

1997 Rookies-----

12th	John Conner Jr	360 laps
21st	Chris Green	269 laps
24th	Donnie Garrigus III	239 laps
34th	Victor Rybolt	76 laps
41st	Burchell Muncy	31 laps
43rd	Curt Unrue	25 laps
44th	Mark Dailey Jr	25 laps
46th	Art Smith Jr	18 laps
47th	Steve Brown	12 laps

1998 Rookies-----

18th	Gordon Brown	268 laps
20th	Kenny Stewart	235 laps
33rd	Ernie McFadden	105 laps
34th	Raymond Johnson	88 laps
36th	Jeff Armour	77 laps
38th	Ricky Kelly	74 laps
43rd	Donnie Sloan	47 laps
48th	John Passehl	15 laps
51st	Mike Chaffee	10 laps

1999 Rookies-----

9th	Jeremy Miller	414 laps
35th	Jerry Newkirk	85 laps
46th	Mike Burton	17 laps
48th	Johnny Byrd	13 laps
49th	Richard Bloyd	7 laps

2000 Rookies-----

11th	Don Eslick	309 laps
20th	Eddie Snapp Jr	196 laps
29th	Roger Maynor	94 laps
30th	Keith Richee	85 laps
44th	Joe Whisman	4 laps

2001 Rookies-----

11th	Artie Ware	357 laps
26th	Jeff Shackelford	179 laps
29th	Dwayne Thompson	137 laps
34th	Robert Downey Jr	101 laps
35th	Lonnie Goble	101 laps
36th	Eric Buck	94 laps
37th	Gary Wray	92 laps
47th	Bill Ellis	15 laps
48th	Kenny McDonough	8 laps
49th	Tim Skinner Jr	5 laps
50th	Casey White	4 laps
51st	Wes Spillers	4 laps
53rd	Kenny Boggs	2 laps

2002 Rookies-----

7th	Billy Ziemann	387 laps
14th	Larry Hahn	315 laps
15th	Steve Durham	287 laps
30th	Mark Murello	78 laps
33rd	John LaValle	72 laps
34th	John Botts	62 laps
38th	Chris Williamson	27 laps
40th	Herbie Conrad	25 laps
42nd	Scott Settles	20 laps
46th	Art Groulx	2 laps

2003 Rookies-----

4th	Danny Smith	416 laps
10th	Ben Tunny	379 laps
11th	Greg Studt	374 laps
12th	Calvin Crain	356 laps
20th	Mark Tunny	273 laps
26th	Ricky Dietz	188 laps
31st	David Lee Byrd	134 laps
32nd	Jesse James	115 laps
33rd	Christopher Green	97 laps

2004 Rookies-----

3rd	Corey Turner	461 laps
11th	Zeke Skaggs	395 laps
13th	Ronny Campbell	306 laps
18th	Brian Wolfe	270 laps
20th	Eddie Brickley Jr	252 laps
22nd	Jeremy Vanderhoof	199 laps
35th	Dale Shelton	43 laps
46th	Barry Tabor	0 laps

2005 Rookies-----

2nd	Mark Harmon	484 laps
14th	Ricky Schaeffer III	331 laps
15th	Charlie Hargraves	329 laps
16th	Butch Winters	297 laps
24th	Mike Russ	175 laps
39th	Charles Bolin	6 laps

2006 Rookies-----

9th	Rod Proctor	326 laps
15 th	Wayne Calkins	285 laps
20 th	Rusty Stewart	196 laps
28 th	Tom Smith	118 laps
29 th	John Zaretzke	104 laps
33 rd	Mark Eads Jr	61 laps
36 th	RC Rigdon	44 laps

2007 Rookies-----

8th	Jimmy Kirby	379 laps
11 th	Nick Moore	290 laps
24 th	Ronnie Schreifels	204 laps
26 th	Scott McGill	188 laps
27 th	Speedy Teepe	161 laps
31 st	Jesse Tunny	113 laps
32 nd	Matt Nelson	94 laps
38 th	Ron Stone	32 laps
45 th	Charles Herne	15 laps
48 th	Tim Smith	4 laps
49 th	Terry Pritchett	4 laps
50 th	Neil Herne III	1 lap

2008 Rookies-----

8 th	Chris Harmon	403 laps
11 th	Seth Nistok	302 laps
22 nd	Austin Tunny	178 laps
43 rd	Thomas Abbott III	1 lap

2009 Rookies-----

11 th	RJ Norton III	311 laps
14 th	Matt Clark	291 laps
29 th	Nigel Peters	126 laps
33 rd	Michael Cherry	85 laps
38 th	Rick Gillespie Jr	50 laps
43 rd	Chad Sizemore	25 laps