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Hancock Calls It A Career

One of America's greatest racing champions is calling it a career. Four-time Speedway World Champion Greg Hancock, from Costa Mesa, California, announced his retirement from professional racing on February 15.

"Greg Hancock is among the most successful competitors in not just motorcycle racing, but in all of motorsports," said AMA President and CEO Rob Dingsman. "His four world titles rank him among the greatest riders of all time, a feat amplified by the fact his world-champion-caliber performances spanned four decades. We thank Greg for being a gracious and successful representative of America on the world stage, and we wish him well in a much-deserved retirement."

Hancock, 49, won his most recent FIM Speedway World Championship in 2016. His other FIM Speedway titles came in 2014, 2011 and 1997. In the United States, he won eight AMA Speedway National Championships. Hancock also won FIM Team and Pairs World Championships, as well as many European domestic league titles during his career. He was named [Cycle News 2011 Rider of the Year](#) after earning his second FIM Speedway World Championship an impressive 14 years after the first.

"I want to extend my sincere



Four-time FIM Speedway World Champion Greg Hancock announced his retirement from professional racing at the age of 49.

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gratitude to everyone at the AMA and the FIM for providing me the many years of incredible speedway racing, which basically became my life school," Hancock said. "Although I am stepping

away from competing, I do not plan to exit the scene. I have plans that will keep me close to the sport, and we'll see where that goes in the weeks ahead."

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