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1. PREAMBLE

The purpose of *Rally* Regularity is to provide the opportunity for a Special Stage *Rally* that has additional control measures to reduce the terminal and average speed of the automobiles in competition. *Rally* Regularity will permit the *Entry* of an *Automobile* that does not necessarily comply with the requirements for a Special Stage *Rally*, in accordance with the *Motorsport Australia Manual* (the *Manual*), and a variation of the requirements for apparel for each crew member. Additional controls and mitigation measures will be applied to address the variance from existing *Motorsport Australia* requirements.

It is the responsibility of the *Event Organiser* (the *Organiser*) and each *Competitor* to ensure that these regulations are strictly adhered to.

Every effort has been made to create these *Rally* Regularity regulations so that both new and existing *Rally* Competitors can participate in a Special Stage *Rally Event* with a focus on accuracy and navigation in a risk controlled *Event* format.

2. ORGANISATION OF A RALLY REGULARITY

2.1 EVENT REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Each *Event* must be conducted in accordance with the requirements for a closed road (access controlled) Special Stage *Rally*, as per the *Motorsport Australia* National Rally Standing Regulations – Special Stage Rallies (NRSR SSR).
- (b) The *Event Organiser* must set a precise target time for each competitive stage that does not exceed an average of 70km/h. A maximum (terminal) speed of 110 km/h must be applied. It will be up to the *Organiser* to regulate maximum speed using appropriate control methods (i.e. passage controls, speed reduction zones etc.). The target time for each stage shall be clearly detailed in the instructions issued to each *Competitor* by the *Organiser*.
- (c) Each *Competitor* must maintain a minimum speed of no less than 20km/h during a competitive stage (unless responding to an incident, breakdown, stopping at a passage control, or any scenario that may be considered as reasonable by the *Organiser*). Stopping on a stage solely for the purpose of managing average speed for a competitive stage is strictly forbidden. The *Organiser* is responsible for the monitoring of this requirement and, where any infringement is noted, to ensure that a substantial penalty is imposed to discourage the practice.
- (d) Results, detailing the target time set for stage, and the actual times achieved by each *Competitor*, must be submitted directly to the *Motorsport Australia* Rally Executive Officer (Rally@motorsport.org.au) immediately following the *Event*.
- (e) The distance and time allowed for a *Rally* Regularity *Event* is at the discretion of the *Organiser*.

2.2 EVENT STATUS

- (a) *Rally* Regularity is intended for Club and Multi-Club Special Stage Rallies up to State level events. If an *Organiser* wishes to include *Rally* Regularity as part of a State level *Event*, approval must be sought from both the relevant State *Rally* Panel, and *Motorsport Australia* (Rally@motorsport.org.au), noting points contained in the following *Event* Status articles.
- (b) A *Rally* Regularity *Event* may be run as a standalone Club/Multi-Club Special Stage *Rally* in its own right or run in conjunction with a Club/Multi-Club Special Stage *Rally* (i.e. as a “piggyback”). Where a *Rally* Regularity is run in conjunction with another *Event*, the *Rally* Regularity field must run at the tail of the field, behind the other Competitors in the Special Stage *Rally*. If a *Rally* Regularity *Event* is being run in its own right, the full requirements of a closed road (access controlled) Special Stage *Rally* (as per the NRSR SSR) will apply.
- (c) A *Rally* Regularity *Event* may be run as part of an Introductory *Rally*, but cannot be run in an *Event* where there is already more than one element of competition (i.e. Special Stage *Rally* with an

Introductory *Rally* as a “piggyback, or a State *Championship* Round with a Club *Rally* as a “piggyback” round).

- (d) Permit Fees shall be applied as per those set for Club and Multi-Club Special Stage Rallies.
- (e) Any *Event* wishing to run a *Rally* Regularity component must ensure it is included as a condition listed on the *Motorsport Australia Event* Permit for the *Event*. The *Event Organiser* must confirm this with the *Motorsport Australia* Permits team when applying for their *Event* Permit (permits@motorsport.org.au).

3. COMPETITOR REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Each *Competitor* and Crew member must hold a *Motorsport Australia* Speed Licence as a minimum.
- (b) Each Crew member must wear a helmet and apparel complying with requirements for Club and Multi-Club *Rally* as listed in *Schedule D – Apparel of the Manual*, with the exception of:
 - (i) FHR Standard A: the requirement to wear FHR is not mandatory. Whilst FHR is not mandatory, it is highly recommended in an *Automobile* that is suitably equipped for its use, in which case the FHR must comply with Standard A.
 - (ii) Helmet Standard A: Standard B helmet permitted, except where a FHR is used in which case a Standard A helmet is required.

4. AUTOMOBILE REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Each *Automobile* must comply with *Schedule A* and *B* (as listed in “General Requirements for Cars and Drivers” in the *Manual*), sections 4 and 5 of the “Vehicles General” section of the NRSR SSR and these Regulations, as well as the specific regulations relevant to the status of the *Event*.
- (b) Each *Automobile* that is not issued with a *Motorsport Australia* Log Book must either be fully road registered, or registered as part of a club/historic permit scheme issued by a recognised State Registration authority (such as “H” plates in Victoria).
- (c) Each *Automobile* that has been issued a *Motorsport Australia* Log Book must be fully road registered, registered as part of a club/historic or *Rally* Permit scheme, or have a valid Unregistered Vehicle Permit issued by a recognised State Registration authority for the purpose of participation in a *Rally*.
- (d) Each *Automobile* that is not issued with a *Motorsport Australia* Log Book must comply with Level C (lap sash belt) as listed in the Technical *Appendix Schedule I – Safety Harnesses and Window Nets of the Manual* (Table I-1), but are not required to have a Safety Cage Structure (as defined in *Schedule J of the Motorsport Australia Manual*).

5. SPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Scoring shall be timed to the second, with penalties being 1 point per second late of the target time, and 5 points per second early, of the target time as determined by the *Event* for each Special Stage. Penalties shall also apply for early arrival on Liaison sections, with Late Running time being applied where appropriate for late arrival on both Special Stages and Liaison sections, as per the NRSR SSR. Exceeding Late Running Time will result in *Exclusion*.
- (b) If a *Competitor* arrives over 1 minute early of the target time in a Special Stage, in addition to the 5 points per second penalty, they are to be given a caution. If a *Competitor* receives 3 cautions in the *Course* of one *Event*, they are automatically excluded from the *Event*. Notification of any exclusions need to be reported by the *Organiser* to the Stewards at the *Event*, and the *Motorsport Australia Rally* Executive Officer (Rally@motorsport.org.au) immediately following the *Event*, with reference to Article 2.1(d) regarding the submission of Results.
- (c) A *Rally* Regularity *Event* shall either be route charted, navigational (using 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 of the National Touring Standing Regulations Navigational Assembly NTSR-NA), or a combination of the two. Pace noting and any reconnaissance is not permitted.

6. UPDATES/AMENDMENTS TO THESE REGULATIONS

Motorsport Australia will monitor *Rally* Regularity Events closely to ensure both compliance with the regulations, and also that the “spirit” and intent of *Rally* Regularity is being upheld. *Motorsport Australia* may alter existing or include additional regulations or requirements to ensure the safe and ongoing conduct of *Rally* Regularity at their discretion. Any such alterations to these regulations will be communicated directly to State *Rally* Panels, and those *Event* calendared which are to include a *Rally* Regularity.

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