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A SPEED EVENT IS SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL COMPETITION RULES OF MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA SAVE FOR SUCH SPECIFIC EXCEPTIONS TO THE APPENDICES THEREOF AS ARE INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING STANDING REGULATIONS:

1. DEFINITIONS - SPEED EVENTS

AUTOCROSS: As defined in the *NCR*.

HILL CLIMB: As defined in the *NCR*.

LAP DASH/SPRINT: A *Speed Event* on a sealed or unsealed surface, usually conducted on a permanent *Circuit*, *Track* or dragway in which each *Automobile* is subject to individual release from the *Start*. An *Automobile* may be permitted to *Start* at a suitable interval following the previous *Automobile*, under conditions noted on the *Track Licence*. Overtaking is prohibited.

SUPER SPRINT: As defined in the *NCR*.

REGULARITY TRIAL: As defined in the *NCR*.

DRIFTING: A *Speed Event* designed to be undertaken at a *Circuit* or other *Motorsport Australia* approved venue wherein the object of the exercise is to produce as much yaw rate as possible through a series of corners whilst demonstrating the *Driver's* ability to control the direction and speed of the *Automobile* around a pre-determined *Course*.

OTHER EVENTS: Other *Competitions* may be determined to be *Speed Events* (see *NCR*) regardless of whether they are so described above; and may be described in other sections of the *Motorsport Australia Manual* (e.g. Rally/Road Appendix).

2. LICENCES

- (a) Each *Driver* must hold a current membership card issued by one of the participating *Motorsport Australia* clubs.
- (b) Each *Driver* must hold a *Motorsport Australia* Speed Licence, refer to the General Appendix – Competition Licences of the *Motorsport Australia Manual* for further *Licence* details, ~~except for:~~
 - (i) ~~a Drifting Practice event where a Motorsport Australia Non-Speed Licence is required.~~
- (c) Each *Licence* must be presented at the *Event* for checking.
- (d) Driver Classes: Two classes of *Drivers* are provided for:
 - (i) Junior, having attained the age of 14 years and not 18 years; and
 - (ii) Seniors, having attained the age of 18 years.

3. TIMING

Each lap or run will be measured by electronic equipment and/or hand-operated watches, and recorded at a resolution of at least 0.1 second.

4. RE-RUNS

A re-run is allowed at the sole discretion of the Clerk of the Course. Usually, a re-run is only approved if there is a timing equipment failure (see Supplementary Regulations).

5. REPLACEMENT AUTOMOBILE

- (a) A *Driver* whose *Automobile* has broken down may use a replacement *Automobile* at the sole discretion of the Clerk of the Course.
- (b) The replacement *Automobile* should preferably be in the same class as the original *Automobile* and must:
 - (i) under go scrutineering; and
 - (ii) be used for the remainder of the *Competition*.

6. PRACTICE

- (a) In each *Autocross Event*, practice of 2 laps will be permitted for any *Driver* unfamiliar with the *Course*.
- (b) Practice for other *Drivers* and in other *Events* may be permitted by the Clerk of Course if deemed appropriate.

7. PROCEDURE

- (a) Each *Competitor* will be advised in *Supplementary Regulations* and/or at drivers' briefing as to:
 - (i) direction of travel;
 - (ii) flag signals;
 - (iii) mode of *Competition*;
 - (iv) the number of *Automobiles* on the *Course* simultaneously;
 - (v) the number of laps per "run";
 - (vi) starting order;
 - (vii) starting procedure;
 - (viii) procedure for returning to the pits; and
 - (ix) method of scoring.
- (b) The starting procedure for a *Super Sprint* will conform to one of these methods. *Organisers* and *Competitors* are reminded that a *Super Sprint* is not a race and "racing" will not be condoned. If an *Organiser* wants to use a different procedure it must be documented and approved by *Motorsport Australia*:
 - (i) From a standing *Start* on the *Track*, 2 *Automobiles* (group) may *Start* simultaneously from adjacent grid positions. After a suitable interval another group may *Start*.
 - (ii) From a standing *Start* on the *Track*, 4 vehicles (group) may *Start* simultaneously from grid positions 1, 4, 5 & 8 (staggered grid). After a suitable interval another group may *Start*.
 - (iii) A group of *Automobiles* will be led onto the *Track* from pit lane by a *Course Car*, the first lap will be conducted under yellow flag behind the *Course Car*. At the conclusion of that first lap the *Course Car* will exit the *Track* if the *Course* is clear for *Competition*. In this case the competing *Automobiles* will proceed under yellow flag until the *Start Line* is reached.
 - (iv) *Automobiles* will proceed in single file onto the *Track* from pit lane at suitable intervals as directed for a warm-up lap. Overtaking is prohibited and the release intervals must be maintained on the warm-up lap. Yellow flags will be displayed at all flag posts on the warm-up lap until the Starter displays a green flag for a flying single file *Start*.

8. METHOD OF SCORING

Results will be decided either by times or by points based on single or multiple passes of the *Course*, as specified in *Supplementary Regulations*.

9. FLAGS

Flag signals and *Drivers'* response thereto will be advised in the *Supplementary Regulations* and/or at the drivers' briefing.

10. LIGHTS

When light signals are intended to supplement, or under some circumstances to replace, flag signals, the following requirements must be respected.

- (a) Light Code:
 - (i) lights may replace waved or stationary red, yellow, green, blue or white flags;
 - (ii) if a double waved yellow flag is deemed necessary this should still be shown;
 - (iii) the light installation must include two of each colour to be used; lights must be spaced so as to be a distinct flashing pair, they must not appear to merge;
 - (iv) red and yellow lights must not be positioned next to each other.

11. PENALTIES

For a *Competition* decided by time, penalties will be:

- (a) **Run discounted:** in which an *Automobile's* run is not timed and does not count toward results of the *Competition*. The penalty is imposed for:
 - (i) shortening the *Course*;
 - (ii) departing from the *Course*; or
 - (iii) failing to complete a run (not applicable to *Autocross*).
- (b) **Double fastest:** in which the time attributed to a *Driver* for a run is deemed to equal twice the fastest time achieved without incurring any penalty. The penalty applies only to *Autocross* and is imposed for:
 - (i) a false *Start* (in the case of a standing *Start*); or
 - (ii) striking any penalty marker.

12. SPEED LIMIT

A limit of 10 km/h applies in paddock areas and will be enforced by the Clerk of the Course.

13. AUTOMOBILES & DRIVERS

- (a) An entry may be received for any *Automobile* which complies with Technical Appendix - Schedules A and B (where applicable) of the *Motorsport Australia Manual*.
- (b) Further requirements include but are not limited to:
 - (i) A safety helmet as specified in Technical Appendix - Schedule D of the *Motorsport Australia Manual* must be worn by each *Driver* whenever on the *Course*;
 - (ii) Goggles or a visor (which must not be fitted with glass lenses) must be worn in each open *Automobile* and in a closed *Automobile* to which no windscreen is fitted;
 - (iii) Tyres are subject to Scrutineer's approval;
 - (iv) Spiked or studded tyres are prohibited;
 - (v) Only fuel, as defined in Technical Appendix - Schedule G of the *Motorsport Australia Manual*, may be used except that:

- (A) a Historic *Automobile* which is permitted to use alcohol fuel may do so in compliance with the requirements of Technical Appendix - Schedule G of the *Motorsport Australia Manual*; and
- (B) a Formula Libre *Automobile* may use fuel as specified in the Speed Event Appendix - Formula Libre for Speed Events;
- (c) An *Automobile* which has been modified in any way after scrutineering must be re-presented as soon as practicable for further examination prior to starting a run;
- (d) A blue triangle (150 mm sides) indicating location of the battery or isolation switch must be fitted externally to each *Automobile*;
- (e) *Driver's* apparel must extend from ankles to neck to wrists. Apparel, including footwear, of flammable synthetic material, such as nylon, is not acceptable, refer to Technical Appendix - Schedule D of the *Motorsport Australia Manual*; and
- (f) A muffler/s must be fitted to each *Automobile*, which are subject to particular examination by Scrutineers.

14. INSTRUCTORS

- (a) Only with the approval of the Clerk of the Course will an inexperienced driver (whether a junior or adult) be permitted to carry an instructor in non-competitive/untimed activity.
- (b) An instructor must be over 18 years of age and hold a Motorsport Australia Competition Licence and civil driver's licence and comply with the *Speed Event* safety and apparel requirements.
- (c) Each instructor must sign an appropriate indemnity form.

15. ORGANISATION

- (a) No *Automobile* may be used for practice or *Competition* until passed by the Chief Scrutineer as fit to do so.
- (b) Each *Event* must comply with the requirements of Motorsport Australia General Regulations - Medical Services at Motor Sport Events.
- (c) Each *Event* must comply with the requirements of the Track Operators Safety Guide.
- (d) In other than a *Super Sprint*, *Automobiles* may not be started simultaneously. Either a standing or flying *Start* may be used, but the "run in" to the *Course* proper (as distinct from the *Start Line*) must not exceed 100 m. For a *Super Sprint Competition*, the maximum number of *Automobiles* permitted on the *Course* at any one time is noted on the Motorsport Australia Track Licence.
- (e) If any occurrence prevents an *Automobile* on the *Course* from completing its run, suitable arrangements must exist which will prevent any other competing *Automobiles* from arriving at the incident at a competitive speed.
- (f) The presence of any non-competing vehicle on the *Course* will necessarily halt the *Competition* until the *Course* is clear.
- (g) The order of starting will be advised at the drivers' briefing. Rotation of the field or changes to the order will be at the sole discretion of the *Organiser*. A *Competitor* failing to report to the *Start Line* in correct order will forfeit that run unless permission for early or late attendance has been granted by the Clerk of the Course.

16. OFFICIALS

16.1 ESSENTIAL OFFICIALS (SINGLE-CAR SPEED EVENTS - HILL CLIMB, LAP DASH AND SINGLE-CAR SPRINT)

- (a) For a *Club Competition* or *Multi-Club* Single-Car *Speed Event*, the Clerk of the Course, [Secretary of the Event](#), Chief Scrutineer, and a single Steward are Essential Officials. In addition, an Assistant Clerk of the Course may be appointed to a *Club Competition* or *Multi-Club* Single-Car *Speed Event*. Either the Clerk of the Course or the Assistant Clerk of the Course must of necessity always be on duty. During such time the acting Clerk of the Course must be clearly and readily identifiable.
- (b) Where the Chief Scrutineer has completed their principal duties prior to the commencement of *Competition* their duties may thereafter be discharged by another suitably qualified Official, other than the Clerk of the Course.

- (c) [The duties of the Secretary of the Event and the Chief Timekeeper may be assumed by another Official from time to time.](#)
- (d) While these duties are being discharged by such alternate Official, a Clerk of the Course and their Assistant (where an Assistant Clerk of the Course has been appointed), the Secretary of the Event, the Chief Timekeeper and the Chief Scrutineer may compete at the *Event*.
- (e) At a State or National Championship Single Car *Speed Event*, Essential Officials will be appointed in full accord with the *NCR*.

16.2 ESSENTIAL OFFICIALS (MULTI-CAR SPEED EVENTS)

- (a) For a Club [Competition](#) ~~or Multi-Club~~ Multi-Car *Speed Event*, the Clerk of the Course, [Secretary of the Event](#), Chief Scrutineer, Chief Timekeeper and a single Steward are Essential Officials. In addition, an Assistant Clerk of the Course may be appointed to a Club [Competition](#) ~~or Multi-Club~~ Multi-Car *Speed Event*. Either the Clerk of the Course or the Assistant Clerk of the Course must of necessity always be on duty. During such time the acting Clerk of the Course must be clearly and readily identifiable.
- (b) Where the Chief Scrutineer has completed their principal duties prior to the commencement of *Competition* their duties may thereafter be discharged by another suitably qualified Official, other than the Clerk of the Course.
- (c) The duties of [the Secretary of the Event and](#) the Chief Timekeeper may be assumed by another Official from time to time.
- (d) While these duties are being discharged by such alternate Official, a Clerk of the Course and their Assistant (where an Assistant Clerk of the Course has been appointed), [the Secretary of the Event](#), the Chief Timekeeper and the Chief Scrutineer may compete at the *Event*.
- (e) At a State or National Championship Multi-Car *Speed Event*, Essential Officials will be appointed in full accord with the *NCR*.