



2022 RALLY COMPETITION CONDITIONS

PART 1 OF 2:
COMPETITORS, DRIVERS AND CO-DRIVERS



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1 ABBREVIATIONS

NCR: National Competition Rules

NRSR: National Rally Standing Regulations

NRSR SSR: National Rally Standing Regulations - Special Stage Rallies

NSWRC: NSW Rally Championship

CRS: Clubman Rally Series

HRS: Hyundai Rally Series

ECCRS-2WD: East Coast Classic Rally Series - 2 Wheel Drive

ECCRS-4WD: East Coast Classic Rally Series - 4 Wheel Drive

2 VARIATIONS TO NATIONAL RALLY STANDING REGULATIONS

Deletions in ~~strikeout~~. Amendments or additions in **grey highlight**.

NRSR SSR 4.3 (a) (ix) (A) and 9.1 (c)

A difference between the actual check-in time and the target check-in time shall be penalised as follows: ~~five seconds per minute or fraction of a minute.~~ one minute per minute or part thereof taken from late time only.

NRSR SSR 5.5

(a) When, as part of their duties, the Motorsport Australia Observer/s and/or the Stewards of the Meeting need to drive on Special Stages, they must comply with the following prescriptions:

- (i) Entry onto the route of the stage must take place at the latest 30 minutes before the departure of the ~~last~~ **first** road closing vehicle (Car No. 000).
- (ii) If Car No. 000 catches up with the Observer or Stewards while on Special Stages, the Observer or Stewards must ~~stop, park, and wait for the sweep car to pass before continuing~~ **comply with any instructions given by the crew of Car 000.**

3 SUMMARY OF CHANGES FROM 2021 CONDITIONS

- 2021 changed to 2022
- Changed National Rally Code to National Rally Standing Regulations and modified paragraph references.
- Recommend competitors "Opt In" on the Entry Form to allow Event Organisers to share competitor email and phone contact details with the NSWRC.
- Changes to the heat structure for two day events.
- Removal of "Introductory Rallies".
- Removal of reference to ralliesprints for HRS.
- Two day events will be run as 3 or 4 heats of roughly equal competitive distance for NSWRC, ECCRS-2WD & ECCRS-4WD.
- Where a NSW Series event is part of a two day higher level event, eg ARC, competitors will have the option to ONLY enter the two heats on the first day.
- Clarification of Series signage requirements.
- Clarified start order ballot requirement for NSWRC when shared with a higher level event such as ARC.
- Added Fast Track Documentation Scheme details.

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- **Removed CLB+30 from "ECCRS – 4WD" as CLB cars can only be 2WD**
- **Added 4WD C3 Classic Rally Cars to "ECCRS – 4WD"**
- **Removed "12 - Rally NSW Fast Track Documentation Scheme"**

3.1 APPLICATION OF THESE CONDITIONS

These Conditions apply to all rally events to be conducted in NSW under a Motorsport Australia Rally Permit in 2022, including Multi-Club and Club events, except where a clause specifically refers to a Series.

3.2 2022 NSW RALLY SERIES

The NSW Rally Panel will approve events for inclusion as rounds in the following 2022 NSW Rally Series:

- **NSW Rally Championship (“NSWRC”)** – an open series designed to encourage the best teams and best cars to compete for the title of NSW Rally Champion over a mix of challenging blind and pace noted events. The most prestigious rally series in NSW.
- **Clubman Rally Series (“CRS”)** – a relaxed, highly social rally series, designed for competitors who prefer basic rallies without the use of pace notes. Events are structured to provide maximum value for competitors by limiting cost and complexity.
- **Hyundai Rally Series (“HRS”)** – a category usually contested within CRS rallies. Near identical Hyundai Excel cars within this series provide for great competition, and forces drivers to focus on improving their skills behind the wheel. A separate open class caters for Hyundais not compliant with the Excel Series regulations. An excellent entry level series using low cost, reliable vehicles that are surprisingly quick.
- **East Coast Classic Rally Series – 2WD (“ECCRS-2WD”)** – a series designed to encourage the participation of competitors in two wheel drive “classic” rally cars. These events will mostly be run within the NSWRC but may run within other events.
- **East Coast Classic Rally Series – 4WD (“ECCRS-4WD”)** – a series designed to encourage the participation of competitors in four wheel drive “classic” rally cars. These events will mostly be run within the NSWRC but may run within other events.

For the purposes of this document, the word “Series” refers to any or all of the above.

In addition to the above Series, **Rally Regularity Events** may be incorporated into selected events, designed for novices to try rally competition under controlled conditions. For Rally Regularity Events refer to Motorsport Australia Rally Regularity - Standing Regulations.

3.3 DEFINITION OF “COMPETITOR”

As per the NCRs, a competitor is “a person or body who holds a Competitor Licence acceptable to Motorsport Australia and who has entered a Competition”. This will include the driver or co-driver and the competitor is not necessarily the entrant, or the owner of the competition vehicle.

4 SERIES ELIGIBILITY

4.1 COMPETITORS

4.1.1 Licensing

Entry to Series events is open to all Motorsport Australia members who hold a valid Rally Licence or higher.

4.1.2 Number of crew members

In all rallies, crews shall comprise of two persons who shall be nominated as either the driver or co-driver and will compete in the same vehicle for the entire event.

4.1.3 Eligibility for Series points

All eligible competitors will score Series points.

Eligibility to score Series points will be based on the Driver's seeding on the Rally NSW seeding list, as at 1 January in the year in which the event is contested, as per the following table:

Series	Eligibility for Series Points
NSWRC	All seedings
ECCRS-2WD	All seedings
ECCRS-4WD	All seedings
CRS	Driver seeding of 89 or lower, in the vehicle driven at the event
HRS	All seedings

For the purposes of CRS eligibility, if a driver does not have a Rally Seeding for the car in which they wish to compete, the NSW Rally Panel will, on request, allocate a seeding number. This allocation will be made at the sole discretion of the Rally Panel.

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4.2 VEHICLES

Vehicles must comply with one of the groups as defined by the Motorsport Australia Manual. The following categories of vehicles are eligible for Series points:

Series	Group Designation	Definition
NSWRC & CRS	PRC	Group 3C – Production Rally Cars
	Group N	FIA Group N
	Group N(P)	Motorsport Australia Group N (P) Rally Cars
	S2000	FIA Super 2000 – Rallies
	Group G2	Group G2 Rally Cars
	HRC	Historic Rally Cars categories 1 & 2
	CRC	Classic Rally Cars
	CLB	Group 3 – Club Rally Cars
	ORCC	Road-registered 4WD automobiles that comply with (i) the Motorsport Australia Off Road Production 4WD category regulations, or (ii) the regulations relating to Groups A0, A1 or A2 of the Cross Country Rally Technical Regulations
NSWRC only	Group G4	Group G4 Rally Cars
	Group AP4	Group AP4 Rally Cars
HRS	PRC	Production Rally Cars that comply with (i) Appendix A Excel Rally Cars, or (ii) Any Hyundai Production Rally Car
ECCRS-2WD	CRC	2WD Classic Rally Cars
	CLB+30	Group 3 – Club Rally Cars first manufactured at least 30 years prior to 31 December of the current year.
ECCRS-4WD	CRC	4WD Classic Rally Cars

5 APPAREL RULES

For more information on the apparel requirements at each event, refer to Schedule D of the Motorsport Australia Manual of Motor Sport.

Frontal Head Restraints (FHR) and 5-point or 6-point safety harnesses are required for all events except Rally Regularity Events and S1 Rallysprints, or other events complying with civil road rules (eg, Touring Assemblies).

6 HEATS

Each event in the NSWRC, ECCRS-2WD & ECCRS-4WD will be structured as two heats for a single day event. A two day event will have three or four heats depending on how many competitive kilometres there are on the second day. Other heat structures may be approved by the NSW Rally Panel, solely for the purpose of Series point scoring.

Where a two day event is shared with a higher level event, such as ARC, competitors will have the option to only contest the two heats on the first day for a reduced entry fee.

7 SERIES ADVERTISING ON VEHICLES

It will be a condition of entry to an event hosting a Rally NSW Series that all specified Series advertising decals are displayed on **all** competing vehicles. The Rally NSW Series advertising decals must be affixed in the correct manner in order to start the event and for the duration of the event. This provision does not apply to those vehicles solely contesting the ARC or other higher level series shared with the event. For interstate rounds of a Rally NSW Series, the local advertising decals will take precedence where there is a conflict of placement or by negotiation with the individual event organiser.

8 PRIVACY

To protect personal identity information, entrants **must not** provide civil drivers licence numbers, dates of birth, or credit card details on entry forms or by email.

For any Rally NSW Series event the driver and co-driver email addresses and telephone numbers **should** be provided to Rally NSW by the event organiser for the purpose of Rally NSW to conduct post event surveys and distribute Series information directly with competitors. Entry forms **will** include an option for crews who wish to **opt in** to this requirement.

9 CATEGORIES AND CLASSES

The following categories and classes will be recognised:

9.1 NSW RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP (NSWRC)

Categories	Conditions
Outright	Open to all eligible vehicles
2WD	Open to eligible 2WD vehicles (Barry Ferguson Trophy)

Within the 2WD category in the NSWRC, the following classes are recognised:

Classes	Conditions
0-1600cc Pocket Rockets	Open to all 2WD vehicles with an engine capacity of no more than 1600cc
1601-2000cc	Open to all 2WD vehicles with an engine capacity between 1601cc and 2000cc
2001cc and over	Open to all 2WD with an engine capacity of 2001cc or more

9.2 EAST COAST CLASSIC RALLY SERIES – 2WD (ECCRS-2WD)

Categories	Conditions
2WD	Open to all 2WD vehicles in C1, C2 and C3 Classic Rally Car Categories and Club Rally Cars first manufactured 30 years prior to 31 December of the current year (CLB+30)

No classes are recognised within this Series.

9.3 EAST COAST CLASSIC RALLY SERIES – 4WD (ECCRS-4WD)

Categories	Conditions
4WD	Open to all 4WD vehicles in C3 and C4 Classic Rally Car Category

No classes are recognised within this Series.

9.4 CLUBMAN RALLY SERIES (CRS)

Categories	Conditions
4WD	Open to all 4WD vehicles
2WD	Open to all 2WD vehicles

No classes are recognised within this Series

9.5 HYUNDAI RALLY SERIES (HRS)

Categories	Conditions
Excel	Open to all vehicles complying with PRC Excel Rally Cars
Open	Open to all other PRC Hyundais (not G4, AP4 and R5 vehicles)

No classes are recognised within this Series.

9.6 CAPACITY EQUIVALENCE FACTORS

Supercharged and rotary engine capacities are subject to the multiplication factors found in the “Classification of Automobiles – Technical Appendix” in the current Motorsport Australia Manual.

The car will pass into the class corresponding to the capacity calculated by the application of the appropriate multiplication factor. The car will be treated in all respects as if its resultant increased cylinder capacity were its actual cylinder capacity.

10 SEEDING AND STARTING ORDER

10.1 STARTING ORDER

The driver's starting position shall be primarily determined using information provided by the RallyNSW Seeding List.

For NSWRC events, a ballot for the first three starting positions will be held at the drivers briefing. Where the NSWRC event is shared with a higher level event such as ARC this will not be required.

10.2 EXCLUSION OF EVENT FROM SEEDING

Once a year a driver may nominate an event in which he/she does not want their results included in the seeding arising from that event. An application to the NSW Rally Panel must be received before the close of entries for the event in which the results are not to be included in the seeding information. The driver will still be eligible for any awards from the event and will still score points in the Series for which they are eligible.

11 NO SERIES REGISTRATION

There is no Series registration. Eligible competitors will automatically score Series points relevant to the events they contest.

Where the Rally is run as a “meeting of events” combining any of the NSWRC, ECCRS, CRS and HRS series, for the competitor to be awarded relevant Series points, they must be entered in the event run under the appropriate level, or higher level, Motorsport Australia Rally Permit fee for that Series.

Eligibility for Series points while entered in a corresponding higher level Event will remain subject to:

- I. the higher level Event incorporates the respective Series Event’s stage structure entirely
- II. Compliance with Article 13 of these Competition Conditions (Series Advertising on Vehicles)
- III. The competitor must comply with the conditions for the relevant Series event eg no use of pacenotes

The appropriate levels of Rally Permit fee are:

NSWRC	State fee or higher
ECCRS – 2WD	State fee or higher (unless otherwise approved by the NSW Rally Panel)
ECCRS – 4WD	State fee or higher (unless otherwise approved by the NSW Rally Panel)
CRS	Club fee or higher
HRS	Club fee or higher

For example, if the competitor runs in the NSWRC event and they are eligible for CRS points, then CRS points will only be awarded if all or part of the NSWRC event is identical in stage structure to the CRS event. Conversely, if the competitor runs in the CRS event, they will not be awarded NSWRC or ECCRS points even if otherwise eligible.

At a “meeting of events” that includes non-NSW Series Events where the competitor enters a higher level event, for example a round of the Australian Rally Championship (ARC), Asia Pacific Rally Championship, (APRC), etc, then the competitor will need to “opt-in” via the Event Entry Form to receive the relevant NSW Rally Series points for which they are eligible, though all the above conditions of this section must still be met.

To enable the NSW Rally Advisory Panel to communicate directly with competitors, it is highly recommended that competitors “Opt In” on the Entry Form to allow Event Organisers to share competitor email and phone contact details with the NSW RAP.

12 SCORING

12.1 POINTS ALLOCATION

Where a competitor is unable to complete a rally stage due to it being neutralised or cancelled, this does not constitute a missed stage for the purposes of point scoring, and the competitor is deemed to have finished that stage. Where necessary, the organisers may assign a time to the competitor for that stage.

For all Series, points will be allocated in the following manner:

Event Status	Outright Points	Category Points	Class Points
<i>NSWRC</i>	1st: 25	1 st to 15 th : 15 to 1	1 st to 10 th : 10 to 1
<i>ECCRS-2WD & ECCRS-4WD</i>	2 nd : 22		No classes
<i>CRS</i>	3 rd : 20		No classes
<i>HRS</i>	4 th to 22 nd : 19 to 1 All other finishers: 1		No classes

12.1.1 Points Allocation in Final Rounds

To score points in the final round of a Series a competitor must have contested at least two previous rounds in that Series, except that in a three-round Series a competitor must have contested at least one previous round.

To score points in the second last round of a Series, a competitor must have contested at least one previous round in that Series, except in a three-round Series a competitor is not required to contest any previous round.

12.1.2 Outright Winner

For all Series, the competitor with the highest outright points at the conclusion of the Series will be declared the Outright Winner.

Neither Category nor Class points are considered in the outright pointscore.

12.1.3 Category Winner

The competitor with the highest total of points within each category at the conclusion of the Series will be declared the category winner.

Class points are not considered in the category pointscore.

12.1.4 Class Winner

The competitor with the highest total of points within each class at the conclusion of the Series will be declared the class winner.

12.2 HEATS TO COUNT – NSWRC

For the purpose of NSWRC point scores, the final point scores will be calculated using the best results from the number of heats shown below:

Where a Series consists of:	These rounds shall count for scoring:
8 heats or fewer	All heats
9-12 heats	All heats except two
13 or more heats	All heats except four

12.3 ROUNDS TO COUNT – CRS

For the purpose of Series point scores, the final point scores will be calculated using the best results from the number of rounds shown below:

Where a Series consists of:	These rounds shall count for scoring:
4 rounds or fewer	All rounds
5-6 rounds	All rounds except one
7 or more rounds	All rounds except two

12.4 ROUNDS TO COUNT – HRS

For the purpose of Series point scores, the final point scores will be calculated using the best results from the number of rounds shown below.

Where a Series consists of:	These rounds shall count for scoring:
4 rounds or fewer	All rounds
5 or more rounds	Four rounds

12.5 HEATS TO COUNT – ECCRS-2WD

For the purpose of ECCRS-2WD point scores, the final point scores will be calculated using the best results from the number of heats shown below:

Where a Series consists of:	These rounds shall count for scoring:
8 heats or fewer	All heats
9 or more heats	8 heats

12.6 HEATS TO COUNT – ECCRS-4WD

For the purpose of ECCRS-4WD point scores, the final point scores will be calculated using the best results from the number of heats shown below:

Where a Series consists of:	These rounds shall count for scoring:
8 heats or fewer	All heats
9 or more heats	8 heats

12.7 FORCE MAJEURE SHORTENED EVENTS

Where an event is shortened after commencement, the following rules will apply for point scoring.

- 50% or greater of scheduled competitive distance completed – Full Points
- 33% or greater but less than 50% completed - Half Points
- Less than 33% completed – NSW Rally Panel will decide based on circumstances but generally, points would not be awarded.

12.8 TIES

12.8.1 Individual Events

In the event of a tie, the points allocated will be calculated by adding together the available points for each position in the tie and dividing by the number of competitors in the tie. For example, if two competitors tie for 2nd place, the points for 2nd and 3rd would be added together and divided by two and equal points awarded to each registered competitor. If four competitors tied for 3rd, the points for 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th would be added together and divided by four and equal points awarded to each competitor.

12.8.2 Annual Pointscore

As per the Motorsport Australia "General Conditions for all Titles", if two or more competitors score equal points, the positions shall be determined by the greater number of higher placings. If this mechanism does not determine the result, a tie shall be declared.

13 MINIMUM NUMBERS OF HEATS/ROUNDS

The minimum numbers of heats to constitute the NSWRC will be six.

The minimum number of events to constitute the CRS will be three.

The minimum number of events to constitute the HRS will be three.

The minimum number of heats to constitute the ECCRS-2WD will be six.

The minimum number of heats to constitute the ECCRS-4WD will be six.

The NSW Rally Panel may reduce the above numbers only if it is deemed to be in the best interests of the sport.

14 AWARDS

14.1 SERIES AWARDS

14.1.1 NSWRC

Based on the accumulated points of crews in the NSWRC over the competition year, an annual award of a trophy and/or other recognition will be presented for the following achievements:

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Outright Driver & Co-Driver.
- 1st Driver and Co-Driver in 2WD category.
- 1st Driver & Co-Driver in each class.

14.1.2 ECCRS-2WD and ECCRS-4WD

Based on the accumulated points of crews in the ECCRS-2WD or ECCRS-4WD over the competition year, an annual award of a trophy and/or other recognition will be presented for the following achievements:

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Outright Driver & Co-Driver.

14.1.3 CRS and HRS

Based on the accumulated points of crews in the CRS or HRS over the competition year, an annual award of a trophy and/or other recognition will be presented for the following achievements:

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Outright Driver & Co-Driver.
- 1st Driver and Co-Driver in each category.

14.1.4 Minimum Number of Participants

Where fewer than four competitors contest three or more rounds of a Series, annual trophies may not be awarded for that series.

Where fewer than two competitors contest three or more rounds in any one category or class of a Series, annual trophies may not be awarded for that category or class.

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