



2024 Motorsport Australia South Australian Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations

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1. **EVENT TITLE:**

The events will be known THE 2024 MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIAN OFF ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP and shall be held under the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA, and the National Competition Rules of MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA, the Standing Regulations Off Road, and these Regulations.

2. **AUTOMOBILE ELIGIBILITY:**

Vehicles complying with the provisions of Section 12, Off Road Standing Regulations in the 2024 Motorsport Australia Manual. <https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/off-road>

3. **INVITED CLUBS:**

All Motorsport Australia Affiliated Clubs

4. **COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY:**

To be eligible for Motorsport Australia South Australian Off Road Championship points you must belong to a Motorsport Australia affiliated club.

You must hold a Motorsport Australia licence. For licence requirements refer to the General Appendix – Competition Licences of the Motorsport Australia Manual.

<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/general-regulations>

5. **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE:**

There will be three (3) events in the 2024 South Australian Off Road Championship.

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	EVENT STATUS
2 nd 3 rd March	Gawler Road Knights/Jamalka Off Road	Tumby Bay	Combined Club / State Championship Round 1
26 th -28 th July	Loveday 400	Loveday 4x4 Park	Combined National / State Championship Round 2
24 th -25 th August	Pt Germein Interclub	Pt Germein	Combined Club / State Championship Round 3

6. **STARTING ORDER:**

All events will have their starting order determined by Prologue.

If no Prologue, *Automobiles* will be allocated a start position based on previous SAORC event results or;

As per Supplementary Regulations

In the event of a Prologue

- i) Competitors may make only one attempt at a prologue (Refer 2024 Motorsport Australia Manual Off Road Standing Regulations <https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/off-road>) unless in the event of a timing malfunction, or any unforeseen circumstances, the *Organiser* and or the Clerk of

Course reserve the right to give a second run.

7. **SEEDING:**

The Crew of an *Automobile* unable to attempt and/or not completing the prologue may, on application to the *Organiser* and approval by the Stewards, be seeded.

Seeding will be based on the average of each Driver's 3 previous prologue or shootout Results, plus 10% of the remaining field or 20 positions relative to the rest of the field whichever is smaller. Where a shootout activity is used to determine the start order, the Results of this activity will be used in seeding calculations.

There will be no right of appeal against any decision about seeding.

Except as otherwise provided for in Article 8 of these regulations, the Driver/Co-Driver combination which attempts the prologue (or applies for seeding) must Start the *Competition* in the same respective roles.

8. **ALLOWED TIME AND CONTROLS:**

All *Automobiles* must receive the same allowed time which also must be set before the event/section starts. There will be no stopping at controls.

9. **RETURNING TO THE PITS:**

Method of returning to the pits is as per Event Supplementary Regulations.

10. **COMPASSIONATE TIME ALLOWANCE:**

May only be considered by the *Organisers* (refer 2024 Motorsport Australia Manual) under the following circumstance:

Stopping during the event to assist another competitor who has had an accident where bodily injury may be involved. Corroborative evidence of the physical assistance in written form must be provided by the crew assisted and/or other witnesses as to the time and circumstance.D

Any time allowance must take into consideration all aspects of the circumstances involved, including the condition of the vehicle of the claimant.

Calculated by averaging the times of the other laps of the competitor plus or minus time.

11. **CREWS:**

Navigators are compulsory at all events in vehicles fitted with two seats.

12. **SHARE DRIVERS, NAVIGATORS or CO-DRIVERS:**

If two or more drivers/co-drivers/navigators share an *Automobile* then points will be allocated to the first nominated Driver / Navigator

In an emergency where an additional navigator is required; only competitors that have signed on and attended briefings can compete in the *Automobile* during the race, this must be notified to the Event Secretary before that person enters the *Automobile*.

13. **ENTRY IN MORE THAN ONE CLASS:**

Any competitor who throughout the Series enters in more than one class will be awarded OUTRIGHT points at each event.

CLASS points will also be accumulated for the class nominated in at each event.

14. **COMPETITION NUMBERS:**

A competitor who has a Motorsport Australia registered National number has preference to that number. over a non-registered *Automobile*.

15. **FLAGS:**

Refer Motorsport Australia Manual.

16. **CLASSES:**

Refer 2024 Motorsport Australia Manual Specific Requirements for Off Road Vehicles for classification of eligible classes. Please note: Refer to Motorsport Australia Manual for classes that may be amalgamated. <https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/off-road>

17. **MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA LOG BOOK:**

Motorsport Australia Log Book is required as per 2024 Motorsport Australia Manual.

<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/technical-appendix>

18. **REFLECTIVE NUMBER PLATES:**

All vehicles must have a white reflective background to their rear facing number for night sections only. It is optional to have this background for other numbers on your vehicle.

19. **REFUELLING:**

Refueling areas for vehicles will be as designated in Supplementary Regulations.

All refueling must be done with a fire extinguisher at the ready, all occupants must be out of the *Automobile* and the engine must be turned off before fuel container cap/s or fuel tank cap/s can be removed.

20. **FINISHER:**

To be eligible for Championship Points the following conditions apply:

Long Course and or Short Course

To be classified as a finisher, and be eligible to be awarded Championship points, an *Automobile* must complete at least 75% of the total Scheduled Distance for the Event.

21. **POINTS:**

Points shall be allocated to drivers and navigators of the first 10 *Automobiles* in each Class as follows:

1 st	2 nd .	3 rd .	4 th .	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
100	75	66	50	49	48	47	46	45	44

A further allocation will be made to the first 20 *Automobiles* outright as follows:

1 st	2 nd .	3 rd .	4 th .	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
100	75	66	50	49	48	47	46	45	44
11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th
43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34

Ties (a) Championship -Outright: In the event of two competitors scoring equal points at the end of the Championship, the final positions will be determined by the greater number of higher outright event placing's. (b) Championship -Class: In the event of two competitors scoring equal points at the end of the Championship, the final positions will be determined by the greater number of higher class section finishing positions. If this mechanism does not determine the result, a tie will be declared.

22. **CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES:**

Championship Trophies will be awarded as follows:

1st, 2nd, 3rd Outright Driver & Navigator

1st, 2nd, 3rd in Class for Driver and Navigator depending on number of entries in each class over the Motorsport Australia South Australian Off Road Championship events.

6 or more entries: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

1 to 5 entries: 1st and 2nd

3 or less: 1st only

23. **COMPULSORY COMPETITORS BRIEFING:**

All crew members will be required to sign on prior to the commencement of the scheduled competitors briefing/s. Failure to do so will incur a penalty of a personal briefing being given after the last competitor has started their first lap.

24. **JUDICIAL PROCEDURES:**

All judicial procedures will be as per the current Motorsport Australia manual. The Clerk of Course in conjunction with the Stewards of the Event may use any of the following procedures;

- (i) Motorsport Australia Infringement Notice
- (ii) Motorsport Australia Charge Sheet and Stewards Hearing
- (iii) Stewards Inquiry
- (iv) *Organisers* and Stewards are to have unrestricted access to in-car video footage for use in a judicial situation. Failure to comply will result in penalties to be applied.

25 PENALTIES

The following are a breach of these regulations and will result in the imposition of the prescribed penalty:

Refueling whilst the <i>Automobile's</i> engine is not switched off:		Disqualification from the Event.
Refueling whilst any person is inside the <i>Automobile</i>		Disqualification from the Event.
Refueling whilst the <i>Automobile</i> is not totally inside any designated refueling area:		Disqualification from the Event.
False Start / Jumping the start	Prologue	1 Minute
	Section	5 Minutes
Causing direct disadvantage to another competitor. ie: failing to allow a faster competitor to pass	1 st offence	Pull in to pits for 'Stop/Go' Penalty
	2 nd offence	Pull in to pits for 'Stop/Go' Penalty plus 10-minute time penalty
	3 rd offence	Disqualification from the event
Plus, any further penalties that may be imposed by the Stewards of the meeting.		

Any time penalty is to be imposed at the conclusion of the event and applied to the relevant Section in which the breach was committed. Any time penalty imposed on Prologue is applied to Section one time.

A penalty may only be imposed by the Stewards.