# **MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA MANUAL**

# RALLY / ROAD APPENDIX RALLY STANDING REGULATIONS RALLY REGULARITY (RR)



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#### 1. PREAMBLE

The purpose of *Rally* Regularity is to provide the opportunity for a Special Stage *Rally* or other *Rally* or Touring *Event* 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 to 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*/Crew 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*/Crews can participate in an 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* Rally Standing Regulations Special Stage Rallies (RSR SSR).
- (b) The Event Organiser must set a precise target time for each competitive stage, or segment with in a competitive stage that does not exceed an average of 70 km/h unless a different speed is approved by Motorsport Australia on recommendation of the Course Checker (Rally@motorsport.org.au). 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, GPS speed and tracking device, e.g. RallySafe Lite, etc.). The target time for each stage or segment with in a competitive stage shall be clearly detailed in the instructions issued to each Crew by the Organiser.
- (c) Each Crew must maintain a minimum speed of no less than 20 km/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*) unless a different minimum speed is approved by *Motorsport Australia* on recommendation of the *Course* Checker (*Rally@motorsport.org.au*). Stopping on a stage solely for the purpose of managing average speed for a competitive stage is strictly prohibited. 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 Crew must be submitted directly to the *Motorsport Australia* (<u>Rally@motorsport.org.au</u>) 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) A Rally Regularity Event may be run as a
  - (i) Standalone Club Competition Rally Regularity Event in its own right, or
  - (ii) Run in conjunction with a Special Stage Rally (i.e. as a "piggyback"), or
  - (iii) Run in conjunction with or stages as part of an *Event* run under the National Touring *Standing Regulations*, NTSR-EG Special Test, NTSR-NA Sub Event and Special Tests, NTSR-TRE Skill Special Test.
- (b) Where a *Rally* Regularity *Event* is run in conjunction with a Special Stage *Rally Event*, the *Rally* Regularity *Event* field must run at the tail of the field, behind the other Crews in the Special Stage *Rally*.
- (c) If a Rally Regularity Event is being run in its own right, or Stages as part of a Touring Event, the full requirements of a closed road (access controlled) Special Stage Rally (as per the Motorsport Australia Rally/Road Appendix Rally Standing Regulations Special Stage Rally) will apply. https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally
- (d) Permit Fees shall be applied as per those set for Club Competition 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 AND CREW REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Drivers must possess current, valid civil driving licence. Motorsport Australia Licence requirements for a Competitor, Driver, Co-Driver and Navigator refer to the Motorsport Australia Manual General Appendix Licences, (https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/general-regulations). The Licence requirements for each Event must be listed in the Event Supplementary Regulations.
- (b) These licences must be presented to the *Organisers* at pre-event Documentation and upon request. This applies to any Crew member who drives the vehicle during the *Event*.
- (c) 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 the Technical *Appendix* in the *Manual*), Articles 4 and 5 of the *Rally Standing Regulations* Vehicles General (RSR-VG) 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*.

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) Competitive Stage Target Times must be set as follows, respecting Article 2.1 (b) and be detailed in the *Event Supplementary Regulations*;
  - (i) A precise target time for a competitive stage, or
  - (ii) Different precise target times for each segment within a competitive stage. Where the competitive stage is split into segments then;

- (A) The competitive stage must be greater than 10km, total distance, unless approved by Motorsport Australia on recommendation of the Course Checker. (Rally@motorsport.org.au).
- (B) The different segments of a competitive stage must be
  - (I) shown in the route Instructions as way points with GPS coordinates and
  - (II) on the road by signs as designated in Article 7 or by the Organisers and must be shown in the in the *Event Supplementary Regulations* or *Event* Bulletin.
- (iii) The *Organisers* may use Passage Controls as described in the *Event Supplementary* Regulations and shown by a road side sign as designated in Article 7 or by the *Organisers* and must be shown in the *Event Supplementary Regulations* or *Event* Bulletin.
- (b) 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 Competitive Stage or segment within a 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 Competitive Stages and Liaison sections, as per the RSR SSR. Exceeding Late Running Time will result in Exclusion Disqualification.
- (c) Clerk of the Course Cautions / Disqualification
  - (i) If a Crew arrives over 1 minute early of the target time in a Special Competitive Stage or segment within a stage, in addition to the 5 points per second penalty, they are to be given a caution by the Clerk of the Course.
  - (ii) If a crew exceeds the maximum terminal speed of 110 km/h (refer Article 2.1 (b)) they are to be given a caution by the Clerk of the Course.
  - (iii) If a Crew receives 3 cautions in the course of one *Event*, or the crew grossly exceeds the maximum terminal speed of 110 km/h, the crew will be referred to the Steward who may impose a penalty up to *Disqualification*. they are automatically excluded from the *Event*.
  - (iv) Notification of any exclusions Disqualification needs 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.
- (d) A *Rally* Regularity *Event* shall either be route charted as per the RSR SSR, navigational (using Articles 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 or Safety 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.

### 7. RALLY REGULARITY ON COURSE SIGNS

The following signs are in addition to the On Course Signs shown in the RSR – Special Stage *Rally Standing Regulations*.

Way Point



Passage Control

