



2025 Motorsport Australia Queensland Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations



2024 OUTRIGHT WINNERS

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Queensland Off Road Championship (QORC)

These Regulations have been approved by the Queensland State Council of *Motorsport Australia*. To be read in conjunction with the *Manual*.

1. GENERAL

The Championship will be held under the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices; the National Competition Rules of *Motorsport Australia*; the Off-Road Standing Regulations; these Championship Regulations, such *Supplementary Regulations* and *Bulletins* as may be issued.

2. ADMINISTRATION

The Championship organisers will be the *Event Organising Committees* under the control of the Queensland State Council of *Motorsport Australia*.

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1. By entering any round of the QORC, each person and corporation agree to refer to it only by its full title, "The 2025 Motorsport Australia Queensland Off Road Championship".
- 3.2. All promotional material must include the full title.
- 3.3. In any State Championship Competition and above, a Motorsport Australia logo must be placed as high as possible and clearly visible between the main roll bar hoop and the front suspension on each side of the coachwork.
- 3.4. An *Organiser* may also require each *Competitor* to display signage promoting the *Event* sponsor; in such case this must be included in the *Supplementary Regulations*, and the *Organiser* will provide this signage to each *Competitor*.

4. SCHEDULE

The 2025 Queensland Off Road Championship will comprise the following long *Course Events*:

ROUND	DATE	VENUE	ORGANISING CLUB
1	12 th 13 th April	St George	SEQORRA
2	12 th 13 th July	Limevale	SEQORRA
3	29 th 30 th 31 st August	Charters Towers	NQORRA
4	8 th 9 th November	Thornton	CORD

5. EVENT OPERATIONS

5.1. STARTS

- 5.1.1. An *Event* may include a multiple *Start* depending on track conditions. The *Start* format will be advised in *Supplementary Regulations*.
- 5.1.2. A prologue will determine the initial starting order. The starting order for the second and subsequent sections will be based on the outright finishing order of the preceding section. If the *Event* format splits the field into multiple groups, regrouping may incur within the individual groups. If seeding is required, it will be at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.
- 5.1.3. The prologue starting order will be determined by the *Organiser*, in accordance with Article 5.2 of these Regulations, and advised by the *Organiser* to each Crew no later than the end of the first Crew briefing.
- 5.1.4. Each *Automobile* will *Start* the prologue at the time allocated by the *Organiser*.
- 5.1.5. The crew and *Automobile* combination completing the prologue *Course* in the least time will *Start* the first section first, followed by the remainder of the field in increasing order of time taken over the prologue *Course*.



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5.2. SEEDING

- 5.2.1. The crew of an *Automobile* unable to attempt and/or not completing the prologue may, on application to the Clerk of the Course and approval by the Stewards, be seeded.
- 5.2.2. The crew of an *Automobile* unable to attempt and/or not completing a section of an *Event* consisting of multiple sections may, on application to the Clerk of the Course and approval by the Stewards, be seeded.
- 5.2.3. There will be no right of appeal against any decision about seeding.

5.3. COMPETITION NUMBERS

- 5.3.1. Each *Competitor* may choose a *Competition* number. If a clash of numbers occurs, the *Competitor* or *Driver* that has registered a *National Competition* Number, allocated by *Motorsport Australia*, will have preference to use that number. Otherwise, preference will be given in order of *Entries* received at that *Event*.
- 5.3.2. Each *Competition* number must comply with Article 30 of the General Requirements for Off Road Vehicles in the *Off Road Appendix* of the *Manual*.

5.4. TIMING & RESULTS

- 5.4.1. Timing will be by manual or electronic means to an accuracy of 1/100th of a second.
- 5.4.2. Each *Automobile* will be timed as its front wheels pass the timing marker of the control, or if an electronic means of timing is utilised, when the electronic timing is activated.
- 5.4.3. The *Final Classification* of each *Event* will be determined by the total elapsed time taken by each *Automobile* for each section of the *Event* plus any penalties.
- 5.4.4. Where a compassionate time allowance is made by the Clerk of the Course in conjunction with the Stewards, it will be applied to the times of the section in which the incident occurred and where possible prior to the commencement of the next section, so that it can be taken into consideration for the *Start* order of that section.
- 5.4.5. Each score sheet will be required to clearly indicate how many sections make up the *Event* and record total time for each section for each crew.
- 5.4.6. Each score sheet must record total elapsed time for the determination of outright positions.
- 5.4.7. Each score sheet is required to indicate the names of the nominated primary *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* as well as the *Automobile* number.

5.5. Postponement OR CANCELLATION OF A COMPETITION ABANDONMENT

A Competition may only be postponed or cancelled for reasons of Force Majeure or safety, or if requirement for doing so has been made in the Supplementary Regulations.

5.6. SUBSTITUTION OF EVENT

The Queensland State Council, on advice from the Queensland Off Road Advisory Panel, reserves the right to substitute an *Event* in the case of a cancellation.

5.7. REFUELLING

- 5.7.1. Refuelling must only be done in the designated refuelling area.
- 5.7.2. Any person within 2 metres of refuelling activity must wear non-flammable, neck to wrist to ankle clothing.

5.8. LODGING OF ENTRIES

- 5.8.1. An *Entry* will be considered valid if it complies with the *Supplementary Regulations*. The official Queensland Championship *Entry* form fully completed (and signed) and accompanied by the required fee must be lodged with the *Event* Secretary within the period specified. It will be permissible to lodge an *Entry* by facsimile or by any other approved electronic means of communication as long as it is received before the close of entries.



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5.9. RETURN OF ENTRIES

5.9.1. Each *Event Organiser* must specify, in the *Supplementary Regulations*, the conditions for return of *Entry* fees in the case of an *Event* cancellation or *Competitor* withdrawal.

5.10. RECONNAISSANCE

5.10.1. An *Organiser* must provide the opportunity for reconnaissance of the *Course* by crews, subject to the following conditions:

5.10.1.1 A road registered *Automobile* and/or race *Automobile* is eligible at the *Organiser's* discretion.

5.10.1.2 Each occupant must wear a seat belt/harness.

5.10.1.3 Speed is limited to a maximum of 80km/h.

5.10.1.4 Only the *Driver* and *Navigator/Co-Driver* listed on the *Entry* form may participate in reconnaissance.

5.11. EVENT FORMAT

5.11.1. An *Event* may be run either as one section or as multiple sections.

5.11.2. A section will be defined as any part of the race when timing ceases for a break. The field will be regrouped at the beginning of each section.

5.11.3. Where an *Event* is divided into sections, each section will be timed separately for class points. The sections may be run on different days. A crew that does not complete a section will be permitted to start in a subsequent section at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.

6. AUTOMOBILE/CREW ELIGIBILITY

6.1.1. The *Competitor* and each *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* must hold the appropriate *Motorsport Australia* Licence and be a member of a *Motorsport Australia* Affiliated Club.

6.1.2. If the *Driver* of an *Automobile* is less than 18 years old or does not hold a current civil driver's licence, they must be accompanied at all times while competing by a crew member, in the *Automobile*, who either holds a current civil driver's licence or is not less than 18 years old.

6.1.3. Licence (refer General Appendix - Licence), logbook and any club membership detail must be presented at scrutineering at which time logbooks may be held by the Chief Scrutineer.

6.1.4. Each *Automobile* must comply with the requirements of the Off Road Appendix of the *Manual*.

6.1.5. With the exception of Pro, Pro-lite, Sports Lite and Extreme 2WD classes, each crew will consist of at least 2 persons, one nominated as the *Driver* and the other as the *Co-Driver* or number one *Navigator*.

6.1.6. Each *Competitor* must nominate on the *Entry* form the primary *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* for the purpose of allocation of championship points. Where multiple *Co-Drivers/Navigators* are used at an *Event*, the first listed on the *Entry* form will be allocated the points for that *Event*.

7. SAFETY

7.1. DRIVER AND NAVIGATOR SAFETY / APPAREL

7.1.1. Each competing crew member must wear apparel that complies with the Technical Appendix – Schedule D of the *Manual*.

7.2. AUTOMOBILE SAFETY

7.2.1. Each *Automobile* must comply with the requirements of the Off Road Appendix of the *Manual*.



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7.3. PIT AND PADDOCK SAFETY

- 7.3.1. No child under the age of 14 is permitted in the pit area.
- 7.3.2. No motorcycle is to be used in the pit or paddock or any spectator area without the express permission of the property owner and the *Event Organiser*.
- 7.3.3. Each *Competitor* will be held responsible with regard to any unauthorised person being found in their pit area.

7.4. ROAD REGISTERED AUTOMOBILES

- 7.4.1. A road registered *Automobile* must comply with each safety requirement as specified in the Off Road Appendix of the *Manual*.
- 7.4.2. A Queensland road registered *Automobile* must have an extension to compulsory third party insurance to compete.

8. CLASSES OF AUTOMOBILES

- 8.1. The Championship will be divided into the following classes as per the Off-Road Standing Regulations:

- 8.1.1. Pro Buggy
- 8.1.2. Pro-lite Buggy
- 8.1.3. Sportslite
- 8.1.4. Super 1650 Buggy
- 8.1.5. Sportsman Buggy
- 8.1.6. Extreme 2WD
- 8.1.7. Performance 2WD
- 8.1.8. Side x Side Turbo
- 8.1.9. Side x Side Sport
- 8.1.10. Production 4WD
- 8.1.11. Extreme 4WD
- 8.1.12. Extreme Lite

9. SCRUTINEERING

- 9.1. Self Scrutiny will be used at each *Event*. Each *Competitor* must complete a Statement of Vehicle Compliance and a Self Scrutiny Checklist prior to the *Event*. Each *Organiser* must complete full scrutineering on at least 10% of the field. Each *Competitor* whose *Automobile* is selected for full scrutineering must be advised at least 24 hours prior to scrutineering being conducted. *Automobiles* and apparel will also be subject to spot checks at the discretion of the Chief Scrutineer during the *Event*.
- 9.2. An *Automobile* may be examined for eligibility at any time during an *Event* and up to 30 minutes after the conclusion of the *Event*.
- 9.3. Immediately upon the completion of the *Event*, *Automobiles* may be impounded by the Clerk the of Course for post-*Event* eligibility scrutineering. Other *Automobile* may also be impounded at the Clerk of the Course's discretion for compliance
- 9.4. Any *Automobile* impounded will be held in *Parc Fermé*, for up to 30 minutes.
- 9.5. Examination for compliance may be undertaken whilst an *Automobile* is impounded, and each *Competitor* may be required to provide mechanical assistance to Scrutineers undertaking such examinations.

10. PARC FERMÉ

- 10.1. For regrouping or other reasons, each *Automobile* may be required to be held in a *Parc Fermé*. An *Event* with multiple sections may require an *Automobile* to be placed in *Parc Ferme* after an allocated service time, so each *Automobile* has the same amount of service time regardless of which heat they run in.
- 10.2. Any *Automobile* which enters a *Parc Fermé* with its engine running may be restarted with assistance from officials before its release time.
- 10.3. When *Parc Fermé* conditions are imposed prior to the conclusion of an *Event* (e.g. for regrouping) the *Parc Fermé* will be located so that it is possible for crews to go directly to the pits on release from *Parc Fermé* if required.



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11. POINTSCORE

- 11.1.** To be eligible for Queensland Championship awards at the end of the QORC, each *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* must have started prologue or a section at ONE of the calendared QORC and scored at least 1 point or more.
- 11.2.** The *Co-Driver/Navigator* will receive the same points as the *Driver* of the *Automobile* in which they are competing for both class and outright results.
- 11.3.** Each *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* that starts either the prologue or the first lap of Section 1 of an *Event* will receive 10 class points and 1 outright point.

12. CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

- 12.1.** The award for Queensland Off Road Champion *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* only will be presented at the *Motorsport Australia* 'Evening of Champions'. Second and third positions (*Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator*) plus the winning *Driver* in each class will be awarded trophies which will be supplied from the Trophy Levy.

13. CLASS POINTS

- 13.1.** Class points will be allocated equally for each section regardless of distance. To be eligible for class points a crew must complete the total distance of that section within the specified time allocated by the *Event Organiser*.
- 13.2.** Class points will be awarded as follows:

Place	1 section	2 sections (points per section)	3 sections (points per section)	4 sections (points per section)	5 sections (points per section)
1 st	120	60	40	30	24
2 nd	90	45	30	22.5	18
3 rd	72	36	24	18	14.4
4 th	60	30	20	15	12
5 th	48	24	16	12	9.6
6 th	36	18	12	9	7.2
7 th	24	12	8	6	4.8
8 th	18	9	6	4.5	3.6
9 th	12	6	4	3	2.4
10 th	6	3	2	1.5	1.2
All other finishers	4	2	1.5	1	0.8

- 13.3.** When an *Event* is stopped or otherwise shortened for any reason, class points will be awarded according to the *Event* format and number of sections the leading *Automobile* has completed when the *Event* is stopped, as per the following.

- 13.3.1.** When the *Event* is being run as one section
- if less than 25% of the scheduled distance has been covered, no class points will be awarded.
 - if 25% but not more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed, 50% of the available points will be awarded; or
 - if more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed points will be awarded as though the scheduled distance had been covered.
- 13.3.2.** When the *Event* is being run as two or more sections: points will be allocated for those sections completed, in accordance with the appropriate scale (for the number of sections scheduled as above). No points will be allocated for any section not completed or which is stopped before the scheduled time for completion.

14. OUTRIGHT POINTS

- 14.1.** Outright points will be distributed, according to each crew's total elapsed time for all sections after any penalties are applied.
- 14.2.** To be eligible for outright points a crew must complete 100% of the race distance.



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14.3. Outright points will be awarded as follows:

1st - 120 points; 2nd - 90 points; 3rd - 72 points; 4th - 60 points; 5th - 48 points; 6th - 36 points; 7th - 24 points; 8th - 18 points; 9th - 12 points; 10th - 6 points. The remainder of finishers each receive 4 points.

14.4. When an *Event* is stopped or otherwise shortened for any reason, outright points will be awarded according to the number of sections the leading *Automobile* has completed when the *Event* is stopped.

- if less than 25% of the scheduled distance has been covered, no outright points will be awarded.
- if 25% but not more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed, 50% of the available points will be awarded; or
- if more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed points will be awarded as though the scheduled had been covered.

15. TIES

15.1. Outright: If two or more *Drivers* or two or more *Co-Drivers/Navigators* have accumulated equal points at the end of the QORC, the final positions will be determined by the greater number of higher outright *Event* finishing positions.

15.2. Class: If two or more *Drivers* or two or more *Co-Drivers/Navigators* have accumulated equal points at the end of the QORC, the final positions will be determined by the greater number of higher class section finishing positions.

15.3. If this methodology does not determine the result, a tie will be declared.

16. ENTRY FEES

16.1. Included in the *Entry* fee will be the Off-Road Trophy Levy of \$15.00 per *Entry*.

17. PARENTAL CONSENT

17.1. If any *Competitor, Driver, Co-Driver, Navigator* or pit crew is under 18 years of age, it must be stated on the *Entry* form together with the signed consent of a parent or guardian. Each *Entry* form must contain provision for the address and telephone number of a consenting guardian.

18. INSURANCE

18.1. The *Event Organiser* must arrange public risk insurance with *Motorsport Australia*. Personal accident insurance for all officials, *Drivers, Co-Drivers, Navigators*, and pit crew (nominated on the *Entry* form and duly signed) will be arranged with *Motorsport Australia*. [Insurance-Guide---Motorsport-Australia---july-2023](#).

19. ALCOHOL/ PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

19.1. The consumption of alcohol or any prohibited substance by a *Driver, Co-Driver, Navigator* or team member (including pit crew) is forbidden during the *Event*. Consumption of alcohol or prohibited substances by anyone in the pit, paddock and other non-public areas is forbidden until all *Competition* is concluded for each day of the *Event*. Refer to the *Manual*.

20. OFFICIAL REGISTRAR

20.1. The 2025 Championship Registrar is:

Don Young
Email – don.young13@hotmail.com
Mobile – 0438 862 150

20.2. It is the responsibility of an *Event Organiser* to notify the Registrar of the *Final Classification* for the *Event* within 7 days of *Event* completion.

21. EVENT TROPHIES

21.1. Trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the organising club and these awards will be defined in *Supplementary Regulations*.

21.2. At the completion of each *Event*, the organising club will present trophies for that *Event*. (Completion of the *Event* means every *Automobile* has stopped racing.)



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21.3. Trophies awarded at the *Organiser's* discretion may reflect different place getters than the official point-score according to the method of discernment.

21.4. It is recommended that a finishing certificate be awarded to each crew that places in the top three in their class if they do not receive a trophy.

22. PENALTIES

22.1. Failure to comply with a specified control procedure.

22.1.1. 30 minutes added to start time.

22.2. Short cut or other deviation from the *Course*.

22.2.1. First breach during the *Event*, up to and including 30 minutes added to section time.

22.2.2. Second breach during the *Event*, up to and including *Disqualification*.

22.2.3. Any breach during prologue, up to and including 30 minutes added to the prologue time.

22.3. Causing damage to property, deemed by the Clerk of the Course to have been deliberate.

22.3.1. Up to and including *Disqualification*.

22.4. Refuelling whilst the *Automobile* engine is not switched off.

22.4.1. Up to and including *Disqualification*.

22.5. Refuelling whilst any person is inside the *Automobile*.

22.5.1. Up to and including *Disqualification*.

22.6. Refuelling outside designated area.

22.6.1. Up to and including *Disqualification*.

22.7. Breach of *Parc Ferme*.

22.7.1. Up to and including 100 minutes added to section time.

22.8. False Start / Jump Start.

22.8.1. Prologue - 1 minute added to section 1 time.

22.8.2. Section - 5 minutes added to section time at the end of the *Event*.

22.9. Receiving outside servicing.

22.9.1. Up to and including *Disqualification*.

22.10. A penalty may only be imposed by the Stewards.

23 OTHER

WATERING OF COURSE

In order to comply with relevant Local Government requirements, where applicable, or to reduce dust and the like, it may be necessary to water the *Course* at intervals during the *Event*. Specific conditions will be detailed in the *Event Supplementary Regulations*.

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