

RALLY / ROAD APPENDIX

RALLY TEST ACTIVITIES

STANDING REGULATIONS (RTA)

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1. AUTHORITY

A Rally Test Activities and/or Passenger Ride Activities will be held under the *FIA International Sporting Code* including Appendices, the *National Competition Rules (NCR)* of *Motorsport Australia*, the *Rally Standing Regulations (RSR)* where referred to in these regulations, these *Standing Regulations* and any *Supplementary Regulations* issued for the Activity.

2. DEFINED TERMS & INTERPRETATION

2.1 Defined terms

- (a) **Activity** means a non-competitive *Rally Event*, including Testing, Test & Tune, Practice, Media Rides, Sponsor Days, Shakedown and Passenger Rides. (including all related incidental course activities to the Activity) where the activity is not included as part of a *Rally Event* already holding a *Motorsport Australia Organising Permit*;
- (b) **Activity Supervisor** (may also be known as the Clerk of the Course) means the person appointed by a Permit Holder who is responsible for the operation of an Activity and meets the requirements of *Motorsport Australia*;
- (c) **Automobile** means an *Automobile* which is participating in an Activity and is not used in support of the Activity (i.e. zero cars, course car, tow truck, recovery vehicles, medical vehicles, sweep etc.);
- (d) **Competitor** means a person who enters an *Automobile* to be used in an Activity. The *Competitor* may also be a *Driver*, *Co-Driver/Navigator* or *Passenger* in an *Automobile*;
- (e) **Course** means the Activity *Course* as shown on maps as supplied to *Motorsport Australia* with the *Organising Permit* application;
- (f) **Driver Briefing** means a briefing of all participants, refer clause 7.4;
- (g) **Driving Coach** means a person accompanying a *Driver* for the purpose of observing or providing driving advice to that *Driver* refer clause 9.1;
- (h) **Drone** means use of remotely-piloted aircraft as referenced in the *Motorsport Australia Drone (RPA) Policy*;
- (i) **Entry Form** means a physical or digital form which is completed by the *Competitor* prior to the entry of an *Automobile* in an Activity;
- (j) **Motorsport Australia** means the Confederation of Australia Motor Sport Ltd trading as *Motorsport Australia* ACN 069 045 665;
- (k) **NCR** means the *Motorsport Australia National Competition Rules*;
- (l) **Official** means a person accredited as an official by *Motorsport Australia*;
- (m) **Passenger** has the meaning given in the NCR;
- (n) **Permit Holder** means the person / body who has applied for and been granted a *Motorsport Australia Organising Permit* to run this activity.
- (o) **Post Activity Report** means a report of each Activity conducted in the form stated in clause 10.1;
- (p) **Property Owner** means the owner of the property on which the Activity is being held, this may be a private land owner, Government Agency, eg, Forestry, for which permission must be obtained to conduct the Activity.

- (q) **Reportable Incident** means any incident:
- (i) in which participants or others are injured or require medical assistance;
 - (ii) the result of which requires fire to be extinguished;
 - (iii) the result of which renders an *Automobile* unable to continue in the Activity other than because of a mechanical breakdown of that *Automobile*;
 - (iv) the result of which requires any Government Agency, including Police to attend the Activity;
 - (v) which results in the *Course* being unable to be used for the Activity for a significant period of time;
 - (vi) which is a Critical Incident; or
 - (vii) in which any illegal activity is involved.
- (r) **Risk Warning and Disclaimer** means a risk warning and disclaimer in a form approved by *Motorsport Australia*;

3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTIVITY

- (a) The Permit Holder is responsible for the conduct of the Activity and compliance with these *Standing Regulations* and the conditions of the *Organising Permit*.
- (b) The Permit Holder acknowledges that:
- (i) the Permit Holder is responsible for the safety and conduct of the Activity Supervisor and all who are involved in the Activity; and
 - (ii) these *Standing Regulations* are not tailored to the individual circumstances and requirements of each Course and Activity and that the Permit Holder must consider whether there are any particular circumstances and requirements in relation to the Course or an Activity which need be to be considered and controlled in addition to these *Standing Regulations*. Such control measures may include:
 - (A) development of the Permit Holder's own occupational health and safety policies and processes; and
 - (B) ensuring that such policies and processes are adopted by its employees, agents, contractors and others who are permitted to attend an Activity.
- (c) The Permit Holder must organise and operate (and ensure that its contractors, employees and agents organise and operate) each Activity in accordance with the following:
- (i) all laws, statutes, orders, rules, regulations, guidelines, ordinances and other instruments which have the force of law as may be amended from time to time;
 - (ii) directions, rules, policies and procedures of *Motorsport Australia* (except to the extent that they are not inconsistent with these *Standing Regulations*), the *FIA*, their related entities and Officials (including *Motorsport Australia's* Safety 1st Policy);
 - (iii) any further regulations, conditions or instructions which may be issued by *Motorsport Australia*; and
 - (iv) these *Standing Regulations*.

4. OFFICIALS

4.1 Activity Supervisor

- (a) The Permit Holder must appoint an Activity Supervisor for each Activity. The Activity Supervisor must meet the requirements of *Motorsport Australia*.
- (b) The Activity Supervisor is responsible to the Permit holder for the operation of the Activity in accordance with these *Standing Regulations* and applying all necessary risk management controls to conduct the Activity safely. Except as stated otherwise in these *Standing Regulations*, the Activity Supervisor must ensure the following in relation to each Activity:
- (i) the submission of all relevant pre-Activity and operational paperwork as required to the Permit Holder;
 - (ii) the conduct of each Activity in accordance with these *Standing Regulations* and conditions issued by *Motorsport Australia*, and the Permit Holder;

- (iii) all appropriate risk management procedures have been completed prior to any Activity commencing on the *Course*; and
- (iv) all relevant licences required for the Activity are checked and issued.

4.2 Officials and Locations

- (a) Notwithstanding the Permit Holder's obligations, the Activity Supervisor must at all times ensure that:
 - (i) there are an appropriate number of Officials at each Activity; and
 - (ii) those Officials are suitably qualified, briefed and in place, to ensure that the Activity can be run in a safe and controlled manner.
- (b) During each Activity, the Activity Supervisor must ensure that each Official is located safely and in positions which minimise their exposure to *Automobiles* and debris in the event of an incident. At all times during an Activity and unless given specific instruction by the Activity Supervisor, each Official must remain in the location as determined by the Activity Supervisor.
- (c) Notwithstanding clause 4.2(b), *Motorsport Australia* may specify that additional Officials be used during an Activity depending on the specific nature of the Activity.
- (d) The Activity Supervisor must ensure that all Officials are adequately briefed in relation to the *Course*, the Activity and the role which they will be conducting at the Activity.

5. INSURANCE

Motorsport Australia will maintain the following insurance policies in relation to each Activity conducted in accordance with these *Standing Regulations*:

- (a) Public liability insurance which provides limited indemnity against claims for property and personal injury coverage for the Permit Holder, Property Owner, *Driver*, *Co-Driver/Navigator*, *Passengers*, Officials and other specified individuals in relation to the Activities in accordance with the then current certificate of insurance issued to *Motorsport Australia*.
- (b) Personal accident insurance which provides limited personal accident insurance coverage for *Drivers*, *Co-Driver/Navigator*, Officials and accredited media at the Activity in accordance with the then current certificate of insurance issued to *Motorsport Australia*.

6. COURSE

6.1 Observation

Automobiles may be permitted on a *Course* during an Activity for the purpose of conducting observation/reconnaissance provided those *Automobiles* do not exceed a speed of 60 km/h at any time. The Activity Supervisor is responsible for determining how many *Automobiles* may participate in such observation/reconnaissance at any one time and, subject to anything stated in these *Standing Regulations*, the apparel and *Automobile* standards applicable to that observation.

6.2 Course Set Up and Operation

- (a) The *Course* must be set up and roads closed as per the requirements contained in the Road/Rally *Appendix, Rally Standing Regulations* (RSR) - Special Stage Rally (SRS); <https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>
- (b) All Safety requirements contained in the Road/Rally *Appendix, Rally Standing Regulations* (RSR) - Special Stage Rally (SRS) must be in place for the Activity; <https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>
- (c) All Medical requirements contained in the Road/Rally *Appendix, Rally Standing Regulations* (RSR) - Special Stage Rally (SRS) must be in place for the Activity; <https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>
- (d) Where the testing course is a single Up and Back two-way operation;
 - (i) Only one (1) vehicle is permitted on the course at a time;
 - (ii) Radio communication must be in place at each end of the course;
 - (iii) The Activity Supervisor must have a response vehicle at each end of the course;
 - (iv) Vehicles testing must carry either a mobile phone or two-way radio, secured in the vehicle, for communication with the Activity Supervisor in the case of the vehicle stopping on the stage;
 - (v) The Activity Supervisor is responsible for implementing a protocol to ensure that, other than to respond to an incident or suspected incident, no vehicle can enter the course while another vehicle is on the course;

- (vi) In the event that a vehicle is stopped on the stage or suspected to be so, the first response vehicle may only enter the stage in the same direction the stopped vehicle was travelling before it stopped or went missing.
- (e) The number of *Automobiles* allowed on the *Course* at the same time will be determined by the Activity Supervisor.

6.3 Competitive Activities Prohibited

The following are prohibited in each Activity:

- (a) racing between *Automobiles*;
- (b) publication of an order of merit, achievement, success, or similar activities *Automobiles*; and
- (c) conduct which could be reasonably construed to be a competition based on *Automobile* performance or speed.

7. OPERATION

7.1 Abandonment

Each of *Motorsport Australia*, the Permit Holder, Property Owner and the Activity Supervisor have the right to abandon, postpone or cancel an Activity at any time.

7.2 Entry Form

Each *Competitor* must complete an Activity *Entry* form as approved by *Motorsport Australia* which contains a Risk Warning and Disclaimer.

7.3 Signing On

- (a) The following must complete a Risk Warning and Disclaimer prior to their participation in the Activity, either through the entry process or on the day:
 - (i) *Drivers*.
 - (ii) *Co-Drivers/Navigators*
 - (iii) *Officials*.
 - (iv) *Passengers*.
 - (v) *Pit/Service crew*.
 - (vi) *Media*.
 - (vii) Any other individual who participates in an *Automobile* during the Activity.
- (b) The Risk Warning and Disclaimer must be in a form acceptable to *Motorsport Australia*. The approved Risk Warning and Disclaimer is available <https://motorsport.org.au/events/disclaimers>

7.4 Driver Briefings

The Activity Supervisor must ensure that each participant attends or receives a *Driver* Briefing before being permitted to participate in an Activity.

7.5 Safety and Communication

- (a) Each Official must remain in the location as determined by the Activity Supervisor.
- (b) Each Official who is directly supervising an Activity must be in contact (by radio or other means) with the Activity Supervisor during all Activities. All Safety and Communication requirements contained in the *Road/Rally Appendix, Rally Standing Regulations (RSR) - Special Stage Rally (SRS)* must be in place for the Activity
<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>.

7.6 Spectators

- (a) Spectator attendance is at the discretion of each Permit Holder.
- (b) Where permitted, each Permit Holder must provide for a safe place for spectators to observe the Activities as set out in the *Public Safety and Control Procedures - Rally Road Events*
<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>
- (c) At all times spectators must remain in the designated public area unless inducted appropriately.
- (d) Minors of any age must be supervised by an adult.

7.7 Passengers

Passengers are only allowed in an Activity in accordance with the *Motorsport Australia Motorsport Passenger Ride Activity Policy*.

https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/safety-integrity/mspra-policy.pdf?sfvrsn=111e9265_15

7.8 Alcohol and Drugs

The *Motorsport Australia* Anti-Doping Policy and the *Motorsport Australia* Illicit Drugs in Sport Policy are affected for all Activities conducted under these *Standing Regulations*. Consumption of alcohol by any person in the service, pit, paddock or other non-public areas is forbidden until the conclusion of the Activity.

7.9 Drones

Any usage of Drones must be conducted in compliance with the *Motorsport Australia* Drone (RPA) Policy. https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/media-accreditation/drone-policy.pdf?sfvrsn=693e9eb4_6

8. DRIVERS, CO-DRIVER & NAVIGATORS

8.1 Minimum Driver Age

- (a) The minimum age for any *Driver* in an Activity is stated in the *Rally Standing Regulations – Events General*.
<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>.

8.2 Licences

- (a) Unless permitted otherwise in these *Standing Regulations* each *Driver*, *Co-Driver* and *Navigator* in an Activity where:
- (i) speed is limited to 110 km/h must hold at least a *Motorsport Australia* Introductory Licence; and
 - (ii) speed is at the discretion of each *Driver*, a *Motorsport Australia* Competition Licence is required as a minimum. This may be a *Rally*, *Off Road*, *Speed* or higher Licence.
- (b) A *Motorsport Australia* Introductory Licence may be issued by the Permit Holder on behalf of *Motorsport Australia*. The Permit Holder must send to *Motorsport Australia* a list of all *Motorsport Australia* Introductory Licences which were issued in relation to an Activity within 30 days of the completion of the Activity.
- (c) A *Motorsport Australia* License is not required by a *Passenger* participating in an Activity run under the *Motorsport Australia* Motorsport Passenger Ride Activity Policy.
https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/safety-integrity/mspra-policy.pdf?sfvrsn=111e9265_15

8.3 Apparel

- (a) It is the responsibility of the Activity Supervisor to ensure that the apparel worn by each *Driver*, *Co-Driver/Navigator* and *Passenger* is suitable for each Activity. This may result in a higher apparel level being required in an Activity for a *Driver*, *Co-Driver/Navigator* or *Passenger* than is otherwise prescribed by *Motorsport Australia*.
- (b) The minimum apparel requirements applying to a *Driver*, *Co-Driver/Navigator* or *Passenger* in an Activity is as per the *Rally Standing Regulations – Events General*.
<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/rally>.
- (c) Apparel requirements for:
- (i) permitted *Passengers* are at least as stated in the *Motorsport Australia* Motorsport Passenger Ride Activity Policy; and
 - (ii) Driving Coaches are at least the same as for the *Driver* of the relevant *Automobile*.

9. COACHES

9.1 Appointment

- (a) Coaching activity must be held in accordance with the *Motorsport Australia* Driver Training Policy.
https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/policy-guidelines/driver-training-coaching/motorsport-australia-driver-training-policy.pdf?sfvrsn=f8bd9510_6
- (b) It is permitted for a person holding a full civil driving licence (but with or without any other formal driving qualifications) to accompany a *Driver* holding a civil learner's driving permit in an Activity provided the speed is limited to less than 110 km/h.

10. EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- (a) Where a Reportable Incident occurs during an Activity, the following forms must be filled in and submitted to *Motorsport Australia* by the Permit Holder to the extent relevant:
- (i) Vehicle Damage Report (Accident Report);
 - (ii) Personal Injury Report;

- (iii) Incident Report – All Events.
- (b) If a Reportable Incident is also an incident to which the *Motorsport Australia* Critical Incident procedure applies, any forms required to be submitted by that procedure must also be submitted by the Permit Holder.
- (c) Further reports may also be required to be submitted by the Permit Holder (eg eyewitness statements, Officials statements etc) at the direction of *Motorsport Australia* or the Activity Supervisor.

11. **AUTOMOBILES**

11.1 **Automobile Eligibility**

- (a) Each *Automobile* in an Activity must comply, as a minimum, with *Schedule A* of the *NCR*, the *Rally Standing Regulation – Vehicles General* and applicable *Schedules* of the *Motorsport Australia Technical Appendix* as may be listed the *Activity Supplementary Regulations*.
<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/technical-appendix>
- (b) Each *Automobile* in an Activity must comply with one of the *Rally* categories accepted by *Motorsport Australia*.
- (c) Rollover protection in accordance with *Rally Standing Regulation – Vehicles General* and *Motorsport Australia Technical Appendix, Schedule J* is required.
<https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/technical-appendix>

11.2 **Automobile Inspection**

- (a) Each *Automobile* which participates in an Activity may be inspected and considered as safe to participate in that Activity. *Motorsport Australia* and the Activity Supervisor reserve the right to prevent any *Automobile* or *Driver, Co-Driver/Navigator* participating in an Activity.
- (b) The Competitor must complete a statement of [Self-Scrutiny - Statement of Vehicle Compliance](#) document which must be signed and submitted to the Activity Supervisor prior to the start of the vehicle in the Activity.
- (c) *Automobiles* may be checked by a Scrutineer.

11.3 **Electric Vehicles**

All Activities involving Electric Vehicles must comply with the *Electric Vehicle Appendix* of the *Motorsport Australia Manual*.