

2025 MRF Tyres SA Rally Championship / SA Clubman Series

Sporting Regulations



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WELCOME

The South Australian Rally Panel welcomes you to the MRF Tyres South Australian Rally Championship (SARC) and the Taff's Auto Repairs South Australian Clubman Series (SACS).

The Panel is delighted to continue with MRF Tyres as the naming rights sponsor of the 2025 South Australian Rally Championship and excited to welcome Taff's Auto Repairs as the naming rights sponsor of the 2025 South Australian Clubman Series.

The SARC/SACS calendared events for 2025 are:

Rd 1	25 th – 27 th April	Shannons Rally SA - Rally of the Heartland
Rd 2	2nd – 3 rd August	MSS Safety Rally Barossa
Rd 3	3rd – 5 th October	Adelaide Hills Rally

SARP reserves the right to amend the calendared events.

GLOSSARY

ARC	Australian Rally Championship
ARCom	Australian Rally Commission
Motorsport Australia	Motorsport Australia (formerly CAMS)
Motorsport Australia Manual	Motorsport Australia Manual https://motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual
DPI	Driver's Performance Index
EPI	Event Performance Index
FIV	First Intervention Vehicle
MIV	Medical Intervention Vehicle
NCR	National Competition Rules
SACS	South Australian Clubman Series (The "Series")
SARC	South Australian Rally Championship (The "Championship")
SARP	South Australian Rally Panel
SPI	Stage Performance Index
RSR-EG	Rally Standing Regulations – Events General
RSR-SSR	Rally Standing Regulations – Special Stage Rallies
RSR-VG	Rally Standing Regulations – Vehicles General
WEBSITE	sarally.net.au

ELIGIBILITY OF EVENTS

The SARC/SACS will consist of State Championship Special Stage Rallies, held under the FIA International Sporting Code, including Appendices, the National Competition Rules of Motorsport Australia, including Appendices (NCR) the Rally Standing Regulations (RSR), including Events General (EG), Special Stage Rally (SSR), Vehicles General (VG), these Sporting and Technical Regulations, the Supplementary Regulations for each SARC/SACS event and any Further Supplementary Regulations or Bulletins authorised under these regulations.

Where there is any conflict between these Sporting Regulations and the RSR, the RSR will take precedence. Event Supplementary Regulations may impose additional requirements.

The Championship & Series will consist of a minimum of three (3) events within a calendar year and all rounds will count towards the championship/series points.

Each event must be either a Sprint or Endurance event as per the following:

(I) A Sprint Event is to be conducted over a minimum of two days and will consist of two competitions (heats), with each heat to be held over a minimum of a single day and each with their own results. Competition in the second Heat will be conditional upon an automobile having started in the first Heat but not necessarily as being classified as having finished that Heat.

(II) An Endurance Event will be one competition over the full period of the Event.

When run with a higher-level event, the format of the state event will be determined by the higher-level event. Events will be fully route charted and either pace noted or blind with Closed Competitive Stages of between 80kms and 220kms recommended total competitive length.

A Closed Competitive Stage is defined to mean roads closed with the relevant Ministerial approval or run on private property or forestry roads. A minimum length of 80 kms is recommended for each heat. Event Organisers are encouraged to have at least 50% daylight stages.

CREW CHAMPIONSHIP/SERIES REGISTRATION

A) In 2025 there will be no cost to register but competitors, Drivers, Co-Drivers /Navigators must register for the Championship / Series via the link at sarally.net.au/sarc/.

B) Points for each event will only be awarded to crews where **BOTH** crew members have registered before the commencement of that event and **BOTH** crew members are current members of an SA/NT Motorsport Australia affiliated club

C) Competitors, Drivers, Co-Drivers /Navigators are required to keep the registration confirmation email as proof of registration.

EVENT RESULTS

Should a special stage be stopped for any reason before the last crew has completed that stage, the results for that Special Stage will be calculated in accordance with RSR-SSR 5.4.

Where a crew has stopped during a special stage to render assistance to another crew after an accident where there was a reasonable expectation that bodily harm is imminent or has occurred, then that crew may be awarded a time for that stage based on their previous performance in the event, at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course and the Stewards.

Event Results will be available as per the details listed in the event Supplementary regulations. Computerised scoring shall be used which can provide stage times to the media, crews and spectators.

To qualify as a finisher of an event, or a separately scored heat, a crew must:

- I) Not enter or leave any control in other than the prescribed direction, unless approved by the Clerk of the Course; and
- II) Comply with these SARC/SACS Regulations and RSR-SSR 8 if re-joining an event; and
- III) Reach the final control of the event under the motive power of the vehicle and with both crew members aboard; and
- IV) Not suffer a disqualification penalty.
- V) Complete at least 65 % of the Special Stage distance of the event.

Times and scores from all events are to be forwarded to the SARP Championship Points Recorder at results@sarally.net.au for scoring within one week of becoming final. The following information must be included:

- I) Entry List including crew full names, mobile numbers and email addresses
- II) Vehicle Classes
- III) Final results including stage times and any other penalties

CHAMPIONSHIP/SERIES RESULTS

Each event must have at least 3 individual point scoring crews for any Championship/Series points to be allocated.

The Championship/Series will be determined by all available rounds.

To qualify as a recipient for SARC Points, SACS Points and any Championship/Series Awards at an event BOTH crew members must:

- I) Comply with Championship/Series Registration and
- II) Comply with Championship/Series Compulsory Signage at all SARC/SACS events (Refer diagram A) and

Be current members of an SA/NT Motorsport Australia affiliated club and in the case of SACS, meet the Driver eligibility requirements as outlined in Article 5.

Points will be awarded to the Driver and Co-Driver/Navigator based on the following scale: 50, 40, 35, 31, 28, 26, 24, 22, 20, 18, 16, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, points respectively for places 1st to last finisher. Rallies with 2 Heats will be awarded 50% of points per heat.

Should an event not be able to run in its entirety for any reason, the points (including class points) will be awarded as follows:

- I) Full points, if more than 50% of the scheduled length of special stages have been run
- II) Half points, if between 25% and 50% of the length of special stages have been run; and
- III) No points, if less than 25% of the scheduled length of special stages have been run.
- IV) For a Sprint event the above requirements will apply to the length of the special stages in each heat.

Regional Events are defined as where the Event Headquarters is more than 300 kms from the Adelaide GPO (2-10 Franklin St, Adelaide) by road. Regional events will have the following point allocation:

- I) Single calendared event in Championship/Series, will have a loading of 1.5 points per 1 point scored (% bonus factor).
- II) More than one calendared event in the Championship/Series, will have a loading of 1.25 points per 1 point scored (% bonus factor).

This loading will apply to all point scores, including class points, 2WD Championship points etc.

POINTS FOR RECOGNISED TASKS

To be eligible, a person must apply via email (chair@sarally.net.au) to the SARP within 30 days prior to the close of entries for the SARC/SACS event in which the applicant is performing a recognised task and, if accepted, will be ineligible to compete in that nominated event. Vehicle class must be nominated at time of application.

Any person, who fulfils a recognised task, shall receive points as follows:

Recognised tasks are available for senior positions per SARC/SACS event to be approved by SARP. These must be key officials of the event e.g. Clerk of the Course, Secretary, Road Director, and Course Checker.

Recognised task points will only be awarded if the SARC/SACS event is run such that full points are awarded.

Points for recognised tasks shall be allocated to a person for only one SARC event per calendar year.

A person must compete in at least two SARC/SACS events during that calendar year.

The points allocated will be the average of the best two SARC/SACS events (excluding the % bonus factor) for the current year of competition. That average will then include the % bonus factor if the nominated event is covered under Championship/Series Results part 10 above.

E.g. Event 1 (Adelaide) - 1st (50 points), Event 2 (Remote) - 2nd (60 points (40 + 20 bonus)) = $(50 + 40) / 2 = 45$ points. Recognised Task at Remote event will then be $45 \times 1.5 = 67.5$ points.

Note: the points allocated may change if the person has better results later in the year (after performing the Recognised Task).

SA Rally Championship/SA Clubman Series results will be posted on the SA Rally website (sarally.net.au) once they are approved by the SARP.

1. ORGANISATION

ORGANISATION AND PROMOTION

See Event Supplementary Regulations

OFFICIALS

Also see Event Supplementary Regulations

Championship Course Checker:

Andrew Challen

Championship Points Recorder:

SARP Results (results@sarally.net.au)

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

See Event Supplementary Regulations

JUDGES OF FACT

See NCR and Event Supplementary Regulations

2. EVENT ELIGIBILITY

Each round of the South Australian Rally Championship counts towards the following:

2025 South Australian Rally Championship

2025 2WD State Championship (Steve Winwood Trophy)

2025 McLeod Medal

2025 Lincoln Harding Memorial Award

2025 SARC Junior Cup

2025 South Australian Clubman Series

2025 Stephen Tolcher Navigator Award

3. INSURANCE

Any damage caused to public or private property must be reported to the next control official and, at the conclusion of the event, to the Clerk of the Course. Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by Motorsport Australia in relation to the Event. Further details can be found at <https://motorsport.org.au/clubs/insurance>.

Crews involved in accidents resulting in property damage are advised that they may be required to pay up to the first \$10,000 of any claim to rectify such property damage. Refer to Motorsport Australia Insurance arrangements at <https://motorsport.org.au/clubs/insurance>.

4. VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

Vehicles must comply with RSR-VG and Appendix A of the Motorsport Australia Manual, as well as the specific regulations relevant to the status of the event to be eligible.

Entries will be accepted for the following classes. Refer to the Motorsport Australia Manual (Rally/Road Appendix) for criteria -

P1 - up to 1400cc

P2 - over 1400cc, up to and including 1600cc

P3 - over 1600cc, up to and including 2000cc

P4 - 2WD over 2000cc

P5 - 4WD over 2000cc (not meeting P6 requirements)

P6 - 4WD over 2000cc (older 4WDs as per Group 3C PRC Section 2.1)

P7 – G4/AP4/R5

Classic 2WD

Classic 4WD

Club Rally Cars (including G2)

Invitational - will be accepted at the Organisers discretion but will primarily be special interest vehicles that comply with relevant safety regulations of Motorsport Australia.

The Clerk of the Course reserves the right to amalgamate class awards should 3 or fewer entries be received for any particular class.

5. CREW ELIGIBILITY

See Event Supplementary Regulations.

South Australia Clubman Series

{Driver and co-driver/navigator} will be **ineligible** to score points in the SACS if:

- I) The driver had an SARC DPI higher than 0.9000 as at 1st January 2025, or
- II) The driver does not have a DPI as at 1st January 2025, but they have one or more EPI's and the average of those EPI's is higher than 0.9000, or
- III) The driver has previously finished first outright in any SACS, SARC (or higher level) Rally Championship/Series or have been recognised at any time by ARCom as a Level 1 or Priority 1 Driver.

6. ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEE

Completed entries together with the appropriate fee as prescribed in the Event Supplementary Regulations should be sent to the Event Secretary.

Entry open date - See Event Supplementary Regulations.

Entry close date - See Event Supplementary Regulations.

Entry fee - See Event Supplementary Regulations.

The entry fee includes –

Motorsport Australia Permit Fee

Motorsport Australia Road Fund Fee

SA Rally Trophy/Promotion Fee

One set of printed and bound Road Books

Service crew registration (6 people)

The number of entries may be limited. See the event supplementary regulations. If this limit is exceeded preference will be given to drivers who have registered for the current South Australian Rally Championship/South Australian Clubman Series and then in order of receipt of completed and fully paid entry form. The organisers may establish a waiting list.

The starting order will be based on the current DPI as specified in Article 2.2 of the current South Australian Conditions of Rallying as published on sarally.net.au

Additional service crew registrations will be from \$20.00 per vehicle including 4 people and must be paid for with the entry fee. Motorsport Australia Insurance covers registered service crew members only. Only registered service vehicles will be allowed into the service park or areas.

Extra sets of printed and bound road books may be purchased from the event organiser.

Entries will only be accepted if accompanied by a fully completed entry form and payment in full. Cheques, money orders etc. are to be made payable to the Event as per the Event Supplementary Regulations.

Unless specified otherwise in the event Supplementary regulations, the entry fee will be refunded in full:

- I) to persons whose entry is not accepted.
- II) in the case of the rally not taking place,
- III) withdrawal of entry prior to the date of close of final entries.

IV) If for reasons of force majeure duly recognised by the Stewards a competitor is unable to start the rally, 75% of the entry fee may be refunded, at the Clerk of the Course' discretion. The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry in accordance with NCR 33.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel or postpone the event should the number of entries be less than a certain number (specified in the Event Supplementary Regulations) or due to circumstances which result in a force majeure. To avoid road damage and to maintain good relations with Council and the public, crews and service crews are not to use any unsealed road forming part of the intended course in the next 24 hours. Any crew seen on stages will be reported to the Stewards and may incur a fine.

7. FUEL AND REFUELLING

Fuel availability - See Event Supplementary Regulations.

Time is to be allowed for refuel within the Liaison Section before or following service. Refuelling is not permitted in the Service Park. Dedicated Refuel area(s) are not mandatory however events are strongly encouraged to provide such area(s).

An Event Organiser may submit, to SA Rally Panel for approval, refuelling regulations specific to an event based on recommendations/approval of Local Authorities (such as Fire Authorities) in accordance with their requirements. Each submission in this case must include a Risk Assessment. Approved refuelling regulations must then be included in the event supplementary regulations.

If a Dedicated Refuel area is provided by the event it must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- I) No storage of fuel in the refuel area – each crew stores their own fuel and bring it to the refuel area when re-fuelling
- II) Fire Extinguishers to be placed in the refuel area for the duration of the event

If dedicated refuel areas are provided, crews are required to refuel their car in the refuel area. Extreme care is required to ensure no spillage. Full or empty fuel cans may NOT be left in the refuel area but must be stored with the Service Crew and only taken to the refuel area at the time of refuelling. Smoking and the use of Mobile Telephones are prohibited in the refuel area.

Additionally, each Competitor using pump fuel may also refuel from a pump at a filling station as indicated in the event road book.

Refuelling elsewhere is permitted if allowed for in the Event Supplementary Regulations.

Service Crews are reminded that they should ensure a suitable fire extinguisher is carried in the Service Vehicle and that State Legislation limits the amount of fuel which may be carried in vehicles. Only commercial fuel and unleaded racing fuel, as defined by the Motorsport Australia Manual, Schedule G, is permitted. Where a specific rally group is further restricted to a defined fuel in the regulations, that restriction also applies. Leaded racing fuel is not permitted.

8. REPAIRS AND SERVICING

Throughout the event, servicing of a competing automobile will only be conducted in a service park, unless permitted for under these regulations, however, the crew, using solely the equipment on board and, with no external physical assistance, may perform service on the automobile at any time, other than where this is specifically prohibited.

Each service crew will, at all times, be subject to the requirements of Article-5.4 of the RSR - EG. Any infringement concerning servicing or any action defined as "Prohibited Service" noted by the rally Officials will be referred to the Stewards, the recommended penalty being disqualification from the results.

If timed service parks are used, they shall be indicated in the rally itinerary with Time Controls at the entrance and exit.

The speed of cars in the service parks must not exceed walking pace, unless signposted otherwise. Offenders will be reported to the Stewards, who will decide on a penalty.

"Prohibited Service" includes:

- I) Outside of a service park, the use or receipt by a crew of a manufactured material (solid or liquid, other than drinking water), spare part, tool, or equipment, other than one carried in a competing automobile. Fuel may be received, if refuelling outside the service park or dedicated refuel areas is allowed in the Event Supplementary Regulations.
- II) The presence of a member of the team or a team automobile within one kilometre of its competing automobile on a road section, except in;

In a service park, or where specifically permitted by the Event Supplementary Regulations or a bulletin; or

a special stage from the yellow sign at the beginning of the time control to the beige board at the stop point at the end of the special stage. NOTE: At the time control or stop point, the service automobile must be parked within sight of the control officials.

- III) Where the competing automobile is following the route as prescribed in the roadbook and is required to use the same road at the same time as team personnel following the service automobile route, as prescribed in the service book, provided they do not stop at the same location at the same time.
- IV) For a competing automobile waiting at the time control at the entrance to a regroup or service park, or parked inside a regroup, or at a supplementary refuel location, where the passing of food, drink, and information (road book, etc.) to or from the crew is permitted.
- V) Whilst transporting the crew to or from the parc fermé.
- VI) When assisting with refuelling, as per Article 7.

9. RECONNAISSANCE AND PACE NOTING

Number of reconnaissance runs. For pace-noted events, there must be sufficient time allowed for two reconnaissance passes over the stages.

Crews are reminded that Council, Private and Forest roads used in the rally will not be closed during reconnaissance. Crews must comply with the maximum speed to be the lower of: 80km/h or as sign posted on special stages and as sign posted on liaisons or the speed specified in the Event Supplementary Regulations or reconnaissance bulletins. Vehicles must keep to the left at all times in accordance with the Australian Road Rules and the Road Traffic Act. Any breach of this regulation will result in a penalty recommendation to the Stewards.

Under NO circumstances are crews to travel in the opposite direction unless specified in an official Event communication (e.g. Supp Regs, Reconnaissance instructions or Bulletin).

Crews are also advised that the Road Traffic Act will remain in effect for the duration of reconnaissance and that all road rules must be observed (e.g. obeying speed limits imposed and keeping to the left). Judges of Fact may be on the route to police these regulations.

Reconnaissance may be carried out in any road-registered vehicle. Under body protection, rollover

protection, safety equipment and internal navigational aids are permitted. Road traffic noise requirements must be adhered to.

Any member of the crew found on the course in the period two months prior to the start of the rally, except for the period allowed for reconnaissance as per the Event Supplementary Regulations, will be reported to the Stewards for consideration of disqualification or other penalty, unless written approval from Organisers has been obtained.

Any person found to be in breach of the reconnaissance regulations or who acts in such a manner as to bring the rally into disrepute will be reported to the Stewards who will determine a penalty which can include a substantial monetary fine or the refusal to allow the crew concerned to start the event.

Reconnaissance Times/Format - See Event Supplementary Regulations or Event bulletin.

10. ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION

Prior to the start of pre-event scrutiny, the organisers will supply event identification decals, Championship/Series compulsory signage and compulsory event sponsor decals.

Championship/Series compulsory signage will be supplied by SARP/sponsors – via the event organiser.

Competitors must supply crew name stickers complying with the requirements applicable to Australian Rally Championship events (see RSRRSR-VG 4.1c – 4.1e).

Unless otherwise specified in the Event Supplementary Regulations, Competition numbers and crew names must be attached to the vehicle, prior to the completion of scrutiny in accordance with **Error! Reference source not found.** below. All signage must be maintained in good order and condition throughout the event.

Vehicles may carry signs of sponsors who may be in commercial competition with the sponsors of the event or Championship.

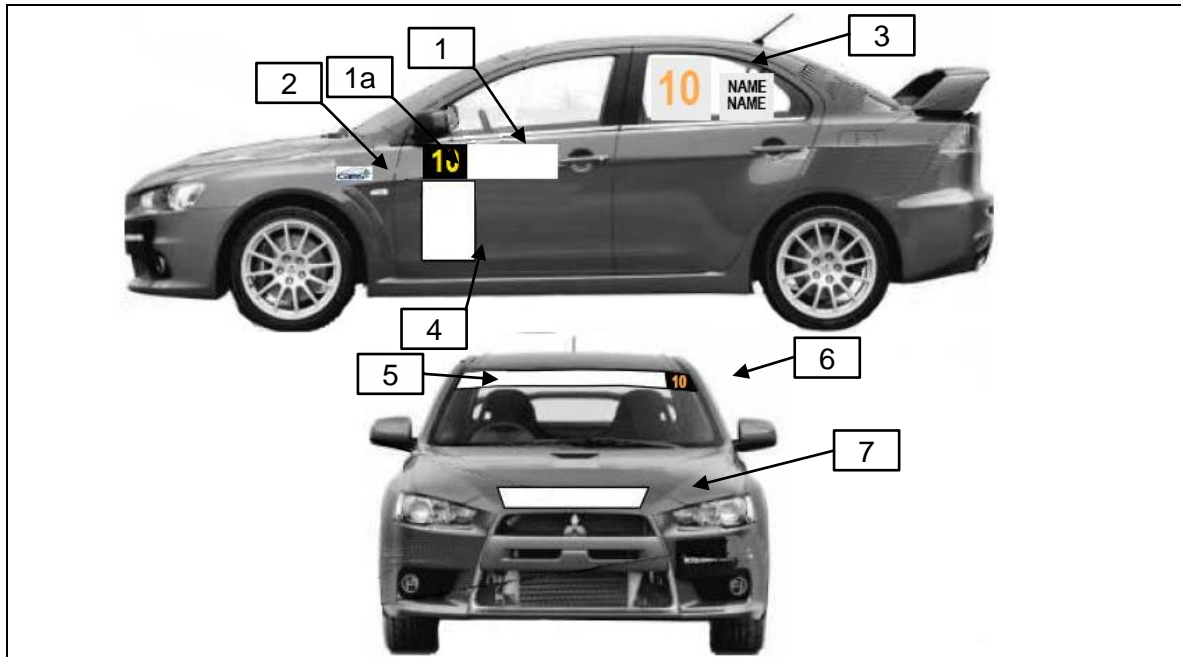
In all competitions of State Championship and above, the Motorsport Australia logo shall be carried on the car. (Note: self-adhesive Motorsport Australia logos are available from Motorsport Australia.)

Each vehicle is required to display the *Motorsport Australia* logo on each front door or front mudguard of the vehicle

COMPETITION NUMBERS

Competition numbers will no longer be allocated by the SA Rally Panel. Competition numbers will be allocated (and supplied) by each event. The exception being that the number '1' will continue to be reserved for the reigning SARC driver at all events.

Diagram A (Championship/Series Compulsory Signage)



1	Door Plate (to be supplied by event if applicable) White measuring: 500mm X 170mm
1a	Door Competition Number Plate (to be supplied by event) Matte Black Background Measuring: 230mm X 170mm (1a) is to be fitted on the front edge of the white Door plate (1). Competition Numbers (to be supplied by event) Fluorescent Yellow (PMS 803), Recommended font Impact, Height 140mm and with a stroke width of 20 mm. The numbers are to be fitted evenly within the black background
2	Motorsport Australia logo - Available from Motorsport Australia
3	Competition Numbers rear side windows (to be supplied by event) Fluorescent orange (PMS 804), 200mm high with a stroke width of 25 mm (minimum height of 160mm).
4	Associate Sponsor's Logos (to be supplied by SARP) Approx. 200 x 380mm placed towards the leading edge of the front doors.
5	Front Windscreen Banner (to be supplied by MRF Tyres) Approx. 1200 x 120mm placed on the top of the front screen
6	Front & Rear Windscreen Competition Numbers (to be supplied by event) Fluorescent orange (PMS 804) on a clear background, Height 100 mm Installed on the Co-Driver/ navigator's side Front windscreen and Driver's side of the Rear Windscreen
7	Bonnet Decal (to be supplied by event if applicable) Approx. 400 x 200mm placed on the leading edge of the bonnet.

VARIATIONS

If it is difficult to fit a decal to the vehicle, this is to be referred to the Scrutineers at pre-event Scrutiny, or prior to this, to the event organisers. Competitors are required to apply in writing to the SA Rally Panel for any variation (including excessive trimming) to the placement of Championship/Series compulsory signage.

In the case of vehicles with rear side windows which are too small to accommodate both crew names and competition numbers in the minimum required sizes, the competition number is permitted to trail from the rear side window glass over the rear pillar and the edge of the roof provided that the number remains clearly visible from a standing position at right angles to the vehicle.

Failure to display or to obtain permission to amend the placement, or deliberate removal of Championship/Series compulsory signage, will render a crew ineligible to score any Championship points resulting from the event and may be subject to further penalties as applied by the Stewards.

If a crew is entered in an SARC event and a higher-level event, and there is a conflict of compulsory signage requirements, the requirements of the higher-level event will take precedence and SARC points will be awarded as if the crew complied with SARC compulsory signage.

11. DOCUMENTATION AND SCRUTINY

Location & date - See Event Supplementary Regulations

Vehicles must adhere to the scrutiny process as detailed in the Event Supplementary Regulations (unless granted an exemption, which needs to be applied for in writing to the Clerk of the Course with the entry form). Failure to comply with these requirements will result in a time penalty being imposed at the discretion of the Stewards.

Vehicles requiring re-scrutiny, are required to attend re-scrutiny.

Documents to be presented at documentation or as indicated in Event Supplementary Regulations, include:

- I) Motorsport Australia Competition Licence of BOTH crew members (and the Competitor, if not a member of the crew)
- II) Motorsport Australia Vehicle Logbook in accordance with the Schedule L of the current Motorsport Australia Manual
- III) Motorsport Australia South Australian Affiliated Club Memberships of BOTH crew members
- IV) Civil Drivers Licence of BOTH crew members (unless Navigator is holder of a Rally with Navigator Only endorsement licence and signs a declaration to the effect that they will not drive the car during the event)
- V) Proof of vehicle registration or permit

All documents presented must be current & not expire over the duration of the event.

All competitors MUST present their vehicle at scrutiny in accordance with Article 2.1 of the current South Australian Conditions of Rallying.

All components of seat belts must have the same date and approvals (e.g. the crotch strap cannot be from a different set).

Either Driver or Co-Driver / Navigator MUST be present at physical documentation.

Service Instructions, Door Panels and Sponsors' Advertising will be available for collection upon completion of documentation. The required placement of supplied advertising will be in accordance with Article 10. Competitors are required to display any sponsorship signage supplied by the organisers. Any crew that disagrees with the organisers' placement requirements may lodge a written application for an alternative placement before the end of the documentation period. A decision on the application will be made before the end of documentation.

SOS/OK Board must be presented with the vehicle at scrutineering.

Vehicles must be presented for turbo scrutiny with cold turbochargers. Crews may present the turbo assembly removed from the vehicle. Competitors are reminded turbochargers must be presented drilled for sealing (see the current Motorsport Australia Manual). Failure to comply with these requirements will result in a penalty being imposed at the discretion of the Stewards.

Any competitor who fails to meet vehicle re-presentation requirements as directed may be refused permission to start the event.

Post event scrutiny may take place within 1 hour of the selected vehicle finishing the event. The crews required for post event scrutiny will be advised at arrival to the final Parc Fermé of the locations and requirements.

It is the responsibility of the competitors or their representative to provide the following in respect to post-event scrutiny:

- I) Personnel and the necessary equipment (e.g. tools, jacks, stands etc.) to remove and examine components as directed.
- II) All relevant documentation for the technical specification of the vehicle (e.g. Homologation papers / Workshop manuals); and
- III) Removal of ALL general rubbish, waste oils, solvents and fluids.

Of the remaining crews those who wish may leave the finish after their arrival at the final control by signing a declaration that if subsequently required for scrutiny, they will be deemed to have withdrawn from the rally and will not be eligible for any awards or Championship points.

Parc Fermé will be located at or near the Finish, where all vehicles will be held until post event scrutiny has been completed and the Stewards allow them to be removed.

12. START

Both driver and co-driver/navigator MUST be present at the crew briefing (if held). Non-attendance will be reported to the Stewards and the recommended penalty will be disqualification.

The Rally will start as per the details listed in the Event Program.

Competing Vehicles may be required to be placed at the Start location - One (1) hr before their due start time. This will be stated in the Event Supplementary Regulations. It is not necessary that a member of the crew be the person who places the vehicle in the staging area.

In accordance with the above regulation, a map of the location and directions will be provided in competitor/crew documentation.

The penalty for late arrival in 12 is a report to the Stewards, who will decide the extent of the penalty including any monetary penalty and the amount thereof. Notification to the offending crew will be given at the earliest opportunity.

Any automobile not starting from the start line within 20 seconds of the start signal being given will be considered as retired and immediately removed to a safe place. This automobile will be permitted to re-start as per Article 15.

Special Stages will be barred to competition when the slow sweep enters the stage. Any crew that arrives at a special stage time control within their late time limit but after the stage has closed to competition, is to drive the stage abiding by all applicable road regulations. A derived time considered by the Clerk of the Course to be fairest will be given to the crew. Crews are to enter their own start and finish times on the time-card if the control officials have packed up and/or have left the control area. Any crew that stops on a stage and is passed by the slow sweep is deemed to have withdrawn from that stage.

13. ACCIDENT PROCEDURE

In the event of a car stopping in a special stage a warning triangle must immediately be displayed in a conspicuous position at least 50 metres before the Stopped Vehicle.

SOS / OK

In the case of an accident where urgent medical or fire attention is required, where possible the red "SOS" sign should be immediately displayed to the following cars and to any helicopter attempting to assist.

Any crew which has the red "SOS" sign displayed to them or sees a car which has sustained a major accident but is not displaying the red "SOS" sign, shall immediately and without exception, stop to render assistance.

All following cars shall also stop. The second car at the scene shall proceed to inform the next radio point. Noting the vehicle competition number, cumulative distance to accident site and general details of injuries if known.

Subsequent cars shall leave a clear route for emergency vehicles.

Any crew which can but fails to comply with this rule will be reported to the Stewards who may impose penalties in accordance with the National Competition Rules.

In the event of a car stopping on the stage or an accident where immediate medical intervention is not required, the "OK" sign must be clearly and actively shown by a crew member to at least the three following vehicles and to any helicopter attempting to assist.

Both the warning triangle and the OK sign must be left on display for the whole length of the period that the car is stopped on the course regardless of whether or not the crew remain with the car.

Crews are required to remove the warning triangle once the stopped car has been moved and no longer presents a hazard, or they recommence the competition.

Failure to display either or both signs as appropriate may result in a report to the Stewards disciplinary action may be taken.

At the first practical time crews directly involved must fill in an incident report fully detailing the incident – including actual times of events, and pass it to the Clerk of the Course, CRO, or Rally Headquarters.

SEE also the South Australian "Rally Buddy System" on the SA Rally website.

14. PROTESTS

Protests, if any, will only be accepted under Conditions laid down in the NCR in the current Motorsport Australia Manual.

Protests of the SA Rally Championship points will be submitted to SARP as per the NCR.

15. REJOINING EVENTS

Where an automobile is unable to continue to follow the route of an event for any reason, it will be able to re-join the event at a subsequent Service Out, Regroup Out Control, or at the Final Control, under the conditions outlined in the RSR-SSR 8, and will be eligible to be classified in the results, providing that it has completed at least 65% of the special stage distance of the Event.

16. PRIZES, TROPHIES AND AWARDS

If 2 or more drivers score equal points for any award, the provisions of Article 5 of the Motorsport Australia Manual (General Appendix) Championship and Series Policy will apply.

If 2 or more co-drivers/navigators score equal points for any award, the provisions of Article 5 of the Motorsport Australia Manual (General Appendix) Championship and Series Policy will apply .

South Australian Rally Champion Driver

The winner shall be the Driver with the most points at the end of the Championship. The winner shall receive both a perpetual trophy and an award in the form of a trophy presented by Motorsport Australia bearing the words *2025 South Australian Rally Championship Driver*, and the name of the recipient. To be eligible for this award, a person must enter and start at least 2 events as a Driver. Perpetual Trophy donated by Darren Masters.

South Australian Rally Champion Co-Driver/Navigator

The winner shall be the Co-Driver/Navigator with the most points at the end of the Championship. The winner shall receive both a perpetual trophy and an award in the form of a trophy presented by Motorsport Australia bearing the words *2025 South Australian Rally Championship Co-Driver*, and the name of the recipient. To be eligible for this award, a person must enter and start at least 2 events as a Co-Driver/Navigator.

Perpetual Trophy donated by Darren Masters.

South Australian Rally Championship Class Awards

Classes are awarded to the Driver and Co-Driver/Navigator who have accumulated the most points. Where vehicle class prizes are to be awarded, refer to Article 4.

An award will be presented to the 1st place in each class (if applicable).

To be eligible for this award, a driver or co-driver/navigator must enter and start at least 2 events in the class and the class must have had at least 3 different driver or co-driver/navigator over the course of the Championship.

First place in class will be awarded at the SA Rally Panel Awards Function provided the driver or co-driver/navigator finished at least one event in the Championship

Points at each event shall be awarded to all finishers based on the following scale: 20, 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 3, 2 and 1, 1, 1 respectively for places 1st to last finisher. In the event of a tie between two or more placings, the points for these are to be added and divided equally.

Rallies with 2 Heats will be awarded 50% of points per heat.

McLeod Medal Award

This award honours Stewart McLeod, six times winner of the South Australian Rally Championship.

To be eligible for the McLeod Medal Award a Driver or Co-Driver/Navigator must be in their first calendar year of rallying at State Championship level (or higher) and must not have competed at that level (or higher), as a driver or co-driver/navigator respectively, anywhere else.

The McLeod Medal is to be awarded to the highest outright placed eligible Driver and Co-Driver/Navigator in their first calendar year of competition in the SARC. Points towards the award will be counted from all rounds of the SARC where points are awarded for the event in accordance with CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS (9) of this document.

A driver must enter and start at least 2 championship events as a driver to be eligible to receive the award. A co-driver/navigator must enter and start at least 2 championship events as a co-driver/navigator to be eligible to receive the award.

Lincoln Harding Memorial Award

This award managed by the Walkerville All Cars Club was created in 1991 by the family of the late Lincoln Harding to encourage Drivers to continue to develop and improve their skills.

All Drivers named in the Drivers Performance Index (DPI) with a valid DPI listing as at 1st January of the current year are eligible.

The Winner is the Most Improved Driver as determined by the greatest improvement in DPI during the year. Improvement will be calculated by subtracting each Driver's DPI as of 1st January 2025 from their final DPI (as issued by SARP) for the year.

The Lincoln Harding Memorial Award consists of a perpetual trophy and a personal trophy.

South Australian 2WD State Rally Championship (Steve Winwood Trophy)

This Championship recognises the top 3 placed Drivers and Co-Driver//Navigators competing in a 2WD vehicle in the SARC. The outright winners receive the Steve Winwood Trophy.

All Drivers and Co-Driver/Navigators registered for Championship points and competing in a 2WD vehicle in the SARC are eligible for this award.

The winners will be the Driver and Co-Driver/Navigator who achieve the highest number of points during the year, while competing in a 2WD vehicle. 2nd and 3rd outright winners will be awarded a personal trophy.

To be eligible for the driver award, a person must enter and start at least 2 events as a driver.

To be eligible for the co-driver/navigator award, a person must enter and start at least 2 events as a co-driver/navigator.

Points for the 2WD State Championship will be awarded in accordance with CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS (9) of this document.

SARC Junior Cup

All Drivers and Co-Drivers/navigators registered for Championship points who are UNDER the age of 26 as of the 1st of January of the competition year are eligible for this award. Points will only be awarded where the competition automobile is either two-wheel drive or a production non-turbo 4WD.

To be eligible for the driver award, a person must enter and start at least 2 events as a driver.

To be eligible for the co-driver/navigator award, a person must enter and start at least 2 events as a co-driver/navigator.

Points for this award will be awarded in accordance with CHAMPIONSHIP/SERIES RESULTS (9) of this document

SARC Trophies will be awarded at each event, and at the end of the Championship, to eligible drivers and co-drivers/[navigators](#), in each category as below.

Outright:

1st Outright

2nd Outright (if 6 or more starters)

3rd Outright (if 10 or more starters)

2wd:

1st Outright

Classic 2WD

Junior Cup:

1st Outright

Class awards:

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Classic 4WD

Club Rally Car

At each event, 1st place trophies will be awarded in each category above, where there is at least 1 starter. The organisers reserve the right in their respective events to add to the awards up to the start of the event.

South Australian Clubman Series Driver

The winner shall be the eligible Driver with the most points at the end of the Series. The winner shall receive both a perpetual trophy and an award in the form of a trophy presented by SARP bearing the words *2025 South Australian Clubman Series Driver* and the name of the recipient. To be eligible for this award, an eligible person must enter and start at least 2 events as a Driver.

The Perpetual Trophy is donated by Autosport South Australia.

South Australian Clubman Series Co-Driver/Navigator

The winner shall be the eligible Co-Driver/Navigator with the most points at the end of the Series. The winner shall receive both a perpetual trophy and an award in the form of a trophy presented by SARP bearing the words *2025 South Australian Clubman Series Co-Driver* and the name of the recipient. To be eligible for this award, an eligible person must enter and start at least 2 events as a Co-Driver/Navigator.

The Perpetual Trophy is donated by Autosport South Australia.

The winner shall also receive a personal trophy for the Stephen Tolcher Navigators Award. This trophy is donated by the Tolcher family.

SACS Trophies will be awarded at each event, and at the end of the Series, to eligible drivers and co-driver/navigators, as below.

Outright:

1st Outright

2nd Outright (if 6 or more starters)

3rd Outright (if 10 or more starters)

The Event Trophy Presentations based on provisional results will be held as per the details listed in the Event Supplementary Regulations.

17. PENALTIES**Cutting corners**

To prevent 'cutting' of corners by crews or gravel being thrown across the road surface on Tarmac stages, Course Markers comprising of either large Orange Bollards or cones may be placed on the

edge of the road or any road marker (i.e. white post) placed by a Statutory Authority. Organisers reserve the right to place these at any location and drivers should drive accordingly i.e. do not plan to cut any corner. Crews will be penalised 30 seconds for each bollard or cone hit or if a crew is deemed to have cut a corner by more than a car width.

Crews are also reminded that under RSR-SSR 2.1 the penalty for deviating from the course may be up to Disqualification, see below.

RSR-SSR 2.1a states " The Route Instructions describe the course that must be followed. Any deviation from this course or travelling in the opposite direction to that described, that is reported by an official will be transmitted to the Stewards who may impose a penalty up to disqualification if they decide that there is no case for force majeure".

18. CONTROLLED SPEED ON SPECIAL STAGES

Physical Chicanes

Refer to RSR-SSR 5.6

Virtual Chicanes (only in Rallies in which GPS tracking is to be used for all crews)

Refer to RSR-SSR 5.6