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## 1. AUTHORITY

A *Regularity Trial Event* will be held under the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices, the National Competition Rules of *Motorsport Australia*, these Standing Regulations and the *Supplementary Regulations* for the *Event*.

Each State Council may authorise a State Regularity Trial Championship provided it complies with these Standing Regulations.

## 2. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of a *Regularity Trial* is to set consistent lap times at less than the full potential of the *Driver* and *Automobile*. It is not a race. A *Regularity Trial* provides an opportunity for a *Driver* to compete in a different type of *Competition* with less vigour than racing. For an Historic event, the showcasing of an *Automobile* in this form of *Competition* is an important aspect of maintaining and demonstrating motorsport history.

A *Regularity Trial* relies on the good judgement of the *Organiser* in accepting any appropriate *Entry*.

## 3. AUTOMOBILES

Each *Automobile* must comply with Technical Appendix - Schedule A and B.

Each *Automobile* in an historic *Regularity Trial* must be the subject of a Certificate of Description or an Historic Log Book. An *Automobile* may also be eligible subject to the approval of the Historic Motorsport Committee as follows:

- any *Automobile* of a type suitable for inclusion in the 5<sup>th</sup> Category; or
- a replica 5th Category *Automobile* provided it is identified as such in the entry form and entry list.

## 4. DRIVER

Each *Driver* must comply with the Circuit Race Appendix – Circuit Race Standing Regulations, in particular, the Code of Driving Conduct. If the Clerk of the Course considers a *Driver* to be driving in an inappropriate manner the matter will be referred to the Stewards and may include a recommendation that the *Driver* be denied further participation in the *Event*. The *Organiser* may specify an additional driving requirement, e.g. a no overtaking zone.

Any *Passenger* is prohibited.

The use by a *Driver* of any program, device, system, component or mechanism which aids in the control of a lap time is prohibited, e.g., cruise control, on-board timing.

## 5. LICENCE

Refer General Appendix – Competition Licences.

The *Organiser* may require a higher level of Licence.

## 6. SCRUTINEERING

### 6.1 LOG BOOK

The requirement for a Log Book is determined by the status of the *Competition*, refer Technical Appendix - Schedule L.

### 6.2 SAFETY EQUIPMENT – APPAREL

Each *Driver* must wear apparel in compliance with Technical Appendix - Schedule D.

The *Organiser* may require a higher level of apparel.

### 6.3 MARKINGS

Any marking on an *Automobile*, including competition number, must comply with Technical Appendix - Schedule K.

## 7. NOMINATION OF A MINIMUM LAP TIME BY THE ORGANISER

A minimum lap time will be nominated in the *Supplementary Regulations* for each field taking into consideration the type and potential performance of each *Automobile*. In addition, an allowance for each *Driver* to break their nominated lap time may be included.

The *Stewards* may approve a variation to the *Supplementary Regulation* if the Clerk of the Course wishes to modify the minimum lap time of an *Automobile*

## 8. NOMINATION OF A LAP TIME BY A DRIVER

Prior to each trial, each *Driver* must nominate a lap time. That lap time must be greater than that nominated by the *Organiser*. The *Organiser* will refuse a *Driver's* nominated lap time if it exceeds 130% of the fastest *Driver* nominated lap time in that field. In such a case:

the *Driver* may nominate a lap time acceptable to the *Organiser*; or

the *Automobile* is moved into another field; or

the *Clerk of the Course* may accept a nominated lap time exceeding 130% for that field.

Subject to the approval of the *Stewards* and on the recommendation of the Clerk of the Course, a *Driver* who fails to take part in practice or who fails to nominate a lap time prior to the time nominated in the *Supplementary Regulations*, may be permitted to compete.

## 9. TRACK DENSITY

The maximum track density will be as listed on the Track Licence.

## 10. ASSEMBLY OF A FIELD

The *Organiser* will assemble each field based on either lap time, *Automobile* type or category. Due consideration must be given to avoiding widespread disparity in *Automobile* type, category, lap time, maximum speed, closing speed and *Driver* experience. For 5th Category *Competition* the relevant Group Compatibility Chart will apply.

## 11. START PROCEDURE

For each field each *Automobile* will be marshalled in order of *Driver* nominated lap time, with the *Automobile* with the fastest *Driver* nominated lap time at the front.

Prior to the commencement of each trial a 1-minute board will be displayed to the field. A *Driver* failing to be in the marshalling area when the 1-minute board has been displayed will not be permitted to commence that trial. Each *Automobile* will then enter the *Track* in single file for a warm-up lap. During the warm-up lap each *Automobile* must remain in single file. Timing for each *Automobile* will commence as it crosses the control timing line at the end of the warm-up lap (flying start) and will continue until the display of the chequered flag.

Any variations to this *Start* procedure must be approved by *Motorsport Australia* and included in the *Supplementary Regulations*.

## 12. SCORING

Each lap for each *Automobile* will be timed.

For each lap time which varies from the *Driver* nominated lap time, a points penalty as specified in the *Supplementary Regulations* will apply. The penalty for each lower lap time will be 2 times the penalty for each greater lap time. The winner will be the *Driver* who has completed the required number of laps and has accrued the fewest penalty points.

Once a *Driver* has completed the required number of laps no further scoring for that *Driver* will be applied.

A *Driver* who records a lap time lower than the *Organiser* nominated minimum lap time will be shown the black flag and a penalty of *Disqualification* from that trial will be imposed. Repeated lap times lower than the *Organiser* nominated minimum lap time will be referred to the Stewards and may result in the *Driver* being denied further participation in the *Event*. This includes any extra laps that a *Driver* may complete after the required number of laps.