



NATIONAL COMPETITION RULES

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AUSTRALIAN AUTO-SPORT ALLIANCE PTY. LTD. RULES

Applicable to all competition and events sanctioned by the Australian Auto-Sport Alliance Pty. Ltd

G1 GENERAL

G1.1 Definitions of Terms

In these rules, unless the subject matter or context indicates otherwise, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“AASA” means the Australian Auto-sport Alliance Pty. Ltd.

“AASA Appeals Tribunal” means the Tribunal convened by AASA, to receive, consider and determine appeals by competitors.

“AASA Competition Rules” or “These rules” means these AASA Competition Rules as amended from time to time.

“AASA Competition Licence” means the licence issued by AASA permitting a person to participate or compete in a competition or event.

“Appeal fee” means the fee payable under rule 18.3 to commence an appeal to the AASA Competition Rules.

“Clerk of Course” means the person(s) appointed by AASA under Rule 13.1, and including any corporation, person or entity exercising any power delegated by the Clerk of Course.

“Competitor” means a person who has validly entered and is entitled to compete in a race or event and without limitation shall include a Driver /rider, vehicle/machine owner, mechanic, crew member, the holder of a AASA licence or any other person within the purview of these rules.

“Component of a Vehicle/Machine” means any engine, part, accessory, piece of equipment, fuel or other substance used or intended to be used by a competitor at or during a race or event.

“Crew Chief” means the person appointed as the head crew member of a race team.

“Decision of the Clerk of Course” means any decision or determination made as applicable to these rules.

“Driver/Rider” means the Driver/Rider of a race vehicle in any competition.

“Driver/Riders Briefing” means a meeting organised and conducted by the Clerk of Course prior to the commencement of a competition or event, or at any time directed by the Clerk of Course.

“Investigation” means an inquiry undertaken by the Clerk of Course, and more particularly as described in Rule 13.

“Legal Practitioner” means a person duly qualified to be admitted to practice as a solicitor of the Supreme Court in any State of Australia.

“Machine” means a motorcycle or a motorcycle and sidecar used for completion on a sealed race track.

“National Competition Rules” means the National Competition Rules published by AASA, normally as a Manual of Motor Sport, as amended from time to time, and incorporating Standard Regulations and other related articles.

“Offence” means a breach of rule 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 11.5, and any other applicable rule of competitive racing.

“Official” means any person appointed from time to time by AASA or the organisers to officiate at a competition or event, and without limitation includes AASA Executive(s).

“Organising Permit” means the permit issued by AASA approving the conduct of an event.

“Organisers” means those people who hold an AASA Licence and/or Permit to conduct a motor sport event or meeting.

“Passenger” means a person, other than a rider carried on a motorcycle and sidecar during and event, or part of an event.

“Prohibited Substances” means the substances identified in Schedule 3.

“Promoter” means the commercial promoter, or proposed commercial promoter, of a competition or event.

“Protest” means a protest made by a person under Rule 12.

“Race” means a competition sanctioned by AASA and conducted pursuant to the AASA Competition Rules, between two or more vehicles running simultaneously on the same race track and in which speed or time is the determining factor.

“Race Director” means the senior representative of the Circuit Owner, with authority over the official usage of the circuit.

“Race Meeting” means a meeting sanctioned by AASA and conducted pursuant to the AASA Competition Rules, in which one or more races are conducted, and is inclusive of all periods relating to registration, inspections, time trials, qualifying races, practice runs, racing, post race inspections and any other activity associated with AASA. The day of a race meeting shall include any subsequent day at which the race meeting is concluded if the initial race meeting was postponed as a result of inclement weather or other circumstances.

“Rally” means an event which is conducted over dirt or bitumen roads which are driven in a competitive manner.

“Rally Vehicle Crew” means the crew aboard a vehicle during the conduct of a rally. The members of the crew will be nominated as Driver/Rider, co-Driver, navigator or passenger.

“Rider” means the person in control of a motorcycle in any competition.

“Co-Driver” means a crew member whose primary role is to convey instructions to the Driver to enable the Driver to follow the correct route. A co-Driver may also drive at any time during the event.

“Navigator” means a crew member whose role is to convey instructions to the Driver to enable the Driver to follow the correct route. A navigator is not permitted to drive at any time during the event if not the holder of a civil driving licence.

“Passenger” means a person, other than a Driver, co-Driver or navigator carried in a vehicle

during an event, or part of an event. No passenger may drive at any time during an event, even if the holder of a civil driving licence.

“Report of the Clerk of Course” means the report completed and lodged under Rule 13.2.

“Secretary of the Meeting” means the person approved by AASA, in consultation with the relevant AASA Circuit Member, to be the Administration Secretary of the Meeting.

“Series Regulations” means the series regulations of AASA, to be read in conjunction with these rules, as amended from time to time.

“Supplementary Regulations” means any additional rules published by AASA and/or the organiser of the event, that regulate or apply to the meeting.

“Scrutineer” means a person(s) appointed by the event organiser and/or AASA, who is responsible for assessing the eligibility of a Vehicle/Machine and performing such duties as designated from time to time by AASA, and includes any corporation, person or entity exercising any power delegated by the Scrutineer.

“Tarmac Rally” means an event which is conducted over closed tarmac roads which are driven in a competitive manner, joined by touring, or transport, stages on which normal traffic road rules apply.

“Tarmac Rally Checker” means the person appointed by AASA to travel over the rally course prior to the event to check that the course planned by the organizers confirms with the requirements of accurate instructions to be issued to competitors, the safety of the route, and submit a report to AASA post-check.

“Touring Road Event” means an event incorporating special tests, speed tests and closed road sections as defined in the event’s supplementary regulations.

“Tarmac Rally Observer” means the person appointed by AASA to observe all aspects of an event and submit a report to AASA post-event.

“Tarmac Rally Stage Safety Assessor” means the person appointed by AASA to check a rally’s closed tarmac roads for safety from a competitors point of view, and submit a report to AASA post-check.

“Tarmac Rally Stewards” means the person, or persons, appointed by AASA to enforce the rules under which an event permit has been issued, and to adjudicate upon any protest or dispute, and submit a report to AASA post-event.

“Vehicle” means a motor vehicle/motorcycle used or intended to be used by a competitor at an event.

G1.2 Application of AASA Competition Rules

These rules shall apply to all persons that participate or intend to participate in a competition or event and without limitation shall apply to:

- (a) a competitor,
- (b) a promoter,
- (c) a person who applies for or holds a AASA licence,
- (d) an official,

- (e) an organiser, and
- (f) the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

G1.3 Interpretation of AASA Competition Rules and Other Documents

- (a) AASA shall interpret all provisions contained in:
 - i. these rules;
 - ii. any Supplementary Rules;
 - iii. the Series Regulations;
 - iv. the Memorandum and Articles of Association; and
 - v. any other relevant document or direction associated with AASA, a race or a race meeting.
- (b) Save and except in the case of an appeal brought by a person under Rule 18.2, the interpretation and application by AASA of all the provisions contained in the documents listed in Rule 1.3(a) shall be final and binding on every person bound by these rules.

G1.4 Amendment of AASA Competition Rules

AASA may from time to time amend these rules or make such further or other rules as it in its absolute discretion deems fit.

G1.5 AASA - Offences Generally

Where AASA is of the opinion that a person has committed an offence, AASA may, without limiting the powers of the Clerk of Course or the AASA Appeals Tribunal contained in these rules, deal with any such matter in such manner as AASA in its absolute discretion deems fit.

G1.6 Rules 1, 11, 13, 18, 24 and 25 are Paramount.

To the extent that any provision contained in rules 1, 11, 13, 18, 24 and 25 is inconsistent with any other AASA Competition Rule, the provision contained in Rules 1, 11, 13, 18, 24 and 25 shall prevail and all other AASA Competition Rules shall be read subject thereto.

G2 LICENCES AND PERMITS

G2.1 Eligibility

Any person is eligible to receive an AASA competition licence or permit authorising participation in an AASA sanctioned event, if the person has properly filed a licence application, meets the required qualifications for the licence, has undertaken an appropriate medical test where required to do so with a qualified general practitioner and has been passed for the issue of a licence by the duly appointed testing officer. AASA may reject any licence application in the interests of safety and/or better management and administration of Australian motor. Any person whose application has been rejected may appeal to the AASA Appeals Tribunal this decision by AASA of rejecting their licence application.

G2.2 Licences Required

Every person who desires to participate in an AASA sanctioned event as a competitor and/or crew member must, at all times, hold a valid, current AASA competition licence or an equivalent national standard Competition Licence issued by an authority recognized by the AASA

G2.3 Application Process

Application forms for an AASA licence or permit may be obtained from AASA Head Office, P O Box 249 Benalla Vic 3671 (Phone: 03 5766 4235 or Fax: 03 5766 4249) or from the AASA website (www.aasa.com.au) or any AASA Member Circuit or organizations with delegated authority. AASA Head Office or its Member Circuits or delegated authority are responsible for the issuing of AASA licences. Application forms must be fully executed, signed by the applicant and accompanied by the requisite fee if applicable (non-refundable).

The mere acceptance of an application form and fee does not constitute the issuance of or approval by AASA of such an application. Applicants will be advised in writing whether their application has been approved or rejected by AASA.

G2.4 Minors

If the licence/permit applicant is between 15 and 18 years of age, the applicant must also submit with his/her application a fully executed and signed Minor's Release. No licence/permit will be issued without said release.

AASA WILL NOT issue a Competitor Licence as a race Driver to anyone under the age of 15 unless otherwise specified in an event's Supplementary Regulations as approved by the AASA.

G2.5 Licences Non-Transferable

An AASA licence/permit is non-transferable and non-assignable. It may be used only by the person to whom it is issued. If a licence/permit holder intentionally or unintentionally transfers or assigns their licence/permit to another person or entity to use or attempt to use the licence/permit, then the licence/permit holder shall be subject to disciplinary action, AND HE/SHE SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS AUSTRALIAN AUTO-SPORT ALLIANCE PTY. LTD. FROM ANY LOSS OR EXPENSE INCURRED BY AASA AS A RESULT.

G2.6 AASA Driver Competitor Licence Holder Requirements

To secure an AASA Competitor licence as a race Driver, an applicant must, unless otherwise determined by AASA:

- (a) Be at least 15 years of age.
- (b) Satisfy AASA that he/she has the ability and competence to hold a licence to drive in competition. Proof of issuance of a current CAMS licence shall not automatically constitute the issuance of a AASA licence, however this will be taken into consideration.
- (c) Where necessary, pass a driving ability test conducted by and at the discretion of Organisers, whose decision as to the applicant's driving ability is final and binding on the applicant.
- (d) Evidence of an appropriate medical examination, as outlined on the application form and undertaken within the previous 12 months, is also required. Such evidence shall be either:
 - i. the completion and signing of the section provided on the form by a general medical practitioner; and/or
 - ii. attachment of a photocopy of a general medical practitioner's signed health check report; and/or

- iii. attachment of a photocopy of a motor sport representative organisation's licence, or other documentation, indicating that the AASA licence applicant has undergone a similar medical examination within the previous 12 months.
- (e) Medical reports must be issued by a general practitioner or specialist.
- (f) Execute and deliver to AASA such authorisation, releases, applications and other documents as may be required by AASA.
- (g) For Tarmac Rallies the requirements are to be specified in an event's Supplementary Regulations.

G2.7 Rookie Drivers

All Driver/Riders will be considered to be a "ROOKIE DRIVER" until they have competed in four (4) race meetings, on AASA Member Circuits. A Driver shall remain a Rookie Driver for the entire season during which they complete their fourth race on a AASA Member Circuit, or as determined by AASA from time to time. Rookie Drivers must display "P" Plates – as per civil provisional road licences.

G2.8 Vehicle and Vehicle Owner Competitor Passport Requirements

- (a) Upon completion of a Passport Application, AASA will issue the Passport in the name of the vehicle owner/lessee. If the vehicle is owned by a partnership, corporation or other business entity, the permit will further indicate the name of the official head of the business entity, the person who will be responsible for all communications and contact with

G2.9 AASA Crew Member Requirements

In racing to be a crew member, a person must:

- (a) Be over the age of 15.
- (b) Be physically fit to be a team member to an appropriate level determined by AASA from time to time.
- (c) Must submit to a physical examination and be declared fit for activity by a AASA appointed physician, or the applicant's preferred general medical practitioner, when deemed necessary by AASA.

G2.10 Officials Licence Requirements

To secure a permit as an Official, a person must:

- (a) Be over the age of 15.
- (b) Possess, in the opinion of a AASA representative, the necessary qualifications and abilities required for him/her to carry out the duties as an Official.
- (c) Furnish a completed Officials' Licence application.
- (d) Be physically fit to perform the duties of an Official to an appropriate level determined by AASA from time to time.

- (e) Must submit to a physical examination by a AASA appointed physician, or the applicant's preferred general medical practitioner, when this is deemed necessary by AASA.
- (f) In tarmac rallies the following minimum ages are to apply:
 - for officials working in general administrative areas – 12 years
 - for officials working in non-competition areas – 14 years
 - for officials working in a competition area 15 years

G2.11 AASA Promoter Licence Requirements

To secure a licence to conduct a AASA sanctioned event, an applicant must:

- (a) Satisfy the AASA, or such person/s as the AASA may delegate, as to his/her/its financial, organisational and marketing skills.
- (b) Provide evidence of financial standing and/or guarantees, as may be requested by the AASA, from time to time.
- (c) Demonstrate approval, in principle, by the management of the relevant circuit/s, to conduct AASA sanctioned event/s at such circuit/s.
- (d) Agree to present any AASA sanctioning of his/her/its event, only in accordance with such as may be approved by the AASA, from time to time.
- (e) Shall be required to sign an agreement that he/she/it will conduct the AASA sanctioned event/s only in accordance with the AASA National Competition Rules, Standing Regulations (or approved Supplementary Regulations), Event Operations Manual (if applicable) and any other requirements prescribed by the AASA from time to time.
- (f) Shall sign an agreement indemnifying AASA, its and/or its members in the event of litigation occurring in association with the commercial aspects of the event activity.

G2.12 Use of AASA Licences/Permits

- (a) All persons being the holder of an AASA issued licence/permit, must present their licence/permit to the Organisers when signing in for any event. Failure to do so may mean loss of points and/or prize money.
- (b) The licence of a competitor injured in, or suspended during or after, an event must be promptly forwarded on request to AASA Head Office. AASA Head Office will return the licence when it determines that the competitor is physically fit to perform, or if a competitor has been suspended, upon the lifting of the suspension.
- (c) All licence/permit holders are required to carry and display their licence/permit at all times and be prepared to present their licence/permit to any Official, on request, whilst present at any AASA sanctioned event.

G2.13 Suspension

AASA may suspend a licence/permit for a definite or indefinite period of time, or for all or specified AASA sanctioned events or tracks, in the interest of the sport. The affected person may appeal such a decision to the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

G2.14 Voluntary Termination

A licence/permit holder may discontinue their licence/permit at any time by surrendering their licence/permit, together with a letter of cancellation, to AASA Head Office.

G2.15 Involuntary Termination

AASA may terminate a licence/permit at any time in the interest of the sport. The owner/permit holder may appeal such a decision to the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

G2.16 Expiration

All licences/permits expire 12 months from date of issue.

G2.17 Ejection

A Senior Official and/or the Clerk of Course may eject a licence/permit holder from an event or from the racing premises in an emergency situation, in the interest of safety or to promote the orderly conduct of the event. An ejection is final, except as provided in section 1 .5.

G2.18 Interim Review of Licence Qualification

AASA may review the qualifications of a licence/permit holder at any time after the issuance of a licence/permit, may require the licence/permit holder to submit to such additional physical examinations or tests, or to pass such additional Driver/Rider ability tests, as AASA may deem appropriate, and take other such action as AASA may deem appropriate to determine whether the licence/permit holder continues to qualify for a licence/permit under these rules.

G2.19 Injury Report

Any licence holder who is injured in any way when on the racing complex MUST report, in person, to a AASA Medical Officer prior to leaving the complex. Any Official who observes, or becomes aware of, a licence holder being injured in any way, when on the racing complex, must report such observation to his/her senior official. Senior Officials, in turn, must report such to the Clerk of Course.

G3 SANCTIONED EVENTS

G3.1 Sanctioned Event

A AASA sanctioned event is an event which AASA has agreed in writing to sanction, in an applicable, fully executed Application for an Event Permit that is in effect at the time of the event and that has not been cancelled or rescinded by AASA.

G3.2 Eligibility for Sanctioning

In order to be eligible for an AASA sanction for an event or series of events, a promoter must submit a fully executed Application for an Event Permit on the appropriate form provided by AASA. An AASA sanction is issued only by AASA Head Office on the appropriate form after approval by AASA. No sanction will be approved unless or until the track, or course, and surrounds have been inspected by and/o meet all the standards for safety and otherwise as set by AASA.

G3.3 Authorised Participants

Only individuals holding a current, valid AASA or AASA approved alternative sanctioning body competition licence or permit are authorised to participate in AASA sanctioned events.

G3.4 Changes to Program

All changes relating to a race program, including practice or qualifying, must be approved in advance by AASA Head Office. Late changes to a race program due to inclement weather or other circumstances can only be made by the Clerk of Course, in consultation with AASA Supervisory Officials

G3.5 Use of Prohibited Substances and Security at Sanctioned Events

The use of any stimulants, depressants, tranquillisers, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages, narcotics etc, during an event is prohibited, and it is the responsibility of the promoter to provide sufficient security personnel at all times during an event to enforce this provision. Failure of the promoter to supply sufficient security personnel may result in the termination by AASA of the sanction application. AASA shall be the sole judge as to whether such stimulants, depressants or tranquillisers are being used and may require any licence/permit person to undergo a test or tests in furtherance of this rule. See Schedule 3 (See also 11.6 and 4.5).

G4 MANNER OF OPERATION OF AASA EVENTS

G4.1 Applicable Rules Governing Sanctioned Events

- (a) **All events sanctioned by AASA will be run under the provisions of these rules**, unless specifically varied, and any Supplementary Regulations issued for the event. Some regulations may vary from these rules in specific matters . Bulletins may be issued during a meeting, with or without further consultation with competitors. These bulletins shall have the same effect and force as the standing regulations or supplementary regulations and will be displayed on the Official Notice Board at the General Administration Office, or other nominated place to be advised to all competitors.
- (b) The Clerk of Course shall have all authority specified in these regulations. Where an Assistant Clerk of Course is required to assume the Clerk of Course's duties for any part of a meeting, he/she will also assume the authority of the Clerk of Course for that part of the meeting.

G4.2 Authority Regarding Use of Race Premises

- (a) The Race Director shall represent and make decisions on behalf of the Circuit Owner during any meeting, and shall have authority in all matters, particularly commercial matters, regarding the use of the property by any party.
- (b) All regulations issued for the event shall apply equally and be binding upon all persons who seek to gain entry to the race track whether as an official, competitor, team member or paying spectator. Contravention of these regulations by any person may lead to the expulsion of the offender from the race track. (See also 1.3).

G4.3 Access to and Use of the Property

- (a) Only persons and vehicles showing the correct pass may gain access to the paddock, scrutineering, marshalling and pit areas, or any other restricted area.
- (b) Children under the age of 16 years will not be permitted access to the trackside pit area during any event, regardless of any pass held by them.
- (c) Persons deemed to be wearing unsuitable clothing may be refused entry to the trackside pit area by track officials notwithstanding that appropriate passes are held.
- (d) Vehicle movement from garage area to trackside pit area and vice versa:
 - i. Extreme care shall be exercised when moving any Vehicle/Machine, be they racing or support, from one area to another on the property;
 - ii. Only persons holding a current valid licence, competition or civil, may drive such Vehicle/Machines on the property;
 - iii. A safe speed is to be maintained at all times, with a speed not greater than (15kph) to be utilised unless specifically exempted by the Organisers and/or a AASA Supervisory Official.
- (e) Terrain vehicles, or unregistered vehicles:
 - i. may be used for towing purposes ONLY;
 - ii. may NOT be used for personal transportation;
 - iii. shall NOT be driven at a speed greater than walking pace (10 kph).
- (f) AASA, the AASA Member Circuit, the Event Organisers and/or the promoter(s) shall not be liable for any injury or damage which may be caused by terrain or unregistered vehicles.

G4.4 Restricted Areas and Trackside Pits

- (a) Only such personnel as may, in the opinion of the Organisers, be necessary or essential for the conduct of the meeting shall be permitted inside the safety fenced areas, including the trackside pit area. Access to such areas by any person other than those for whom passes are specifically issued, or misuse of such passes, may result in disciplinary action against any competitor concerned. The organisers reserve the right to remove from any restricted area any or all persons at any time, regardless of any passes displayed by or which have been issued to those persons.
- (b) Waste oils must be collected in a suitable container and disposed of in the waste oil receptacles provided by the organisers.
- (c) Race vehicles, transporters and tender vehicles may only be washed in an appropriately designated wash bay.

G4.5 Competitors Conduct during all Competition Activity

- (a) Competing Vehicle/Machines may be driven on the track during any meeting only with the permission of the appropriate Official, and only by authorised and eligible Driver/Riders. During all practice sessions, qualifying sessions and races, the regulations in respect of the following matters MUST be complied with:
- i. Flag and/or light signals
 - ii. Wearing of correct apparel - Driver /Riders and pit crew
 - iii. Personnel in Pit Lane
 - iv. Caution laps and Pace vehicle procedure
 - v. Supplementary Regulations applicable to such sessions, as may be announced from time to time.
 - vi. Any other Regulations which might apply to such sessions.
- (b) The consumption of any prohibited substance by competitors within the pit, marshalling, paddock or garage area is prohibited at all times prior to the conclusion of the Meeting, and the consumption of any alcoholic beverage by any Driver/Rider or pit crew, prior to the end of their participation on any day, is forbidden. Failure to comply may result in the imposition of penalties, including but not limited to exclusion of the whole team involved. (See also 3.5).

G5 SAFETY

G5.1 Responsibility for Safety

Automobile competition is an inherently dangerous sport. Each competitor assumes that risk when he or she participates in an event. While everyone involved - circuit owners, Vehicle/Machine owners, Driver/Riders, mechanics, team members, officials, promoters, and AASA - can take, and have taken, measures to reduce the risk of serious injury, the risk cannot be eliminated and, in fact, will always be present at a high level.

Although safety generally is everyone's concern, by virtue of its limited role in the conduct of an event, AASA cannot be and will not be responsible for any aspects of the safety effort. That responsibility instead rests with the various participants in the Event(s) as follows:

- (a) **Circuit Owner(s):** The Circuit Owner(s) is directly and finally responsible to ensure that the competition facilities are adequate for the event, that adequate safety personnel and equipment are provided for each event, both for the purpose of preventing injury where reasonably possible and responding to injury when it occurs, and that the conditions at the competition facility are maintained in a reasonable manner to reduce the risk of injury.
- (b) **AASA:** Employees and representatives of AASA, when they are present at an event, will inform the relevant Circuit Owner and/or Clerk of Course of any inadequacies in the facilities, safety personnel and equipment, or other conditions at the track that they (i) observe and (ii) consider to their best judgment to be inconsistent with the interests of safety. However, AASA cannot and does not take responsibility to ensure the adequacy, for the purposes of safety, of the competition facility, safety personnel or equipment, or conditions at the track. The Circuit Owner(s) and the Competitors are solely and ultimately responsible for such matters at AASA events.

- (c) **Competitors:** All competitors are obliged to inspect the racing facilities, safety personnel and equipment, and conditions at the track on a continuing basis before, during and after an event. The competitors are under an obligation to inspect, observe and promptly report to the Circuit Owner and/or Clerk of Course, any inadequacy in the facilities, safety personnel or equipment, or conditions at the track. Competitors are also solely and directly responsible for the safety of their competition Vehicle/Machines and racing equipment and are obliged to perform their duties, whether as a Vehicle/Machine owner, Driver/Rider or mechanic, or team member, in a manner designed to minimise, to the degree possible, the risk of injury to themselves and/or others. NEITHER AASA, THE CIRCUIT OWNER NOR THE PROMOTER(S) CAN, OR WILL, BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADEQUACY OF A COMPETITOR'S RACE VEHICLE/MACHINE, RACING EQUIPMENT OR RACING ACTIVITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE.
- (d) **Officials:** Officials are independent contractors and/or volunteers. Those officials, in the exercise of their independent judgment, should report promptly to the Organisers any observed safety inadequacies in the competition facilities, safety personnel and equipment and conditions at the track. In addition, an Official who observes any safety inadequacies in a competitor's Vehicle/Machine, racing equipment or conduct, may take whatever action is deemed reasonable and appropriate in order to correct such inadequacy. Such action may include but is not limited to physical examination, medical determinations, and Driver/Rider ability or experience tests.
- The competitor is obliged to follow the Official's directives. Since Officials are independent contractors and/or volunteers, and motor sport is inherently and generally known to be an unsafe activity, AASA IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTIONS OR INACTIONS OF ANY OFFICIAL AS IT PERTAINS TO SAFETY.
- (e) **Tarmac Rallies:** The organizer is responsible for the preparation of safety plans and publishing these in relevant documents, and ensuring that the plans are adhered to.

G5.2 General

The rules in this section are designed to reduce the always present risk of injury to competitors in AASA sanctioned events. They are all inclusive. At any time before, during or after an event, Organisers may require such additional measures or equipment, or make such additional determinations, as they deem necessary to further reduce the risk of injury. These additional measures, equipment or determinations will be made known to competitors through AASA bulletins, the AASA newsletter, telegram, at pre-race meetings, at the time competitors sign on, by way Supplementary Regulations issued prior to the event or at other times during the course of an event as conditions warrant. They may include, but are not limited to, physical examinations or tests, medical determinations, and Driver/Rider ability or experience tests.

G5.3 Vehicle/Machine Safety Inspections

All Vehicle/Machines are subject to inspections by Scrutineers for safety each day before taking part in any competition, practice, qualifying or racing or at any other time during or after an event. It is the responsibility of the Driver/Rider, Vehicle/Machine owner and mechanics, individually and severally, to have their Vehicle/Machine free from mechanical defect and in a safe racing condition. (See also section 7).

AASA reserves the right to exclude any Vehicle/Machine or Driver/Rider or race team from all or part of any competition if, in its opinion, such Vehicle/Machine, Driver/Rider or team may be a danger to others involved in the competition, or to him, her or themselves.

G5.4 Vehicle Additions or Accessories

- (a) Additions to vehicle bodies, are not be permitted save for those approved in vehicle Category Regulations in regular racing.
- (b) Accessories used in the interests of safety and vehicle handling will be considered for approval by AASA. AASA will establish minimum and/or maximum tolerances when deemed necessary.

G5.5 Safety Equipment - Four Wheeled Vehicles - Racing

- (a) A quick release type approved safety belt and shoulder harness of not less than 75 mm in width is compulsory. Shoulder harness inertia reel may not be used.
- (b) All belt ends must be fastened to the roll bar cage with class 8.8 bolts of not less than 10 mm diameter.
- (c) Shoulder harness must come from behind the Driver seat and must comply with Australian Standards. Where the harness crosses the roll cage it must pass through a steel guide welded to the roll cage that will prevent the harness from sliding from side to side. Where the shoulder harness passes through the upper portion of the seat it must be on a plane higher than that of the Driver's shoulders.
- (d) Where the belts pass through the seat sides, the holes must have a grommet installed, be rolled and/or padded to prevent cutting of the belt. A centre (crotch) belt must be securely mounted to the lower seat frame at the bottom and to the lap seat belt at the top.
- (e) AASA officials reserve the right to render unusable or impound any seat belt involved in a serious accident.
- (f) It is mandatory for each pit crew to have an approved fire extinguisher, complying with current Australian Standards with it's equipment in the pit area, at all times, within ready reach for any emergency -i.e. fully charged minimum 2 kilogram capacity dry powder, or it's equivalent, showing a current inspection certificate.

G5.6 Safety Equipment for Racing - Driver - Crew Member

- (a) Helmets.
 - i. Helmets bearing any of the following markings are approved for use: AS 1698, Australian Standard; Snell SA 90, M90, SA95, SA 2000 USA Standard; SF1 Spec. 31.1, 31.2, USA Standard; SIS 88.24.11(2), Swedish Standard; DS 2124.1, Danish Standard; SFS 3653, Finnish Standard; ONS/OMK, German Standard; NE 5 72 305, French Standard; E22 (with 02, 03, 04 or 05 amendments), European Standard; BS 6658-85 Type A and A/FR (including amendments), British Standard as a minimum (Helmets exceeding these standards are accepted.)
 - ii. No helmet may be modified from its specification as manufactured except in compliance with instructions approved by the manufacturer.
 - iii. Decoration of helmets is potentially dangerous, and competitors are warned of the hazard of using paint and/or decals on approved helmets.

- iv. Damaged helmets are not permitted.
 - v. It is the Driver/Rider's responsibility to ensure that his/her helmet meets the above requirements.
 - vi. AASA Inspectors reserve the right to impound any helmet involved in a serious accident.
- (b) It is mandatory for all Drivers in racing events to wear driving suits, gloves and footwear of an approved flame retardant material which effectively covers the body at all times whilst on the race track. All suits must meet the appropriate Australian Standard or a standard as approved by AASA, from time to time.
 - (c) It is mandatory at all times whilst a vehicle is being refuelled on a pit stop, or at other times as may be nominated by Organisers, for the refuelling personnel to wear one piece suits, gloves, shoes, head and face shields of an approved fire resistant material that effectively covers the body.
 - (d) It is recommended, but not compulsory, that all crew members servicing a vehicle on a pit stop be attired to the same minimum standard as Driver, i.e. helmets, driving suits, gloves and footwear.
 - (e) It is mandatory for all Drivers in Club motorsport, eg. Sprints and motorkhanas to wear non-flammable clothing such as wool or cotton (no nylon) covering the body from neck to wrists to ankles.
 - (f) It is mandatory for passengers in approved passenger sessions to be clothed to the same specifications as the Driver/Rider of the vehicle

G5.7 Fuel Handling and Storage

- (a) The handling and storage of fuel must be in accordance with the current Occupational Health and Safety Act, the National Standard for the Storage and Handling Dangerous Goods pertaining to each State and Territory in Australia and in accordance with the policy and requirements of the property owner.
- (b) No smoking is allowed in the pit area either in front of or in the designated team area behind the wall or in any fuel dispensing area or impound area.

G5.8 Safety Practices and Procedures

- (a) No Driver shall compete in any event with head, arm or other body extremity extended outside of a closed body race vehicle.
- (b) No practice, qualifying or race, shall start unless there is adequate safety and emergency equipment on the track premises. It is the responsibility of the Promoter to provide the equipment.
- (c) No competition vehicles shall be allowed on track until the track has been opened for official practice.
- (d) No person will be permitted to ride on the outside of any competition vehicle at any time or with any portion of his/her body protruding from the race vehicle.

G5.9 Communications

These will be in accordance with the Supplementary Regulations provided for the particular meeting.

G5.10 Two Seater Operations

These will be in accordance with the Supplementary Regulations provided for the particular meeting.

G6 ENTRIES

G6.1 Entry Requirements

- (a) Lodgment of an entry form constitutes a binding contract between the competitor and the promoter and/or AASA Member Circuit, unless the Secretary of the Meeting has officially advised the competitor that the competitor's entry application has not been accepted.
- (b) The issuance of any invitation to compete or the acceptance of any entry is at the discretion of AASA or the Promoter.
- (c) In order to compete in a AASA sanctioned event, a person must submit and have approved an entry, in the form required by AASA, for the event. No telephone or telegraph entries will be accepted. The Event organiser shall publish the sole Official Entry Form and Supplementary Regulations for the event.
- (d) It is the responsibility of the person to obtain the appropriate entry form, and to ascertain and abide by all applicable deadlines and instructions regarding same. The Promoter or AASA's practice of mailing such forms to competitors does not relieve them of this responsibility.
- (e) The person must complete the Official Entry Form for the event in full, and submit it to the appropriate office (as specified on the entry form) by the deadline listed thereon.
- (f) In the event an Official Entry Form is not submitted by the deadline, the competitors entry nevertheless may be accepted upon payment of the designated late entry fee, in which case he/she shall be eligible for prize money but not for AASA points or entry deadline bonus money, if any, unless otherwise authorised by AASA. The date of the submission will be determined by the date contained on the Australian postal stamp (if mailed) or the AASA date stamp (if delivered in person).
- (g) All entries shall be in accordance with the Standing Regulations, Supplementary Regulations.

G6.2 Competitor Obligations, Agreements and Release

- (a) AASA sanctioned events are competitive sports events, the conduct of which is governed by Organisers in accordance with this rule book, as it may be amended from time to time, any special rules that may be published by AASA and/or the organiser specifically for an event, any applicable agreement to which AASA is a party, and any other rules as nominated by AASA. By submitting an entry application and/or taking part in any activity relating to the event, a competitor confirms that he/she has agreed to abide by the decisions of the Officials and/or the organisers, whether local, regional or national relating to the event or any matters arising out of the event, and confirms that such decisions are final, non-appealable and non-litigable, except as provided in section 13, 18 and 24 of this rule book. The competitor further acknowledges that he/she will before the commencement of

competition satisfy him/her self that the competition area is in a safe and usable condition, and he/she therefore voluntarily assumes the risk of, and has no claim for damages against either, AASA, the Promoter or their officers, directors, officials, agents or employees by reason of damage to the Vehicle/Machine, the Driver/Rider, the pit crew or any other person. All competitors assume full responsibility for any and all injuries sustained, including death and property damage, any time they are on the racing areas or en route thereto or there from.

- (b) When a competitor submits an Official Entry Form or informs an Organiser or AASA that he/she will attempt to compete in an event, and the entry is accepted, the competitor becomes obligated to attempt to compete in the event. The Organiser must furnish AASA with the signed Official Entry Form of any competitor violating this rule.
- (c) If a competitor participates in an AASA sanctioned event without having properly submitted a fully executed Official Entry Form, the competitor nevertheless is subject to all AASA rules, amendments and special rules, as well as all statements, releases and obligations appearing on the Official Entry Form, as if he/she had properly submitted a fully executed Official Entry Form. Such competitor shall have no claim for damages and/or compensation of any kind for any advertising exploiting his/her name, picture or the picture of his/her Vehicle/Machine, or exploiting the achievements of any product used by the competitor, relating to the competitor's participation in the event.
- (d) Only persons approved by AASA and/or the organisers, may enter the competition area. No competitor may enter the competition area i.e. the garage areas, pit areas, track and similar areas, unless he/she personally has signed all required entry forms, releases, permits and registrations. No person will be permitted to sign at any time, for any reason, any release or form containing any release, for anyone other than him or her self.
- (e) All Vehicle/Machines will be subject to AASA control from the time they have participated in a practice session, until they are released after the event. No Vehicle/Machine that has participated in a practice or that has been inspected, may be taken from the competition premises without the permission of the Clerk of Course.

G7 VEHICLE/MACHINE INSPECTIONS

G7.1 Timing and Manner

All Vehicle/Machines are subject to safety and/or technical inspections by Scrutineers, at the time and in the manner determined by the Organisers, in accordance with the AASA Event Operations Manual. All decisions regarding the timing and manner of inspections, as well as which Vehicle/Machines will be inspected, are final, non-appealable and non-reviewable except as provided in Section 12.

G7.2 Inspection Area

Only those persons approved by AASA and/or the organisers are permitted in the inspection area.

G7.3 Vehicle/Machine Eligibility

Scrutineers will determine whether a Vehicle/Machine meets the applicable specifications for an event as set forth in the rule book, as it may be amended from time to time, and any Supplementary Regulations rules published by AASA and/or the Secretary of the Meeting, for an event. Only Vehicle/Machines determined to have met the applicable specifications are eligible to compete in the event.

G7.4 Competitor Obligations

A competitor must take whatever steps are required, including teardown of the Vehicle/Machine if requested by the organisers, to facilitate inspection of the Vehicle/Machine.

G7.5 Inspection Prior to Race

If an Official determines prior to an event, qualifying or practice session that a Vehicle/Machine does not meet the applicable specifications, the Vehicle/Machine will not be allowed to compete unless, in the opinion of the Official, the deficiency:

- (a) will not affect safety;
- (b) cannot be corrected in time for qualifying or an event;
- (c) will not provide the competitor with a significant competitive advantage over other competitors; and
- (d) is so insubstantial as not to warrant a determination that the Vehicle/Machine is ineligible to compete.

If the Clerk of Course or his/her delegated representative permits the Vehicle/Machine to compete under these circumstances the Clerk of Course or his/her delegated representative shall advise the competitor in writing of the deficiency, and the Vehicle/Machine will be prohibited from competing in any future events if the deficiency has not been corrected.

No equipment will be considered as having been passed by reason of it having passed through the technical inspection area unobserved.

G7.6 Vehicle Sealing and Impounding

AASA has the right, for inspection purposes, to seal or impound Vehicle/Machines, or parts thereof, competing in an event. AASA assumes no responsibility for impounded Vehicle/Machines or Vehicle/Machine parts.

G7.7 Seals and Vehicle Identification Numbers

All seals and VIN labels may be affixed only by an Official. Unauthorised removal of any seal or VIN label shall be deemed to be an offence of the most serious nature.

All seals and VIN labels shall remain the property of AASA.

G7.8 Inspection after Qualifying

Where vehicles are required to be weighed after qualifying NO water, oil or fuel may be added. Wheels and tyres may not be changed. An amount equal to one half of one percent (0.1%) will be added for loss in weight due to competition wear.

G7.9 Inspection After Race

- (a) At an event where the AASA rule book, Supplementary Regulations, or Organisers mandate inspection after the event, no Vehicle/Machine that has completed the event may be taken from the racing premises without the permission of the Organisers.

- (b) No vehicle which has run in any practice, qualifying session, race or any private practice session in which a Driver/Rider or any other person has been injured or which has suffered a major mechanical malfunction (except an engine malfunction) may be removed from the racetrack until released by the AASA Clerk of Course.

G7.10 Equipment or Parts Failing Inspection

AASA has the right to confiscate any part and/or equipment, found during an inspection, that does not meet applicable AASA specifications. Such parts will become the property of AASA and may be retained or disposed of at the discretion of the AASA Scrutineer.

G7.11 Tarmac Rallies

Vehicle inspections will be as specified in the Supplementary Regulations.

G8 COMPETITION AND EVENT PROCEDURE

G8.1 Competition and Event Procedure Defined

Competition and Event procedure is the manner in which the Organisers determine that an event will be conducted. It includes, but is not limited to, determinations regarding the eligibility of Vehicle/Machines for competition, qualifying procedures, the line up of the Vehicle/Machines, the start of an event, the control of Vehicle/Machines throughout an event by flags, lights, or other direct communication between Officials and competitors, the election to stop or delay an event, control of pit activity, flagging, the position of the Vehicle/Machines at any time, the assessment of lap and time penalties, and the completion of events. It does not include the assessment of penalties (disqualification, suspension, or fine etc), except lap and time penalties imposed during an event or immediately after an event as provided below.

The rules in this section provide the framework for Officials' conduct of an event. In addition to interpreting and applying these rules, Officials are authorised to make such other determinations or take such other action to accomplish the goal of fairness to all competitors, consistent with the interests in safety and prompt finality of competition results.

G8.2 Finality of Race Procedure Decisions

All decisions by Officials at the track, involving race procedure, are final and non-appealable, subject only to review by AASA Stewards, if they determine that extraordinary circumstances exist that require their review. In making such a determination the interest of finality in competition results will be a principal factor. AASA Stewards will not review any race procedure decision unless it has been brought to their attention by an effected competitor within thirty (30) minutes after the completion of the race or qualifying session at which the race procedure decision was first made. If the AASA Stewards determine (a) that the race procedure decision should be reviewed, and (b) that the decision was in error, the Stewards may take whatever action is deemed appropriate to further the interests of safety, fairness and finality in competition results. Such action includes, but is not limited to, imposing penalties (disqualifications, suspensions, fines etc) awarding or subtracting points, or taking no further action. All such decisions are final and non-appealable, except for the imposition of a penalty as provided in Section 11.

G8.3 Official Starter

The Official Starter shall be a person appointed by the Organisers.

G8.4 Driver/Rider, Crew Chief Responsibilities

- (a) The crew chief shall be the sole spokesperson for the team, Vehicle/Machine owner and pit crew in any and all manners pertaining to a particular event, other than proceedings pursuant to Sections 13, 18 and 24 of this rule book or any on-track incidents. At all events the crew chief assumes responsibility for the actions of his/her team and pit crew, and may be subject to disciplinary action as a result. Unpaid fines for the crew chief, crew members and the Vehicle/Machine owner may be collected by AASA by deducting same from the purse or point fund earning of the Driver /Rider.
- (b) All Driver/Riders must be on time to compete in the events for which they are scheduled. When the first Vehicle/Machine is on the starting line, a limit of five minutes may be set in which other Driver/Riders should line up. Any Driver/Rider or Vehicle/Machine not ready to compete when called may be sent to the rear of the line in time trials or events, or left out of the remainder of the day's activities, at the discretion of the Organisers.
- (c) No changes of Driver/Rider at any time shall be made without advance notification to and approval by the Clerk of Course, in compliance with the Supplementary Regulations for the Event, and then only in events that permit such change. When the Event is in progress changes must be made in the pits only.
- (d) Any Vehicle/Machine which has qualified may be driven within that category by an eligible Driver/Rider. A rookie Driver/Rider must qualify the Vehicle/Machine in which he/she competes.
- (e) All Driver/Rider MUST engage in sufficient practice (to the satisfaction of the Clerk of Course) to familiarise themselves with the race track before they will be eligible to attempt to compete.
- (f) Driver/Rider and/or crew chiefs must attend any pre or post event meetings scheduled or otherwise called, and must sign on or answer their name when called to signify attendance. Penalties will be adjudged for non-attendance of these meetings. (See also section 11).

G8.5 Pit Procedures During Race

- (a) When following the pace vehicle under a caution flag, Driver/Riders must maintain their position in relation to other vehicles in the field or as otherwise directed by Officials, and are not permitted to close up or pull up to the pace vehicle when preparing to enter pit road.
- (b) No vehicle may be pushed past the Flag Marshal at the end of pit road. After the race is underway, vehicles may be started by hand pushing in pit area only, but under no circumstances is any vehicle to be pushed or towed onto the race track from the pit area.
- (c) When a vehicle runs over an air hose or other equipment, it must return to the assigned pit for inspection. When a vehicle drags an air hose or other equipment out of the assigned pit, the vehicle may be penalised as per section 11.
- (d) When pit stops are made for tyre changes, all lug nuts must be fully tightened before the vehicle leaves the assigned pit area. When an Official detects a violation, the vehicle must return to the assigned pit for area inspection.
- (e) Unless otherwise authorised when making a pit stop, only six (6) pit crew personnel will be allowed in the pit lane. No manufacturers personnel will be permitted in the pit lane at any time during the running of a race.

- (f) All major vehicle repairs must be performed behind in the pit garages.
- (g) Jacking requirements will be as described in Regulations pertaining to the event.
- (h) No vehicle may be driven in reverse in pit lane. Any vehicle rolling past its pit may be pushed back into position if necessary. Any vehicle sliding past its pit will be required to complete one further lap before pitting.
- (i) When re-entering the race track following a pit stop, all vehicles must remain below the speed limit until reaching the control line at the end of pit lane. At circuits where a blend line is marked out, and such line has been made known to competitors at briefings, vehicles must not cross this line until the designated end of the blend line.

G8.6 Tarmac Rallies

Competition and event procedures will be as specified in the event regulations

G9 RACE PROCEDURE (FLAG RULES)

Officials may use flags, as provided in the Standing Regulations, for the purpose of providing Driver/Riders with necessary information. Officials may use light signals in addition to, or in lieu of, flags if the Driver/Riders are informed of that fact in event regulations and at Driver/Riders' Briefing. The procedures for use of flags and/or lights by Officials are standard for all events.

G10 TIMING AND SCORING

G10.1 Chief Timekeeper

The Official designated to be the Chief Timekeeper for an event is responsible for timing and scoring the event. The decisions of the Chief Timekeeper, with respect to timing and scoring, are final. No appeal, judge of fact.

G10.2 Scoring Re-Check Procedure

A Driver/Rider asking the Chief Timekeeper to submit a request for a re-check to the Clerk of Course must do so in person, within thirty minutes after the declaration of finishing positions has been made by Officials. The finishing positions of an event, including any individual race, time trial, or qualifying race, shall not be considered official if a re-check is requested as provided herein, in which case the results of the event shall be considered official upon the announcement of the re-check decision.

G10.3 Establishment of Pointscores for All events including Tarmac Rallies

Timing and scoring will be as specified in the Event Regulations. The establishment of Championship or Series points for categories and/or race meetings shall be as shown in either the Championship or Series Regulations or in the specific Sporting Regulations pertaining to that category.

G11 OFFENCES AND PROCEDURES

G11.1 Offence - Definition

In addition to any other offence contained elsewhere in these rules, a person commits an offence if that person contravenes:

- (a) any of the provisions contained in rules 11.2, 11.3, 11.4 or 11.5;
- (b) any of the provisions contained in the Supplementary Regulations;
- (c) any of the provisions contained in the Series Regulations;
- (d) any of the provisions of the Memorandum or Articles of Association;
- (e) any instruction given by AASA or any Official to competitors at a pre-event meeting; or
- (f) any direction given by AASA or any Official during a race or event.
- (g) Offences may have attached to them a mandatory penalty or a minimum penalty, which must be imposed for the relevant offence. Other penalties may be imposed at the discretion of the Clerk of Course.

G11.2 Offences Generally

A person shall not:

- (a) assault, threaten or intimidate an Official or another person (appropriate penalty to be determined by the Clerk of Course);
- (b) use threatening or offensive language towards an Official or another person (appropriate penalty to be determined by the Clerk of Course);
- (c) attempt to bribe or procure another to attempt to bribe an Official or another person;
- (d) accept or offer to accept a bribe from another person;
- (e) participate in a race or event meeting while under the influence of any Prohibited Substance (mandatory penalty of disqualification, with any other penalty or penalties also imposed, as deemed appropriate by the Clerk of Course);
- (f) participate in or incite another person to participate in any act of violence, other than in self-defence;
- (g) engage in conduct which causes or may cause damage to another person's property;
- (h) assist another person who is otherwise ineligible to enter or participate in a Meeting (minimum penalty of a fine);
- (i) engage in an act of misconduct;
- (j) act in a manner or engage in conduct which, in the opinion of the Clerk of Course, is prejudicial to the interests of AASA or is likely to bring motorsport or motor racing into disrepute;

- (k) where a person is a competitor or crew chief, fail to attend any pre-race meeting (appropriate penalty to be determined by the Clerk of Course),
- (l) compete in a race or event while unlicensed or during a period of suspension (appropriate penalty to be determined by the Clerk of Course),
- (m) allow or assist another person to compete in a race or event while that person is unlicensed or suspended (appropriate penalty to be determined by the Clerk of Course),
- (n) fail to notify an Official of any change of Driver/Rider before or during a race or event;
- (o) make a protest to the Clerk of Course or lodge an appeal with the AASA Appeals Tribunal that, in the opinion of the Clerk of Course or the AASA Appeals Tribunal, as the case may be, is frivolous, vexatious or made for an improper purpose;
- (p) drive in a dangerous, reckless or careless manner; or
- (q) in lodging an entry form or other information requested by AASA, provide information that is false, misleading or deceptive or likely to mislead or deceive.

G11.3 Offences Relating to Inspections

- (a) A person shall not:
 - I. remove a Vehicle/Machine impounded for testing or inspection without the express permission of an Official;
 - ii. fail to make available a Vehicle/Machine or components of a Vehicle/Machine for inspection when requested to do so by an Official; or
 - iii. remove a Vehicle/Machine or any component of a Vehicle/Machine prior to inspection by an Official.
- (c) AASA, the Clerk of Course or the Chief Scrutineer may, at their absolute discretion, appoint an independent contractor to inspect a Vehicle/Machine or a component of a Vehicle/Machine and any decision of the independent contractor regarding the eligibility of a Vehicle/Machine or a component of a Vehicle/Machine shall be deemed to be a decision of AASA, the Clerk of Course or the Chief Scrutineer, as the case may be.
- (d) Where an independent contractor appointed by AASA, the Clerk of Course or the Chief Scrutineer determines that a Vehicle/Machine, or a component of a Vehicle/Machine, is prohibited under, or does not comply with, these rules, the competitor shall pay to AASA within seven days of demand, the amount equivalent to the fee paid to the independent contractor for conducting the inspection. The obligation on a competitor to make payment of this amount shall be in addition to any other penalty which may be imposed by AASA, the Clerk of Course or the AASA Appeals Tribunal under these rules.

G11.4 Race Procedure Offences

A person shall not:

- (a) fail to obey flag and/or light signals in accordance with rule 9;
- (b) fail to obey a radio communication of an Official; or

- (c) intentionally, recklessly or carelessly cause or attempt to cause a racing condition that necessitates the use of the yellow flag in accordance with rule 9.

G11.5 Offences Relating to Components of a Vehicle/Machine

A person shall not:

- (a) use a component of a Vehicle/Machine which, in the opinion of the Chief Scrutineer, is prohibited under these rules or has been illegally modified;
- (b) obstruct an Official from conducting an inspection of any component of a Vehicle/Machine.

For offences relating to the eligibility of engines, where an ineligible engine or component thereof is detected, an appropriate penalty to be determined by the Clerk of Course),

This penalty, without limitation, may include disqualification or a fine, and any other penalties deemed appropriate at the discretion of the Clerk of Course, given the circumstances of the case.

G11.6 Reports Made by Officials

Where an Official is of the opinion that a person has committed an offence at an event or race meeting, the Official shall, as soon as practicable, refer the matter to the Clerk of Course for investigation and determination.

G11.7 Report by AASA Executive

Where the representative AASA Executive is of the opinion that a person may have committed an offence which is not the subject of a reference under rule 11.6, the AASA Executive may refer the matter to the Clerk of Course or the AASA Appeals Tribunal for hearing and determination.

G11.8 Tarmac Rallies

In additions to the above, offences will be specified in the event regulations.

12 PROTESTS

G12.1 Person May Make Protest

Subject to rule 12.2, a person who is directly affected by an act or omission, which may constitute an offence, may lodge a protest with the Clerk of Course.

G12.2 Where a Protest Cannot Be Made

A person is not entitled to make a protest with respect to any decision made by an Official, in the course of carrying out his or her duties, during or at an event or race meeting.

G12.3 Notice of Protest

A protest under rule 12.1 shall be made by lodging with the Clerk of Course or Secretary of the Meeting a duly completed Notice of Protest in the form and manner prescribed in Schedule 1 as Form 1, accompanied by payment to AASA of the sum of \$200, which amount shall be refunded if the protest is upheld.

G12.4 Time for Making a Protest

- (a) A Notice of Protest shall be lodged within the following times:
 - i. where the protest relates to an incident during a race, no later than thirty (30) minutes after the completion of the race; or
 - ii. where the protest arises at any other time, within two hours after the person lodging the protest becomes aware of the facts forming the basis of the protest. AASA may, at its sole discretion, accept a protest outside these times if it believes that the protest is appropriate.
- (b) Notwithstanding rule 12.4(a), the Clerk of Course may investigate a protest made outside the prescribed times if in the opinion of the Clerk of Course it would be unjust if the protest was not investigated.

G12.5 Clerk of Course to Investigate

Upon receiving a Notice of Protest, the Clerk of Course shall investigate and determine the matter in accordance with rule 13.

G12.6 Payment of Amounts Due

- (a) A person who is liable to pay any amount under these rules shall make payment to AASA within the time specified by AASA, the Clerk of Course or the AASA Appeals Tribunal as the case may be, or failing any time being specified, within seven (7) days of the imposition of the penalty.
- (b) Subject to a stay granted under these rules or the National Competition Rules in respect of any payment of any amount due, a person who fails to pay any amount due within the specified time shall be ineligible to compete at any event or race meeting until such time as the amount due has been paid.

G12.7 Tarmac Rallies

The protest procedures will be specified in the event regulations.

G13 CLERK OF COURSE AND INVESTIGATIONS

G13.1 Appointment

AASA may, from time to time, appoint a person as Clerk of Course.

G13.2 Clerk of Course's Duties

Shall be as prescribed in the AASA Event Operations Manual.

The Report of the Clerk of Course shall include:

- (a) contain the results of each event;
- (b) contain the details of any protest or offence investigated by the Clerk of Course;

- (c) contain the Clerk of Course's observations regarding the conduct of the Meeting; and
- (d) be accompanied by any Notice of Intention to Appeal lodged with the Clerk of Course under rule 18.3.

G14 INVESTIGATIONS

G14.1 Power to Investigate

The Clerk of Course may investigate and determine any matter which he or she considers relevant to any allegation of an offence or any protest.

G14.2 Basis for Investigation

Without limiting the powers and discretions conferred upon the Clerk of Course under rule 14.3, the Clerk of Course may investigate and determine any matter:

- (a) of his own motion; or
- (b) on the basis of a protest made by a person under rule 18; or
- (c) upon having a matter referred to him by an Official or AASA Executive.

G14.3 Power to Eject

- (a) Where the Clerk of Course is of the opinion that the conduct of a competitor amounts to serious misconduct or constitutes a serious threat to the safety of any person or any person's property, the Clerk of Course may eject the competitor from the premises at which the event or race meeting is being held without conducting an investigation.
- (b) A competitor shall immediately upon the request of the Clerk of Course leave the premises at which the event or race meeting is being held.
- (c) Premises for the purpose of this rule includes the immediate proximity and surrounds to where the event or race meeting is being held.
- (d) Where the Clerk of Course ejects a competitor under rule 14.3(a), the Clerk of Course shall as soon as practical after the conclusion of the meeting refer the matter directly to the AASA Appeals Tribunal for hearing and determination.
- (e) The Clerk of Course shall refer a matter to the AASA Appeals Tribunal under rule 14.3(d) by providing written particulars to the Secretary of the Meeting.
- (f) Upon receipt of the written particulars under rule 14.3(e), the Secretary of the Meeting shall:
 - i. fix the time, date and place for the hearing of the matter by the AASA Appeals Tribunal before the next event or race meeting or as soon as practicable;
 - ii. provide the competitor who has been ejected the written particulars lodged by the Clerk of Course; and

- iii. advise the competitor who has been ejected of the date, time and place of the hearing of the matter by the AASA Appeals Tribunal.
- (g) Insofar as they are applicable, the provisions of rule 18 shall apply to any matter referred to the AASA Appeals Tribunal under this rule 14.3
- (h) The AASA Appeals Tribunal may in its absolute discretion impose any penalty in addition to the Clerk of Course's decision to eject a competitor under rule 14.3(a).

G14.4 Co-operation

- (a) For the purpose of conducting an Investigation under this rule, a person shall:
 - i. upon receiving a request to do so, appear before the Clerk of Course;
 - ii. fully co-operate with the Clerk of Course;
 - iii. fully and truthfully answer any questions asked by the Clerk of Course;
 - iv. provide any document or other material in his, her or its possession or control requested by the Clerk of Course;
 - v. provide to the Clerk of Course or the Scrutineer or allow the Clerk of Course or Scrutineer to inspect any Vehicle/Machine or component of a Vehicle/Machine relevant to the matter, to be determined by the Clerk of Course or the Scrutineer;
 - vi. provide a full and truthful account of matters within his, her or its knowledge; and
 - vii. not make any false or misleading statement or make a statement calculated to or which is likely to mislead.
- (b) For the purpose of assisting the Clerk of Course in any investigation that may arise, a competitor shall remain at the Meeting for a period of thirty minutes after the completion of the final event.

G14.5 Failure to Co-operate

A person who, in the opinion of the Clerk of Course, fails to fully observe and comply with rule 13, shall:

- (a) be deemed to have been involved in conduct which is prejudicial to the interests of AASA; and
- (b) be dealt with by the Clerk of Course as the Clerk of Course in his or her absolute discretion thinks fit.

G15 PROCEDURES AND RULES FOR INVESTIGATIONS

G15.1 Regulate Own Procedure

Subject to the further matters set out in this rule 13, the Clerk of Course may regulate any investigation commenced by him or her in such manner as he or she thinks fit.

G15.2 Conduct of Investigation

The investigation of the Clerk of Course shall be:

- (a) inquisitorial in nature;
- (b) conducted with as little formality and technicality and with as much expedition as a proper consideration of the matter permits;
- (c) conducted and concluded at the Meeting.

G15.3 Extraordinary Circumstances

Where the Clerk of Course, in consultation with the Chief Scrutineer, deems a technical matter requires further consideration, the matter may be adjourned to a date and time to be fixed after the Meeting. This would only occur in extraordinary circumstances, with severe consideration given to the finality of competition results and the interests of motor sport generally.

G15.4 Rules of Evidence

The Clerk of Course is not bound by the rules of evidence or by practices and procedures applicable to persons exercising a judicial capacity in a court of record, but may inform himself as to any matter in any such manner as he or she thinks fit.

G15.5 Guidelines

The Clerk of Course may determine and publish guidelines, not inconsistent with these rules, for the practice and procedure with respect to an investigation. Any guidelines determined and published by the Clerk of Course are directory in nature and a decision by the Clerk of Course is not invalid by reason of a guideline not being followed.

G16 OBLIGATIONS OF THE CLERK OF COURSE

G16.1 Natural Justice and Other Obligations

Where an investigation is commenced by the Clerk of Course, the Clerk of Course shall:

- (a) inform the person of the investigation and the offence or protest being investigated;
- (b) provide any person whose interest will be directly and adversely affected by any decision an opportunity to be heard;
- (c) hear and determine the matter in an unbiased manner; and
- (d) make a decision that a reasonable person could honestly arrive at.

G16.2 Express Exclusion

The Clerk of Course shall investigate and determine a matter referred to him or her as soon as practicable but no later than the conclusion of the Meeting, save as outlined in 15.3, irrespective of whether that requires the investigation to be conducted at short notice or limits a persons opportunity to prepare. To the extent that the rules of natural justice require that a person be given adequate notice of or sufficient time to prepare for an appearance before the Clerk of Course, those requirements are expressly excluded from these rules.

G16.3 Standard of Proof

The Clerk of Course shall decide to his or her reasonable satisfaction whether an offence has been committed.

G16.4 Onus of Proof

No person appearing before or assisting the Clerk of Course shall bear an onus of establishing that the alleged offence has or has not been committed.

G17 DECISION AND PENALTY

G17.1 Decision

At the conclusion of the investigation, the Clerk of Course may impose penalties and make orders for such and may give directions in each case as he/she in his/her absolute discretion thinks fit. This decision shall then be presented to the Stewards.

G17.2 Hearing on Penalty

Where the Clerk of Course determines that an offence has been committed by a person, and before considering any penalty, the Clerk of Course shall provide that person an opportunity to be heard on the question of penalty.

G17.3 Penalty

Without limiting the discretion given to the Clerk of Course under rule 17.1, the Clerk of Course shall have regard to the following matters when deciding penalty;

- (a) the seriousness of the offence;
- (b) the type of penalties set out and defined in Schedule 2;
- (c) insofar as they are relevant, the objectives of these rules; and
- (d) any minimum or mandatory penalties attached to specific offences.

G17.4 Restraint of Trade

The Clerk of Course shall not impose any penalty which amounts to an unreasonable restraint of a person's trade.

G17.5 No Reasons

The Clerk of Course shall not be obliged to give reasons for any decision made by him under this rule 13.

G17.6 Representation in Person or by Adult

At any investigation conducted by the Clerk of Course, a person must:

- (a) represent himself or herself, unaccompanied by any other person; or
- (b) in the case of a minor, be accompanied by an adult who is related to that minor, or a crew chief, provided that person is not a legal practitioner.

G17.7 Validity of Investigation and Decision

Save and except in the case of rules 16.1 and 17.2, any procedure or requirement regulating an investigation conducted by the Clerk of Course is directory in nature and a decision of the Clerk of Course is not invalid by reason of that procedure or requirement not being fulfilled.

G17.8 No Contact with Witnesses

A person who contacts or procures another to contact another person who is or ought reasonably to be regarded as a person required to give evidence before or assist the Clerk of Course in any exercise by the Clerk of Course of his or her powers under these rules, and where such contact or procurement is intended to or may affect such person's evidence before the Clerk of Course, shall:

- (a) be deemed to have engaged in conduct which is prejudicial to the interests of AASA; and
- (b) be dealt with by the Clerk of Course as the Clerk of Course in his absolute discretion thinks fit.

G17.9 Delegation

The Clerk of Course may from time to time appoint a person or persons to exercise any of the powers hereby conferred upon the Clerk of Course and in such case a reference to the Clerk of Course contained in this rule shall be a reference to such person or persons so appointed.

G17.10 Appeal

Section 18 of these rules shall apply to a recommendation of the Clerk of Course, accepted or varied by the Stewards attending the event and made under rule 17.1, but to no other decision made by the Clerk of Course under these rules.

G17.11 No Public Criticism

No person within the purview of these rules shall publicly criticise any decision or determination of the Clerk of Course made under these rules. Publication of any decision to appeal a decision or determination of the Clerk of Course, including the grounds of appeal, shall not be deemed to amount to a breach of this rule 17.11. Any person who contravenes this rule 17.11 shall be deemed to have engaged in conduct which is prejudicial to the interests of AASA, and shall pay to AASA by way of liquidated damages the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500), such sum to be paid within seven (7) days of a request by AASA that such sum be paid to it. In addition, any person contravening this rule 17.11, may be further dealt with by the Race Director as the Clerk of Course in his absolute discretion thinks fit

G18 APPEAL OF DECISION OF CLERK OF COURSE

G18.1 Purpose of Rule

Section 18 prescribes the procedures for an appeal by a competitor in respect of a decision by the Clerk of Course.

G18.2 Person May Appeal to Stewards of the Meeting

An aggrieved competitor may appeal to the AASA Stewards of the meeting for determination in respect of a decision of the Clerk of Course within one (1) hour of the notification of the decision of the Clerk of Course. AASA at its sole discretion may vary this time limit.

G18.3 Notice of Appeal by Person to the Appeals Tribunal

In an event that a competitor wishes to appeal the Stewards decision a final right of appeal is to the ASSA Appeals Tribunal.

An appeal under rule 18.3 shall be brought by

- (a) lodging with the Clerk of Course within the time specified a duly completed Notice of Intention to Appeal in the form and manner as prescribed in Schedule I as Form 2; and
- (b) lodging with the Secretary of the Meeting within the time specified a duly completed Notice of Appeal in the form and manner as prescribed in Schedule I as Form 3, accompanied by payment to AASA of an appeal fee of \$500, which sum shall be dealt with in accordance with rule 23.1 and 23.2.

G18.4 Lodgement of Notice of Intention to Appeal and Notice of Appeal

A Notice of Intention to Appeal shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Meeting, or the Clerk of Course by:

- (a) delivering in person;
- (b) transmitting by facsimile;
- (c) transmitting by email; or
- (d) posting.

G19 TIME FOR HEARING OF AN APPEAL

G19.1 Notification

Upon receipt of a Notice of Appeal, the Secretary of the Meeting shall:

- (a) fix the date, time and place for the hearing of the appeal before the next event or race meeting or as soon as practicable; and
- (b) advise all parties interested in the appeal in writing of those particulars.

G19.2 Variation of Time or Place

The AASA Appeals Tribunal may vary the time or place specified under rule 19.1 and upon doing so shall provide all parties interested in the appeal with written notice of any such variation.

G19.3 Deemed Abandonment of Appeal

Where a person lodges a Notice of Intention to Appeal but fails to lodge a Notice of Appeal within the prescribed time, that person shall be deemed to have abandoned the appeal.

G19.4 Natural Justice and Other Obligations of AASA Appeals Tribunal

The AASA Appeals Tribunal shall:

- (a) provide any person whose interest will be directly and adversely affected by any decision, an opportunity to be heard;
- (b) hear and determine the matter in an unbiased manner; and
- (c) make a decision that a reasonable body could honestly arrive at.

G19.5 Adjournment and Stay of Penalty

The AASA Appeals Tribunal may of its own motion or upon application of any party to the appeal, order:

- (a) that an appeal be adjourned;
- (b) a stay of the execution of the penalty imposed by the Clerk of Course pending the determination of the appeal.

G20 PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE

G20.1 Regulate Own Procedure

Subject to any further matters set out in this rule 20, the AASA Appeals Tribunal may regulate any proceedings brought before it in such manner as it thinks fit.

G20.2 Conduct of Appeal

The hearing before the AASA Appeals Tribunal shall be:

- (a) inquisitorial in nature; and
- (b) conducted with as little formality and technicality and with as much expedition as the proper consideration of the matter permits.

G20.3 Rules of Evidence

The AASA Appeals Tribunal is not bound by the rules of evidence or by practices and procedures applicable to courts of record, but may inform itself as to any matter in any such manner as it thinks fit.

G20.4 New Hearing

- (a) Subject to rule 20.4(b), the AASA Appeals Tribunal shall deal with the appeal as a new hearing.
- (b) The AASA Appeals Tribunal may have regard to the record of the investigation conducted by the Clerk of Course or Stewards, including a record of any evidence given to the Clerk of Course or Stewards.

G20.5 Power of AASA Appeals Tribunal

- (a) The AASA Appeals Tribunal may confirm, reverse or modify any decision of the Clerk of Course or Stewards the subject of the appeal and make such orders and give such directions as it thinks fit.
- (b) Rules 17.2, 17.3, and 17.4 shall apply to all appeals or matters before the AASA Appeals Tribunal and any reference to the Clerk of Course shall be read as a reference to the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

G20.6 Majority Decisions

Any question on appeal before the AASA Appeals Tribunal must be decided according to the opinion of a majority of members constituting the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

G20.7 No Reasons

The AASA Appeals Tribunal shall not be obliged to give reasons for a decision under rule 20.5.

G20.8 Onus and Standard on Appeal

On the hearing of an appeal the appellant shall bear the onus of showing on the balance of probabilities that the relief sought should be granted.

G21 REPRESENTATION OF APPELLANT

G21.1 Generally

At any appeal before the AASA Appeals Tribunal the appellant may:

- (a) represent himself or herself; and
- (b) be accompanied by an adult, provided that person is not a legal practitioner.

G21.2 By Legal Practitioner

Notwithstanding rule 21.1, a person may only be represented by a legal practitioner if, in the opinion of the Chairperson of the AASA Appeals Tribunal, there are exceptional and compelling circumstances which would make it harsh and unconscionable for the person to appear without legal representation.

G21.3 Leave of AASA Appeals Tribunal

A person may seek leave to be represented by a legal practitioner by notice in writing lodged with the Secretary of the Meeting at the time of lodging the Notice of Appeal. Any such request shall contain full particulars of the exceptional and compelling circumstances which would make it harsh and unconscionable for the person to appear without legal representation. The Chairperson of the AASA Appeals Tribunal shall consider any request on the basis of the written material put before him or her and advise the person of his or her decision as soon as practicable before the commencement of the hearing of the appeal.

G22 REPRESENTATION OF THE CLERK OF COURSE

G22.1 Generally

At any appeal before the AASA Appeals Tribunal the Clerk of Course may:

- (a) represent himself or herself; or
- (b) be represented by an adult provided that person is not a legal practitioner.

G22.2 By Legal Practitioner

Notwithstanding rule 22.1, the Clerk of Course may only be represented by a legal practitioner if, in the opinion of the Chairperson of the AASA Appeals Tribunal, there are exceptional and compelling circumstances which would make it harsh and unconscionable for the Clerk of Course to appear without legal representation.

G22.3 Leave of AASA Appeals Tribunal

The Clerk of Course may seek leave to be represented by a legal practitioner by notice in writing lodged with the Secretary of the Meeting at the time of lodging the Notice of Appeal. Any such request shall contain full particulars of the exceptional and compelling circumstances which would make it harsh and unconscionable for the Clerk of Course to appear without legal representation. The Chairperson of the AASA Appeals Tribunal shall consider any request on the basis of the written material put before him or her and advise the Clerk of Course of his or her decision as soon as practicable before the commencement of the hearing of the appeal.

G22.4 Questions of Law and Fact

In the hearing and determination of an appeal, the AASA Appeals Tribunal shall decide all questions of law and fact and without limitation shall determine the meaning of any words of an offence. A decision by the Chairperson to deny legal representation is not a ground upon which an adjournment may be granted.

G23 APPEAL FEE

G23.1 Successful Appeal

Where the AASA Appeals Tribunal upholds an appeal and reverses the decision of the Clerk of Course or Stewards, the Appeal Fee shall be refunded in full.

G23.2 Unsuccessful or Frivolous & Vexatious Appeals

- (a) The appeal fee shall not be refunded where the AASA Appeals Tribunal:
 - i. dismisses the appeal and is of the opinion that an appeal was frivolous or vexatious or commenced for an improper purpose; or
 - ii. increases the penalty imposed by the Clerk of Course or Stewards.
- (b) The appeal fee or any part thereof may be ordered refunded if the AASA Appeals Tribunal, in its absolute discretion:
 - i. dismisses the appeal but considers that the appeal was not frivolous or vexatious or commenced for an improper purpose; or
 - ii. decreases the penalty imposed by the Clerk of Course or Stewards.

G23.2 Costs

Each party to an appeal shall bear their own costs.

G23.3 Abandon Appeal

- (a) Subject to rule 23.3(b), an appellant may without penalty abandon his appeal at any time by giving written notice to the Secretary of the Meeting.
- (b) Where an appellant abandons his appeal within 7 days of or during the hearing of the appeal and the AASA Appeals Tribunal considers that the appeal was frivolous or vexatious or commenced for an improper purpose, the AASA Appeals Tribunal may order at its absolute discretion that all or part of the payment made under rule 23.2(a) not be refunded.

G23.4 Validity of Appeal and Hearings

- (a) Where there is any procedural irregularity in the manner in which an appeal has been brought, the AASA Appeals Tribunal may still hear and determine the appeal unless it is of the opinion that the irregularity has caused or may cause an injustice if the appeal was heard.
- (b) A decision of the AASA Appeals Tribunal is not invalid because of any defect or irregularity in, or in conjunction with, the appointment of a AASA Appeals Tribunal member.
- (c) Subject to rules 19.4 and 20.5(b), any procedure or requirement regulating the function of the AASA Appeals Tribunal is directory in nature and a decision of the AASA Appeals Tribunal is not invalid by reason of that procedure or requirement not being fulfilled.

G23.5 Co-operation with AASA Appeals Tribunal and No Contact with Witnesses

Rules 14.3, 14.4 and 17.8 shall apply to all appeals or matters coming before the AASA Appeals Tribunal and any reference to the Clerk of Course shall be read as a reference to the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

G23.6 No Public Criticism

No person within the purview of these rules shall publicly criticise any decision or determination of the AASA Appeals Tribunal made under these rules. Publication of any decision to appeal a decision or determination of the AASA Appeals Tribunal, including the grounds of appeal, shall not be deemed to be a breach of this rule

G23.6. Any person who contravenes this rule 23.6 shall pay to AASA by way of liquidated damages the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), such sum to be paid within seven (7) days of a request by AASA that such sum be paid to it.

G24 AASA APPEALS TRIBUNAL

G24.1 Establishment

(a) Appointment

AASA shall from time to time appoint persons to a body to be known as the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

(b) Members

The AASA Appeals Tribunal shall consist of:

- i. not more than two legal practitioners of not less than ten years standing, who shall be elected as Chairperson and Alternate Chairperson respectively; and/or
- ii. not more than four persons who in the opinion of AASA possess sufficient knowledge of motor sport.

G24.2 Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson

(a) Chairperson

A Chairperson shall preside at every meeting of the AASA Appeals Tribunal.

(b) Chairperson's Absence

For any period during which a Chairperson is absent or unable to preside, the Deputy Chairperson shall act as Chairperson.

G24.3 Composition of AASA Appeals Tribunal for Hearings

(a) Composition

For the purpose of hearing and determining any matter before it, the AASA Appeals Tribunal shall be constituted by:

- i. the Chairperson or Alternative Chairperson; and
- ii. a minimum of two other members.

(b) Absent Members

If for any period and for any reason a member of the AASA Appeals Tribunal is absent or unable to attend the hearing of an appeal, AASA may appoint a person who in its opinion is a suitable replacement.

G24.4 Resignation and Removal of AASA Appeals Tribunal Member

(a) Resignation

A member of the AASA Appeals Tribunal may resign by providing notice in writing to AASA.

(b) Removal

AASA may remove a member of the AASA Appeals Tribunal at any time at its absolute discretion.

G24.5 Secretary of AASA Appeals Tribunal

(a) Appointment

Where necessary, AASA shall appoint the Secretary of the Meeting, which is the subject of the Appeal, to act as Secretary of the Appeals Tribunal.

(b) Role

The Secretary shall:

- i. perform any function prescribed in these rules;
- ii. assist the AASA Appeals Tribunal in the efficient and proper conduct of matters before it; and
- iii. perform other functions as directed from time to time by AASA.

G24.6 Guidelines

The Chairperson of the AASA Appeals Tribunal may make guidelines not inconsistent with these rules for the practice and procedure of appeals and hearings by the AASA Appeals Tribunal. Any guidelines made by the Chairperson are directory in nature and a decision of the AASA Appeals Tribunal is not invalid by reason of a guideline not being followed.

G25 PRIZE MONEY

G25.1 Establishment and Distribution of Prize Money and/or Awards

- (a) All events shall be conducted for a guaranteed finishing position purse and/or award, as set out in the Event Regulations or the published prize money or award schedule, whichever is applicable.
- (b) Such prize money and/or awards shall be based on the type of meeting and should be due for distribution by the 28th day following each meeting.

- (c) AASA members agree to abide by decisions of AASA in establishing amount of prize money and/or the award for each event. Members should be aware that there may be circumstances where prize money and/or an award is not to be distributed for an event, notwithstanding that an event was held under these rules.
- (d) Prize money and/or awards, in all competitions, shall be given to the Vehicle/Machine owner.
- (e) All undistributed prize money and/or awards shall be forwarded to AASA Head Office for distribution.
- (f) AASA competitors are required to read the entry form and Supplementary Regulations, program of events and prize money and/or award distribution schedules, before any competition takes place.
- (g) AASA competitors who compete or contest are entitled to inspect a completed copy of the official distribution for the Meeting.
- (h) In the event of a protest, filed in accordance with section 13 of these rules, prize money and/or awards shall be forwarded to AASA Head Office accompanied by written statements from those involved. After a decision on the protest a copy of the decision may be mailed to the parties involved in the protest and once the time for the filing of an appeal thereon has expired, the prize money and/or award/s will be forwarded to the proper recipients in accordance with the decision in the absence of an appeal.

G25.2 Points and Season Prize Money

(a) Establishment and Distribution of Points and Point Fund

Points and season prize money and/or awards will be specified in the competitor championship information bulletin published at the start of each season. This bulletin will also contain the schedule of the points which will be awarded in all championship or series competitions.

(b) Eligibility for Points

A Driver/Rider will only be credited with points earned in the vehicle in which he/she started the event, and the starting Driver/Rider will be credited with all points earned in that Vehicle/Machine in that event. Points will be awarded for finishing position only. A Driver/Rider is ineligible to receive points for an event in which he/she has secured a relief Driver/Rider for the purpose of enabling him or herself to compete in a second event while the first is still in progress. To be eligible for points, Driver/Rider and Vehicle/Machine must complete the first green flag lap (pace or caution laps do not count). A Driver/Rider can not receive points for more than one Vehicle/Machine in the event.

NOTE: It is customary for Driver/Riders to share their points money with their Vehicle/Machine owners, and should the Driver/Riders be called upon to name the owners of the Vehicle/Machines in which they accumulated the greater number of points, they alone will be responsible for the selections.

In all cases of ties, ties will be broken by using the greater number of Firsts in all events counting towards that position and if a tie still exists then Seconds, Thirds etc will be considered until the tie is broken.

(c) Point Fund Awards

Point and season awards will be distributed at a motorsport end of Series function. Eligibility to participate in the point and season prize money fund may be forfeited by any competitor violating any AASA rule and/or regulation prior to the presentation of the awards at the Series function.

(d) Establishment of Points

Championship or series points will be awarded as per the table detailed in Schedule 4 of this rule book.

G26 VEHICLE SIGNAGE

G26.1 Signage

- (a) AASA reserves the right to assign or restrict the display of decals, identification and advertising on competition vehicles. All such signage shall be submitted to AASA, prior to use, to prevent the use of any conflicting decals.
- (b) Signage for all categories must conform with AASA regulations i.e.:
- i. the competition number must be displayed on each side of the vehicle, on the centre of the front door, in clearly legible numbers at least 300 mm high and 25 mm thick;
 - ii. no sign other than the number may be displayed on the vehicle above the upper level of the windows except the Driver name which may be displayed above each side window as close to the window space as possible in letters no more than 100 mm high;
 - iii. no signage may be displayed on any glass or window area except as authorised by AASA;
 - iv. a space must be left above the race number on each side of the vehicle for use by the organisers. This space must measure a minimum of 500 mm wide and 120 mm high.
- (c) **Tarmac Rallies:** Signage requirements will be specified in the Event Regulations.

G27 SCHEDULE I - PRESCRIBED FORMS

The prescribed forms, as shown in this schedule, are to be used when lodging an appeal -

Form Number	Form Name	Applicable Rule
Form 1	Notice of Protest	Rule 12
Form 2	Notice of Intention to Appeal	Rule 18.3
Form 3	Notice of Appeal	Rule 18.3

Form 1

This form must be lodged with the Clerk of Course within the time limits for protests, as detailed in the Rule Book.

Form 2

This form must be lodged with the Clerk of Course within one (1) hour of the notification of the decision of the Clerk of Course.

Form 3

This form must be lodged with the Secretary of the Meeting, or the Clerk of the Course, within seven (7) days of the notification of the decision of the Clerk of Course.

FORM 1: NOTICE OF PROTEST – RULE 12



I

To: The Clerk of Course

I, (competitor's name, please print) of
(race team and
postal address), please print
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hereby request that the Clerk of Course investigate the following protest:

(Detail below all material, facts and circumstances forming the basis of the protest, including full particulars of the race, vehicles involved, competitors or other persons involved)

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.....(Signature of Competitor)

Date:

FORM 2: NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPEAL – RULE 18.3



I

To: The Clerk of Course/Secretary of the Meeting

I, (competitor's name, please print)of
(race team and
postal address, please print).....being the
holder of Competition Licence number

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I intend to appeal the decision of the Clerk of Course
made on..... (date) at.....(time).

(Appellant's signature)

(Date).....

FORM 3: NOTICE TO APPEAL – RULE 18.3



I

To: The Clerk of Course/Secretary of the Meeting

I, (competitor's name, please print)..... of

(race team and postal address, please print).....being

the holder of Competition Licence number.....

and having lodged a Notice of Intention to Appeal on.....(date) at
.....(time).

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I appeal to the AASA Appeals Tribunal, the decision of the Clerk of Course, details of which are set out below. Enclosed with this Notice of Appeal is the appeal fee of \$500 as required under rule 18.3 of the AASA Competition Rules.

The Clerk of Course on.....(date) made the following

decision: (provide details of the decision made).....

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(Appellant's signature).....(Date)

SCHEDULE 2 - TYPE OF PENALTIES (RULE 17.3)

I. Types of Penalties

AASA, the Clerk of Course, Stewards or the AASA Appeals Tribunal may without limitation impose one or more, or a combination, of the following penalties:

- (a) Reprimand;
- (b) Payment of an amount (monetary fine);
- (c) Suspension for any specified period;
- (d) Cancellation of AASA Licence;
- (e) Endorsement of AASA Licence;
- (f) Exclusion;
- (g) Disqualification;
- (h) Loss of race points or accumulated race points;
- (i) Loss of prize money;
- (j) Confiscation or retention of illegal components of a vehicle;
- (k) Ejection from premises at which a race or event is being held; or
- (l) Disallowance of qualifying time(s).
- (m) Add time penalty to events

2. Definitions of Various Penalties

Each of the above penalties shall have their natural meaning. In addition and for clarification and the avoidance of doubt, the following definitions shall apply:

“Cancellation of AASA Licence” means that a person no longer holds an AASA Licence and is thereby ineligible to compete at or otherwise participate in a race or event.

“Disqualification” means a person is ineligible to receive any points or prize money that he or she would have received had he or she not been disqualified.

“Endorsement of AASA Licence” means the imposition of a condition or restriction subject to which the AASA Licence is to be held and with which the licensee must comply.

“Exclusion” means a person is not entitled to compete at or otherwise participate in the particular race or event for which he or she has been excluded.

“Loss of Race Points or Accumulated Race Points” means forfeiture of or not awarding any such points.

“Suspension” means a person is ineligible to compete at or otherwise participate in a race or event for the period of the suspension.

SCHEDULE 3

LIST OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

A competitor shall not exhibit the presence, within his/her body tissue, fluids or expired air, of any trace of a prohibited substance or any other substance that may affect a person's motor skills or judgment.

The list of prohibited substances includes but is not limited to:

- (a) Alcohol. A competitor must not have a blood alcohol reading above 0.
- (b) Narcotic analgesics including, but not limited to:
 - i. heroin;
 - ii. methadone;
 - iii. pentazocine
 - iv. morphine; and
 - v. pethidine.
- (c) Marijuana.
- (d) Stimulants including, but not limited to:
 - i. caffeine, with a concentration in the urine in excess of 12 micrograms/ml;
 - ii. amphetamines;
 - iii. cocaine;
 - iv. ephedrine;
 - v. salbutamol; and
 - vi. terbutaline.
- (e) The latter two are permitted by inhaler only, and only by written prescription of a medical practitioner.
- (f) Diuretics including, but not limited to:
 - i. chlorthalidone;
 - ii. frusemide;
 - iii. hydrochlorothiazide;
 - iv. spironolactone.
- (g) Anabolic steroids.

The AASA policy is zero tolerance of any substance that may, in any way, impair and/or stimulate competitors, pit crew and official's performances