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This Chapter must be read in conjunction with Chapters 1 – 11.

The following Appendices comprise this Chapter:

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General
1. Permits for Drag Race are issued at the sole discretion of the ASN and are dependent upon a valid Track Licence being in existence.
2. Except as provided by this Chapter Drag Race Events must comply with the relevant provisions of Chapters 1 – 11 and the Drag Race Yearbook.
3. The Drag Racing Yearbook applies and is Appendix 1 to this Chapter which may apply further limitations or requirements in addition to the following. The Drag Race Yearbook is NOT subject to the ASN stability regulations and amendments may be invoked as deemed necessary for the orderly conduct of the sport.
4. For any Technical or Safety criteria not provided for by these Specific Regulations the Official Documents must state the definitive source of reference.
5. Permits may be issued for a Drag Race or a Straightline Event which will be run in accordance with the Straightline Event Guidelines.
6. A Club will only be allowed to organise Events up to National status unless ASN has specifically approved an application for higher status.
7. If a Championship round is cancelled or changes its date due to reasons of safety or force majeure the Championships Organiser may arrange for an alternative Event or date for an Event to be included in their Championship calendar. Subject to Chapter 1 Art.4 only two such changes will be permitted during the duration of that particular Championship and the proposed amendment must be subject to ASN approval and will only be permitted if all registered Competitors have been advised and less than 15% (rounded up to the next whole number) of the Competitors registered for the Championship object to the change in writing. Competitors failing to respond within 4 weeks (28 days) from the date of the Organiser’s written proposal to change being sent will be considered to agree to the change.

Officials and their duties
8. Unless stated hereafter Officials must comply with Chapter 5.
9. ASN Licensed Clerks of the Course, Timekeepers and Scrutineers appropriate to the grade of the Event must be appointed.
10. At all National and above Events there should be at least one licensed Deputy / Assistant Clerks of the Course in addition to the Clerk of the Course.
11. At all other Events it is recommended that there be at least one Deputy / Assistant Clerk of the Course in addition to the Clerk of the Course. Any Deputy Clerks must be licensed but Assistant Clerks need not necessarily be so.
12. The Race Director shall have the same responsibilities duties and powers of a Clerk of the Course and the
same discretion in the general conduct and control of the Event and the application of penalties for any infringement by participant or Vehicle.

13. Subject to the prescriptions of the NCR the decision of the Race Director shall be final.

14. Whenever possible there shall be at least two Timekeepers at Events.

Competitors

General

15. Unless stated hereafter Competitors must comply with Chapter 6

16. Participants shall be deemed to be any person within the meaning provided in Chapter 6 and Chapter 1 App.1.

17. The display of any identification, badge or pass will be deemed to identify the person concerned with the Entrant and will imply their acceptance of these Regulations.

18. Entrants and Drivers must ensure they have a Competition / Entrant Licence valid for the Event.

19. When signing on a valid Competition / Entrant Licence for Entrant and Driver must be produced.

20. For Drivers under the age of 18 years a PG Entrant Licence is required (Chapter 6).

21. The Official Documents must state what qualification is required to drive a specific category of Vehicle.

22. Where a Driver is required to make an observed run prior to taking part in the Competition it is the Drivers’ responsibility to report this fact when signing on and await the instructions of the Race Director.

23. The Race Director may forbid a Driver to take part in the Competition for reasons of safety or any apparent deficiency in performance.

24. A Driver may not drive more than one Vehicle in any category at the same Event. Dual eliminator registration is prohibited subject to that permitted in the Drag Racing Book.

25. Any Driver deemed to have driven in a manner not compatible with general safety or whose behaviour or actions is prejudicial to the interests of the Organisers or motor sport generally may be immediately Disqualified from the Event (Chapter 2).

Competition Licence and Upgrading


Vehicles

27. Unless stated hereafter Vehicles must comply with Chapter 7.

28. Trucks or Commercial Vehicles are prohibited to take part in Drag Races without the prior approval of ASN. Series Production Truck Vehicles of up to 1 ton payload are permitted.

29. Junior Dragsters may not be included in any Event without the prior approval of the ASN.

30. Classification shall be as prescribed in the specific Class regulations contained within the Official Documents.

31. Except for Straightline Events annual registration of Vehicles and Drivers with each Organising Club may be required as stipulated in the Drag Racing Yearbook.

32. Where Registration is required it must be submitted on the official Race Vehicle Registration form issued by each Organising Club. Forms which are amended incomplete or defaced are invalid.

33. Re-registration may be required for any change made to the classification of a Vehicle.

34. Vehicles may be given a permanent race number for the year.

35. Numbers must be displayed in accordance with the specific Class format; affixed in such a way to ensure their
durability and legibility and be of sufficient contrast to their background. They shall be subject to the approval of the Chief Timekeeper.

36. The naming of a Vehicle will be subject to the approval of each Organising Club. Duplication of names will not be permitted.

37. Decals must be displayed as required by the Event or Organiser.

38. Vehicles must be in a clean and presentable condition throughout an Event. Personnel attending a competing Vehicle should be aware of the same considerations.

39. Competition Numbers must be covered or removed at all times whilst driving on the Public Highway.

**Scrutineering**

40. Vehicles must be presented for Scrutineering and Practice at the times specified in the Official Documents.

41. No Vehicle is permitted to take part in Practice or a Race without the approval of the Chief Scrutineer.

42. If after approval any Vehicle is dismantled or modified in a manner that may affect its safety or eligibility or it is involved in any incident which is likely to have a similar effect or any aerodynamic device is added or removed, it shall be represented for approval. The Entrant shall be responsible for seeking such fresh approval.

43. Any Vehicle involved in an incident which is unable to proceed shall not be touched by any person other than Officials without the specific approval of the Clerk of the Course. Furthermore, the Driver concerned may not drive again without the approval of the Chief Medical Officer of the Event.

44. Any Vehicle involved in an incident shall not be taken away from the Course without the prior authority of the Clerk of the Course.

45. The Race Director may require:
   a. The eligibility of an Entrant, Driver or Vehicle to be checked at any time or prescribed place before or during the Event or afterwards subject to the Entrant being notified not later than half an hour after the publication of a valid provisional Result.
   b. A Vehicle to be re-scrutineered at any time throughout the Event.
   c. A Vehicle to be dismantled to ensure it complies with the Regulations.
   d. An Entrant to supply such components and or samples as may be required.
   e. A Driver to be medically examined for reasons of safety.
   f. A Vehicle to Practice before its eligibility is verified.

**Drivers**

46. Throughout Practice and Competition, upon exiting from and until returning to the Paddock when the Driver is seated in the Vehicle they must wear clothing, helmet and goggles complying with Chapter 9 or where appropriate the specific Class regulations for Drag Races.

47. Overalls homologated to FIA 8856-2000, FIA 8856-2018 or FIA 1986 standard or in accordance with GSR10.10 of the Drag Racing Yearbook (App.1) are mandatory.

48. Competitors are required to wear flame-resistant gloves (Chapter 9) or in accordance with GSR10.10 of the Drag Racing Yearbook (App.1) standard.

49. An FIA approved FHR device fitted in accordance with FIA regulations is mandatory for all Classes where specified in the Drag Racing Yearbook.
50. All these items required by Arts. 46-49 above must be produced for inspection and approval at scrutineering.
51. Only the Driver may be in a Vehicle during the Competition or Practice.

Pits Paddock and Track Fuel
52. The handling and storage of Fuel must comply with the law and local fire regulations.
53. The Official Documents shall specify the safe refuelling requirements at Arts.80 – 84 below.
54. The fuelling and draining of Vehicles outside a designated fuelling area is forbidden.
55. The engine must be stopped during fuelling and the Driver must vacate the Vehicle.
56. The Vehicle must be clear of any Fuel handling or storage when starting the engine.
57. The Entrant must ensure that throughout fuelling a person will stand by the Vehicle with an adequate fire extinguisher.
58. Engine starting and Warm-ups: It is mandatory for a Driver or competent crew member to be seated in the normal driving position at any time the engine is running.

Medical and Rescue (see also Chapter 11)
59. Ambulance and Staff. The Organisers in conjunction with the Event Chief Medical Officer will ensure that during practice sessions and competition the following are in attendance:
   a. Adequate first-aid staff (e.g. members of St. John Ambulance Association, British Red Cross Society or St. Andrew Ambulance Association).
   b. Ambulances should be equipped with basic resuscitation equipment and if possible a Casualty Immobiliser for handling a patient over difficult terrain. These ambulances to be reserved for use in connection with casualties arising from the Competition.
   c. It is important that the ambulance be so equipped that essential equipment does not have to be taken from any other Emergency Vehicle.
60. The minimum medical and rescue requirements (including Practice) are:
   a. One Doctor (or one ASN-Registered Paramedic and one ambulance.
   b. The Rescue Unit and the Ambulance must be positioned to ensure unobstructed access to the Course as per the Track Licence.
   c. There must be a second emergency vehicle equipped specifically for firefighting with the following minimum equipment:
      i. 20lb (9kg) dry powder fire extinguishers.
      ii. fire resistant blankets 6ft x 6ft (2m x 2m), 2 pairs fire resistant / industrial gloves.
61. In an emergency the Event Chief Medical Officer may at their discretion designate as an ambulance any Vehicle they deem adequate for this purpose.
62. When public attendance is expected suitable arrangements must be made by the Organisers for dealing with the first-aid requirements of spectators not arising from the Event.

Starting
63. The Official Documents will specify:
   a. The starting Signal.
   b. The method of timing.
c. When timing commences.
64. **Vehicles** shall be started from a standing start with the engine running.
65. No **Vehicle** shall be started whilst there is an obstruction in its path either on the course or in the braking area after the finish.
66. The finish line will be clearly indicated.
67. The number of **Vehicles** on a **Track** at any one time is that permitted by the **Track Licence**.
68. The starting order will be in classes as determined by the **Organisers** unless the **Official Documents** specify otherwise.
69. **Drivers** will be under **Starter’s Orders** when instructed by the **Official Starter** to ‘stage’ in accordance with ‘Staging’ procedure and requirements set out in the **Drag Racing Yearbook**.
70. After crossing the finishing line, competitors must slow down as appropriate and proceed as instructed.

**Qualification**
71. Except for **Straightline Events** a new **Driver** who has not previously held a **Competition Licence** will be subject to a cockpit orientation (blindfold) test.
72. A **Driver** may be required to make runs under observation at any time.

**Paddock and Track Regulations**
73. The spinning of wheels (tyre warming) will only be permitted in a designated area which should be clearly defined.
74. Refuelling and work on the Vehicles, other than by a **Driver** or **Officials** can only be carried out in the **Paddock** unless the **Clerk of the Course** specifically authorises otherwise.
75. The crew is limited to the number as stipulated in the class regulations within the **Drag Racing Yearbook** in addition to the **Driver** and **Officials** allowed in attendance on each **Vehicle** in the identified starting area.
76. Except while on the **Track** no competing **Vehicle** shall be driven at a speed exceeding 10 mph without the specific permission of the **Clerk of the Course**.

**Penalties**
77. Any specific penalties mentioned in these regulations do not preclude the imposition of additional penalties as deemed appropriate.

**Instructions and Communications to Competitors**
78. Any additional instructions published will be an **Official Document** of the **Event** under these **Regulations**.

**Race Procedures**
79. In accordance with the requirements of the **Official Documents** of the **Event**.

**Refuelling**
80. Refuelling and work upon the cars other than by a **Driver** or **Officials** may only be carried out at the pits or in the **Paddock**.
81. The **Driver** shall vacate the **Vehicle** and the engine be stopped throughout any refuelling operation.
82. The **Entrant** shall ensure that throughout refuelling one person shall stand by the **Vehicle** with a fire
extinguisher at the ready.

83. Storage of Fuel is only permitted in containers having a screw or other approved safety cap and complying with the Law and local Fire Regulations.

84. If any Fuel is stored in a pit the Entrant of the Vehicle using that pit shall ensure that an effective fire extinguisher is kept adjacent to such Fuel.