

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

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Proposed Regulations

Chapter 1 Appendix 1

<u>Protest.</u> A formal complaint, lodged within specified time limits by an Entrant or Competitor in accordance with Ch.2 App.9 Art.1.1.1 about an act or omission by another Competitor, or about the eligibility of another Vehicle.

Chapter 2 Appendix 9

- 1.1 A Protest is an inter-Competitor challenge alleging that another Competitor is in breach of the Regulations of the Competition or a Competitor challenge in the circumstances listed in Arts.1.1.a and b. The overarching principle engaged in bringing a Protest is that of sporting fairness in the Competition accordingly it is a breach of the NCR to bring a Protest in bad faith.
- 1.1.1 A Protest can be filed against:
 - a. The Acceptance of an Entry of a Competitor or Driver;
 - b. The length of the Course;
 - c. An alleged error, irregularity or breach of the NCR occurring during an Event;
 - d. The alleged non-compliance of a vehicle with the NCR;
- 1.2 The general principle is that a Protest must be brought at the earliest possible time that an alleged breach of the Regulations has come to the attention of the Protestor. It is not permissible to have any knowledge or suspicion of actual or potential breach of the Regulations and then to wait and see what happens during the Competition. Any such action will be deemed an act of bad faith for the purposes of Arts.1.1 and 1.2 but this does not limit any other finding of bad faith.
- 1.3 The Competitor bringing the Protest is the Protestor.
- 1.4 The Competitor responding to the Protest is the Protestee.

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Reason: To further clarify the circumstances in which a Protest may be filed and aligning the Protest Regulations closer to the Code.