

# **Perth Radio Electric Car Club Inc.**

## **Section 2 - General**

### **2.1 Footwear**

- 2.1.1 Shoes must be worn at all times regardless of racing or marshalling.
- 2.1.2 No thongs, sandals or open footwear allowed.
- 2.1.3 The committee reserves the right to ask any person not conforming to these footwear safety rules to leave or be removed from the premises.

### **2.2 Alcohol, Drugs and Smoking**

- 2.2.1 No alcohol or drugs to be consumed on or near the premises by race car drivers, marshals or spectators.
- 2.2.2 Anyone deemed to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be asked to leave or be removed from the premises.
- 2.2.3 Smoking, as per Council by-laws, is not permitted within 5 metres of any entrance or opening to the premises.

### **2.3 Protests**

- 2.3.1 Protest against Car Components.
  - 2.3.1.1 A protest against any car where it is thought to be using un-approved parts/equipment must be registered verbally at Race Control immediately within 10 minutes of the conclusion of the race.
  - 2.3.1.2 A written, reasonably comprehensive, report of the protest should be written immediately after verbal notification.
  - 2.3.1.3 Written report must be in English.
  - 2.3.1.4 The written protest along with a \$50.00 protest fee must be lodged at Race Control for the investigation to take place.
  - 2.3.1.5 The committee will immediately require the accused driver/owner to submit the car or equipment for inspection to resolve any question as to the validity of complaint and impose the appropriate ruling.
  - 2.3.1.6 If the protest is found to be valid (upheld), the driver shall be disqualified from the race and/or event, and an amount of up to a \$50.00 fine will be imposed on the accused driver of the car or equipment in question. The car or equipment may then be held until the imposed penalty fine is paid or secured. An amount of \$50.00 or less will be returned to the protest lodger at the discretion of the committee. All costs incurred by the accused driver to restore the car/equipment to its original condition prior to the inspection of the car/equipment will be borne by the accused driver.

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2.3.1.7 If the protest is found to be unwarranted or frivolous, the protest lodger will forfeit \$20.00 plus costs incurred to restore the car/equipment of the accused driver to its original condition prior to the inspection of the car/equipment.

### 2.3.2 Protests against Race Incidents.

2.3.2.1 A protest against any incident in a race must be verbally registered immediately following marshalling duties at the conclusion of the race.

2.3.2.2 A written, reasonably comprehensive, report of the protest is to be submitted no later than 15 minutes after the verbal notification to the Race Director.

2.3.2.3 The written protest, any photographic and/or video evidence, and any signed statements from other drivers/officials must be lodged at Race Control along with a \$50 protest fee for the investigation to take place.

2.3.2.4 The \$50 protest fee is non-refundable and is considered the cost for the committee to investigate the complaint.

2.3.2.5 The investigated incident will be reported on during the week and will be presented to the protest lodger at the next club race meeting.

2.3.2.6 The committee will decide any action (if any) to be taken against the driver who was found to be in breach of any rule.

## **2.4 Radio Equipment**

2.4.1 *Never operate your radio equipment within a 2km radius of the building.*

2.4.2 Authorisation to test in the pits or on the track must be obtained through race control.

2.4.3 Transmitter battery packs fitted to the transmitter shall not exceed 10 x 1.2v cells.

2.4.4 Radios must be crystal changeable, frequency adjustable or broad spectrum. If using crystal changeable equipment a minimum of three crystal sets must be available.

2.4.5 Financial club members will be given preference to their nominated preferred frequency.

2.4.6 Sharing of electronic timing equipment and/or radio equipment is prohibited. This does not mean that a driver cannot use his radio to drive two cars entered in different classes by the same driver.

## **2.5 Driver's Rules & Etiquette**

2.5.1 It is the responsibility of the driver to be able to prove the legality of any part of his/her car, radio equipment or batteries should the need arise.

2.5.2 Pit lane direction of travel will be as per normal race direction.

2.5.3 Pit lane speed at all times shall be at a slow walking pace.

2.5.4 At the 30 second warning, all cars must cease circulating (allowed to complete the warm-up lap that they are currently on) and must be placed on the starting grids. After the 30 second warning, cars not on the

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racing surface at this point will not be allowed entrance to the racing surface until after the start of the race. Pit crew may place the car at the exit to pit lane where the car will be allowed to start after all cars have passed. This applies to both qualifying and finals. [AARCMCC 6.10.7]

- 2.5.5 It is considered poor sportsmanship and warnings or penalties (drive thru pit lane or 10 second pit lane penalty) may be applied if drivers do not rectify their mistakes on the race track for any of the following infringements
- 2.5.5.1 Reversing or driving against race direction traffic flow. Wait for marshals to point you in the correct direction.
  - 2.5.5.2 Deliberately colliding or interfering with other drivers' cars during or after races.
  - 2.5.5.3 Crashing into another car, and failing to stop and allow the affected competitor to regain their track/race position as was prior to the contact.
  - 2.5.5.4 Cutting corners or taking shortcuts by jumping a pipe barrier where it is an advantage to the driver by not waiting for a marshal to rectify the track position which will result in a fast (short) lap recorded (drive through pit lane penalty).
  - 2.5.5.5 Starting before his/her name is called during qualifying. (warning)
  - 2.5.5.6 Starting before "start" is called during finals races (One lap penalty).
  - 2.5.5.7 Starting on the wrong grid in a finals race (drive through pit lane penalty).
  - 2.5.5.8 Starting on the qualifying grid in a finals race (15 second pit lane penalty).
  - 2.5.5.9 Obstructing lapping drivers.
  - 2.5.10 Deliberate or careless driving which may affect the outcome of a race.
- 2.5.6 Holding the racing line is not considered immediate obstruction but, please move aside to let a lapping driver through, preferably by holding to one side of the straight or going wide on a corner to allow the other car inside. Do not move about on the straight as this is more likely to produce a collision.
- 2.5.7 When about to be lapped it is helpful to advise your intended movement (e.g. "going wide") orally on the rostrum.
- 2.5.8 Lapping driver should alert the car about or soon to be lapped (e.g. "lapping white/blue").
- 2.5.9 Aggressive passing by lapping drivers will not be tolerated. Patience is recommended.
- 2.5.10 Never operate any radio control vehicle on the track in an incomplete or damaged form (i.e. no body, wheel missing or damage that may damage the track surface, etc).
- 2.5.11 Drivers of disabled, damaged, stopped or otherwise potentially blocking or interfering with or creating a hazard to other drivers must alert the other drivers of his/her predicament immediately.
- 2.5.12 It is expected that drivers will behave in a manner which excludes the usage of any derogatory or abusive language or threatening behaviour to other drivers, marshals, officials or spectators.
- 2.5.13 Drivers may only complete their current lap when the "all drivers finished call" from the "electronic computerised timing equipment" is called.
- 2.5.14 There will be no redress by either driver or pit crew to the race director or committee for any on track penalties.

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## **2.6 Marshalling – Non AARRCMCC Events**

- 2.6.1 You must be on the track ready to marshal at least 30 seconds prior to race start.
- 2.6.2 Failing to be ready to marshal as per 2.6.1 will incur the following penalty;
  - 2.6.2.1 First Offence – Warning.
  - 2.6.2.2 Second Offence – Fastest qualifying (if offence is during qualifying) or fastest final (if offence is committed during the finals) race time will be forfeited.
  - 2.6.2.3 Third Offence – Disqualification from event.
- 2.6.2 You will be required to carry out track marshalling duties by marshalling the race directly after your race. Please marshal the way that you would like marshal's to marshal your car.
- 2.6.3 Permission to use a substitute marshal must be obtained from Race Control prior to the one minute warning of the race start for the race you are allocated marshalling duties.
- 2.6.4 The first of your marshalling duties will be to rectify and/or re-align any pipes, barriers, signage and corner markers that are out of place or require securing prior to the race commencing.
- 2.6.5 Check the race traffic before you move briskly onto the race track. Do not stop abruptly as you may slip and upset the carpets.
- 2.6.6 New drivers to the club should read Appendix A “Marshalling Responsibilities and Duties”. Copies of Appendix A are available from Race Control.

## **2.7 Race Referees [AARRCMCC 4.2, 4.3]**

- 2.7.1 Committee members will randomly act as race referees.
- 2.7.2 A driver may be warned, penalised by a drive through pit lane or disqualified for any of the following;
  - 2.7.2.1 Reversing.
  - 2.7.2.2 Crashing into another car and failing to stop to allow the affected competitor to regain their track/race position as was prior to the contact.
  - 2.7.2.3 Deliberately crashing into another car.
  - 2.7.2.4 Affecting the outcome of a race by deliberate/careless driving at the discretion of the committee.

## **2.8 Scrutineering [AARRCMCC 6.5, 6.11]**

- 2.8.1 Committee members will randomly scrutineer all cars during the course of the driver's championship, winter championship and presidents cup.
- 2.8.2 Any driver of any car judged to be illegal will be disqualified from that race and/or event.
- 2.8.3 The minimum rules applicable at all times, unless specified elsewhere (e.g. specific race entry forms), are

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- 2.8.3.1 Weight restrictions
  - 2.8.3.2 Ride Height
  - 2.8.3.3 Motor restrictions
  - 2.8.3.4 Battery restrictions
- 2.8.4 Any driver's car which does not meet the minimum requirements of Rule 2.8.3 will be disqualified from the race.

### **2.9 Track layout & direction**

- 2.9.1 If time permits, it is intended that the track layout will be changed every second year and direction changes will also occur at the start of the new racing year.