

SPORTING BULLETIN

OFF ROAD STANDING REGULATIONS

REFERENCE:

http://camsmanual.com.au/05_offroad.asp

RATIONALE:

To update noise regulations, clarify road closures and officials identification.

ACTION:

Amend: Off Road Standing Regulations 4.5 Noise:

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(i) Cars may be required to be subjected to a noise emission test prior to starting in any event or at any time during the competition. The maximum noise emission permitted from any vehicle is 95dB(A).

~~(ii) All noise testing is to be carried out with an appropriate noise meter, approved by AORCom. The test position must be not less than 30 meters from the edge of the defined track when measured at an angle of 90° to the line of the track.~~

~~(iii) A tolerance of +3% to the maximum noise limit of 95dB(A) may be applied to account for variations in measurements and conditions. Note:~~

~~(iv) Individual events may impose more stringent limits in order to comply with local requirements.~~

~~(iv) Implementation:~~

~~• If the car measures under the 95dB(A) — no action required;~~

~~• If the car measures over 95dB(A) — the car is to be fitted with a compliant silencer (refer GR23) from the next event;~~

~~• If the car is fitted with a compliant silencer and is still over the noise limit — the car shall be made to comply with the noise limit within two events from the time it is originally measured over the limit, or from any event thereafter it shall be removed from the competition surface and not permitted to resume practice, prologue or competition until the organisers are satisfied that the problem has been rectified.~~

~~• Due to the proposed implementation of a new noise testing procedure in 2011, this regulation will not be~~

~~applied at or beyond the third round of the 2010 AORC. Competitors may, however, be required to have their vehicles noise level checked by the AORC Technical Commissioner. Any car with a log book entry relating to noise emission made prior to 1 July 2010 will be granted an amnesty on those entries.~~

ACTION:

Amend: Off Road Standing Article 6. The Course:

6.1 Surface:

- (i) The surface and terrain of the course should be varied.
- (ii) The course should be clearly defined and arranged in a way that minimises the likelihood of competing vehicles straying therefrom unintentionally, or of a collision between competing vehicles travelling on other parts of the course.
- (iii) Shortcutting and deviation from the course, which includes driving on the course against the direction of travel, are strictly prohibited.

6.2 Approval: Prior to any event taking place, the course must be approved by the relevant state office of CAMS,

which at its sole discretion may decide whether or not to carry out an inspection prior to the event, and may require a plan of the course to be submitted with the application for permit. This plan must include the paddock/pit area layout.

6.3 No Off Road course shall contain any straight section of track of more than two kilometres in length without an obstacle or deviation, either natural or contrived, that requires a significant reduction in speed to negotiate.

6.4 Road Closures :

(i) It is mandatory for competitive sections that all roads/tracks used for competition are positively closed to all except off road traffic. Any vehicular access to the route via formed roads must be closed off by a locked gate or equivalent, or be supervised by the presence of road closure officials. Whether manned or not by an official there remains the requirement for a physical indication that the road is closed, which may be in the form of barrier mesh, an official's car or some other clear indication that the road should not be used.

(ii) All roads intersecting within the course which, if taken may result in competing automobiles mistakenly driving in the opposite direction to competition traffic, or coming into contact with officials or members of the public must have some form of physical barrier across them, in addition to barrier mesh or bunting and at least one 'no road sign' as outlined in Article 7.2(v).

(iii) All officials stationed at road closures must be briefed on the procedures for road closures, and of their importance. They must also have identification so that they are easily recognisable by persons not involved in the event.

ACTION:

Amend: Off Road Standing Article 13.9 Officials:

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(i) Organisers must make appropriate personal protective equipment, including hearing and eye protection, available to all officials.

(ii) Officials and official vehicles must have correct and adequate identification. This identification should be worn by personnel and attached to vehicles at all times so that officials can be recognised immediately.

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