# AKADEMOS 2025

19 October 2025

Round 6 – 2025 DRC 4x4 Victorian Rally Championship

**Incorporating** 

Round 5 – 2025 Bog-a-Duck Victorian Club Rally Series





# SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS



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# Message from the Clerk of Course

Welcome to the 2025 Akademos, round 6 of the DRC 4x4 Victorian Rally Championship and Bog-a-Duck, round 5 of the Prorally Victorian Club Rally Series. The organising committee is excited to be back in Alexandra at the Alexandra Showgrounds and Recreation Reserve for this year's event. It is always a great venue and the town really gets behind this event.

I also want to thank all the competitors and crew for entering. 2025 is a great year for Victorian rallying with so many events on the calendar.

**Event format** - the 2025 rally will host two events on the one date:

- The Akademos Rally is Round 6 of 2025 DRC 4x4 Victorian Rally Championship (VRC). This event will be pace noted.
- The Bog-a-Duck Rally is Round 5 of the 2025 ProRally Victorian Club Rally Series and will run in conjunction with the Akademos Rally. The VCRS event is a "blind" rally which is fully route charted.

**Sponsors** - We acknowledge the series sponsors of for the two events – DRC 4x4 and ProRally Motorsport Fabrications

#### Dates:

- VRC event will run over two days, with reconnaissance on Saturday 18th October 2025 and the competition on Sunday 19th October 2025.
- VCRS sub-event will run on Sunday 19th October only.

**Course** - the event will again run stages in both the Black Range and Blue Range Forests and this year will include a spectator super special stage at the Alexandra Speedway (run twice).

- Akademos will be conducted over one division scored as two heats each with four stages, giving approximately 104.44km of competitive and 167.12 of liaison route.
- Bog-a-Duck will have approximately 143.35km of competitive and 87.45km of liaison route (VCRS doesn't include a second running of the fourth stage).

**Timing** - The event will run A-to-A timing, which is the standard for modern special stage forest rallies. The event will use RallySafe Timing which allows crews fast access to stage times throughout the event.

**Service** - There will be one service opportunity in Alexandra and two remote refuel opportunities in Taggerty. Crews will pass a service station (with 98 RON) in Thornton between the first and second special stages and again between the fifth and sixth special stages.

**Headquarters** - the event headquarters and service park will be at the Alexandra Football Club. Catering and all facilities are located within the grounds.

**Presentation** – A presentation will be held for provisional VRC winners shortly after the arrival of the last car.

**Accommodation** – there are a range of accommodation options in Alexandra located within a short distance of the event start/finish and headquarters or Thornton also has accommodation options available.

The Directing Team would like to thank Forest Fire Management Victoria and the Shire of Murrindindi for their ongoing support of our event in their region.

We hope everyone has a great time rallying at Akademos and Bog a Duck and enjoy visiting Alexandra.

John Downs, Clerk of Course On behalf of the Directing Team





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# **AKADEMOS**Incorporating Bog-a-Duck

# Sunday 19 October 2025

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

#### 1. EVENT FORMAT

- 1.1 The event will comprise the AKADEMOS rally, hereafter known as the "Primary Event", and the BOG-A-DUCK rally, hereafter known as the "Sub-Event". The Primary Event will be run as a State Championship Special Stage Rally. This event will be a pace-noted event. The Sub-Event will be run in conjunction with part of the Primary Event as a round of the Victorian Club Rally Series and will run as a blind, route charted event. References in these regulations to "the Event" apply to both the Primary Event and the Sub-Event.
- 1.2 The Primary Event and Sub-Event will be conducted over public and private roads during the hours of daylight on Sunday October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in the Black Range and Blue Range Forest areas.
- 1.3 The Primary Event will be run as One division totalling approximately 271km. The Sub-Event will be run as one division totalling approximately 230km.
- 1.4 The Primary Event will be divided into 2 heats with each heat scored separately for Championship points.
- 1.5 Crews in the Primary Event will compete over approximately 8 Special Stages with a total competitive distance of approximately 104km. The liaison distance will be approximately 167km.
- 1.6 Crews in the Sub-Event will compete over approximately 7 Special Stages with a total competitive distance of approximately 87km. The liaison distance will be approximately 143km.
- 1.7 The Primary Event will be pace noted and the Sub Event will be route charted with intermediate distances and advisory tulip diagrams being supplied for all Special Stages and liaison sections. Advisory arrows may be erected on Special Stages, at the discretion of the Organisers.
- 1.8 The Primary Event will commence from Alexandra at approximately 0900 hrs on 19/10/2025 and the last car should finish in Alexandra by 1700 hrs.
- 1.9 The Sub-Event will commence from Alexandra at approximately 1000 hrs on 19/10/2025 and the last car should finish in Alexandra by 1700 hrs.
- 1.10 The Primary Event and Sub-Event will have one central servicing location in Alexandra and one optional remote refuel location, visited twice.
- 1.11 All Primary Event vehicles that complete the specified course will be held in a Parc Fermé for approximately 15 minutes after the arrival of the vehicle into the Parc Fermé. Vehicles may be selected for post event scrutiny during this time. There is no Parc Fermé for the Sub-Event.
- 1.12 There will be a presentation to the provisional winners after the Primary Event. This will be held as soon as possible after the arrival of the last car and the conclusion of the final Stewards meeting.

#### 2. CHAMPIONSHIPS & SERIES

- 2.1 The Primary Event will be a round of the following 2025 Victorian Rally Championships and series as authorised by the Victorian Rally Panel:
  - a) Round 6 Motorsport Australia Victorian Rally Championship (VRC)
  - b) Round 6 Motorsport Australia Victorian 2WD Rally Championship (VRC-2WD)
  - c) Round 6 Motorsport Australia Victorian Rally Championship Clubman Award
  - d) Round 6 Motorsport Australia Victorian Rally Championship Novice Award
- 2.2 The Sub-Event will be Round 5 of the 2025 Victorian Club Rally Series.

## 3. EVENT SCHEDULE

Day	Date & Time	Activity	Venue
On publication of these Supp Regs		Entries open	
Wednesday 8 October 2025 Er		Entries Close 1800 hrs	
Sunday	12 October 2025	Further Regulations/Instructions and Provisional Start Order emailed	
Wednesday	15 October 2025		
	2130 hrs	Closing time for objections to the provisional Start Order	
Saturday	18 October 2025		
	0800 hrs	Documentation Book-in Recce Registration	Alexandra Football club
	0900 hrs	Stages Open for Recce	
	1100 hrs	Documentation and Book-in closes for 5 hours Recce Registration closes	Alexandra Football Club
	1600 hrs	Rally HQ opens Book-in continues RallySafe units available	Alexandra Football Club
	1700 hrs	Stages Closed for Recce	
	1800 hrs	Rally HQ closes	
Sunday	19 October 2025		
	0700 hrs	Rally HQ opens Documentation continues Book-in continues RallySafe Units available	Alexandra Football Club
	0800 hrs	VRĆ Documentation & Book-in closes	Rally HQ Alexandra
	0800 hrs*	Start order posted (except for top 3 balloted positions)	Rally HQ Alexandra
	0815 hrs*	Crew Briefing and ballot for first 3 positions	Rally HQ Alexandra
	0845 hrs*	VCRS Documentation & Book- in closes	Rally HQ Alexandra
	0900 hrs*	Start of Competition	Rally HQ Alexandra
	1700 hrs*	Finish of competition	Rally HQ Alexandra
	1730 hrs approx.	Presentation to provisional winners	Rally HQ Alexandra
	1800 hrs	Rally HQ closes	Rally HQ Alexandra
Wednesday	22 October 2025	Provisional Results emailed to crews and posted on results.vicrally.com.au	
Saturday	<b>25 October 2025</b> 1800 hrs	Results become Final if no prote	st received

<sup>\*</sup> Exact times will be notified in Furthers

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#### 4. EVENT GOVERNING RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 4.1 The Primary Event will be conducted under the provisions of:
  - a) The FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices.
  - b) National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport Australia
  - c) Rally Standing Regulations including the Special Stage Regulations (RSR-SSR)
  - d) Victorian Rally Bulletins. (VRB)
  - e) VRC Standing Regulations.
  - f) These Supplementary Regulations.
  - g) Any further Regulations, Bulletins, Instructions and Route Instructions which may be issued by the Organising Committee.
- 4.2 The Event will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH&S, Safety 1st, Integrity and Legal, and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the Motorsport Australia website at <a href="https://www.motorsport.org.au">www.motorsport.org.au</a>
- 4.3 Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by Motorsport Australia in relation to the Event. Further details can be found in the Motorsport Australia Insurance Handbook, available at <a href="https://www.motorsport.org.au">www.motorsport.org.au</a>
- 4.4 The Sub-Event will be conducted in accordance with 4.1, except 4.1 (e), and including the VCRS Regulations.
- 4.5 The Motorsport Australia Permit Number authorising this Event is 325/1910/02

#### 5. ORGANISATION

5.1 The Organiser and Promoter of the Event will be the Melbourne University Car Club Inc. which has appointed the following Organising Committee:

Clerk Of Course	John Downs Mob: 0429 669 827 Email: john.downs@monash	ID # 9771370 .vic.gov.au
Deputy Clerk Of Course / Road Director	Joel Wald Mob: 0412 352 252 Email: joel@grange.com.au	ID # 889201
Assistant Road Director	Barry Johnston	ID # 22002003
Event Secretary	Dee Knight Mob: 0407 229 149 Email: deeknight80@gmail.c	ID # 1804760
Entries Secretary	Jean Dunkley Smith (Polanski) ID # 20002543 Mob: 0433 850 753 (after 10am before 8pm) Email: entries@mucc.org.au	
Officials Coordinator	James Thai ID # 1608020 Mob: Email: officials@mucc.org.au	
Equipment Managers	Tony Dornom & Robert Hughes	
Chief Safety Officer	David Johns	ID# 9552209
Event Scorer	Gary Hodgskiss	ID # 881485
Results Manager	Peter Otzen Mob:0418 330 709	ID#9236414
Competitor Relations Officer (CRO)	<b>Natasha Swan</b> Mob: 0427 309 349	ID#9552488

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Chief Scrutineer	Frank Black	ID # 882079	
Patron	<b>Peter Otzen</b> Mob: 0418 330 709	ID#9236414	

#### 5.2 Other Officials of the Event

Event Checker	Owen Polanski	0447 579 439 ID# 9924389
Compliance Checker	Owen Polanski	0447 579 439 ID# 9924389
Chief Steward	William Bennett	ID # 9936835
Steward	Grant Martin	ID #9883464
Series Scrutineer	Frank Black	

#### 6. ENTRIES

- 6.1 Entries will open and close in accordance with the Event Schedule.
- 6.2 All entries must be via the Wolf Entry Management System link https://app.wolfacility.com/event/akademos-rally
- 6.3 The Competitor and crews are reminded of the penalties under the NCR for false statements.
- 6.4 Entry fees are as set out below.

a) VRC Entry Fee \$950.00b) VCRS Entry Fee \$750.00

- 6.5 The entry fee includes the payment of all application fees and levies including trophy fund, publicity fund, MA Personal Accident insurance for all listed crew members and RallySafe hire.
- 6.6 Competitors are NOT permitted to enter both the VRC and the VCRS. One event only.
- 6.7 Payment of entry fees will be via the WOLF entry system. Payment of fees must be included with your registration. Entries will not be accepted without payment. The entry system provide for both credit card and invoice/Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).
- 6.8 Entries will be accepted in order of receipt. If the entry limit of 80 cars is exceeded these subsequent crews will become reserves. Where a number of entries are received on the same day, resulting in the field limit being exceeded, a ballot will be held to determine the starting crews and the order of reserves.
- 6.9 The Organising Committee may refuse any entry in accordance with the NCR.
- 6.10 Competitors may change the car or a crew member by notifying the organisers in writing no less than one hour prior to the start of the Primary Event. If such a change is made after the close of entries then the notification is to be accompanied by a payment of \$50.00. If the car is changed the Competitor must arrange scrutiny for the replacement car. If the driver is changed the organisers may re-seed the start number of the crew.
- 6.11 All correspondence will be distributed via the Sportity application only. No Supplementary Regulations, Further Regulations, Bulletins or Results will be emailed or posted in the mail. Please ensure you download Sportity and turn notifications 'ON' so that you keep up-to-date with all the event documentation when it is released.
- 6.12 Entry fee refunds will be in accordance with the provisions of the VRC Standing Regulations/VCRS Series Rules.

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#### 7. CREW ELIGIBILITY

- 7.1 The Primary Event will be open to all grades of crew members.
- 7.2 The Sub-Event will be open to Grade B and below crews.
- 7.3 Each crew shall consist of 2 people, one to be nominated as the driver and the other as the co-driver.
- 7.4 Both crew members must be members of a car club affiliated with Motorsport Australia and hold a current Motorsport Australia Rally/Rally Junior Licence (Including Single Event Rally) or superior, which may include a navigator only endorsement.
- 7.5 The driver and any co-driver intending to drive in the Primary Event or Sub-Event must hold a current civil driver's licence valid in Victoria or a permit accompanied by ARCOM's written permission. Co-drivers who do not hold a civil driver's licence must sign a Declaration in accordance with RSR EG Article 2.1c which can be found at declaration of co-driver without civil licence.
- 7.6 Both crew members must have officiated at least one event listed in the Victorian Rally Calendar in the previous or current year. Crew members new to rallying are exempt from this requirement for their first year of competition. Refer to the Victorian Rally Bulletin for further information.
- 7.7 Both crew members are advised to have a current ambulance insurance valid in Victoria.
- 7.8 To be eligible for Primary Event awards, crews must display any Event promotional material supplied and Championship material as per the VRC Standing Regulations and Bulletins if applicable. To be eligible for Sub-Event awards, they must meet requirements in the VCRS Series Rules
- 7.9 Both crew members will be required to present evidence of their eligibility at Event Documentation (see Article 13.1).

#### 8. VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY & CLASSES

- 8.1 All vehicles shall comply with the Motorsport Australia Vehicle Technical Regulations and the VRC Standing Regulations.
- 8.2 Competing vehicles for the Sub-Event must comply in accordance with the VCRS Series Rules.
- 8.3 The classes for the Primary Event are as specified in the VRC Standing Regulation.
- 8.4 The classes for the Sub-Event are as specified in the VCRS Series Rules
- 8.5 Reconnaissance Vehicles must not be fitted with Rally Tyres.

#### 9. RALLYSAFE

- 9.1 All Competitors must make provision in their competition vehicle for the RallySafe GPS used for tracking, and safety messaging.
- 9.2 All Competitors of the Primary Event performing reconnaissance must carry a smart phone running the "RallySafe Lite" app, used for tracking and safety messaging during the whole of reconnaissance.
- 9.3 Competitors must have a RallySafe wiring loom, antennas and mounting kit installed prior to scrutiny. This is a one off purchase via the Rally Safe web shop see: <a href="http://rallysafe.com.au/shop/">http://rallysafe.com.au/shop/</a>
- 9.4 Installation instructions are available at <a href="http://rallysafe.com.au/2013/02/competitors">http://rallysafe.com.au/2013/02/competitors</a>
  The RallySafe system must be wired to permanent 12v power (ie NOT via any "kill" switch).
- 9.5 The RallySafe unit screen will be available at the Event, prior to the start. Further details will be in the event Further Regulations.
- 9.6 Competitors must present their competition vehicle with the RallySafe unit installed to the RallySafe Technical Zone, the location of which is specified in the road book, at least 10 minutes before their posted start time to verify and test the RallySafe unit.
- 9.7 Competitors should familiarise themselves with the use of the RallySafe by reference to the "Quick Reference Manual" are available at <a href="http://rallysafe.com.au/2013/02/competitors">http://rallysafe.com.au/2013/02/competitors</a>
- 9.8 Competitors are reminded of the requirements of paragraph 25 of the VRC Standing Regulations.
- 9.9 Any misuse of the equipment will result in the competitor being reported to the Stewards of the Event who may impose penalties that may go as far as exclusion.

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- 9.10 Should a competitor retire, they must return the tracking unit screen to Rally Headquarters as soon as possible. **Do not take them home a fee will apply for any units not returned**.
- 9.11 The tracking unit screens will be removed from the rally cars at the final control or Parc Fermé, therefore cars should be left unlocked.
- 9.12 It is solely the competitor's responsibility to return the RallySafe tracking unit screen to the event organisers immediately after the event. The Competitor will be responsible for reimbursing RallySafe for the cost of any unit not returned for whatever reason. A damage waiver covering some of the risks applicable to the RallySafe unit is available at:

https://shop.statusas.com/shop/category/rallysafe/damage-waivers/

#### 10. SCRUTINY

- 10.1 Every competition vehicle **must** be submitted for examination by a licensed Motorsport Australia scrutineer prior to the start of the Primary Event or Sub-Event. On being passed by the scrutineer the Competitor must receive a signed Scrutiny Form stamped with the scrutineer's official Motorsport Australia stamp. The scrutiny form must either be submitted electronically to the Entries Secretary or presented at event check in.
- 10.2 There will not be any official Scrutiny. Competitors must arrange their own Regional Scrutiny in the fortnight before the event.
- 10.3 All vehicles may be subject to an inspection by the Chief Scrutineer on the day of the Event.
- 10.4 Competing vehicles must be presented at the start of the Event in a clean and tidy condition. Any vehicle deemed by the Organisers to be dirty or untidy will not be allowed to start the Event.
- 10.5 Attention will be paid to the noise emissions from the vehicle. Any vehicle exceeding 96 dB(A) when tested in accordance with the procedure specified in the current Motorsport Australia Manual may not be allowed to start **or continue** the Event.
- 10.6 Competitors must supply the following compulsory equipment which will be checked at scrutiny:
  - a) Accident Advisory Sign (Red SOS / Green OK)
  - b) Two safety triangles
  - c) Helmets, head and neck support system and clothing as per Motorsport Australia Manual (Technical Appendix), Schedule D (Apparel), Table 1.2 (Rally/Road), Gravel/State events.
  - d) Fire Extinguishers
- 10.7 All competing vehicles will receive a set of two larger competition numbers that must be placed on the competing vehicle's rear side windows as per the current VRC Standing Regulations. This includes Sub-Event crews
- 10.8 All competing vehicles will also receive a set of two additional smaller competition numbers which must be placed on the top passenger side of the front and rear windscreens, below any windscreen banner.
- 10.9 Competitors with **Historic Rally Cars** must provide documentation to substantiate the vehicle's eligibility for this class (eg Homologation papers). Historic Rally Cars must display their Historic decals (supplied by the Competitor) in an appropriate spot on each side of the car. Each front door is suggested.
- 10.10 Competitors with **Classic Rally Cars** must provide documentation to substantiate the vehicle's eligibility for this class (eg Homologation papers). Classic Rally Cars must display the word Classic (supplied by the Competitor). in an appropriate spot on each side of the car. Each front door is suggested.
- 10.11 The Chief Scrutineer and his assistants are deemed to be judges of fact in all scrutiny matters.

#### 11. OFFICIAL MAPS

11.1 Any maps required for the Event will be supplied by the Organisers.

#### 12. RALLY HEADQUARTERS & OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

- 12.1 Rally Headquarters will be located at the Alexandra Football Club, William Street, Alexandra, and will be open during the times listed in the Event Schedule.
- 12.2 The free Sportity App will be used for all further communication and as the Official Noticeboard for the event. Competitors must download the App on their phone and/or tablet to access event information placed on the Official Noticeboard.
- 12.3 Download the Sportity from the App Store or Google Play

Once the App has been downloaded:

- If the Sportity App was already downloaded and in use, then open the App and select the menu icon, then select the "+ Add New" button, then enter the **password AKA2025** to open the 2025 Akademos/Bog-a-Duck Rally Event.
- If the App is in use for first time, then enter the password: **AKA2025**.
- In device settings, turn on Notifications for this App so important information is not missed

The App Noticeboard contents can be viewed without the App or viewed or printed from a PC using the following link: https://webapp.sportity.com/channel/AKA2025

#### 13. DOCUMENTATION & BOOK-IN

13.1 Documentation verification (checking of licences, etc.) will be held at locations and times listed in the Event Schedule. Where possible, Membership, Licences and Logbooks will be checked on-line.

The following items will be checked:

- a) Motorsport Australia Licences of the Competitor, Driver and Co-driver
- b) "Permission to use the vehicle" letter, if applicable, (See NCR)
- c) Club Membership Cards of the Driver and Co-driver
- d) Civil Driving Licences of the Driver and Co-driver
- e) Co-Driver's Declaration (if applicable see Clause 7.5)
- f) Proof of officiating fulfilment, Driver and Co-driver (Vic crew members only)
- g) Motorsport Australia Vehicle Log Book
- h) Vehicle registration papers
- i) Vehicle scrutiny form completed by Wednesday 15 October 2025
- 13.2 Entry forms that were submitted unsigned (including electronically submitted Entries) must be signed by the Competitor, driver, co-driver and a parent or guardian (for co-drivers under 18) at Documentation verification.
- 13.3 All crews must Book-in prior to the Start between the times listed in the Event Schedule.
- 13.4 Documentation verification and Book-in must be completed before crews are allowed to start the Event.
- 13.5 Additional information regarding Documentation and Book-in may be advised in the Further Regulations.

#### 14. RECONNAISSANCE

#### 14.1 Registration

Only competitors in the Primary Event (AKADEMOS) may register for and undertake reconnaissance.

All competitors taking part in reconnaissance must register with the Entries Secretary to get all the necessary documentation **before** starting their reconnaissance. Registration is done AFTER all paperwork has been checked and completed, **including the entry form being signed by both crew members.** Registration for reconnaissance can be done according to the following schedule:

Saturday 18 Oct 2025 0800 hrs – 1100 hrs As per event schedule

#### 14.2 Regulations

- a) Reconnaissance for all Primary Event competitors will take place on Saturday 18 October 2025 according to the schedule, detailed in Section 14.3. Refer to S/R 8 for any reconnaissance vehicle requirements.
- b) Only crew members entered in the Primary Event can perform reconnaissance.

- c) Unless granted permission by the Clerk of Course, only registered crews may take part in reconnaissance, in Driver/Co-Driver pairs according to each entry. The supplied ID stickers must be attached to the reconnaissance vehicle on the windshield (co-driver's side) and must be visible for the duration of the reconnaissance period.
- d) On special stages the speed limit is 60 km/h. All speed limits listed in the Road Book must be obeyed at other times especially if they are less than the statutory speed limit applying.
- e) Competitors must drive in a manner that does not endanger or inconvenience other traffic.
- f) The maximum number of passes on each special stage for reconnaissance is limited to two per entered crew. This is controlled by a reconnaissance card, which must be shown at manned SS start, SS finish and, if requested, to Reconnaissance Control Crews along the route. Crews must lodge their reconnaissance vehicle information prior to receiving their reconnaissance card or reconnaissance vehicle stickers.
- g) All stages driven more than once in the event will be considered as one for reconnaissance purposes. Under no circumstances may crews drive in the opposite direction of the rally in the special stages, unless given directions to do so by the Organisers or authorities.
- h) Entering or leaving the Special Stage elsewhere other than through Start and Finish controls is prohibited.
- i) All Competitors of the Event performing reconnaissance must carry a smart phone running the "RallySafe Lite" app, used for tracking and safety messaging during reconnaissance. Details will be included with Further Regulations.
- j) Competitors found in breach of the reconnaissance regulations will be referred to the stewards who may apply an appropriate penalty, up to and including exclusion from the Event.

#### 14.3 Schedule

Special Stage	Open From – To	Last start	Length km
1 (Speedway)	No Recce Available		
2	0900 – 1600	1530	18.5
3	0900 – 1700	1600	25
4	0900 – 1700	1600	16.99

#### 15. STARTING ORDER & CREW BRIEFING

- 15.1 The starting order for the Primary Event will be determined in accordance with the Event Schedule and the VRC Standing Regulations. The starting order for the Sub-Event will be determined in accordance with the VCRS Series Rules.
- 15.2 Both members of the crew, plus at least one member of their service crew, must attend the Crew Briefing at the time and location listed in the Event Schedule.

#### 16. CONTROLS & TIMING

- 16.1 The Event will use A-A Timing as per Rally Standing Regulations Special Stage Rallies (RSR-SSR) and include and/or omit rules as per the VRC Standing Regulations. All crews are advised to familiarise themselves with this system of timing prior to the Event.
- 16.2 Electronic beams and/or RallySafe may be used for timing at the start and finish of competitive sections in place of, or in conjunction with, manual timing by officials. The officials at the Stage Start and Finish locations will be Judges of Fact in regard to information derived from electronic beams.
- 16.3 Crews may book-in early without penalty at specific Time Controls to be advised in the Further Regulations (generally the Event Finish Time Control).
- 16.4 Late running time shall be as per the RSR-SSR Article 7, remembering that the Primary Event is run in two heats, while the Sub-Event runs as a single Section event.
- 16.5 The RallySafe times for Start and Finish of Special Stages shall be used for scoring, save that the organisers reserve the right to use Event Paperwork to correct/overrule any obvious error.

#### 17. REJOINING THE PRIMARY EVENT AND SUB-EVENT

17.1 Rejoining by crews is permitted in accordance with RSR-SSR Article 8 and the VRC Standing Regulations Clause 17 provided:

- a) They advise the CRO of their intention to rejoin the rally;
- b) Their vehicle is inspected by a Scrutineer who will report to the Clerk of Course;
- c) The Clerk of Course provides specific authorisation (written where possible) including the Control Number and the Start Time from that Control, to rejoin; and
- d) They rejoin prior to the passage of the Sweep Car.
- 17.2 Rejoining crews will start in a position on the road allocated by the Clerk of Course. This position should be as close as possible to the position on the road held by the crew at the start of the stage that they failed to finish. Crews who do not rejoin at the time required by the position allocated to them will accrue early or late penalties as appropriate.
- 17.3 A rejoining crew will be classified in an Event and relevant Heat results behind any crews who complete the entire Event or Heat as per RSR-SSR Article 8 (i).
- 17.4 In the Primary Event, missing stages in one Heat will not affect the results of other Heats.
- 17.5 The rejoining crew must consist of the same vehicle, driver and co-driver.

#### 18. CREW CONDUCT

This applies to competitors on both the primary event and the sub-event.

- 18.1 A "no wheel spin" requirement will apply at the beginning of each Special stage, from the start line to the beige board.
- 18.2 Except for the officially arranged Reconnaissance, reconnaissance by crews on the roads in the general area of the Event is forbidden for a period of four weeks prior to the start of the Event.
- 18.3 Any crew, who has not registered for and taken part in official reconnaissance, found using or in possession of pace notes (determined to be such by the absolute discretion of the Clerk of Course in consultation with the Stewards of the Event) will be excluded from the Event. Spot checks will be carried out during the Event.
- 18.4 Liaison sections on this Event will generally be on roads open to the public. Crews **must** observe all Victorian Traffic Regulations and speed restrictions nominated in the official Route Instructions. In particular, obey GIVE WAY and STOP signs. Speed may be checked and the relevant penalties will be applied for any infringement. Crews will be penalised for any infringement of their service crews.
- 18.5 It is forbidden to leave or throw objects (eg cigarettes, lighted matches) out of cars. Do not throw objects out of your car particularly in places that may cause a fire or to continue competing with a damaged exhaust system (which may also cause a fire). Extreme diligence is required in all matters concerning the risk of fire.
- 18.6 During all Special Stages, crew members are required to wear helmets, head and neck support system and clothing as specified in Article 10 of these Supplementary Regulations.
- 18.7 In the event of a car stopping in a special stage a reflective triangle must be displayed in a conspicuous position at least 50m behind the car except where the car does not present a hazard to any following cars and crew or the crew of the stopped car. Following crews sighting the warning triangle must drive with caution and reduce speed until the stopped car has been passed.
- 18.8 Both the warning triangle and the Accident Advisory Sign (red SOS / green OK, as appropriate) and the Car Number Board must be physically shown to the next three vehicles and then must be left on display for the whole length of the period that the car is stopped on the course regardless of whether or not the crew remain with the car.
- 18.9 Failure to display all of these signs may result in disciplinary action being taken.
- 18.10 Crews are required to remove the warning triangle once the stopped car has been moved and no longer presents a hazard or they recommence the competition.
- 18.11 Only the registered crew may travel in the vehicle for the duration of the Event with the exception of cases provided for in the VRC Standing Regulations or in an emergency.
- 18.12 If a member of the crew retires, or if a third person is carried in the vehicle (except where this is to transport an injured person), the vehicle shall be excluded from the Event.
- 18.13 Crews have an obligation to be familiar with the National Competition Rules, the Rally Standing Regulations, the Victorian Rally Bulletin and the VRC Standing Regulations or VCRS Regulations as applicable. Failure to act in a manner befitting the sport, as deemed by the organisers and/or Stewards of the Event, may result in the crew being charged and penalties issued.

#### 18.14 Integrity

Motorsport Australia's National Integrity Framework and any associated policy (including the Australian Anti-Doping Policy. Motorsport Australia's Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy, the Motorsport Australia Alcohol Policy), apply to any activity authorised by Motorsport Australia as published at <a href="https://www.motorsport.org.au">www.motorsport.org.au</a>.

Any Participant including the holder of a Motorsport Licence (or a Licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of alcohol, any drug or other banned substance. In addition to any penalty imposed by Motorsport Australia, a further penalty/s may be applied by Sport Integrity Australia. Consumption of alcohol in any Reserved Area is prohibited until all Competition is concluded each day.

- 18.15 Smoking (which includes e-cigarettes and "vaping") and any naked flame is prohibited within 3 metres of any refuelling/defueling operation.
- 18.16 Any **crew retiring** from the Event **MUST** make contact with Rally Headquarters, either in person or via radio at the next radio point to notify the organisers of their withdrawal. In addition, a Withdrawal Form and an Incident Report (where required) must be either handed to a control official or lodged at Rally Headquarters.
- 18.17 The crew shall be liable for the excess payable on any incident requiring a claim on the Motorsport Australia and/or any Public Liability Insurance.

#### 19. SERVICING & SERVICE CREWS

- 19.1 The Primary Event and Sub Event will have one service area which will be located in Alexandra. Servicing is prohibited outside this area, i.e. **no intercept servicing allowed**, except refuelling at a nominated Remote Refuel location is allowed.
- 19.2 Fuel must be in accordance with Schedule G of the Motorsport Australia Manual.
- 19.3 There will not be pump fuel available at the service area, though 98 RON fuel is available 2km from the Service Park and adjacent to the Route during one liaison stage. Crews must refuel from their own supplies in the designated refuel areas or at a commercial service station.
- 19.4 The entry fee includes two service crew nominations. A service crew is deemed to be a vehicle with one or more personnel. Additional service crews may be nominated for a fee of \$15.00 per service crew.
- 19.5 Crews will be issued with a set of Service Crew Instructions for each nominated service crew which will include details of the official service area and supporting maps. Each service crew will also receive an identification number which must be placed on the top left-hand side of the windscreen of the service vehicle and be clearly visible to officials outside the vehicle.
- 19.6 Service Crew personnel must register and sign-in at Book-in. Only registered service crew personnel will be covered by Motorsport Australia Personal Accident Insurance for the Event. The maximum number of service personnel that can be registered per competing vehicle is eight.
- 19.7 Access to service areas may be restricted to registered service crews with the provided signage attached to the vehicle.
- 19.8 It is highly recommended that all service crews supply and have available a working fire extinguisher within the vicinity of their service area.
- 19.9 **Alcohol and Drugs**. Service crew members come under the auspices of the Motorsport Australia Antidoping Policy and may be required to submit to tests to determine the presence or otherwise of prohibited substances. This regulation serves as the required 24-hour notice for such testing.
- 19.10 No waste of any kind is to be left at the service area. Oils, fuels, and other fluids must be drained into appropriate containers for disposal in accordance with EPA regulations.
- 19.11 Any activities that damage the surface of the service area (e.g. spinning of wheels) are forbidden. This is to ensure the availability of the venue for future events.
- 19.12 Crews will be held liable for the actions of their service crews.

#### 20. RESULTS, PENALTIES & PROTESTS

20.1 The Clerk of Course reserves the right when compiling results, to take into account any document(s) provided by an official or officials of the Event.

- 20.2 Should a Special Stage be stopped for any reason before the last crew has completed that stage, any crew not completing the stage will be given a derived/allocated time in accordance with RSR SSR Article 5.4.
- 20.3 Only the Stewards of the Event and Sub Event may apply clause 20.2 and only after receiving advice concerning the reason for the stoppage from the Clerk of Course. No crew that is totally or partially responsible for stopping a stage may benefit from this action.
- 20.4 Protests must be lodged in accordance with the NCR.

#### 21. PRIMARY EVENT AND SUBEVENT AWARDS

- 21.1 Trophies will be awarded to Drivers and Co-drivers as per the relevant series rules and regulations Note: Class awards may only be presented where there are at least 3 starters in that class.
- 21.2 Where a crew member qualifies for more than one trophy, the organisers reserve the right to award a single trophy engraved to recognise each achievement.
- 21.3 To be eligible for awards, crews must display any event promotional material supplied.
- 21.4 Recipients of trophies, awards or prize money who fail to attend the official presentation and fail to notify the organisers prior to their non-attendance will forfeit their right to their awards and/or prize money.
- 21.5 Details of any further awards and/or prize money will be provided in the Further Regulations.

#### 22. ALTERATION OR ABANDONMENT

22.1 The Organiser reserves the right to postpone or stop the Primary Event and/or the Sub-Event in accordance with the NCR.

#### 23. FURTHER REGULATIONS

- 23.1 Further Regulations will be issued via the Sportity App after the close of entries and will contain:
  - a) Competition number
  - b) Entry List and Crew Details
  - c) Availability of Route Instructions
  - d) Odometer check
  - e) Crew briefing time and location
  - f) Start/finish time and location
  - g) Service details
  - h) Event synopsis (including Heat details)
  - i) Details of Rally Safe tracking unit screen pick up and drop off etc.
  - j) Additional awards (if necessary)
  - k) Additional information or changes deemed necessary by the organisers