



Officials

Motorsport Australia
Return to Race
COVID-19

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Motorsport Australia is committed to the safe and socially responsible resumption of motorsport in a COVID-19 environment.

This document details the requirements for officials to comply with Motorsport Australia's Return to Race strategy for the resumption of motorsport activity under COVID-19 restrictions.

Things that will be different at an event during COVID-19 restrictions

The number of officials at an event may be limited due to Government requirements

Spectators may not be admitted

Focus on good hygiene to minimise the risk of spreading infection

Social distancing to minimise the risk of spreading infection

No mass gatherings including Officials' briefings

Alternatives for in-person Officials' briefings and sign-on

Recommended downloading of the COVIDSafe app

Attendance not permitted if COVID-19 symptoms are evident

A COVID-19 Event Checker will be appointed to monitor that all requirements are being met

The Stewards will not permit an event to commence until appropriately advised by the COVID-19 Event Checker

The Stewards may instruct that an event be stopped if advised by the COVID-19 Event Checker that requirements are not being maintained

No podium ceremonies

Event Organiser responsibilities

Submit a Return to Race COVID-19 venue plan to Motorsport Australia in support of their event permit application

Install signage to advise of COVID-19 requirements

Provide barriers and/or markings that restrict the amount of people in a certain area

Provide suitable facilities, products and equipment to ensure required hygiene practices can be maintained

Clean equipment prior to use and during an event as required

Clean common areas – e.g. entrances, handles, buttons

Provide separate medical facility/area for isolation of suspected COVID-19 cases

Create register of all attendees at the event

Official's responsibilities

All Officials

Under no circumstances can anyone attend an event if any of the following apply:

- Have symptoms consistent with COVID-19 – e.g. fever, respiratory issues, shortness of breath, sore throat, lack of sense of smell, fatigue
- Been overseas in the previous 14 days
- Been in contact with a known COVID-19 positive case in the previous 14 days

Motorsport Australia strongly recommends the use of the Australian Government COVIDSafe app

Avoid sharing equipment, tools or apparel. If sharing is unavoidable, the equipment must be cleaned prior to use by another person

Avoid sharing food or using group catering services

Maintain social distance measures as required by Government requirements

Officials' sign-on and briefings to be conducted using a means that respects social distancing and the maximum number of persons permitted in a group – e.g. issue notes electronically prior to the event

Avoid unnecessary physical interaction between officials, competitors and other personnel. Wherever possible electronic or radio interaction should be used.

Avoid the use of paper reports. An electronic system should be used where practicable.

Avoid the use of indoor facilities where possible, but if unavoidable ensure that the space is sufficient to respect social distancing and the maximum number of persons permitted.

Comply with any request of - or requests by - the COVID-19 Event Checker.

Officials in vehicles

Maximum of 2 persons per vehicle

Utilise any PPE specified for the event

When vehicle is not in operation, personnel to remain outside vehicle and maintain social distance

Following attendance at an incident all equipment that has been used must be cleaned before re-use

Trackside officials

Maximum of 2 persons at each location – e.g. flag post, control

Maintain social distance at all times

Pit lane officials to be a minimum of 10 metres apart

Paddock / Marshalling Area / Parc Fermé

Social distance and gathering limits must be respected by all people in these areas

Drivers to remain in vehicles in marshalling area

Medical

Utilise any PPE specified for the event

Motorsport Australia medical response protocol to be adhered to

Scrutineers

Scrutiny of vehicles and apparel must be conducted in compliance with the Motorsport Australia return to Race Scrutiny of Vehicles and Apparel procedures

Secretary of the Event

No in-person document checks. Documents (Licences etc.) to be checked electronically prior to the event

Results to be communicated digitally – e.g. posted online, emailed to competitors

Register of all attendees at the event to be collated by the organiser and submitted to Motorsport Australia with post event documentation

Clerk of the Course

Driver and Official briefing documents distributed electronically prior to an event must be acknowledged electronically by each Driver/Official.

Stewards

Protest and Appeal documentation to be lodged electronically by competitors

Fees and/or fines to be paid electronically

Social distance and gathering limits must be respected at Stewards hearings. If this cannot be achieved, hearings must be by teleconference or video conference

Summary of Stewards Hearing to be communicated digitally to interested parties