

2021



Supplementary Regulations



Message from the Clerk of the Course

Welcome and thank you for your interest in the Western Victorian Crane Trucks Valley Stages.

The Event will be a Special Stage rally and will be held on Sunday 19th September 2021. The Event will be based around Yarra Glen / Healesville Victoria.

The event is lucky to have access to some of the best forest and Shire roads. You will enjoy a wide variety of driving surfaces and conditions. There will be approximately 158km competitive over 10 stages for the VRC and around 143km for the VCRS (with liaisons approximately 163km & 165km respectively). The VSRS will be 1 heat made up of approx. 79km competitive over 5 stages and approx. 81.5km liaison.

There are a number of accommodation venues within a short distance of the Event start/finish & headquarters providing a range of accommodation styles to suit varying requirements.

Friday 17th September 2021 shake down / sponsor ride will be also be provided at a cost of \$150 in the Toolangi State Forest.

Full security will be provided on Saturday night, so crews can set up their equipment at Service Park and leave rally cars and service vehicles on-site.

I would like to thank the ongoing support of our sponsors to make the event what it is.

Craig Jarvie
Clerk of the Course
On behalf of The Directing Team

COVID-19 Statement

The concessions and restrictions placed by the Victorian Government on movement and activities during the COVID-19 Pandemic are extremely fluid in nature. There is a strong possibility the measures needed to be taken by individuals and organisations may be significantly different between the date these Supplementary Regulations are published and the date of the event. It is therefore necessary the Event Website, Event Facebook Page, Vicrally Website, Western Victorian Crane Trucks Valleys Stages Facebook Page be monitored for Bulletins and variations to the Supplementary Regulations prior to the event.

Under no circumstances should anyone with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 attend the event. This includes any fever, respiratory symptoms, shortness of breath, sore throat, cough, fatigue, or lack of sense of smell.

Under no circumstances should anyone attend the event if they have been;

1. Overseas in the previous 14 days; or
2. In contact with someone who has been overseas in the previous 14 days; or
3. In contact with a known COVID-19 positive case in the previous 14 days; and
4. have not been in any area or location that has a travel restriction applied due to COVID-19 in the previous 14 days, except where an exemption is applicable as determined by the relevant Government authority, and for areas with Travel restrictions where applicable

It is highly recommended that if any participant exhibits symptoms consistent with COVID-19 prior to the event then the individual should take a COVID-19 test through Vic Health or their regular Doctor.

Motorsport Australia strongly encourages the use of the Australian Government's 'COVIDSafe App' for all event participants.

Many administrative and operational processes for the event may be very different to what has been normally experienced in the past. This may result in some activities taking longer than expected. Please allow additional time and tolerance during this difficult period so we can all participate and be involved in the sport we love. Please do read these Supplementary Regulations closely and in the lead up monitor for any applicable changes that may be made to the event as they become available.

Social distancing and other COVID-19 practices must be observed at all times.



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Western Victorian Crane Trucks Valley Stages

Sunday 19th September 2021

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. EVENT FORMAT

- 1.1 The Event known as the "Western Victorian Crane Trucks Valley Stages", hereafter known as "the Event".
- 1.2 The Event will be Round 5 of the **Victorian Rally Championship known as the VRC (The event) (Sub Event)** Round 7 **Victorian Club Rally Series known as the VCRS** and Round 5 of the **Victorian Sprint Rally Series known as the VSRS (Sub Event)**.
- 1.3 The Event (VRC) will be conducted over 2 heats with a single service over 10 stages with approximately **158km** competitive and **163km** liaison. The VCRS sub event will be scored over 8 stages and **143km** competitive and **130km** liaison with a single service as per the VCRS regulations. The VSRS sub event will be conducted over 5 stages **79km** competitive and **81.5km** liaison with no service breaks. The VSRS will be scored as per the VSRS regulations.
- 1.4 The VCRS may cross enter in to the VSRS.
- 1.5 The Event and Sub Events will be conducted over public and private roads during the daylight hours on Sunday 19th September 2021 in the Healesville area.
- 1.6 The VRC will be Pace noted and the Sub events will be run as "blind" events using a detailed road book supplied by the organisers.
- 1.7 The Event will commence at approximately 09:00 hrs on Sunday 19th September 2021 and the last car should finish by 16:30 hrs.
- 1.8 There will be one central servicing location at the Yarra Glen Race Course and one optional remote refuel location.
- 1.9 There will be a presentation of awards at the conclusion of the Event and both Sub Events.
- 1.10 All cars competing in the Event and Sub Event (VCRS) will be held in Parc Ferme at the conclusion of competition.



2. EVENT SCHEDULE

Day	Date & Time	Activity	Venue
Thursday	26 th August 2021		
	On publication of these Supp Regs	Entries open	
Friday	10 th September 2021 17:00 hrs	Entries Close Book-in Via Zoom meetings at times TBA	
Monday	13 th September 2021 18:00 hrs	Further Regulations/Instructions and Provisional Start Order emailed and/or made available on competitor portal.	
Wednesday	15 th September 2021 20:30 hrs	Closing time for objections to the provisional Start Order	
Friday	17 th September 2021 18:00 hrs – 20:30 hrs	Rally Headquarters opens Documentation starts and Book-in starts Recce Registration	Yarra Glen Race Course (Rally HQ)
	11:00 hrs – 17:00 hrs	Shake down Sponsor rides	Toolangi State Forest
Saturday	18 th September 2021 07:00 hrs to 10:00 hrs 16:00 hrs to 18:30 hrs	Rally HQ opens Recce Registration Documentation continues	Rally HQ
	08:00 hrs	Recce opens on stages	
	16:30 hrs	Stages closed for Recce	
	07:00 hrs to 18:30 hrs	Service park hrs	Rally HQ
Sunday	19 th September 2021 06:00 hrs	Service park opens Rally HQ opens	Rally HQ
	08:00 hrs	Top 3 VRC crews start ballot	Rally HQ
	08:30 hrs	Start list posted	Rally HQ
	09:00 hrs	Start of Competition	Rally HQ
	18:00 hrs	Finish of competition	Rally HQ
	20:00 hrs	Rally HQ closes	Rally HQ
Wednesday	22 nd September 2021 (72 hours after publication) 0900 hrs	Results become final if no protest received	

* Exact times will be notified in Further Regulations

3. EVENT GOVERNING RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 3.1 The Event and Sub event will be conducted under the provisions of:
- a) FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices
 - b) National Competition Rules (NCR) of the Motorsport Australia Manual
 - c) National Rally Standing Regulations (NRSR), formerly the National Rally Code of Motorsport Australia (NRC). Where the NRC is used in these Regulations it applies as NRSR
 - d) The Motorsport Australia COVID-19 Return to Race Strategy and corresponding COVID-19 Return to Race Policies/Procedures and documents
 - e) National Rally Standing Regulations of Motorsport Australia (NRSR) including the NRSR - Special Stage Rallies (SSR) Regulations
 - f) VRC standing Regulations
 - g) VSRS and VCRS standing Regulations
 - h) Victorian Rally Bulletins
 - i) These Supplementary Regulations
 - j) Any Further Regulations, Bulletins, Instructions and Route Instructions which may be issued by the Organising Committee.
- 3.2 This Event will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH&S, Motorsport Australia Safety 1st, Legal and Integrity and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the motorsport Australia website. <https://motorsport.org.au/>.
- 3.3 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 <https://motorsport.org.au/>.
- 3.4 [This event will include a Passenger Ride activity as part of the "Shakedown" which will be conducted in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Passenger Ride Activity Policy.](#)
- 3.5 The Motorsport Australia Permit Number authorising this Event is 321/1909/01

4. ORGANISATION

- 4.1 The Organiser and Promoter of the Event will be the Nissan Car Club Australia Inc, which has appointed the following Organising Committee

Clerk of the Course	Craig Jarvie Ph: 0418 492 154 Email: craig@trulinecommercial.com.au	Licence No. 9659550
Assistant Clerks of the Course	Aidan O'Halloran Andrew White	Licence No. 1036690 Licence No. 1092361
Event Secretary	Meagan Hollole Ph 0421 809 890 Email: mhollole@gmail.com	Licence No. 9917750
Road Director	Neil Schey	Licence No. 8816520
Safety Officer	Jake Van Bergeijk	Licence No. TBA
Officials Coordinator	Denise Chenhall Ph: 0417 015 792 Email: wdeals@bigpond.com.au	Licence No. 1508339
Competitor Relations Officer (CRO)	Owen Polanski Mob: 0447 579 439	Licence No. 9924389
Chief Scrutineer	Frank Black	Licence No. 882079
Event/Compliance Checker	Bernard Miron	Licence No. 9726547
Area Co-Ordinator	Neil Schey	Licence No. 8816520
Stewards	TBA	Licence No.
	TBA	Licence No.
COVID 19 Checker	Laura White	Licence No. 20003748



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5. ENTRIES

- 5.1 Entries will open and close in accordance with the Event Schedule.
- 5.2 All entries must be on the official Entry Form, complete in every detail and accompanied by the appropriate fee. Entries shall be emailed to Meagan Hollole mhollole@gmail.com.
- 5.3 The Competitor and Crews are reminded of the penalties under the NCR for false statements.
- 5.4 Entry Fees are as set out below.
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|----------------|-------|
| VRC Entry Fee | \$700 |
| VCRS Entry Fee | \$500 |
| VSRS Entry Fee | \$450 |
| Testing | \$150 |
- 5.5 The Entry Fee includes the payment of all application fees and levies including trophy fund, publicity fund, Motorsport Australia Personal Accident insurance for all listed Crew Members.
- 5.6 Cheques or money order should be made payable to Nissan Car Club Australia Inc. Please note cheques may be banked when received. Please ensure that there are sufficient funds to cover any cheques submitted. Competitors will be liable to pay any fees incurred from their dishonoured cheque/s BEFORE being allowed to start the Event and Sub Events.
- 5.7 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.
- 5.8 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 Event and Sub Events. If such a change is made after the close of entries, then the notification is to be accompanied by a payment of \$25.00. If the car is changed after Official Scrutiny 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.
- 5.9 **All correspondence will be sent electronically via email.** No Supplementary Regulations, Further Regulations or Results will be posted in the mail. Please ensure you provide a legible, current and valid email address on your entry form.
- 5.10 Entry fee refunds will be in accordance with the VRC and VCRS standing regulations.
- 5.11 Transaction reference line should state Drivers first initial and surname preceded by 'VS', e.g. "VS J Smith"

Account Name: Nissan Car Club Aust Inc.
BSB: 013 225
Account No: 2971 92428

6. CREW ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1 **The Event and VCRS Sub Event** will be open to all grades of Crew members. The VSRS Sub Event is open to drivers with a seed of .85 or lower.
- 6.2 Each Crew shall consist of 2 people, one to be nominated as the Driver and the other as the Co-Driver.
- 6.3 Both Crew Members must be members of a car club affiliated with Motorsport Australia and hold a current Motorsport Australia Rally Licence which may include a navigator only endorsement
- 6.4 The Driver and any Co-Driver intending to drive in the 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 NRSR and which is attached to these Supplementary Regulations.
- 6.5 Both Crew Members must have officiated at least one Event listed in the Victorian Rally Calendar in the previous 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.
- 6.6 Both Crew Members are advised to have a current ambulance insurance valid in Victoria.
- 6.7 To be eligible for awards, ALL Crews must display any Event promotional material supplied and Championship material as per the VRC Standing Regulations and Bulletins if applicable.

- 6.8 Both Crew Members will be required to present evidence of their eligibility at Event Documentation (see Article 13).
- 6.9 To be eligible for novice awards both Crew Members must be grade E OR grade F and use the road book.
- 6.10 **No person may participate in any competitive section without wearing a helmet and apparel as detailed in the Motorsport Australia Manual; Technical Appendix - Schedule D.**
- 6.11 Entries may be refused in accordance with the NCR's of the current Motorsport Australia Manual.

7. VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

7.1

Designation	Definition
PRC	Group 3C Production Rally Cars
Group N	FIA Group N
Group N (P)	(Motorsport Australia) Group N (P) Rally Cars
HRC	Historic Rally Cars categories 1 and 2
CRC	Classic Rally Cars
S 2000	FIA Super 2000 Rally Cars
CLB	Group 3 Club Rally Cars
S 1600	FIA Super 1600
G2	All G2 cars will be placed into one class
Group AP4	Motorsport Australia AP4
Group G4	Group G4
Group Garage	Invitational (anything that doesn't comply with the above eligibility)

7.1.1 PRC, Group N & Group N(P) (combined)

Class	Definition
PN1	Up to 1400cc
PN2	Over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc
PN3	Over 1600cc up to and including 2000cc
PN4	2WD over 2000cc
PN5	Four-wheel drive, over 2000cc (not meeting the requirements of Class PN6). Mitsubishi models Evolution 7 onwards and Subaru GDA onwards. Any 4WD vehicle with a fully active differential* irrespective of their model or year.
PN6	Over 2000cc four-wheel drive models manufactured prior to 1/1/1998 Includes Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution 7 and Subaru models up to and including GC8. P6 precludes the use of fully active differentials*.

* see Motorsport Australia manual for definition

7.1.2 HRC

Historic Rally Cars - All eligible ages and capacities in one class

7.1.3 CRC

Classic Rally Cars - All eligible ages and capacities in one class

7.1.4 CLB

Club Rally Cars – All eligible ages and capacities in one class

7.1.5 **S2000**

All S2000 vehicles shall be placed in PN5 class

7.1.6 **G2**

All G2 vehicles shall be placed in one class

7.1.7 **G4 and AP4**

All G4 and AP4 vehicles shall be placed in the one class

7.2 Competition Vehicles must not be used for reconnaissance (i.e. regular road cars only).

7.3 Vehicles used in reconnaissance must be fitted with road tyres only – worn winter treads/rally tyres are not permitted.

8. **VCRS VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY AND CLASSES**

8.1 **All VCRS vehicles** eligible for Series points or awards must comply with the provisions of Group 3C, Production Rally Cars (PRC) (which accordingly includes FIA Group A and Group N), Club Rally Cars and Classic Rally Cars, Historic or road registered 4WD vehicles that comply with Groups A0, A1 or A2 of the Motorsport Australia Cross Country Rally Standing Technical Regulations. (Refer to VCRS Series Rules 3.3 Vehicles)

8.2 **The following classes shall apply:**

Class A: up to and including 1400cc

Class B: over 1400cc, up to and including 1600cc

Class C: over 1600cc, up to and including 2000cc

Class D: over 2000cc 2 Wheel Drive.

Class E: over 2000cc 4 Wheel Drive

Note: Capacity is multiplied by a factor of 1.7 for forced induction (turbo chargers etc.) and by a factor of 1.8 for rotary powered cars. Competitors are to ensure these factors are applied if necessary when nominating a class upon entry.

8.3 Competitors must indicate which class they wish to be entered in on the Entry Form.

8.4 An eligible VCRS Junior Cup vehicle:

- must be a normally aspirated vehicle of no more than six cylinders within the classes of A, B, C or D as listed above, and otherwise compliant with 8.1; and
- must not be classified by VicRoads as high-powered for the purposes of P Plate power restrictions.

9. **RALLYSAFE**

9.1 **All Competitors** must make provision in their competition vehicle for the RallySafe GPS tracking system.

9.2 Competitors must have a RallySafe wiring loom, antennas and mounting kit installed prior to scrutiny. This is a one-off purchase via the RallySafe shop see:
<https://shop.statusas.com/shop/category/rallysafe/>

9.3 Installation instructions are available at <https://rallysafe.com.au/competitors-tm/>

9.4 The RallySafe system must be wired to permanent 12v power.

9.5 The RallySafe GPS tracking unit screen will be available at the event, prior to the start. Further details will be in the Event Further Regulations.

9.6 Competitors should familiarise themselves with the use of the RallySafe by reference to the “Hot To Use RallySafe” document available at <https://rallysafe.com.au/competitors-tm/>

9.7 Any misuse of the equipment will result in the Competitor being reported to the Stewards of the Meeting who may impose penalties that may go as far as exclusion.

9.8 Should a Competitor retire, they must return the tracking unit screen to Rally Headquarters as soon as possible. Do not take the RallySafe units home.

- 9.9 **The tracking unit screens should be removed from the rally cars at the Final Control or Parc Fermé, therefore cars must be left unlocked. RallySafe requires constant power 30-minutes before leaving the first control as per 26.1 of the VRC Standing Regulations.**
- 9.10 It is solely the Competitor's responsibility to return the RallySafe tracking unit screen to the Event Organisers immediately after the Event and Sub Events. The Competitor will be responsible for reimbursing RallySafe for the cost of any unit not returned or damaged for any reason.

10. SCRUTINY

- 10.1 Relevant COVID-19 practices, including the use of disposable gloves and social distancing, are to be observed by all parties. ALL CREWS are to present the fully completed and signed "Self-Scrutiny Checklist" and "Self-Scrutiny Statement of Vehicle Compliance" forms at Documentation. These two documents can be found at <https://motorsport.org.au/covid-19/competitors>. The use of these forms negates the need for the Scrutineer to touch or enter the vehicle and only external visual checks are required. It is the responsibility of the competitor/entrant to ensure compliance to safety and eligibility. Safety apparel compliance and dates will be also observed under social distancing requirements. The only document required to change hands is the Vehicle Log Book, which will be completed by the Scrutineer and returned to the competitor/entrant using relevant COVID-19 safe practices.
- 10.2 Log Books will be stamped and Apparel checked using COVID-19 safe practices at rally HQ. This MUST be completed before book-in and be finalised. Book-in times are as per these Supp Regs. Last book-in time is Sunday 19th 2021 07:30 hrs.
- https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/COVID-19/scrutiny/motorsport-australia_covid-19_dual-occupant-vehicle_declaration.pdf?sfvrsn=bb84a8f1_6
- https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/COVID-19/scrutiny/self-checklist-rally-road.pdf?sfvrsn=f5c12b0b_8
- https://motorsport.org.au/docs/default-source/COVID-19/scrutiny/self_statement-of-vehicle-compliance.pdf?sfvrsn=30153519_8
- 10.3 Competitors should note that **there will be no provision at the Event for turbo and supercharger sealing,**
- 10.4 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.
- 10.5 **All competing vehicles** will receive a set of competition numbers that must be placed on the competing vehicle's rear side windows as per the current VRC Standing Regulations.
- 10.6 **All competing vehicles** will also receive an additional smaller competition numbers which must be placed on the top left passenger side of the front windscreen, just below **Till Hino windscreen banner**
- 10.7 Competitors with **Historic Rally Cars** must provide documentation to substantiate the vehicle's eligibility for this class (e.g. 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.
- 10.8 Competitors with **Classic Rally Cars** must provide documentation to substantiate the vehicle's eligibility for this class (e.g. 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.
- 10.9 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 and Sub Events will be supplied by the Organisers,
- 11.2 Crews may also find the Melways street directory and the VicRoads Country Directory useful.

12. RALLY HEADQUARTERS & OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

- 12.1 Rally Headquarters will be located at the Yarra Glen Race Course and will be open during the times listed in the Event Schedule.
- 12.2 Subject to Vic Government legislated COVID-19 constraints on the day, there may be strict limits to the number of people who can be present in the various rooms located at Rally HQ, so please only be present if absolutely necessary.
- 12.3 The Official Notice Board will be made available on the purpose built Nissan Car Club Australia Inc. Competitor Portal. Access to the portal will be provided to competitors by the Event Secretary
 - a) Each driver and co-driver will be able to use their individual email addresses and a password to log in to the portal.
 - b) Where a signature may have been required previously (e.g. bulletins etc.), an electronic signature in the form of acceptance will be required.
- 12.4 Additionally, a secondary Notice Board may located at Rally Headquarters while Rally Headquarters is open and at Service Park. This Notice Board will only display copies of the documentation available on the Official Notice Board. This is subject to Victorian Government legislated COVID-19 constraints on the day.

13. DOCUMENTATION & BOOK-IN

Documentation verification (checking of licences, etc.) will be at Rally Headquarters or preferably Via pre booked Zoom Meetings with the event secretary at the times (TBA) or as listed in the Event Schedule. The following items will be checked and subject to Victorian Government legislated COVID-19 constraints on the day, there may be strict limits to the number of people who can be present in the room where Document Verification will occur and social distancing practices will be observed. For this reason, it is highly recommended you allow additional time for this process to be completed for your entry.

13.1 ITEMS TO BE CHECKED

- a) Motorsport Australia Licences of the Competitor, Driver and Co-Driver
 - b) Letter of Authority (Vehicle owner - refer to the 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 6.4)
 - f) Motorsport Australia Vehicle Log Book
 - g) Vehicle registration papers
 - h) Vehicle Scrutiny Form
 - i) Motorsport Australia Return to race dual Occupant vehicle declarations for each driver and co-driver
- 13.2 Entry Forms that were submitted unsigned 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/Instructions.

14. SHAKEDOWN

- 14.1 Shake down will be conducted on a dirt/gravel surface of approximately 2.5km in length on Friday 17th September approximately 25km from Rally HQ. ***Subject to COVID-19 restrictions on the day***
- 14.2 Shake down will be subject to COVID-19 guidelines and more information will be sent to crews registered for shakedown. Strict social distancing will be followed and guidelines for crews to follow the information will contain the following, how many "invited" sponsors can attend, guidelines for cleaning of equipment between runs.

The test / ride day will be between the hours of 1100hrs and 1700 hrs and will cost \$150 per car which must be paid with entry fee.

- 14.3 Any Crews participating will be responsible for supplying Motorsport Australia compliant equipment for passengers riding in their car including a fitting helmet, Frontal Head Restraint (FHR), driving suit and appropriate footwear and an A4 laminated STOP board (for passenger use).
- 14.4 Cars will be supplied with a road book for use. No time will be allowed to undertake a reconnaissance of the road.
- 14.5 No timing will be available.
- 14.6 Cars will be at 2-minute intervals.
- 14.7 All participants will be required for a briefing before any runs can be completed and signing of any documents.
- 14.8 There is no limit to how many times the test stage is used by Crews.
- 14.9 After each run every Crew must register for their next run and queue as directed at Officials Table.
- 14.10 Any Crews caught speeding between runs will be referred to the Stewards for a penalty to be applied, which may include fines and possible disqualification from the Event.
- 14.11 Parking will be available for trailers etc. at shake down area.

15. RECONNAISSANCE

15.1 Registration

All Competitors taking part in reconnaissance must register with the Rally Secretariat 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:

Friday	17th September 2021	18:30 hrs – 21:00 hrs	Location as per Event schedule
Saturday	18th September 2021	06:30 hrs – 10:00 hrs	Location as per Event schedule

15.2 Reconnaissance Regulations

Reconnaissance for all Competitors using pace notes will take place on Saturday 18th September according to the Event schedule, detailed in Section 3. **Refer to Supplementary Regulation 7.3 for any reconnaissance vehicle requirements.**

1. Unless granted permission by the Clerk of the 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 windscreen (co-Driver's side) and must be visible for the duration of the reconnaissance period.**

On special stages the speed limit during reconnaissance is 60 km/h.

All roads during Recce are open to the public and Competitors must drive in a manner that does not endanger or inconvenience other traffic.

The maximum number of passages 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.**

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.

Entering or leaving the Special Stage elsewhere than through Start and Finish controls is prohibited.

Competitors found in breach of the reconnaissance regulations will be referred to the Stewards who may apply an appropriate penalty, up to and including disqualification from the Event.

- 15.3 Reconnaissance Schedule will be issued in Further Regulations.

16. STARTING ORDER & CREW BRIEFING

- 16.1 The starting order for the Event will be determined in accordance with the Event Schedule. **All cars will be seeded** as per the current Victorian seeding list.
- 16.2 A formal gathering for the Competitor Briefing may not be held. (Subject to COVID-19 regulations) A Competitor Briefing will be delivered in a way to meet the current Victorian Government COVID-19 Guidelines that are applicable on the day of the event. Further regulations will be released closer to the event date to inform competitors of how the Competitor Briefing will be delivered.
- 16.3 Any competing cars passed by the 999-course car will be handed a PASSED form. The passed car can only continue along the remaining competitive stage at 60 km/h maximum speed. The passed car can only re-join the rally after a "REJOIN" the rally form has been signed and handed to the 999 car at the start of any stage this applies to EVERY STAGE.

17. CONTROLS & TIMING

- 17.1 **The Event will use A-A Timing as per NRSR EG.** All Crews are advised to familiarise themselves with this system of timing prior to the Event.
- 17.2 RallySafe will be the official timing for the event.
- 17.3 Electronic timing beams will also be used for timing at the end of competitive stages. The Officials at the Stage Start and Finish locations will be Judges of Fact in regards to information derived from electronic timing beams and RallySafe.
- 17.4 Crews may book-in early without penalty at specific Time Controls to be advised in the Further Regulations (generally the Event Service in and Finish Time Control).
- 17.5 Late running time shall be as per the Victorian Rally Bulletin or relevant bulletin (if issued).
- 17.6 Subject to COVID-19 restrictions road cards will filled out by **CREWS ONLY**. All crews will be given a road card in their competitor pack. These card(s) will be used by the crew only to fill in their start and finish times, so the crews can track their progress.

18. REJOINING THE EVENT

- 18.1 Re-joining by Crews is permitted in accordance with NRSR SSR and the following
- They advise the CRO of their intention to re-join the rally; and
 - Their vehicle is inspected by a Scrutineer who subsequently authorises the vehicle to re-join; and
 - They re-join prior to the passage of the relevant Event's 999 car.
- 18.2 Re-joining may also be done at special stage start control(s) as nominated in the Route Instructions and Itinerary.
- 18.3 Re-joining Crews will start in a position on the road allocated by the Clerk of the 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 re-join at the time required by the position allocated to them will accrue early or late penalties as appropriate.
- 18.4 The re-joining Crew must consist of the same vehicle, Driver and co-Driver.

19. CREW CONDUCT

- 19.1 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.
- 19.2 Liaison sections on this Event will 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.**
- 19.3 It is forbidden to leave or throw objects (e.g. cigarettes, lighted matches) 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.
- 19.4 During all Special Stages, Crew Members are required to wear all apparel as specified in Motorsport Australia Manual; Technical Appendix - Schedule

- 19.5 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.
- 19.6 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.
- 19.7 Failure to display all of these signs may result in disciplinary action being taken.
- 19.8 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.
- 19.9 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 disqualified from the Event or Sub Event.
- 19.10 Crews have an obligation to be familiar with the National Competition Rules, the National Rally Standing Regulations, and the Victorian Rally Bulletin. Failure to act in a manner befitting the sport, as deemed by the Organisers and/or Stewards of the Event, will result in the Crew being charged and penalties issued.
- 19.11 Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances**
Any holder of a Motorsport Australia Competitor or Officials licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of drugs (or other banned substances) and subject to a penalty (ies) for a breach in accordance with the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy and/or the Motorsport Australia Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy as published on the Motorsport Australia website. Consumption of alcohol in the paddock, pits or any section of the Competition venue/course under the control of the Officials is forbidden until all Competition is concluded each day. Accordingly, any holder of a Motorsport Australia Competitor or Officials licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may also be tested for the presence of alcohol by a Motorsport Australia Accredited Testing Official (CATO) in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Alcohol Policy.
- 19.12 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.
- 19.13 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. Refer to the Motorsport Australia website <https://motorsport.org.au/> for further information.

20. SERVICING & SERVICE CREWS

- 20.1 The Event and VCRS Sub Event will have one Service Area which will be located at the Yarra Glen Race Course. Servicing is prohibited outside this area, i.e. no intercept servicing allowed.
- 20.2 The service park is located Armstrong Grove Yarra Glen. Subject to Victorian Government COVID-19 constraints on the day, there may be strict social distancing requirements and safe work practices required within the service park and will be monitored to meet the guidelines
***Each competitor will be allocated a service area measuring 6x10m
- 20.3 Fuel must be in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Manual; Technical Appendix - Schedule G.
- 20.4 There will not be pump fuel available at the Service Area. Crews must refuel from their own supplies in the designated Refuel Areas or at a commercial service station where the route instructions allow this.
- 20.5 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.
- 20.6 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.

- 20.7 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 and Sub Events.
- 20.8 It is highly recommended that all Service Crews supply and have available a working fire extinguisher within the vicinity of their Service Area.
- 20.9 **Alcohol and Drugs.** Service Crew Members come under the auspices of Article 19.11 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.
- 20.10 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.
- 20.11 Any activities that damage the surface of the Service Area (e.g. spinning of wheels etc.) are forbidden. This is to ensure the availability of the venue for future events.
- 20.12 Noise is to be kept to a minimum while in the Service Area (e.g. excessive revving of engines, operating generators, compressors etc.) as there are residents in close proximity to the Service Area/rally HQ. Any unnecessary noise will be reported to the stewards of the competition for an appropriate penalty.
- 20.13 Competition vehicles cannot be started or unloaded started in the Service Area/Rally HQ area until 07:30 hrs on Sunday 19th September 2021. Any breach in this regulation will be reported to the stewards for an appropriate penalty. It is preferred that competition vehicles be parked overnight at the Service Area or unloaded on Sunday morning (after 07:30 hrs). If the vehicle is driven to the Service Area/Rally HQ on Sunday morning, noise must be kept to a minimum as per supplementary Regulation 20.12.
- 20.14 All competing Crews will be allocated a position for servicing of their vehicle. All Crews must service in their allocated Service Area, unless otherwise approved by the Clerk of the Course prior to the commencement of competition.
- 20.15 Crews will be held liable for the actions of their Service Crews.
- 20.16 **All Service Crews and Crews** using a remote refuel must carry fire extinguishers in service vehicles and be placed next to competition vehicle while refuelling.
- 20.17 **There will be a Security Guard on duty from 18:00 hrs Saturday 18th September 2020 until 07:00 hrs Sunday 19th September 2021. This will allow ALL Crews to setup and leave cars etc. in-Service Park overnight if they wish to.**
- 20.18 **ALL CREWS MUST LEAVE SERVICE PARK BY 20:30 hrs ON THE SATURDAY, ONLY CREWS WITH ID AND PERMISSION FROM THE CLERK OF THE COURSE WILL BE ALLOWED TO RE ENTER. ANY CREW FOUND IN SERVICE PARK OUTSIDE THESE HOURS WILL BE REFERRED TO THE STEWARDS.**

21. RESULTS, PENALTIES & PROTESTS

- 21.1 The Clerk of the Course reserves the right when compiling results, to take into account any document(s) provided by an Official or Officials of the Event.
- 21.2 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 an allocated time in accordance with the current NRSR 5.4(a)
- 21.3 Only the Stewards of the Event may apply NRSR 5.4(c) and only after receiving advice concerning the reason for the stoppage from the Clerk of the Course. No Crew which is totally or partially responsible for stopping a stage may benefit from this action.
- 21.4 Results will **only** be **sent electronically** and will not be posted in the mail. Please ensure you provide a valid and legible email address on your Entry Form.
- 21.5 Any protest must be lodged in accordance with the NCR Part.

22. CANCELLATION, ABANDONMENT, TERMINATION OR ALTERATION TO EVENT

- 22.1 The Organisers reserve the right to terminate, postpone, alter, cancel or abandon the Event and Sub Events in accordance with the NCR 11. The Organiser may retain up to 25% of the Entry fee if the Event is cancelled for reasons of Force Majeure.

23. FURTHER REGULATIONS

- 23.1 Further Regulations will be made available on competitor portal and/or emailed to competitors 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 RallySafe tracking unit screen pick up and drop off etc.
 - j) Additional awards
 - k) Additional information or changes deemed necessary by the Organisers

APPENDIX 1 - Useful Information

A1.1 SPECTATORS

- A1.1.1 Subject to Victorian Government COVID-19 restrictions on the day will determine if spectating is allowed
- A1.1.2 A Spectator Guide may be available at various event locations (Rally Headquarters, Event Start, and in the week prior to the event at <https://nissancarclub.org.au>). There may be 3 spectator points. ****Spectating may be subject to change****
- A1.1.3 Spectating points may be subject to strict COVID-19 restrictions if spectating is allowed.

A1.2 CATERING

- A1.2.1 Food and drinks will be available at Rally HQ. (Subject to COVID-19 restrictions)
- A1.2.2 Service Crews and competing Crews are reminded that the consumption of alcoholic liquor is forbidden on the day of the Event and Sub Events, until the conclusion of the Event and Sub Events.
- A1.2.3 Service Crews are reminded of their legal responsibilities with respect to drinking and driving.

A1.3 ACCOMMODATION

- A1.3.1 There are numerous hotels, motels and several caravan parks in Yarra Glen and surrounding areas.