



MOTORSPORT NEW ZEALAND (INC)

NOTICE OF A DECISION OF A SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, NAMELY,

- Mr Campbell Robertson (Chair)
- Mrs Janet Phipps
- Mr Bruce McKenzie

THE PARTIES:

Mr. Sloan Cox (Competitor Licence 20475) - Competitor (Car 54)
Mr. Willard Martin (Official Licence 8192) – Clerk of the Course Rally New Zealand

MOTORSPORT NEW ZEALAND (INC) under the powers set out in Article 118 and 119 of the National Sporting Code, having considered matters brought to its attention convened a hearing before a sub-committee appointed by the Executive.

ON THE GROUNDS set out in Article 119 of the National Sporting Code namely:

- **119(a)(ii)**
- **119(a)(iv)**
- **119(a)(vi)**

FURTHER INFORMATION

The Sub Committee was tasked with investigating the circumstances surrounding the accident of car 54 at the flying finish of Special Stage 18 with regards to the position of the official's car and also the competitor's driving conduct.

HEARING PROCEDURE

The Hearing was conducted in accordance with National Sporting Code (NSC) Article 120.

FINDINGS

1. In relation to Article 119(a)(ii), the Sub-Committee was unable to ascertain the required actions of the Clerk of the Course when an Enquiry Form is submitted at an F.I.A. event. The Enquiry Form is in two parts, the second stating "THE FOLLOWING ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN:" However, the Sub-Committee finds that the Clerk of the Course has failed in his duty to a New Zealand competitor as they would expect in accordance with Schedule R, Part 1, Article 16(1).
2. The Clerk of the Course had a right to accept that there was no undue danger in the stage as the F.I.A. Safety Delegate and the Rally Safety Car Team had made no mention of the vehicle parked at the flying finish.
3. The driver of Car 54 has an exuberant driving style, but this is immaterial in this case.

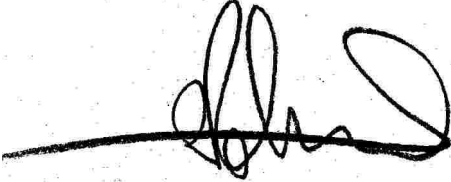
RULING

1. That the Clerk of the Course is reminded of his obligations to New Zealand competitors in F.I.A. events in New Zealand to at least respond to an Enquiry Form.

These findings and ruling were reached unanimously by the Sub-Committee.

This decision was given verbally at 3:40pm on Saturday 11 August 2012 and followed by email notification on Wednesday 15th August 2012 at 9.00am.

On behalf of the Sub-Committee

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Campbell Robertson
Chairman

Right of Appeal:

The parties were reminded of their rights of appeal in accordance with the provisions of the National Sporting Code.