

## Manual Amendment

*These amendments have been authorised to the text of MotorSport Manual Edition 35. It is recommended that in addition to retaining a copy of this amendment that all parties modify the actual text in their Manual according to the following:*

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### National Sporting Code

#### Amendments to the National Sporting Code in Manual 35:

1. Amend NSC Article 110 as stated in the schedule below.
  2. Amend NSC Article 112 as stated in the schedule below.
  3. Amend NSC Article 123 as stated in the schedule below.
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1. Item One:

110. Time Limits for Protests:

- (1) A protest against the entry of a Competitor or Driver or Entrant or vehicle to enter or compete in an Event must be lodged no later than sixty(60) minutes after the official end of initial scrutineering (if any) or (if none) no later than sixty(60) minutes prior to the start of the Event.
- (2) Protests against the composition of heats, groups, classes or Handicaps given must be lodged at least sixty(60) minutes before the due time of the Event.
- (3) Protests against decisions of any official of a Meeting or an Event must be lodged within sixty(60) minutes of the decision being notified in writing to the Competitor or in the case of Competitors where the Entrant is not also the Driver, the Entrant's representative.
- (4) Protests against any mistake made, or irregularity in the application of, or alleged breach of this Code or the Standing Regulations or the Supplementary Regulations (if any) of the Meeting or Event on the part of any Official or against any technical ineligibility of any competing vehicle or against any disciplinary infringement by any other competitor in an Event which has concluded shall be lodged as follows:
  - (a) In the case of Races, Sprints, Hillclimbs and Autocrosses, within sixty(60) minutes of the finish of the last vehicle in the Event class or group;
  - (b) In the case of Rallies, within sixty(60) minutes of the Protestant's finishing time in the Event;
  - (c) In the case of Trials, within sixty(60) minutes of the Competitor against who the protest is lodged finishing the Event or within sixty(60) minutes of any refusal of a claim lodged under Articles 18 and 19 of Schedule T of Appendix 5 of this Code.

- (5) Protests regarding the findings of Scrutineers or Technical Officers of a Meeting or Event at the final examination of competing vehicles must be lodged within sixty(60) minutes of their findings being published. In the case of checks carried out away from the venue by the scrutineers or Technical Officers of a Meeting or Event, such a protest must be lodged within sixty(60) minutes of the time the Competitor is notified of the results of the check.
- (6) Protests against the results or classification of an Event must be lodged within thirty(30) minutes after the publication of the provisional results for the Event, class or group. Entrants must have previously been advised of the time and place of such publication and of each subsequent publication but only if such subsequent publication pertains to the previous publication.
- (7) Protests against the inaction of any Official of a Meeting or Event must be lodged within sixty(60) minutes after the publication of the provisional results of the Event.
- (8) Protests against the results of an Event which are required to be posted to Competitors within a specified time after the Event, shall be lodged as follows:
  - (a) In the case of all Events, within 72 hours of dispatch of the results; or
  - (b) If a time is specified by the Stewards on the Official Notice board, within such time.
- (9) Protests against the action of any Official of the Series must be lodged within sixty(60) minutes of the Competitor receiving notification of the action.
- (10) Protests against any mistake made, or irregularity in the application of, or alleged breach of this Code or the Articles of a Sanctioned Series on the part of any Official of the Series must be lodged within sixty(60) minutes of the finish of the last vehicle in the Event class or group in relation to which it is protested the mistake or breach was made, or the irregularity took place.
- (11) Protests against the inaction of any Official of a Sanctioned Series must be lodged with the Stewards within sixty(60) minutes after publication of the provisional results of the Event in relation to which it is protested the Official should have acted.

**Reason:**

*To extend the time limit for protest to 60 minutes.*

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**2. Item Two:**

**112. Protest Hearings:**

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- (3) The protester at a hearing will make their initial statement and be questioned on it, followed by the respondent making their initial statement and be questioned on it. Then witnesses (if any) may be called. While Stewards' Hearings are of necessity informal, order must be maintained. Hearsay is admissible, but will be treated with due care by the Stewards. The parties concerned must be asked to retire from the hearing while the Stewards deliberate and come to a decision on the protest.

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**Reason:**

*To clarify the procedure for protest hearings*

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### 3. Item Three:

#### 123. Procedure for Appealing:

- (1) Every Office Bearer, Competitor, Entrant, Driver, person, firm, body corporate, Member Club, Associate Member, or Official who or which intends to appeal against any penalty or decision ("the appellant") must deliver fax, mail or email their appeal to the Secretary of the National Court of Appeal to be received within three(3) working days from the date of the decision of the Lower Court.
- (2) Every appeal must:
  - (a) State with reasonable specificity the decision of the Lower Court against which the appeal is made, together with the grounds of appeal.
  - (b) Be accompanied by such fee as may be stipulated by MotorSport NZ from time to time (which fee MotorSport NZ shall return if the National Court of Appeal so directs);
- (3) The National Court of Appeal may from time to time publish guidelines to assist any party called to appear before The Court. Such guidelines shall not conflict with the provisions of Article 93(4) of this Code.
- (4) Save for Appeals before the National Court of Appeal audio or video recording of hearings is not permitted.

**Information:** For all matters concerning the National Court of Appeal procedures and process refer to the chart at the end of Appendix One Schedule G in this Manual, or contact the Secretary of the Court (contact details are found on the MotorSport NZ website [www.motorsport.org.nz](http://www.motorsport.org.nz)).

#### Reason:

*To amend the procedures of appeal*

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*This amendment is issued for MotorSport New Zealand Inc by the Administration.*



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