

ARTICLES GOVERNING THE 2021 SUPER PRODUCTION CHAMPIONSHIP

Preamble

MotorSport New Zealand Inc hereby declares the following articles to be those governing a Motor Racing Series for Competitors of Super Production Race Series cars.

The Championship is held under a MotorSport New Zealand Accredited Permit No: 210209

The Championship is organised and held in accordance with the current MotorSport NZ National Sporting Code, the Standing Regulations and any Supplementary Regulations applicable to and issued by the Organising / Inviting Club of each Round of the Championship.

These articles are at all times to be read in conjunction with:

- The National Sporting Code (NSC) and its appropriate Appendices and Schedules,
- The MotorSport NZ Race Championship General Prescriptions (Schedule CH)
- The Event Supplementary Regulations issued by the Inviting Clubs.

OFFICIAL RECORD OF AMENDMENTS ISSUED TO THESE ARTICLES

This table records all official Amendments issued during the season relative to these Articles;

Amendment Number	Issue/Effective date	Article reference	Subject / Notes
SP-21-A001	20/04/2021	P7.6	Correction due to clerical error.

1. INTERPRETATION:

In these Articles, the definition of terms used within this Schedule shall be referenced from the National Sporting Code, and as detailed below:

“Compulsory Balance of Performance Pit Stop” means a mandatory pit stop required during each race that will incorporate a mandatory stationary period within that pit stop calculated on the vehicles recorded lap times at that event, and

“Specification Declaration Form” means an identification form-set issued by MotorSport New Zealand to each car on application to the Championship Coordinator.

“The Championship” means the Super Production Championship for cars complying with Schedule SPR; and

“The Club” means the MotorSport New Zealand Inc and

“Round Organiser” or **“Inviting Club”** means the MotorSport NZ member Club organising a Meeting and/or Event which is a round of the Championship; and

“National Sporting Code” or **“NSC”** means the National Sporting Code issued by MotorSport NZ from time to time; and

“Round” means each Meeting and / or Event, the results of which qualify for points in the Championship.

2. OBJECTS:

To promote and foster the Super Production Championship by presenting Competitors with a well-promoted Championship creating worthwhile individual sponsorship opportunities with an enjoyable and relaxed competition in the spirit of Super Production competition.

All persons connected with the administration of this Championship and with the operation of vehicles competing in the Championship are expected to abide by the spirit and intent of these Articles.

3. DRIVER ELIGIBILITY:

3.1 All Drivers shall hold a current C1 Grade Competition Licence or higher and if the Entrant is other than the Driver, an Entrant’s Licence is required in the name of the Entrant.

3.2 All Competitors shall agree to submit their vehicle for eligibility / safety scrutineering inspections as and when required by the appointed Championship Scrutineer, and/or a MotorSport NZ licensed Technical Officer. Any costs incurred during disassembly of components shall be met and accepted by the Competitor.

3.3 All Drivers shall be current members of a MotorSport NZ affiliated Club.

4 VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

4.1 Vehicles deemed to be eligible are those that have been mass-produced as a production race car, however final eligibility will be determined by the Championship Coordinator in conjunction with the Championship Scrutineer on application from the entrant.

4.2 Each entrant shall apply to the Championship Coordinator with a declaration of specification and modification of the vehicle to be entered into the Championship.

4.3 Seals may be applied by the Championship Scrutineer, and / or a MotorSport NZ licensed Technical Officer, to components and/ or assemblies of components in compliance with Appendix Two, Schedule A, Article 3.7. All seals shall be clearly detailed in the vehicles MotorSport NZ logbook.

5 CHAMPIONSHIP PERSONNEL:

4.1 At each Round of the Championship the following personnel or their approved assistant/s shall have the responsibilities and authorities as set out:

4.1.1 Super Production Championship Coordinator: Lindsay Dodd
Mobile Phone No: 027 438 3997
Email: lindsay@lindsaydodd.co.nz

Who shall have the duties and authority of a Championship Coordinator as set out in the National Sporting Code and who is responsible for and authorised on the Club's behalf to:

- (a) Deal with all administrative matters pertaining to the Championship, and
- (b) Record and publish all Championship points schedules, and
- (c) Liaise with Inviting Club/s on all matters pertaining to these Articles, and
- (d) If licenced, act in the capacity of a Competitor Relations Officer (as detailed in NSC, Article 88) for the Championship Competitors, and
- (e) To advise the Clerk of the Course in addressing any applicable penalties as detailed in the NSC; and
- (f) Ensure correct placement of decals on vehicles contesting the Championship, and
- (g) Provide the Inviting Club/s with grid starting positions in accordance with Article 6.7 of these Championship Articles.

Who may have deputies and assistants to whom they may delegate any of their responsibilities and authorities by way of notice posted on the official notice board at each Round.

4.1.2 Race Director: Ben Aro
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Email: Ben.Aro@dayleitm.co.nz

Who is authorised by MotorSport NZ to undertake the duties outlined in Schedule CH Article 3.1.2.

4.1.3 Championship Scrutineer: Justin Scelly
Mobile Phone No: 021 356 002
Email: justin@baigent.co.nz

Championship Scrutineer: Terry Carkeek
Mobile Phone No: 021 378 446
Email: terry@motorsport.org.nz

Championship Technical Officer: TBA

Who shall have the authority of a Championship Scrutineer set out in the National Sporting Code and who is responsible for and authorised on The Club's behalf to:

- (a) Appoint an Assistant Scrutineer to assume and assist in all technical matters concerning the Super Production Classes at each round, and
- (b) Deal with all technical matters pertaining to the Championship; and

- (c) Affix official seals as and when deemed appropriate; and
- (d) Inspect any competing vehicle within the Championship in order to ascertain compliance with the technical regulations; and
- (e) Assist competitors with technical inquiries relative to the technical regulations applicable to their vehicle; and
- (f) Undertake the duties of a Technical Judge (NSC 86(d)) with respect to weights and measures; and
- (g) Liaise with event Officials and Championship Coordinator on any scrutineering or technical conformity issue for the category; and
- (h) To report, to the Championship Coordinator, any instances where a breach of the technical regulations has been proven.

Who may have deputies and assistants to whom they may delegate any of their responsibilities and authorities by way of notice posted on the official notice board at each Round.

- 4.2** All correspondence shall be addressed to the Championship Coordinator who is authorised by the Club to carry out all the necessary administrative duties for the Championship. Correspondence is to be addressed to:

Championship Production Co-Ordinator
Lindsay Dodd
lindsay@lindsaydodd.co.nz

5 CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE:

- 5.1** The Championship shall comprise of the following Rounds:

Round	Date	Venue	Inviting Club
1	23-24 April 2021	Highlands Motorsport Park	Highlands Motorsport Club

The Organiser reserves the right to either cancel or amend any Rounds of the Championship due to force majeure without affecting in any way its power to award any title.

6. ROUND FORMAT:

- 6.1** At all Rounds, the TCR NZ Championship and Super Production Championship will run together on the same grid.
- 6.2 Practice (Testing):** Sessions will be available to all Drivers prior to any Round subject to availability and track hire charges set by the Inviting Club.
- 6.3 Qualifying:** There will be one(1) qualifying session of a minimum of twenty(20) minutes duration, in conjunction with the 2021 TCR Championship.
- 6.4 Race format:** There are planned to be three(3) races at each Round, in conjunction with the 2021 TCR New Zealand Championship.

- 6.5 Races:** All races will be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes plus 1 lap.
- 6.6 Race Starting Procedures:** All starts will be a standing start in accordance with the provisions of Schedule CH.
- 6.7 Races:** shall be run to the following race structure, in conjunction with the 2021 TCR New Zealand Championship. The TCR NZ New Zealand Championship will form their own separate grid in each race with the front of the Super Production Championship starting three full grid rows behind the TCR last row of the TCR grid.
- (1) Race One:** Starting positions for Race One will be determined by the fastest lap times achieved from Qualifying with the fastest Competitor to the front.
- (2) Race Two:** Starting positions for Race Two will be determined by the finishing order of Race One.
- (3) Race Three:** Starting Positions for Race Three will be determined by will be determined by the combined Race Points gained by the driver in Races One and Two at that Round, with the highest scoring driver to the front. In the case of equal Race Points at that Round, the fastest lap recorded by the tied competitors in either qualifying, Race 1 or Race 2 will be used to allocate the higher position.
- 6.8** At all Rounds, the Championship Coordinator in conjunction with the Clerk of the Course and/or the Stewards of the Meeting, reserves the right to shorten and / or cancel any practice / qualifying sessions and / or Races in the case of Force Majeure.
- 7 COMPULSORY BALANCE OF PERFORMANCE PIT STOP:**
- 7.1** There will be a Compulsory Balance of Performance Pit Stop (CPS) for all Vehicles, which must take place between one(1) minute and twenty(20) minutes from the race start.
- 7.2** A Balance of Performance (BOP) minimum Pit Stop time will be calculated for each Vehicle. This BOP time will be calculated using the competitor's best lap time of the meeting. This BOP time will be notified to the Driver no later than thirty(30) minutes prior to the start of the race. The BOP calculation will determine how long the Vehicle will remain stationary in their Pit Bay. The faster the Vehicles Lap times the longer the Pit Stop time will be. The Driver's Team is responsible for ensuring that the Driver completes the calculated CPS correctly.
- 7.3** The CPS cannot be performed during a Safety Car period. Should the Safety Car be deployed during the CPS window, the Pit Stop window will be extended by the length of time the Safety Car is deployed. If a Vehicle is already in the Pit Lane when the Safety Car is deployed, they may continue with their CPS and return to the Circuit to join the back of the Safety Car train.
- 7.4** No work may be done on the Vehicle while the CPS is taking place.
- 7.5** A Vehicle being released from its Pit Bay must give way to a Vehicle already entirely in the fast lane.
- 7.6** Driver belts must be fully fastened before the Vehicle is released from their CPS area.

7.7 Compulsory Pit Stop Penalty Schedule:

ARTICLE	RULE	PENALTY
P7.2	Failure to complete a CPS	Exclusion from Race
P7.4	Carrying out work on the vehicle during the CPS	Addition of the calculated BOPCPS calculated time to race Time
P7.5	Release of vehicle when Pit Lane is not clear	50 seconds added to Race Time
P7.6	Release of vehicle before driver's safety harness is fully fastened	Addition of calculated BOPCPS Time to Race Time

7.8 Breaches of CPS regulations will result in the penalties as noted in Article 10.5 of these Championship Articles.

8 TICKET ALLOCATION:

Ticket allocation for all rounds will be as detailed in the Round Supplementary Regulations.

9 TIMEKEEPING:

9.1 The Round Organiser, the Inviting Club, or the host circuit may provide timing equipment for hire that will be deemed to be the official timing equipment for the meeting.

9.2 All competitors shall ensure that timing equipment is looked after with all due care and attention whilst in their possession and that all equipment is returned as and when requested.

9.3 Return of working transponders is entirely the responsibility of the competitor who will incur a charge for lost or damaged equipment

10 PENALTIES, PROTESTS AND APPEALS:

10.1 Penalties shall be applied in accordance with the prescribed articles of NSC Part VIII - Penalties.

10.2 Any protest or appeal should be lodged in accordance with the NSC and the Competitor shall advise the Championship Coordinator and the Competitor Relations Officer (where appointed for the Meeting).

10.3 Competitors/ Entrants have the right to lodge a Protest/s in accordance with NSC Part IX – Protests.

10.4 Competitors/ Entrants have the right to lodge an Appeal in accordance with NSC Part XI – Appeals.

10.5 The Championship Coordinator in conjunction with the Clerk of the Course, may impose Championship points deduction penalties as listed below. These penalties shall be in addition to penalties imposed by the Clerk of the Course and / or Stewards.

11 CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY:

11.1 Entry into the Championship should be made through the MotorSport Online system

(<https://possum.motorsport.org.nz>). By entering the Championship all Competitors/Entrants agree to comply with these Articles and those of the National Sporting Code.

Note: *Contact the Championship Coordinator if Registration will not be made via the MotorSport Online system.*

11.1.1 Championship Entry Fees: The Championship entry fee has been set at \$200.00 (ex.GST) payable by no later than fourteen(14) days prior to the round. This fee is to cover additional expenses incurred by the Super Production Championship. The bank account for direct credit is 12 3149 0230385 50. Please use your last name and allocated race number as a reference.

11.2 Entry to each Round of the Championship (which is separate to the Championship Entry) shall be made to the Event Organiser of the Round, on their official entry form and by their specified closing dates.

11.3 The per round entry fee will be payable director to the Championship Coordinator at least seven(7) days prior to the Round entered.

Round Entry Fee (including a garage/marquee): \$1,450.00 (ex. GST)

Round Entry Fee (no garage/marquee included): \$850.00 (ex. GST)

Any entry will not be deemed valid until payment is received.

11.3 The Championship Coordinator will allocate competition numbers. All numbers on competing vehicles must be of the minimum dimensions set out in Appendix Two Schedule A.

12 CONDITION OF ENTRY:

12.1 The Competitor, by entering the Championship, is deemed to be in acceptance of these Championship Articles as they are presented, and shall be at all times responsible for the presentation of their competing vehicle with respect to safety requirements under Schedule A, and eligibility requirements under Schedule SPR.

12.2 The Competitor, by entering the Championship, is deemed to be in acceptance of, and will at all times comply with, any specific requirements of the official Championship Sponsor, as detailed within these articles.

12.3 The Championship Organiser reserves the right to accept or decline entries into the Championship as per NSC 21.

13 POINTS:

13.1 Points will be recorded and published by the Championship Coordinator and will be allocated to Drivers in the vehicle the Driver qualified in and based on their overall finishing positions in each Race, at each Round of the Championship.

13.1.1 Points will be allocated as per Schedule CH, Article 10.

14 AWARDS:

14.1 Awards shall be presented providing a minimum of four vehicles have contested the Championship. These awards shall be as follows:

- (1) The overall winner of the Championship will be awarded the MotorSport New Zealand Super Production Trophy at the Annual MotorSport New Zealand Awards Function.
- (2) Awards will also be presented to those who finish 2nd and 3rd overall in the Championship, at a time and place and in a manner as specified by the Club.

15 PARC FERMÉ:

- 15.1** Upon directive from the Championship Scrutineer or their appointed assistant, Competitors may be required to drive their competing vehicle directly (and without any team personnel / crew intervention) from the track to the designated Parc Fermé, the location of which will be notified on the official notice board of the Meeting.

Note: *Drivers should ensure that they and all their team personnel are familiar with the Parc Fermé regulations and limitations as detailed in the National Sporting Code Article 60.*

- 15.2** The Championship Scrutineer may authorise the entry of team personnel for the purposes of vehicle eligibility inspections.
- 15.3** Unless the Championship Scrutineer consents in each particular case, any car unable to proceed to Parc Fermé under its own power must nevertheless be delivered there as soon as practicable.

15 OFFICIAL SEALS:

- 15.1** From time-to-time components may have MotorSport New Zealand official seals affixed at the discretion of the Championship Scrutineer.
- 15.2** Competitors shall be required to drill holes in components when directed to do so by the Championship Scrutineer.
- 15.3** Seals may only be removed where authorised by the Championship Scrutineer in accordance with the provisions of Appendix Two, Schedule A of the current New Zealand MotorSport Manual.
- 15.4** Where vehicle components are sealed and the Driver or Entrant requires them to be removed for maintenance purposes, the Driver or Entrant shall give notice of this requirement to the Championship Scrutineer in writing. An inspection may be required by the Championship Scrutineer. If this inspection is carried out at a venue other than at the event an inspection charge may apply.

16 TYRE TYPE & ALLOCATION:

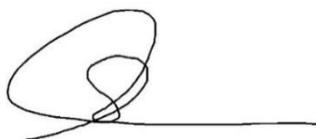
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17 DECALS:

- 17.1** All vehicles shall carry competition numbers in the locations and standards set out in Appendix 2, Schedule A of the current New Zealand MotorSport Manual.

- 17.2** All Competitors shall ensure that their competing vehicle and apparel have specified spaces reserved for the Championship Register and the Championship Sponsor at all Rounds of the Championship as designated by the committee prior to the Championship commencement. *It is permitted to trim the decals provided that all graphics, etc remain as supplied (cutting graphics for fitment to adjacent panels is acceptable).*
- 17.3** Competition numbers are to be issued by the Championship Coordinator, while the Competitor shall provide the physical competition number sets and comply with the requirements of Appendix 2, Schedule A.
- 17.3.1** One set of decals will be supplied free, replacements thereafter at current cost.
- 17.4** The Driver's name shall appear on both rear side windows in accordance with Appendix 2, Schedule A.
- 17.5** A mandatory windscreen banner (to be applied to the top of the windscreen) and rear screen banner (to be applied top or bottom of the rear screen) will be supplied by the Championship Coordinator.
- 18. IN-CAR JUDICIAL CAMERAS:**
- 18.1** All vehicles shall have an in-car camera fitted that faces forward and captures the full front view of the windscreen and including the drivers steering wheel.
- 18.2** It is the driver's responsibility to ensure that the camera is switched on and recording during all practice, qualifying and racing. For cameras that have not recorded any of these sessions a penalty may be applied as per Schedule CH.
- 18.3** Competitors are required to provide access to any camera footage to the Championship Coordinator or any appointed official at the event.

These Championship Series Articles are issued for 2021 Super Production Championship by the Administration.



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