

MANUAL AMENDMENT

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These amendments have been authorised to the text of MotorSport Manual Edition 36.

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:

Amendments to Appendix Two, Schedule A – Driver & Vehicle Safety (Part One) in Manual 36:

1. Amend Article 2 as stated in the schedule below.
2. Amend Article 4.2 as stated in the schedule below.
3. Amend Article 4.5 as stated in the schedule below.
4. Amend Article 5.11 as stated in the schedule below.

1. Item One:

2. **Interpretations:** Terms that are specific to this Schedule are defined here. For further definitions refer to National Sporting Code Article 2(1).

(...)

“Racing net” means a net that is designed and fitted to provide lateral restraint to the seat and driver during lateral and angled lateral impacts; and

(...)

“Window net” means a net that is designed and fitted to protect the driver from having any body part protrude through the window opening during an incident; and

(...)

Reason: Clarification of the distinction between a window net and a racing net and their purpose.

2. **Item Two:**

4.2 **Frontal Head Restraints (FHR):**

(...)

Recommendations:

1. It is strongly recommended that occupants practice rapid evacuations from the car with full race equipment fitted to familiarise themselves, and
2. For occupants of Saloon/GT vehicles Frontal Head Restraints are most effective when used in combination with head restraint seats and driver racing nets.
3. When using any Frontal Head Restraint the mounting of the safety harness is critical. Shoulder straps should be 200mm to 400mm long.

Reason: *Alignment of terminology from driver net to racing net.*

3. **Item Three:**

4.5 **Window Nets and Driver Racing Nets:**

~~(1) **Window Nets:** Are not considered mandatory under this Schedule although where fitted shall comply with the following:~~

(1) Window Nets:

(a) Are not considered mandatory under this Schedule except:

- (i)** Where the driver's side window or passenger's side window (if carrying a passenger) side window is not in a closed position; or
- (ii)** If the window aperture adjacent to a seating position containing an occupant does not have a window.

(b) Where window nets are fitted, they shall comply with the following:

- (i)** Window nets shall close the window aperture to the steering wheel, and
- (ii)** Be approved to an SFI standard or FIA requirements having the following characteristics:
 - (a)** Minimum width of the strips: 19mm,
 - (b)** Minimum size of the meshes: 25 x 25mm,
 - (c)** Maximum size of the meshes: 60 x 60mm, and
- (iii)** Shall incorporate a 'quick release' system operable from both inside and outside the vehicle.

(2) Driver Racing Nets: Driver Racing nets are not considered mandatory under this Schedule although where used shall be fitted in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions and incorporate a quick release system.

Recommendations: ~~Window nets are strongly recommended where doors/windows (adjacent to the occupants) are absent or modified in any way.~~

Reason: *To clarify when a window net is mandatory and to align terminology.*

8. Item Four:

5.11 Windows: For closed vehicles, shall meet the following requirements:

(...)

Recommendations:

1. It is recommended that side windows adjacent to any occupant should be able to be easily removed (without the use of tools) for easy egress.
2. It is recommended wherever possible to use Mar Resistant / Abrasion Resistant materials to ensure satisfactory performance and longevity.
- ~~3. It is recommended that window nets are used adjacent to occupants when the side windows are not in the closed position.~~

Note: *Additional requirements apply to road registered vehicles, refer Part One Article 8.3(6)(f).*

Reason: *Removal of recommendation to align with Item Three within this amendment document.*

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



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