**MEDICAL CLEARANCE TO COMPETE**

This form is designed to determine after the initial assessment if an injured competitor is fit to resume competition. It is to be completed by **only by a registered medical practitioner**. The Clerk of the Course will continue to hold the competition licence if competitor is unfit to resume competition otherwise licence will be returned upon presentation of this signed form which needs to be forwarded immediately to MotorSport New Zealand

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| **1. Details of Injured Person**  | **2. Details of Practitioner** |
| **Date:**  |  | **Name:**  |  |
| **Name of competitor**:  |  | **MCNZ Number:**  |  |
| **Licence No:** | **Job title:** *i.e.: sport medicine specialist, orthopaedic specialist* |
| **Address**: |  |
|  | **Examination location:** *i.e.: address of hospital, private practice* |
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| **3. Non-Accident Stand Down** |
| This form is designed to determine after the initial assessment if an injured competitoris fit to resume competition.If the competitor has been stood down for a reason other than an injury accident the competitor will be required to undergo a full medical review equivalent to a licence reapplication/renewal. |
| **4. Note to Practitioner**  |
| **Dear Practitioner*** The motor sport competitor listed above has been stood down from further motor sport competition as the result of a competition accident / medical event that is not a direct consequence of a racing event.
* The competitor should have a copy of the initial examination form (*On-site medical assessment form*) which describes the circumstances of the accident and injuries sustained so please take note of the details listed on it.
* You are requested to examine the competitor and arrange appropriate radiological and/or other investigations or specialist assessments as required to determine whether these injuries have been resolved and to determine the competitor’s fitness to return to competition.
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| **5. Prior to Assessment** |
| **Before examining the competitor, please read the notes below –**1. This form can ONLY be completed by a Medical Practitioner or Nurse Practitioner with the appropriate scope of practice.
2. If the motor sport event medical officer is a registered medical practitioner, then that medical officer may complete the required examination and sign this form
3. **The competitor must have their copy of the ‘On site medical assessment’ form which identifies the initial injury / injuries as well as this blank form with them at the time of examination**
4. The examining practitioner must fully examine the competitor, complete and sign this form

 1. All costs involved in this examination are at the competitor’s expense
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|  **6. Examination Guidelines for Practitioner to Consider**  |
| **The competitor should be considered fit to compete under the following circumstances:**1. **Head injury**

- Minor without LOC – after a 3-hour stand down and after medical assessment - Minor with LOC - after 24 hours and after medical assessmentFor the following, the competitor must pass a full neurological assessment and occupational therapy driving assessment.- Moderate head injury (GCS 9-12)***For the following, please liaise directly with Motorsport NZ (attention Medical Assessors) for guidance on requirements for a competitor’s return to competition.***- ***Major Head injury (GCS <9 or evidence of significant traumatic brain injury (bleed, contusion, skull #, or >24 post trauma amnesia)***1. **Neck & Back injury**

- on exclusion of major trauma (medical assessment +/- radiology) *and* - once competitor has regained function in spine sufficient for competitive driving.1. **Chest and Abdominal injury**

- on exclusion of major trauma (medical assessment +/- radiology) and - once competitor has regained function sufficient for competitive driving1. **Limb injury**

- on exclusion of major trauma (medical assessment +/- radiology) and  - once competitor has regained sufficient function for competition car control1. **Eye injury**

 - once vision has returned to better than 6/9 (with correction) in the affected eye  - with field of view over 140d and normal stereoscopic vision.1. **Other injury as appropriate**
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| **7. Diagram of Injuries** |
| **If injuries still exist, use the diagram to show full extent of ongoing injuries using codes in box below:**

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| **A** | Abrasion  | **H** | Haemorrhage |
| **B** | Burns | **I** | IV site |
| **C** | Contusion | **L** | Laceration |
| **D** | Dislocation | **P** | Pain |
| **F** | Fracture | **S** | Swelling |

body-diagrams |

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| **8. Initial Injury Sustained**  |
| Give a brief outline/ summary on the medical condition for which the competitor was stood down from competition: |
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| **9. If Not Fit to Continue Competition** |
| **If competitor is still not considered fit for competition –** Give a brief outline/ summary of reason why competitor is still considered unfit: |
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| Advise of approximate date for review of injuries**:**  |
| **10. SUMMARY and DECLARATION** |
| **Examining practitioner: is the competitor fit to resume competition?** **Yes / No** |
| If yes, the competitor may collect their competition licence from the relevant Clerk of the Course or the MotorSport NZ Office (as applicable) upon presentation of this signed form and resume competition immediately - ***Where the competitor only has a digital licence, and on receipt of the completed Medical Clearance form, with the Clearance noted, the MotorSport NZ head office will update MSOL with the licence status.*** |
| \***I hereby declare that the above information is true and correct\*****Signed**: ………………………………………………………………. **Signed**: …………………………………………………………Registered medical practitioner Competitor**Name**: …………………………………………………………………… **Name**: …………………………………………………………… ***\* In all cases the MotorSport New Zealand Medical Assessor has the final determination over a competitor’s fitness to compete \**** |