

Regulation and Technical Update April 2024

Race numbers.

There were a significant number of cars at the 1st safari of the year with race numbers that did not conform to the Supplementary Regulations.

Legible numbers are important from both a safety perspective, they enable marshals to identify cars, and to assist the timekeepers to ensure you get the right time.

In brief, 6.6 in the SRs states: 9 inch black letters on a 16 inch square white background, this should be mounted to the rear of the driver and above the waistline. The front number must be 4 inch high black letters on a white background.

We are aware that some cars may have difficulty with the fitting of the rear number boards. Drivers are expected to use their best endeavours to comply with regulation 6.6 however where this is not possible the following is the minimum accepted. Numbers must be black 9 inches high on a plain white background, there must be at least 1.5 inches of white background either side and top and bottom of the numbers and the minimum gap between numbers should be 0.5 inch. The minimum size for the white background is 12 inches x 12 inches. The white background should be substantially flat, upright, and parallel to the vehicle sides.

We will be checking numbers at the next few events so please ensure that yours are compliant.

Mudguards.

It was noted at the first event that cars were racing with damaged or missing mudguards. This has safety implications for following competitors, marshals and spectators. We strongly advise that spare mudguards or spare materials are brought to the event so that repairs can be made as required. Consideration should be given to mounting methods and the materials employed when the suspension design is such that the mudguards must move with the wheel. Such mudguards must be engineered to stay intact for the whole race.

The scrutineers will be checking cars through the day and event officials will require appropriate repairs to be made to damaged/missing mudguards before any further laps are started.

Ground sheets.

A gentle reminder that all race cars should be parked on a groundsheet when the car is in the pits. It was noted at the first safari that a few cars were not parked/serviced on a suitable ground cover. Clouds Hill is a sensitive site, and additional checks will be made.

Start order.

A timely start to the event is critical to maximizing the number of runs over the event. It is therefore important that cars are ready to leave the line at their allotted time.

From the safari Ebbw Vale onwards the CoC will apply a penalty for vehicles are not ready to start their first run at their allotted time.