

RULES AND REGS

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ANY CLARIFICATION OR INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGARDS TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS LAID DOWN IN THE EVENT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE COMPETITION MANAGERS:

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1. EVENT FORMAT AND REGULATING BODY

THE NQ EXTREME OFF ROAD CLUB RUN EVENTS THAT ARE IS A TIME BASED 4WD EVENTS THOUGHT OUT QUENSLAND ON PRIVITE PROPRITY

TEAMS CONSISTOF A DRIVER AND CO DRIVER/NAVIGATOR.

COMPETITION STAGES WILL BE VARIED WITH A MAJOR EMPHASIS ON SAFETY. STAGES WILL BE DESIGNED TO TEST OFF ROAD DRIVING, NAVIGATION, RECOVERY AND TEAMWORK.

THE STAGE RESULTS WILL DETERMINE THE PLACE GETTERS. SCORING WILL BE A COMBINATION OF THE ELAPSED TIME, LESS ANY PENALTIES INCURRED BY TEAMS, AS SPECIFIED, IN THE COMPETITION RULES.

THE EVENT ORGANISORS WILL RULE ON ANY ISSUES OR PROTESTS THA MAY ARISE. AN EVENT COMMITTEE MAY BE FORM TO ASSIST WITH ISSUES AND PROTESTS. THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL BE OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY EVENT ORGANISORS.

2. VEHICLE CLASSES AND EQUIPMENT CHECK

2A. CLASSES:-

OPEN

MODIFIED

SXS

2B. VEHICLES AND ALL EQUIPMENT ARE REQUIRED TO BE AVAILABLE AT APPOINTED TIME. A TEAM REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT DURING THESE CHECKS.

2C. VEHICLES MUST BE PRESENTED IN A READY TO START CONDITION INCLUDING ALL COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT.

2D. VEHICLES THAT FAIL THE INSPECTION PROCESS WILL RENDER THE ENTRANT LIABLE FOR EXCLUSION. A SECOND AND FINAL INSPECTION AT A LATER TIME MAY BE CARRIED OUT. VEHICLES MUST PASS THE SECOND INSPECTION OR THEY MAY BE EXCLUDED FROM STARTING THE EVENT. NOTE: IT IS THE COMPETITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY THAT THEIR COMPETITION VEHICLE COMPLIES WITH THE NQ EXTREME OFFROAD CLUB "RULES AND REGULATIONS".

3. COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT

COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT IS EQUIPMENT THAT MUST BE CARRIED AT ALL TIMES DURING THE EVENT.

3A. VEHICLES WILL CARRY A MINIMUM OF 3.6KGS OF OPERABLE DRY POWDER FIRE EXTINGUISHERS. AMINIMUM OF 1.8KGS IS TO BE MOUNTED IN CAB WITHIN EASY REACH OF THE DRIVER/ CO-DRIVER. MINIMUM STANDARD IS AS1841.5. ALL EXTINGUISHERS MUST BE MOUNTED SECURELY.

3B. JACK, WHEEL BRACE OR EQUIVALENT AND SPARE TYRE ASSEMBLY.

3C. RECOVERY KIT. MINIMUM

- 1 X GROUND ANCHOR
- 1 X SNATCH STRAP
- 1X 3M TREE TRUNK PROTECTOR (MINIMUM WIDTH 75MM)
- 1 X 5M TREE TRUNK PROTECTOR (MINIMUM WIDTH 75MM)
- 1 X SNATCH BLOCKS (RECOMMENDED 9000KG RATING OR ABOVE)
- 2 PAIR FINGER ENCLOSED LEATHER OR MATERIAL GLOVES
- 2 X 3.25T OR HIGHER RATED SHACKLES OR EQUIVALENT
- 2 X 1KG (DRY WEIGHT) CABLE DAMPENERS (500MM X 900MM RECOMMEND SIZE)
- 1 X 20 M WINCH EXTENSIONS OR SYNTHETIC ROPE RATED 8000KG OR ABOVE

3D. A COMPREHENSIVE 'FIRST AID KIT'. AN APPROVED STICKER/SIGN PLACED EXTERNALLY SHALL INDICATE ITS POSITION ON BOARD. STICKER MUST BE NO MORE THAN 1M FROM KIT AND BE CLEARLY VISIBLE.

3F. 1 X GPS UNIT. (MUST BE FULLY FEATURED. CAPABLE OF DIFFERENT DATUM, CO ORDINATE FORMATS AND ROUTES)

3H. 10L MINIMUM OF DRINKING WATER. CAN BE IN CAMELBAKS, WATER BOTTLES ETC.

3I. HELMETS (AS 1698 OR SNELL SA2005) AND WINDOW NETS FOR DRIVER AND CO DRIVER.

3J. NECK BRACES ARE COMPULSORY AT ALL TIMES DURING A STAGE. WE RECOMMEND THE USE OF SFI OR FIA APPROVED NECK BRACES.

3K. HAND HELD UHF. AT ALL TIMES AND TO CARRY WITH YOU WHEN AWAY FROM COMP VEHICLE. ON AND TUNED TO COMP CHANNEL

4. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

4A. COMPETITION VEHICLES MUST BE FITTED WITH A UHF (477 MHZ) RADIO AND MUST BE TUNED TO THE COMPETITION CHANNEL (UHF #9) AT ALL TIMES. IT IS ALL COMPETITORS RESPONSIBILITY TO LISTEN TO THE COMPETITION CHANNEL AT ALL TIMES, FROM DRIVERS BRIEFING AT THE START OF COMPETITION TO THE CLOSE OF COMPETITION. A MINOR PENALTY MAY APPLY IF NOT ADHERED TO.

4B. DURING THE COMPETITION STAGE THE UHF RADIO MUST BE TUNED TO THE ASSIGNED STAGE CHANNEL. BLUETOOTH DEVICES ARE ALLOWED FOR DRIVER/CO DRIVER COMMUNICATIONS. STANDARD CLASS THESE VEHICLE WILL REQUIRE ALL THE SAME SAFTY EQUEMENT AND MANDTORY EQUIPMENT AND MAY BE ASKED TO NOT COMPETE IN SOME STAGES OR CORSES IN THE EVENT DUE TO THE DANGER ELEMENT OF THAT STAGE .

5. VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS

OPEN / MODIFIED/ SXS

MODIFIED CLASS and SXS CLASS RULES AND REGULATIONS SAME AS OPEN CLASS WITH ADDITIONS HIGHLIGHTED IN BLUE or GREEN.

IF CONFLICTS ARISE THEN BLUE/GREEN TAKES PRECEDENCE.

5A. BODY/CHASSIS

A1. BODY MUST MAINTAIN THE FACTORY LOOK. BONNET MUST REMAIN BUT MAY BE MODIFIED. E.G. COOLING VENTS ETC.

GUARDS/INNER GUARDS MAY BE MODIFIED FOR CLEARANCE BUT NO SHARP EDGES ALLOWED. MODIFYING THE BODY E.G. WAGON INTO UTE/DUAL CAB IS ALLOWED.

FRONT AND SIDE WINDOWS MUST BE APPROVED GLASS OR EQUIVALENT. SXS MUST HAVE MESH IN PLACE, MIN OF 50X 50 OR LEXAN SCREEN, CAN BE TEMPORARY FRONT WINDSCREEN MUST REMAIN. IF A INCEDINT HAPPENS WHERE WINDSCREEN IS BROKEN OR REMOVED THE CAR CAN COMPLETE THAT STAGE, A MESH SCREEN OR WINDSCREEN MUST BE PUT IN PLACE BEFORE CAR AND START A NEW STAGE

INNER GUARDS MUST REMAIN AND MUST BE MADE OUT OF A FLAME RETARDANT MATERIAL. WINDSCREENS MUST BE KEPT CLEAN DURING THE EVENT FOR ALL CLASSES.

HALF DOORS ARE ALLOWED BUT MUST HAVE SIDE INTRUSION BARS. (THIS MUST BE ABLE TO BE DEMONSTRATED AT SCRUITINEERING)

OPEN CLASS CHASSIS CANBE LENGHTENED OR SHORTENED, ORIGINAL CHASSIS MUST REMAIN , CANNOT BE NARROWED

MAXIMUM 2" BODY LIFT.

ALL GLASS MUST REMAIN. IF A INCIDENT HAPPENS WHERE WINDSCREEN IS BROKEN OR REMOVED THE CAR CAN COMPLETE THAT STAGE, A MESH SCREEN OR WINDSCREEN MUST BE PUT IN PLACE BEFORE CAR AND START A NEW STAGE
HALF DOORS NOT ALLOWED UNLESS OEM.

A1.1. ORIGINAL CHASSIS MUST REMAIN BUT CAN BE MODIFIED/STRENGTHENED:- TUBE CHASSIS ARE NOT ALLOWED. ORIGINAL CHASSIS MUST REMAIN BUT MAY ONLY BE SHORTENED BEHIND THE REAR FACTORY SPRING MOUNT. CHASSIS MAY BE STRENGTHENED. FACTORY WHEELBASE MUST REMAIN WITHIN 50MM OF STANDARD.

A2. FULL HARNESSES WILL BE FITTED FOR ALL OCCUPANTS, THE MINIMUM BEING A FOUR POINT FULLHARNES, AND WILL COMPLY AT LEAST WITH AS2596, E35, SF16.1, FIA STANDARD 8853 OR 8854,8853/98 OR 8854/98 OR EUROPEAN STANDARD ECE R-16). THE FULL HARNESS MUST NOT BE FRAYED, TORN OR DAMAGED IN ANY WAY. IN ALL CASES OF MOUNTING THE FOLLOWING MUST BE OBSERVED -FLOOR MOUNTING POINTS MUST BE REINFORCED WITH A 3MM STEEL PLATE OF AT LEAST 75MM X 50MM ON THE UNDERSIDE OF THE BODY.

FULL HARNESS REAR MOUNTING POINT OR POINTS MUST BE TO A SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE VEHICLES STRUCTURE, REINFORCED AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE OR TO THE ROLL CAGE.

A4. REAR WHEEL STEERING NOT ALLOWED. (OE EXEMPT)

A5. A RECOVERY POINT (PAINTED RED) IS REQUIRED FOR BOTH THE FRONT AND REAR OF THE VEHICLE AND IF MOUNTED TO THE CHASSIS A MINIMUM OF TWO 12MM, OR FOUR 10MM, GRADE 8 (OR EQUIVALENT) HIGH TENSILE BOLTS BE USED.

A6. ITEMS CARRIED IN THE VEHICLE MUST BE SECURED ADEQUATELY WHILE THE VEHICLE IS IN MOTION. MINIMUM ROLL CAGE SPECIFICATIONS - ROLL CAGES WILL BE CHECKED FOR COMPLIANCE BEFORE VEHICLES COMPETE.

A7. VEHICLES SHALL BE FITTED WITH A FULL INTERNAL ROLL CAGE STARTING AT THE "A" PILLAR. WAGONS TO BE A MINIMUM 6 POINT AND UTILITIES TO HAVE 6 POINT OR TWO 4 POINTS, ONE INSIDE THE CAB AND THE OTHER OUTSIDE WITH A RECOMMENDATION THAT 2 FORWARD BRACES FROM THE MAIN ("B" PILLAR) HOOP TO THE FLOOR BE FITTED.

A: ROLL CAGE STRUCTURE MUST NOT OBSTRUCT FRONT SEAT ACCESS NOR ENCROACH UPON THE AREA OCCUPIED BY DRIVER AND CO DRIVER.

B: MAIN HOOP "B" PILLAR MUST BE A MAXIMUM 150MM BEHIND THE DRIVER AND CO DRIVERS HEAD. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT 2 DIAGONAL BRACES IN THE PLANE OF THE MAIN "B" PILLAR HOOP BE FITTED. THE "A" PILLAR & "B" PILLAR HOOPS AND ALL OTHER TUBE WORK TO BE PLACED AS CLOSE AS NEAR POSSIBLE TO THE ROOF IN ORDER TO LIMIT CRUSHING IN THE EVENT OF A ROLL OVER. THE FORWARD TUBE WORK FROM MAIN HOOP "B" PILLAR TO "A" PILLAR HOOP SHOULD BE PLACED ADJACENT TO AND HORIZONTAL WITH THE DOOR FRAME AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO ROOF. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT 2 DIAGONAL BRACES BETWEEN THE "A" & "B" HOOPS BE FITTED AS CLOSE AS NEAR POSSIBLE TO ROOF IN ORDER TO LIMIT CRUSHING IN THE EVENT OF A ROLL OVER.

C: THE RIGHT AND LEFT HAND TUBE WORK MUST BE MOUNTED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT DOES NOT OBSCURE THE DRIVER'S VISION PAST THE "A" PILLAR AND DOORFRAME COMBINED.

D: MOUNTINGS WILL COMPRISE AN UPPER MOUNTING PLATE ATTACHED TO THE ROLL CAGE AND A LOWER MOUNTING PLATE, SANDWICHING A SECTION OF THE VEHICLES STRUCTURE BETWEEN THEM. THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS OUTLINE MINIMUM SIZES FOR MOUNTING

PLATES. SMALLER WIDTH PLATES MINIMUM 45MM WIDE MAY BE USED PROVIDED THAT THE OVERALL AREA IS NOT REDUCED.

E: MOUNTING PLATES TO BE STEEL 100X100X 3MM FOR VEHICLES OVER 1150KG AND 100X75X6MM FOR VEHICLES UNDER 1150KG. THE LOWER MOUNTING PLATES MUST BE AT LEAST 100X45X 3MM. AT LEAST TWO 10MM GRADE 8.8 HIGH TENSILE BOLTS ARE REQUIRED AT EACH MOUNTING POINT.

F: WHERE ROLL CAGE MOUNTING BOLTS PASS THROUGH A HOLLOW SECTION OF THE VEHICLES STRUCTURE, THE SECTION MUST BE LOCALLY REINFORCED OR CRUSH TUBES USED TO PREVENT CRUSHING.

G: TUBING USED IN MANUFACTURE OF HOOPS AND BRACING SHALL BE ROUND SECTION COLD DRAWN STEEL TUBE CDS, CDW OR CEW OF 350MPA GRADE AND COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS1163 1981 OR BETTER, "CIRCULAR AND NON- CIRCULAR STEEL TUBES FOR MECHANICAL AND GENERAL ENGINEERING PURPOSES". MINIMUM SIZES: MAIN HOOP "B" PILLARS 45MM DIA. WALL 2.5MM. STRAIGHT BRACES 38MM DIA. WALL 2.5MM. BENT BRACES "A" PILLAR 38MM DIA. WALL 2.5MM.

H: CONTINUOUS LENGTHS OF TUBING WILL BE USED FOR ALL BRACES AND MAIN HOOPS, WITH SMOOTH CONTINUOUS BENDS AND NO EVIDENCE OF CRIMPING, WALL FAILURE OR SIGNIFICANT SECTION WEAKENING. ALL WELDS WILL BE FULL PENETRATION BUTT WELDS. ALL OTHER TYPES OF JOINS WILL BE DONE TO ACCEPTED ENGINEERING AND COMPETITION STANDARDS.

I: UPPER SECTION OF THE ROLL CAGE OR BRACING MUST BE FULLY PROTECTED WITH HIGH-DENSITY FOAM OR EQUIVALENT, OF AT LEAST 15MM THICKNESS. HOLLOW CYLINDRICAL PIPE INSULATION MAY BE UTILIZED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

J: IN OPEN TOP VEHICLES, THE DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER PROFILES, INCLUDING SHOULDERS, MUST BE WITHIN THE MAIN HOOP VIEWED FROM THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE. ALL OPEN TOP VEHICLES WILL HAVE A SOLID COVER FITTED OVER DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER HEAD AREA OF 3MM ALLOY OR 1.6MM STEEL. WHERE POSSIBLE, ROLL CAGE MUST BE APPROVED AND PLATED BY THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT OR ENGINEER IN STATE OF REGISTRATION. A STATUTORY DECLARATION SIGNED BY THE OWNER STATING THAT THE MANUFACTURE AND INSTALLATION COMPLIES WITH WTC RULES AND THAT THEY TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MANUFACTURE & INSTALLATION OF ROLL CAGE INTO VEHICLE, IS ALSO REQUIRED.

A8. DOORS AND WINDOW NETS MUST BE FITTED TO ALL VEHICLES. THE WINDOW NET MUST COVER 70% OF THE WINDOW OPENING. THE NET SHALL BE MADE OF A NON-FLAMMABLE MATERIAL WITH MESH SIZE NO GREATER THAN 50MM, FITTED TO THE DRIVER AND CO DRIVER DOOR OR ROLL OVER PROTECTION STRUCTURE ABOVE THE DRIVER AND CO DRIVER WINDOW. NETS MUST BE SECURED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY CAN BE REMOVED AT ANY TIME FROM BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE VEHICLE WITH THE DOOR CLOSED IN 5 SECONDS OR LESS WITH GLOVES ON.

A9. WAGONS, DUAL CABS OR WELL BACK UTES WILL HAVE A METAL CARGO BARRIER FITTED IMMEDIATELY BEHIND DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER SEATS.

5B. ENGINES

OPEN.

EXHAUST MUST FINISH AT REAR OR 300MM FROM NEAREST OPENING ON VEHICLE.

ANY PIPE WORK USED TO CARRY HIGH PRESSURE / TEMPERATURE FLUID THROUGH THE CABIN INTERIOR (REAR MOUNTED RADIATORS) MUST BE SOLID PIPE BEGINNING A MINIMUM OF 10CM BEFORE AND AFTER THE FIREWALL AND REAR OF CAB. WELDED BENDS OR FLEXIBLE JOINTS IN CAB ARE NOT ALLOWED.

ENGINE MUST BE FROM THE AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION RUN FOR THAT MODEL.

NO AFTERMARKET FORCED INDUCTION IS ALLOWED. IF FORCED INDUCTION IS FACTORY THEN BOOST MAY BE WOUND UP BUT ORIGINAL TURBO/HOUSING/MANIFOLD MUST REMAIN. EXHAUST PIPE SIZE IS ALLOWED TO BE INCREASED.

AFTERMARKET ENGINE MANAGEMENT COMPUTERS OR CARBURETORS ARE ALLOWED.

DIESEL FUEL PUMPS CAN BE MODIFIED. AFTERMARKET INTERCOOLERS ARE ALLOWED.

5C. FUEL SYSTEMS

PUMP FUEL ONLY.

NO NITROUS GAS ALLOWED IN ANY CLASS

LPG GAS INJECTION ALLOWED.

ALL FUEL/GAS TANKS MUST BE SUITABLE PROTECTED FROM REASONABLE EXTERNAL OBJECT PENETRATION.

LPG GAS INJECTION NOT ALLOWED EXCEPT ON PETROL ENGINES.

THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY FUEL TANK THAT IS DEEMED TO BE UNSAFE.

5D. TRANSMISSION

OPEN

MANUAL TO AUTO OR VICE VERSA ALLOWED BUT GEARBOX MUST BE FROM SAME MAKE AS VEHICLE.

DUAL TRANSFER BOXES NOT ALLOWED.

5E. DRIVELINE

OPEN.

ALL VEHICLE'S IN BOTH CLASSES MUST HAVE AN OPERABLE HANDBRAKE.

NO REDUCTION HUBS OR DROP AXLES ALLOWED.

NO INDIVIDUAL WHEEL OR AXLE BRAKING SYSTEMS ALLOWED, ONLY HANDBRAKE ON TAIL SHAFT OR REAR WHEELS. MUST BE FROM THE SAME MAKE AS VEHICLE.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL STRENGTHENING OF ALL COMPONENTS IS ALLOWED.

AFTERMARKET CV'S/AXLES ARE ALLOWED.

5F. SUSPENSION/STEERING

OPEN

POWERED OR MANUALLY OPERATED ACTIVE SUSPENSION THAT ADJUSTS EACH WHEEL INDIVIDUALLY IS NOT ALLOWED.

FULL HYDRO STEER IS ALLOWED.

MAXIMUM 4" OFF THE SHELF LIFT.

ORIGINAL SUSPENSION/SHOCK ABSORBER MOUNTING POINTS MUST BE RETAINED. NO AFTERMARKET

BRACKETS THAT BOLT ON TO FACTORY POINTS TO LENGTHEN OR SHORTEN MAY BE USED. IF VEHICLES CAME OUT AS LEAF SPRING THEY MUST REMAIN LEAF SPRING. ONLY ONE SHOCK ABSORBER PER CORNER ALLOWED.

FACTORY POWER STEERING MUST REMAIN. UPGRADED COOLERS ARE ALLOWED.

WHEELBASE MUST REMAIN WITHIN 50MM OF FACTORY.

ONLY FACTORY BUMP STOPS ALLOWED AND MUST BE IN ORIGINAL POSITION.

5G. WHEELS AND TYRES

G1. TYRE AND WHEEL COMBINATIONS -

OPEN CLASS 940MM X 370MM – 37"

MODIFIED CLASS - 900MM X 343MM – 35"

WHEEL AND TYRE COMBINATIONS CAN PROTRUDE PAST THE VEHICLE BODY BUT SUCH PROTRUSIONS MUST BE COVERED BY FLARE MATERIAL.

G2. AGRICULTURAL TYRES AND WHEEL CHAINS OF ANY TYPE ARE PROHIBITED.

G3. BEAD LOCKS ARE PERMITTED.

5H. ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

H1. A MECHANICAL BATTERY ISOLATION SWITCH IS TO BE FITTED TO THE BATTERY OR BATTERIES PROVIDING POWER TO THE COMPETING VEHICLES ELECTRICS. THIS IS TO BE PLACED WITHIN REACH OF DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER WHILST SECURED IN THE VEHICLE. THE SWITCH MUST ISOLATE EVERYTHING FROM THE BATTERY/S. THE MOTOR MUST STOP RUNNING WHEN THE SWITCH IS ACTIVATED. (THE WINCH CIRCUIT IS EXEMPTED, ALTHOUGH IT IS RECOMMENDED TO BE ABLE TO MECHANICALLY REMOVE POWER FROM THIS AS WELL).

H2. EXTERNAL POWER SOURCES ARE NOT ALLOWED.

H3. INVERTERS ARE ALLOWED IN CAB FOR CHARGING OF COMMUNICATION AND VIDEO RECORDING EQUIPMENT.

LIGHTING IS OPEN.

UPGRADED ALTERNATORS ARE ALLOWED BUT MUST BE 12V.

5I. WINCH (MINIMUM 8000LB)

I1. WINCH MAY BE ELECTRIC OR HYDRAULIC.

REINFORCING/STRENGTHENING OF THE WINCH IS ALLOWED.

CONTACTOR PACKS ARE ALLOWED.

WIDER DRUMS ARE ALLOWED.

AIR OR MECHANICAL FREE SPOOL IS ALLOWED.

WINCH MOTORS SHALL ONLY BE OEM FOR THAT BRAND OF WINCH.

MID MOUNTED WINCHES IN WELL BACKS MUST BE ISOLATED FROM THE DRIVER/CO DRIVER BY MIN 3MM ALLOY OR 1.6MM STEEL PLATE.

WINCH IS TO BE ELECTRIC, AND READILY AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

WINCH SHALL ONLY OPERATE FROM 12V DC DURING ALL OPERATIONS.

TWO OR MORE WINCH MOTORS NOT ALLOWED.

I2. WINCHES SHALL BE FITTED WITH AN AUTOMATIC BRAKE. IF THE AUTOMATIC BRAKE IS DAMAGED DURING A STAGE IT MUST BE REPLACED/REPAIRED BEFORE ANY MORE STAGES ARE ATTEMPTED.

I3. WINCH CABLE MUST BE IN SERVICEABLE CONDITION NO STEEL CABLE.

I4. WINCH CABLE HOOKS MUST HAVE A WORKING SAFETY CATCH (NO OPEN HOOKS) FOR ALL STAGES. IF A SAFETY CATCH IS DAMAGED DURING A STAGE IT MUST BE REPAIRED OR REPLACED BEFORE ATTEMPTING ANY MORE STAGES.

I5. WINCH CABLES SHALL BE OF HI. SYNTHETIC ROPE I, BUT IT IS THE OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SYNTHETIC ROPE IS RATED THE SAME OR BETTER THAN THE STANDARD CABLE USED ON THE VEHICLES WINCHES.

I6. . SYNTHETIC ROPE WILL BE SPLICED.

17. WINCH CABLES ARE TO BE FULLY SPOOLED AT THE START AND END OF EACH STAGE.

18. RIGGING WILL BE DONE TO THE SAFE WORKING CAPACITY OF THE EQUIPMENT.

5J. CAMERA'S

REVERSING CAMERA'S AND WINCH CAMERA'S ARE ALLOWED.

CAMERA'S FOR IN CAR FOOTAGE ALLOWED.

ANY CAMERA THAT ASSISTS WITH NEGOTIATING OBSTACLES UNDER THE VEHICLE ARE NOT ALLOWED.

6. GENERAL RULES

6A. THE EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL 4 WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES, PROVIDING THE VEHICLE CURRENTLY OR PREVIOUSLY HAS BEEN SOLD TO THE AUSTRALIAN GENERAL PUBLIC BY THE MANUFACTURER, PROTOTYPE VEHICLES ARE NOT ALLOWED.

6B. UNUSUAL OR EXTRAORDINARY 4 WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES CAN BE CONSIDERED FOR ENTRY. ANY VEHICLE FAILING TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN THIS EVENT GUIDE IS REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR AN EXEMPTION IN WRITING TO THE COMPETITION MANAGER, STATING THE REGULATIONS THAT THE VEHICLE FAILS TO COMPLY WITH. EACH REQUEST WILL BE CONSIDERED ON ITS MERIT. AN EXEMPTION WILL ONLY BE GRANTED WHEN THE COMPETITION MANAGER IS SATISFIED THAT THE VEHICLE HAS NO UNFAIR ADVANTAGE OVER OTHER COMPETING VEHICLES AND NO SAFETY ASPECTS HAVE BEEN IGNORED. FAILURE TO APPLY FOR AN EXEMPTION PRIOR TO THE VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT CHECK MAY EXCLUDE THE PARTICIPANT FROM STARTING THE EVENT.

6C. THE RECOVERY OFFICIAL WILL BE IN CHARGE OF ANY RECOVERY OPERATIONS DURING STAGES BY EITHER CONTROLLING THE RECOVERY PERSONALLY OR BY NOMINATING AN OFFICIAL AS THE RECOVERY LEADER. IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY ALL COMPETITORS MUST ABIDE BY THE RECOVERY OFFICIALS INSTRUCTIONS.

7. ENVIRONMENT

7A. CAMPSITES, ASSEMBLY, HOLDING AND WORK AREAS, ARE TO BE KEPT AND LEFT CLEAN, THIS INCLUDES ANYONE CAMPING WITH YOU. A 100 POINT PENALTY MAY APPLY IF RUBBISH OR BROKEN PARTS ARE LEFT LYING AROUND. (IF YOU BROUGHT IT IN THEN TAKE IT OUT) THIS MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEXT EVENT IF FOUND AFTER PRESENTATION.

7B. FAILURE TO USE A TREE PROTECTOR DURING WINCHING OPERATIONS WILL RESULT IN A 100 POINT PENALTY BEING RECORDED FOR THE STAGE.

7C. NO GLASS (EG; ALCOHOL IN GLASS, GLASS CUPS ETC) ARE TO BE BROUGHT INTO EVENTS, COMP SITE OR CAMPING GROUND, FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN 100 POINT PENALTY FOR THE FIRST OFFENCE AND SECOND OFFENCE DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE EVENT.

7D PEOPLE CAMPING WITH TEAMS THAT HAVE GLASS WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE IMMEDIATELY.

7E NO DOGS ALLOWED

CAMP SITES ARE TO BE CLEANED AND LEFT AS YOU CAME IF NOT YOU MAY BE ASKED TO NOT ANY MORE NQ EXTREME EVENTS

8. ADVERTISING

TEAMS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROMOTE THEMSELVES AND THEIR SPONSORS IN A POSITIVE WAY DURING ALL NQ EXTERRME OFFROAD EVENTS. TEAMS ARE ALLOWED TO FIX ANY KIND OF ADVERTISING TO THEIR VEHICLES AND PIT AREA PROVIDED THAT -

8A. IT IS NOT OFFENSIVE.

8B. DOES NOT ENCROACH INTO AREAS RESERVED FOR EVENT SPONSORS, COMPETITION NUMBERS AND EVENT DECALS, NAMELY THE FRONT DOORS. COMPETITION NUMBERS ON VEHICLES MUST BE KEPT CLEAN AT ALL TIMES.

8C. EVENT DECALS SHALL BE FITTED TO RESERVED AREAS WHEN SUPPLIED. A 30 POINT PENALTY WILL APPLY FOR NON FITMENT OF EVENT DECALS.

8D. ANY ADVERTISING BANNERS, SIGNS ETC THAT IS NOT FROM THE EVENT SPONSORS (E.G. INDIVIDUAL TEAM SPONSORS) MAY ONLY BE DISPLAYED AROUND YOUR GENERAL CAMP/DESIGNATED PIT AREA.

9. REGULATIONS FOR STAGES

9A. DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER (MUST TURN 15 YEARS OF AGE IN THE EVENT YEAR) ARE THE ONLY PERSONS ALLOWED IN THE COMPETING VEHICLE DURING A COMPETITION STAGE OR TRANSPORT STAGE. THE DRIVER MUST HAVE A CURRENT PROVISIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE OR HIGHER ISSUED BY ANY MOTOR AUTHORITY THAT IS RECOGNIZED UNDER THE MOTOR TRAFFIC ACT. DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER WILL WEAR A CERTIFIED (AUSTRALIAN STANDARD AS1698 OR SNELL SA2005) CRASH HELMET, WHILE IN A MOVING VEHICLE DURING A COMPETITION STAGE.

A MINOR PENALTY WILL APPLY IF ANYONE OTHER THAN THE DRIVER OR CO DRIVER IS IN THE CAR WHILST ON A TRANSPORT STAGE.

9B. STARTING ORDER FOR THE FIRST OR GROUP OF STAGES WILL BE BY BALLOT.

9C. DRIVERS AND CO-DRIVER COMBINATION WILL REMAIN THE SAME FOR THE ENTIRE EVENT, ALTERNATING BETWEEN DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER FOR ANY PARTICULAR STAGE IS ALLOWED UNLESS THE COMPETITION MANAGER SPECIFIES OTHERWISE. ANY CHANGES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE COMPETITION MANAGER.

9D. DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER MUST BE SEATED AND SECURED IN THE VEHICLE AND HAVE THE MOST FORWARD PART OF VEHICLE ALIGNED WITH START PEGS. ALL RECOVERY EQUIPMENT IS TO BE SECURELY STORED AT THE START AND FINISH OF EACH STAGE. SECURELY STORED MEANS IN A BOX/CONTAINER WITH A LID THAT CAN BE SECURED SHUT (AND IT MUST BE SECURED SHUT). NO LOOSE RECOVERY GEAR IS ALLOWED IN THE DRIVER/PASSENGER COMPARTMENT. ANY SHACKLES/BLOCKS ETC MAY BE SECURED INSIDE THE CABIN AREA AS LONG AS ALL GEAR IS BELOW WAIST LEVEL WHILST SEATED. WINCH BLANKETS MAY BE WORN.

9E. TIMING OF THE STAGE WILL CEASE WHEN THE VEHICLE (TO THE REAR OF FRONT DOOR) HAS COME TO A STOP IN THE FINISH GARAGE (ENTRY INTO FINISH GARAGE IS TO BE FORWARD UNLESS DIRECTED OTHERWISE) WITH DRIVER AND CO-DRIVER SECURED IN THE VEHICLE. COMPETITORS SHALL NOT MOVE FROM THE FINISH GARAGE UNTIL DIRECTED BY AN OFFICIAL.

9F. COMPETITORS MUST START IN THEIR RESPECTIVE BALLOT OR DESIGNATED ORDER, UNLESS THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS GRANTS PRIOR PERMISSION FOR A CHANGE IN THE RUNNING ORDER. ANY VEHICLE NOT READY TO START AT THE TIME THE PREVIOUS VEHICLE LEAVES THE START SHALL BE DEEMED A NON-STARTER AND A DNS RECORDED.

9G. WHEN THE DNF TIME IS NOT ACHIEVED BY ANY COMPETITOR, POINTS WILL BE AWARDED FROM FASTEST TO SLOWEST FOR THOSE HAVE COMPLETED THE STAGE.

9H. STAGES CAN BE MARKED BY PEGS, BUNTING, WAYPOINTS, CREEKS OR ROADS/TRACKS, FENCING ETC.

9I. COMPETITORS WHEN DIRECTED BY AN OFFICIAL MUST IMMEDIATELY REMOVE THEMSELVES AND THEIR VEHICLE FROM THE COURSE.

9J. COMPETITORS FAILING TO START 60 SECONDS AFTER THE TIMING HAS COMMENCED FOR THE STAGE WILL RESULT IN A DNS.

9K. A STAGE WILL CLOSE 10 MINUTES AFTER THE LAST COMPETING VEHICLE HAS FINISHED, COMPETITORS WILL BE NOTIFIED AT THIS TIME.

9L. NO ALCOHOL OR RECREATIONAL DRUGS ARE TO BE CONSUMED PRIOR TO OR DURING THE RUNNING OF ANY STAGE. RANDOM ALCOHOL OR DRUG TESTING MAY BE CARRIED OUT ON DRIVERS AND CO-DRIVERS AT ANY TIME THROUGHOUT THE COMPETITION.

COMPETITORS WHO RECORD A POSITIVE READING TO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL AT ANY TIME WHILST THEY ARE COMPETING WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EVENT WITH NO REFUND OF ANY MONEY.

9M. THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MODIFY OR ADD SUPPLEMENTARY RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND DECIDE ON MATTERS NOT SPECIFICALLY COVERED IN THE NQ EXTREAMEOFFROAD CLUB RULES AND REGULATIONS AND ALLOCATE THE PENALTY POINTS AT THEIR DISCRETION.

9N. STAGE AWARDS WILL BE CALCULATED ON HIGHEST POINTS SCORED AFTER PENALTIES FOR THOSE THAT FINISH THE PARTICULAR STAGE.

10. STAGE PENALTIES

10A. WHEN ALL FOUR WHEELS OF A VEHICLE CROSS THE BOUNDARY OF THE COURSE AS DEFINED BY RULE 9H, THEN THAT COMPETITOR MAY RECEIVE A DNF.

10B. A MINOR PENALTY WILL BE GIVEN WHEN –
A VEHICLE STRADDLES A PEG.

A VEHICLE KNOCKS OVER A BOUNDARY PEG. (THE PEG MUST BE BROKEN OR ON THE GROUND)

A VEHICLE BREAKS THE BUNTING.

A DRIVER OR CO-DRIVER HOLDS OR MOVES BUNTING OR PEGS TO IMPROVE VEHICLE APPROACH OR DEPARTURE LINE OR MAKE MORE ROOM ON THE COURSE.

BUNTED TREES ARE RUN OVER OR DAMAGED TO IMPROVE LINE.

PLEASE NOTE: -

THAT ANY DESIGNATED TREES OR MARKERS THAT ARE INTENTIONALLY DAMAGED OR KNOCKED OVER, WILL RESULT IN A DNF BEING AWARDED FOR THAT STAGE, THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REPLACE THE TREE WITH A MARKER SHOULD THIS HAPPEN.

10B-1 IF A VEHICLE BRAKES THE BUNTING OR KNOCKS OVER A PEG AND THE NAVIE OR DRIVER WISHES TO RETURN AND RETIE THE BUNTING OR STAND THE PEG UP THEY CAN DO SO IT MUST BE PLACED IN SAME POSITION AS WHEN IT WAS KNOCKED OVER AND THE BUNTING MUST NOT BREAK THIS CAN ONLY BE DONE WHEN THE CAR HAS ENTERED THE START FINISH BOX AND IS STOPPED OR A MINOR PENALTY WILL BE AWARDED THIS CAN ONLY BE DONE ONCE ON EACH STAGE OR PENALTY OF BROKEN BUNTING APPLYS SPECIAL DESIGNATED PEGS OR BUNTING MARKING A STAGE, IF BROKEN WILL INCUR A 30 POINT PENALTY. E.G. CONTROLLED AREAS.

IF A COMPETITOR OR OTHER EQUIPMENT (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE VEHICLE) BREAKS THE BUNTING OR KNOCKS OVER A PEG DURING RECOVERY OPERATIONS, THERE WILL BE NO PENALTY PROVIDING A REASONABLE ATTEMPT IS MADE TO REPAIR THE DAMAGE, PRIOR TO ENTERING THE FINISH GARAGE.

10C. PENALTIES FOR A DRIVER OR CO-DRIVER NOT WEARING A SEAT BELT, HELMET, NECK BRACE OR RIDING ON THE OUTSIDE OF A VEHICLE ARE:-

- *FIRST OFFENCE: 100 POINT PENALTY AND A DNF.
- *SECOND OFFENCE IN SAME DAY: 200 POINT PENALTY AND A DNF.
- *THIRD OFFENCE IN THE SAME DAY: EVENT DISQUALIFICATION.

A 20 POINT PENALTY WILL BE INCURRED FOR EITHER DRIVER OR CO-DRIVER NOT HAVING THE SEAT BELT ON CORRECTLY (E.G.:- HARNESS LOOSE, SHOULDER STRAP LOOSE OR OFF). THE VEHICLE MUST COME TO A COMPLETE STOP BEFORE ANY HARNESS CAN BE REMOVED AND THE DRIVER/ CO DRIVER EXITS THE VEHICLE.

ALL HARNESSES/HELMETS MUST BE SECURE AND DOORS CLOSED BEFORE A VEHICLE ATTEMPTS ANY FORWARD/REVERSE MOTION.

10D. TEAMS WILL DNF IF THEY RECEIVE OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE ON STAGE.

10E. TEAMS THAT DNS A COMPETITION STAGE WILL INCUR A MINOR PENALTY.

10F. FAILURE TO ATTEMPT A STAGE WITHOUT AN ACCEPTED REASON INCURS A 100 POINT PENALTY.

10G. LOST OR INSECURE RECOVERY EQUIPMENT AT THE FINISH OF A COMPETITION STAGE WILL INCUR A MINOR PENALTY PER ITEM. THIS INCLUDES WINCH CABLE OR HOOK IF TOUCHING THE GROUND.

10H. EXCESSIVE WHEEL SPIN, FIVE SECOND COUNT 11000 22000 33000 44000 55000 (INCLUDING WHILE VEHICLE BEING WINCHED) AFTER BEING WARNED BY OFFICIAL.

2ND WARNING: 10 POINT PENALTY

3RD WARNING: 20 POINT PENALTY

4TH WARNING: 30 POINT PENALTY AND DNF

10I. NO DRIVER, CO DRIVER OR PIT CREW SHALL ENGAGE IN ABUSIVE, OBSCENE LANGUAGE, OR IMPROPER BEHAVIOR TOWARD THEMSELVES, OTHER COMPETITORS, SPECTATORS OR OFFICIALS. AFTER AN OFFICIAL WARNING A MINIMUM PENALTY OF 50 POINTS WILL APPLY.

10J. FAILURE TO FOLLOW "STAGE DIRECTIONS" WHETHER VERBAL OR WRITTEN WILL INCUR A DNF.

10K. HELMET INCORRECTLY SECURED WHILST IN A MOVING VEHICLE.

10L. UNSECURED OR PARTIALLY SECURED WINDOW NET IN A MOVING VEHICLE.

10M. DRIVING OVER ANY RECOVERY GEAR WITH A WHEEL.

10N. HANDLING ANY RECOVERY GEAR WITHOUT GLOVES ON DURING A STAGE.

IT IS POSSIBLE TO GO INTO A NEGATIVE SCORE IN ANY STAGE.

11. WINCHING PENALTIES

A WINCH CABLE OR STRAP IS DEEMED LIVE WHEN THE FREE END IS CONNECTED TO THE ANCHOR POINT. IT DOES NOT MATTER IF THE WINCH IS IN FREE SPOOL OR THE VEHICLE HAS NOT COMMENCED FORWARD/REVERSE MOTION. .

A CABLE OR STRAP MAY ONLY BE HANDLED AFTER GOING LIVE IN THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES –

- TO LOCK IN THE FREE SPOOL.

- TO RELOCATE A CABLE OVER AN OBSTACLE AS LONG AS THE VEHICLE AND WINCH ARE STATIONARY.

- TO HOOK UP A BLOCK AND PLACE ANOTHER BLANKET IN THE CENTER THIRD BETWEEN THE VEHICLE AND BLOCK...

GROUND ANCHORS – IF YOU CHOOSE TO USE A GROUND ANCHOR OR IT IS COMPULSORY DURING A STAGE THEN THE FOLLOWING WILL APPLY.

- THE GROUND ANCHOR MUST BE USED AS THE NAME SUGGESTS. IN THE GROUND WITH THE SHOVEL IN A HORIZONTAL POSITION.

- IT MUST NOT BE USED AS A HOOK AROUND THE TREE TRUNK. RULE 7B WILL APPLY IF USED LIKE THIS.

- IT MUST NOT BE ATTACHED TO A TREE TRUNK PROTECTOR THAT THEN GOES AROUND A TREE.

- IT CAN BE USED AS AN ANCHOR POINT OR TO PULL A BANK DOWN.

- UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED THERE IS NO MINIMUM AMOUNT OF ATTEMPTS TO TRY AND SET THE ANCHOR. IF THE STAGE REQUIRES THE USE OF A GROUND ANCHOR THEN THAT IS WHAT YOU MUST USE UNTIL IT SETS OR YOU DNF TRYING.

11A. TECHNIQUES THAT ARE DEEMED TO BE UNSAFE SHALL INCUR A MINOR PENALTY, THESE INCLUDE -

JUMPING OVER OR GOING UNDER A WINCH CABLE OR STRAP WHILE ANCHORED OR MOVING THE DAMPENER WHILE WINCHING. YOU ARE ALLOWED TO MOVE IN ON A TIGHT CABLE TO REPOSITION THE CABLE DAMPENER

(THE VEHICLE MUST BE STOPPED) OR TO AFFECT REPAIRS TO THE VEHICLE.

FAILURE TO CLEAR THE AREA IN A LOUD AND CLEAR VOICE BEFORE COMMENCING ANY RECOVERY OPERATION. YOU MUST CALL "CLEAR WINCHING" ANY TIME A VEHICLE IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE FORWARD/REVERSE MOTION DURING A RECOVERY. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMPETITORS TO ENSURE THE ATTENDING MARSHALL AND SPECTATORS CAN HEAR AND UNDERSTAND THE "CLEAR WINCHING" CALL.

CONTINUING TO STAND IN FRONT OR DIRECTLY BEHIND OR DOWNHILL OF A VEHICLE WHILST WINCHING,

AFTER AN OFFICIAL WARNING, FAILING TO USE A CABLE DAMPENER DURING WINCHING OPERATIONS. YOU WILL THEN BE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY UNTIL THE BLANKET IS APPLIED.

FAILING TO USE ANOTHER CABLE DAMPENER WHEN DIRECTION OF CABLE IS CHANGED.

CARRYING THE WINCH CABLE INTO THE CABIN AREA OF THE VEHICLE.

THE WINCH CABLE MAY BE STOWED IN THE REAR OF THE VEHICLE, BEHIND THE CARGO BARRIER OR ON A UTE AS LONG AS THE WINCH IS UNABLE TO SPOOL IN AND DAMAGE OR DESIGN OF THE BAR PREVENTS WRAPPING. THE CABLE MUST BE CLEAR OF ALL WHEELS.

STEPPING ON OR OVER THE WINCH CABLE WHILST THE CABLE IS LIVE.

WINCHING A TREE OUT OR OVER.

CONTINUING ANY UNSAFE PRACTICE AFTER AN OFFICIAL WARNING.

HANDLING THE WINCH CABLE WITH EITHER THE VEHICLE OR WINCH IN MOTION OR BOTH WHILST STILL LIVE.

12. GENERAL EVENT REGULATIONS

12A. CONTROLLED WINCH AREA GATE -

THE VEHICLE MUST COME TO A COMPLETE STOP IN A "CONTROLLED AREA" BEFORE THE GATE CAN BE OPENED. THE ONLY EXCEPTION TO THIS RULE IS IF THE VEHICLE IS ALREADY BEING WINCHED INTO THE AREA, IN WHICH CASE THE GATE CAN BE OPENED PRIOR TO THE VEHICLE ENTERING. IF GATE IS PRE OPENED UNDER ANY OTHER CONDITIONS A 20 POINT PENALTY WILL APPLY. A DNF WILL BE AWARDED IF THE VEHICLE DOES NOT STOP.

12B. VEHICLE WILL HAVE ONLY ONE ATTEMPT TO DRIVE OUT OF THE "CONTROLLED AREA". IF FORWARD

MOMENTUM IS NOT ACHIEVED YOU THEN MUST COMMENCE RECOVERY.

12C. WHEN 2 WHEELS ROLL OUT OF THE "CONTROLLED AREA", YOU THEN MUST COMMENCE RECOVERY.

12D. WHEN 2 WHEELS ENTER A "CONTROLLED AREA" YOU ARE DEEMED TO HAVE ENTERED THE AREA AND MUST WINCH/RECOVER THROUGH THE GATE.

12E. WHEN PUNCHES ARE USED DURING A STAGE, THE CARD MUST BE PUNCHED PRIOR TO ENTERING FINISH GARAGE OR CROSSING THE FINISH LINE. MISSED PUNCHES, NOT RECORDED ON THE CARD, CARDS OR PUNCHES REMOVED FROM THEIR ATTACHMENT POINT WILL INCUR A DNF FOR THAT SS.

12F. WHEN VEHICLE HAS LOST FORWARD MOMENTUM ON ENTERING AN OBSTACLE OR SLOPE, RECOVERY MUST COMMENCE WITHOUT FURTHER ATTEMPTS AT DRIVING. A 20 POINT PENALTY WILL APPLY IF A SECOND ATTEMPT IS MADE.

12G. ANY DEDICATED GPS STAGE MAY HAVE ITS OWN SUPPLEMENTARY RULES AND WILL BE SCORED ACCORDINGLY FOR THAT STAGE.

12H. COMPETITORS ARE ALLOWED TO WATCH OTHER TEAMS ON STAGES HOWEVER ANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT OFFICIALS MISSING PENALTIES ETC WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. A MAJOR PENALTY WILL APPLY IF NOT ADHERED TO.

12I. ANY COURSE BUNTING WILL BE ANY COLOR . CONTROLLED AREAS WILL BE YELLOW. START OF WINCH WALLS WILL BE YELLOW. START/FINISH BOXES WILL BE MARKED WITH FLAGS AND BUNTING ANY COLOR

13. PA AND NPA STAGES - GROUPS

STAGES WILL BE DESIGNATED AS PIT ACCESS (PA) OR NO PIT ACCESS (NPA). DESIGNATION WILL BE EITHER VERBAL AT DRIVERS BRIEFING OR MARKED ON THE STAGE MAP. THE DESIGNATION WILL APPLY TO THE TIME DIRECTLY AFTER THE STAGE JUST COMPLETED UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS. TEAMS MAY BE ALLOWED TO COMPLETE REPAIRS WITH THE ASSISTANCE AFTER NPA STAGES WITH APPROVAL FROM THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS. A 50 POINT PENALTY WILL APPLY.

13A. PIT ACCESS (PA) STAGES.

WHEN PIT ACCESS (PA) IS DESIGNATED THEN VEHICLE REPAIRS MUST BE COMPLETED IN THE DESIGNATED PIT AREA. YOU ARE ALLOWED ASSISTANCE TO REPAIR YOUR VEHICLE WITH NO PENALTY. UNLIMITED TOOLS AND SPARES ARE ALLOWED IN THE PITS.

13B. NO PIT ACCESS (NPA) STAGES.

IF A VEHICLE NEEDS REPAIRS AFTER A NO PIT ACCESS (NPA) STAGE THEN ALL REPAIRS MUST BE PERFORMED BY THE DRIVER/CO DRIVER OR OTHER COMPETITORS. IF PARTS HAVE TO BE SOURCED FROM THE PIT AREA, CAMP, OR OTHER COMPETITORS FOR REPAIRS THERE WILL BE A 20 POINT PENALTY. COMPETITORS MUST NOTIFY THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE IMMEDIATELY IF THEY ARE GOING TO PERFORM ANY REPAIRS AND WHAT PARTS IF ANY WILL BE USED. FELLOW COMPETITORS ARE ALLOWED AND ENCOURAGED TO ASSIST WITH REPAIRS AND LOAN TOOLS THAT ARE CARRIED IN THEIR COMPETING VEHICLE.

SUNDRY TYPE SUPPLIES ARE ALLOWED TO BE GIVEN TO OTHER COMPETITORS WITHOUT A PENALTY BEING RECORDED. OILS, WATER, CABLE TIES, ELECTRICAL TAPE ETC.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE PARTS ON BOARD FOR ANY NPA STAGE. IN THE INTEREST OF MAKING THIS EVENT FAIR FOR EVERYONE, IT IS IN THE COMPETITORS' BEST INTEREST TO REPORT TO THE COMPETITION ORGANIZERS OR REPRESENTATIVE ANY TEAM THAT TRIES TO CIRCUMVENT THE ABOVE RULE. ANY TEAM THAT ATTEMPTS TO DO SO WILL INCUR A 100 POINT PENALTY.

13C. WHEN ALL COMPETITORS IN YOUR GROUP HAVE COMPLETED THE STAGE, THE GROUP WILL THEN BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE STAGE AREA TO:-

1. RETURN TO BASE.
2. MOVE TO NEXT STAGE.

13D. WHEN A COMPETITOR 'HOLD' AREA HAS BEEN DESIGNATED, YOU 'MUST' STOP AND WAIT WITH THE VEHICLE UNTIL DIRECTED TO MOVE TO THE NEXT STAGE.

13E. GROUPS WILL STAY TOGETHER UNLESS DIRECTED BY THE COMPETITION MANAGER. A 20 POINT PENALTY WILL APPLY TO ANY INFRINGEMENTS OF RULES D AND E.

13F WHEN BREAKAGE HAS OCCURRED YOU WILL NOTIFY CONTROL IMMEDIATELY WHEN NEEDING TIME TO FIX. A TIME WILL BE RECORDED. IT WILL BE THE COMPETITOR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT THE CONTROL EVERY 20 MINUTES THEIR AFTER UNTIL COMPLETION OF REPAIR. FAILURE TO CONTACT CONTROL AT DESIGNATED TIMES WILL INCUR 20POINT PENALTY FOR THE FIRST BREACH AND 40 POINT PENALTY FOR EACH BREACH THEREAFTER.

14. SCORING (ROUNDS AND SERIES)

SCORING FOR SERIES POINTS WILL BE AS PER THE ROUND SCORING TABLE BELOW. FOR EXAMPLE IF A TEAM SCORES 1ST PLACE FOR RD 1, 13TH FOR RD 2, 3RD FOR RD 3 AND 2ND FOR RD 4 THEN OVERALL SERIES POINTS WILL BE $100+63+90+95 = 348$. MAXIMUM POINTS FOR THE SERIES WILL BE 400. ZERO POINTS ARE RECORDED FOR NOT COMPETING AT A ROUND. IF THERE IS A TIE FOR ANY PLACING THEN A COUNT BACK OF PENALTY POINTS AWARDED WILL BE USED FOR THE PLACING IN QUESTION. THE LEAST AMOUNT OF PENALTY POINTS GIVEN WILL BE AWARDED THE HIGHER POSITION. ROUND SCORING IS AS BELOW.

14A. TEAMS THAT DNF A STAGE WILL RECEIVE 0 POINTS MINUS ANY PENALTIES INCURRED.

MAJOR PENALTY – 50 POINTS MINOR PENALTY - 10 POINTS

TEAMS THAT COMPLETE THE STAGE WILL BE ALLOCATED POINTS IN ORDER OF MERIT FROM FASTEST TO SLOWEST AS FOLLOWS: -

1ST 100 2ND 95 3RD 90 4TH 86 5TH 82
6TH 79 7TH 76 8TH 73 9TH 71 10TH 69
11TH 67 12TH 65 13TH 63 14TH 61 15TH 59
16TH 58 17TH 57 18TH 56 19TH 55 20TH 54
21ST 53 22ND 52 23RD 51 24TH 50 25TH 49
26TH 48 27TH 47 28TH 46 29TH 45 30TH 44
31ST 43 32ND 42 33RD 41 34TH 40 35TH 39

PENALTY POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM THIS TO GIVE FINAL PLACING'S FOR THE STAGE.

14B. TIMING WILL BE SCORED TO THE 10TH OF A SECOND. E.G. 5MINS 34.48SECS.

14C. IF 2 OR MORE COMPETITORS FINISH A STAGE WITH THE SAME ELAPSED TIME, THEY SHALL BE AWARDED EQUAL POINTS AND PLACING FOR THE STAGE. THE COMPETITOR WITH THE NEXT FASTEST TIME SHALL BE PLACED ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN FINISHING POSITIONING ON THAT STAGE. THE PLACING LEFT VACANT DUE TO THE TIE WILL NOT BE ALLOCATED.

14D. IN CASE OF A TIED SCORE IN MAJOR AWARDS, THE WINNER WILL BE DECIDED BY A COUNT BACK. THE WINNER BEING THE ONE WITH THE LEAST AMOUNT OF PENALTIES INCURRED. IF THIS FAILS TO BREAK THE TIE, TOTAL TIME OF ALL STAGES WILL BE USED, THE FASTEST TIME WILL WIN.

15. PROTEST

15A. PROTESTS BY A COMPETITOR MUST BE ON THE NQ EXTREME OFFROAD CLUB FORM AND HANDED TO THE COMPETITION MANAGER WITHIN 30MIN OF RECEIVING THE SCORES FOR THE PARTICULAR STAGE. VEHICLE RELATED PROTESTS BY ANOTHER COMPETITOR MUST BE IN BEFORE START OF 2ND DAY OF COMPETITION.

15B. MEMBERS OF THE EVENT COMMITTEE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO JUDGE ON ANY FORMAL PROTEST AND MUST HAVE A 2/3RD MAJORITY FOR THE PROTEST TO BE UPHELD.

15C. A SELECTED REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE TEAM WILL BE ALLOWED TO SIT IN ON THE PROTEST PROCEEDINGS IF DESIRED.

16. PROHIBITED BEHAVIOUR

16A. NO COMPETITOR SHALL SEEK FAVOUR FROM, INFLUENCE, MANIPULATE, OBSTRUCT OR INTERFERE WITH THE DUTIES OF ANY MEMBER OF THE COMPETITION COMMITTEE. ANY COMPETITOR FOUND DOING SO WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED.

16B. NO COMPETITOR WILL INTERFERE OR TAMPER WITH ANY OTHER COMPETITOR'S VEHICLE. ANY COMPETITOR FOUND DOING SO WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED.

17. SPORTSMANSHIP

THE GOALNQ EXTERAME OFFROAD CLUB IS TO PROMOTE A RESPECTABLE SPORT AND PROMOTE SPONSORING COMPANIES IN A PROFESSIONAL LIGHT.

DURING ALL N EORC EVENTS PROPER SPORTSMANSHIP IS REQUIRED.

IF A COMPETITOR OR TEAM MEMBER (INCLUDING SUPPORT HELP) PROMOTES UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT, IS RUDE OR ABUSIVE TO OFFICIALS, LANDOWNERS, FELLOW COMPETITORS, LOCAL AUTHORITIES, SPONSORS, DESTROYS PROPERTY, DISPLAYS DRUNKEN OR DISRESPECTFUL BEHAVIOUR THEY AND, OR THE ENTIRE TEAM MAY BE DEDUCTED POINTS OR DISQUALIFIED FROM THE CURRENT EVENT OR FUTURE EVENTS.

18. MEDIA CRISIS MANAGEMENT

PREFACE:

THE MEDIA HAS A RIGHT TO REPORT NEWS THAT THEY SEE FIT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ANYTHING WE DO REFLECT POSITIVELY ON OUR CHOSEN RECREATION OF OFF ROAD ACTIVITIES AND ENSURES WE ARE VIEWED AS A RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATION.

POTENTIAL ADVERSE MEDIA OR PUBLIC INTEREST GENERATED BY AN INCIDENT AT THE EVENT, WHICH COULD THREATEN THE REPUTATION OF THE EVENT OR ORGANIZATION IN THE FUTURE.

AN INCIDENT IS DEFINED:

AS A DIRECT RESULT OF EVENT ACTIVITIES.

AFFECTS THE SAFETY OF ANY PERSON ENGAGED IN EVENT ACTIVITIES.

EXPOSES ANY DEFICIENCY IN SAFETY OR ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION PROCEDURES.

GENERAL PROCEDURES:

IT IS THE AIM OF DBD EVENTS TO ENSURE A SAFE AND INCIDENT FREE EVENT. HOWEVER WITH ANY TYPE OF MOTOR SPORT THERE IS AN ELEMENT OF DANGER AND UNPLANNED INCIDENTS ARE NOT UNUSUAL. ANY INCIDENT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME A MEDIA CRISIS E.G.:- PERSONAL INJURY, VEHICLE ACCIDENT OR ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS. COMPETITORS ARE ADVISED TO LEAVE ALL MEDIA QUESTIONS TO THE COMPETITION MANAGER. AFTER HE HAS BEEN BRIEFED ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE CRISIS, THE COMPETITION MANAGER WILL ISSUE A STATEMENT ON THE INCIDENT AND FOCUS ATTENTION ON THE POSITIVE STEPS BEING TAKEN TO RESOLVE THE INCIDENT.

19. RIGHTS OF ORGANIZERS

19A. REFUSE ANY ENTRY, WITHOUT GIVING ANY REASON WHATSOEVER.

19B. ABANDON, CANCEL, POSTPONE OR SHORTEN THE EVENT WITHOUT DUE NOTICE IN THE EVENT OF ANY UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES. NO CLAIMS WHATSOEVER OF ANY KIND SHALL BE ENTERTAINED DUE TO THE ABANDONING, CANCELLING, POSTPONEMENT OR SHORTENING OF THE EVENT.

19C. EXCLUDE ANY PERSON OR VEHICLE, WHICH FAILS TO MEET THE EVENT GUIDELINES AS SET OUT IN THE EVENT GUIDE.

19D. CANCEL ANY STAGE AT ANY TIME INCLUDING WHEN SOME COMPETITORS HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THE SECTION FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER.

19E. DISQUALIFY ANY COMPETITOR WHO FAILS TO ABIDE BY ANY RULES SET OUT IN THIS EVENT GUIDE AND ANY SUPPLEMENTARY AMENDMENTS OR ANY INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE EVENT OFFICIALS. IF THIS OCCURS THERE WILL BE NO REFUND OF ENTRY FEE.

19F. OBTAIN ANY "IN VEHICLE" VIDEO FOOTAGE AS REQUIRED. VIDEO FOOTAGE CANNOT BE ON SOLD WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL FROM NQEORC EVENTS.

20. INDEMNITY

20A. OFFICIALS, EVENT SPONSORS AND LAND OWNERS WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE IN ANY ACCIDENT, CAUSING INJURY OR DAMAGE TO THE PARTICIPANTS OR THEIR VEHICLES DURING THE COURSE OF THE EVENT.

20 OFFICIALS, EVENT SPONSORS, AND LAND OWNERS WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY BREACH OF ANY LAWS OR REGULATIONS. THE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACCIDENTS OR BREACH OF LAWS IN WHICH LIABILITY MAY ARISE AND SHALL INDEMNIFY NQORC OFFICIALS, EVENT SPONSORS, AND LAND OWNERS BY SIGNING THE INDEMNITY FORM.

20C. THE PARTICIPANTS MUST AGREE TO AND SIGN AN INDEMNITY FORM BEFORE THE START OF THE EVENT. FAILURE TO DO SO RENDERS THE PARTICIPANT INELIGIBLE TO START WITH NO REFUND OF ENTRY FEE.

THE NQORC COMMITTEE WISHES YOU GOOD LUCK FOR ALL OF OUR EVENTS!

