

Messages for officials

Background

Thank you for choosing to be part of the Australian Rally Championships. Your commitment is essential for the event's success, and your safety is our priority. Please review the following guidelines carefully.

The Rally of Canberra is conducted by Brindabella Motor Sport Club. The event is the final round of Bosch Australia Rally Championship (ARC), NSW State Rally Championships and ACT Regional Rally Series. It is conducted under the regulations of Motorsport Australia, the Supplementary Regulations, and any Further Regulations and Bulletins that may be issued.

Permission to hold this Rally has been obtained from the relevant ACT Government, including ACT Forests and ACT Police. Motorsport Australia (formerly CAMS) has granted the Brindabella Motor Sport Club a permit to run this event (No: 823/1911/02).

Responsibility and Reporting

Rally Events are inherently dangerous, and you are voluntarily participating. Hence you need to be always mindful of your safety and that of others. This means responding positively to reasonable directions of senior officials and ensuring you do not put yourself or others in danger.

Duty Allocation

Please Sign on upon arrival, check with Senior Officials for duty instructions and location. If travelling by car to duty, remember you're a representative of the Rally and adhere to speed limits, directional signs, and parking instructions.

Briefings and Instructions

This briefing constitutes the instructions you will be provided to undertake your role. It is important to pay attention when you are provided further instructions by your Stage Commander or Team Leader. Equally important is to not deviate from instructions without Senior Official or Rally Control approval.

Safety Checks

Report issues to Senior Officials, including injuries promptly and seek medical assistance if needed. This includes any personal limitations or ill-health that may affect your duties.

Personal Safety

Protect yourself from weather ensuring you have sunburn cream, a hat, and suitable footwear. Also adhere to Motorsport Australia's zero Drugs and Alcohol policies.

Code of Conduct

Motorsport Australia policies are common sense and based on mutual respect for all participants and members of the public. Ensure you report inappropriate behaviour. Seek advice from Senior Officials if in doubt.

For Stage Closure Officials

Your Stage Commander or deputy will place you at your duty point. Please listen to their instructions on where to stand and where not to go. Maintain safe distances from the stage to reduce the chance of being hit by debris thrown up by passing competitor vehicles. Ensure you stand up, remain alert, and be actively aware for oncoming traffic. If you encounter a member of the public at your closure point, please politely advise that the event is on, and roads are closed.

After Competition (Stage Closure Officials)

Remain alert and in place even when the stage is quiet. After the Sweep vehicle passes your point (after the second run typically), start to pack up your area and collect all bunting and rubbish for disposal at home. Then wait to be relieved from your position by the Stage Commander or Deputy. They may be delayed, but they will come so please wait until relieved.

Rally Specific Instructions

- Persons under 18 years must have written parental/guardian permission to officiate and be supervised while officiating.
- Complete an Incident Report Form for anything unusual, photograph it with a smart phone and text the photo to **0458 758 786**.
- All officials must remain in the position allocated to them. This is especially important for spectator and stage closure officials.
- In the event of a delay in the running schedule or an extended unexplained gap in the field, do NOT leave your post until directed to do so by Senior Official. In the case of a Spectator Official, their manager and in the case of a Stage Official, the Stage or Deputy Stage Commanders (or their representative).
- Official's vests must be always worn.
- Do not go onto the stage to assist competitors unless urgent assistance is required. (i.e., Medical or Fire).
- Assist by having paperwork and/or equipment ready for pickup by Sweep or as directed. If you're a stage closure official, after the Sweep passes your point, please pull in any bunting, and take it home to bin or bin it appropriately on the way home.
- No official is to leave their designated position until instructed to by their team leader or Stage Commander (or Deputy).
- In certain areas official Motorsport Australia Accredited Media will be allowed. They are identifiable by a Motorsport Australia Accredited Media Vest and ID. If you are unsure if they are allowed near your area, check with your Stage or Deputy Commanders.

Safety is paramount. If in doubt, ask Senior Officials. Thank you for your dedication to a safe and successful event.

Sincerely,

Adrian Dudok
Clerk of Course