



Request for a waiver to the FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations

Event Name: Ulster International Rally	Date to be run: 18th/19th August, 2023
Waiver requested: Reduction in Accumulative Lateness	
Rationale: In the interests of safety, we wish to reduce the accumulative lateness at the end of a section or leg from 30 minutes to 15 minutes. Our main concern is with competitors seeded close to the end of the entry list who may be delayed by a mechanical issue and consequently find themselves running with a large time gap between them and the remainder of the competitors. When spectators see a significant gap after what they assume has been the last car to pass their location they will assume that the competitive element of the stage has been completed and begin to move around. This should not happen until the Road Opening Car has passed their location, however while marshals can prevent this happening in locations where they are based, it is not possible on a closed public road rally to marshal every house or farmland and therefore every spectator or member of the public on a special stage. Most National rallies in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland run with 15 minutes maximum lateness and competitors are familiar with this arrangement.	

Proposal: To re-word Art. 45.1 as follows;

Article 45.1 of the RRSR is amended to read:
Any lateness exceeding 15 minutes of any individual target time or an accumulative lateness exceeding 15 minutes at the end of each section or of a leg will result in the competitor concerned being considered to have retired at that control and the total penalty accrued for late arrival as per Art. 44.2.10.a) shall be that for 15 minutes lateness. The crew may nevertheless re-start the rally under the provisions stated in SR 12.10.9.2. In calculating such lateness time, the actual time and not the penalty time (10 seconds per minute) applies.

Conflicting regulation Article number(s): FIA RRSR Art. 45.1

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Date: 29/03/23

Waiver approved/denied:

Date:

