

Document: P4J

POONCARIE DESERT DASH Rd1 AORC 2024**POONCARIE****19-21/04/2024**

The Stewards, having received a Protest document number P4A) (from Competitor James Mogford Car 6195, lodged against the eligibility of Car 651, Competitor Greg Campbell, having summoned (summon number P4C,P4D,P4E) and heard from James Mogford, Greg Campbell and Fred Severin, the appointed Motorsport Australia Technical Delegate for the Championship, and having received no objections to the panel's composition commenced, and have considered the matter determining the following.

Competitors James Mogford Car 6195 (Protestor)
Greg Campbell Car 651

Date 27 May 2024

Facts The Stewards having considered the validity of the Protest lodged by the Competitor James Mogford Car 6195 against the alleged eligibility of Car 651 Competitor Greg Campbell, and deemed the matter as admissible, and proceeded with the Hearing.

Protest Details

The event was conducted under the Event's Supplementary Regulations Article 2.0 which in part references the 2024 Motorsport Australian Manual Off Road Appendix – Specific Requirements for Off Road Vehicles Technical Regulation in particular Article 11.8 – Suspension & Steering (d) Front and rear suspension arms are free providing:

(i) The maximum permitted outside tyre to outside tyre measurement at any point in the complete range of suspension travel must not exceed 2000mm. Refer Drawing 1.

The vehicle entered by Competitor Greg Campbell vehicle 651 when measured in Parc ferme by the appointed Motorsport Australia Technical Delegate Fred Severin was measured and checked to be 2060mm

There is no dispute in the manner and the recorded measurement undertaken by the Technical Delegate for vehicle 651.

The matter initially wasn't directly referred to the Stewards as a breach of the rules by the Technical Director because he was in receipt of a dispensation letter (document P4B) from Motorsport Australia's Rally and Off Road Executive and Event Specialist Jake Bryant to compete outside of the requirements of Article 11.8 (d) (i)

The Competitor has lodged a Protest as stated below.

A letter of Dispensation for CANAM MAVERICK R to compete outside 11.8 outside the Maximum permitted tyre measurement at any point must not exceed 2000mm'. is not Regulatory.

Decision

The Stewards have upheld the Protest.

The Competitor, Greg Campbell Car 651 is Disqualified from the final classification.

The Protest fee (in full) is refunded to Competitor Mogford.

The event's Provisional Classification are to be amended to reflect the Stewards decision no P4J.

Reason

The non-disputed recording of 2060mm by the Technical Delegate is in breach of Article 11.8 (d) (i) of the Specific Requirements for Off Road Vehicles Technical Regulation, which permits a maximum distance of 2000mm.

The un-published and very restricted distribution of the Jake Bryant's letter as his role of the Rally and Off Road Executive and Event Specialist on behalf of the Australian Off Road Commission, offering dispensation for the CAN-AM Maverick R vehicle, has no authority or regulatory value under the Event's Supplementary Regulations. Article 2.0



Furthermore, the letter is also non-compliant with NCR 59 Automobile Eligibility:
For any Competition open to a Motorsport Australia formula, category or group, each Automobile participating must comply in all respects with the Motorsport Australia technical regulations, and the official clarifications and interpretations of Motorsport Australia. Such regulations may only be modified with the approval of the CEO of Motorsport Australia.

The competitor is reminded of their Right of Appeal as set out in NCR 101/105 National Competition Rules- **APPEALS**

Issued by the Stewards of the Event:

[Ross Makela] (Chair)
Motorsport Australia Stewards

[Colin Smith]

[Lynne Cuttle]

DATE: 28 May 2024

TIME: 8.00hrs

Received by:

Name:

Signature:

Date: Time: