



Bulletin 2024-11
Change of Entries Updating
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The following changes to the ARA General Competition Rules and Rally Competition Rules are effective immediately. Note this bulletin also modifies Bulletin 2024-10.

General Competition Rulebook Updates

GCR 2 Terminology

Entry: Unless otherwise stated, for an Entry to be complete it must include the Entrant, Driver, Co-Driver, Competition Vehicle, and Class.

GCR 4.8 Entry

An entry made and accepted in accordance with these GCRs and any relevant Supplementary Regulations is a contract between ~~a competitor~~ an Entrant and the promoters or organizers by which the competitor agrees to take part in the competition entered unless prevented by force majeure and the organizers agree to comply with the conditions of entry provided that the competitor has made every effort to take part in the event. A breach of such contract may be treated as a breach of these GCRs.

GCR 4.11 Closing of Entry

The date(s) and time for the closing of entries shall be specified in the Supplementary Regulations for the event.

- a) Entrants may request changes after the close of entries and prior to the first Stewards Meeting as specified in the Supplementary Regulations for situations of hardship or force majeure. Any change to an entry after the close of entries must be approved by the Steward(s). Only the entered Driver or Co-Driver will be allowed to make this request.
- b) Incomplete entries at the time of closing of entries will be considered null and void and subject to entry fee forfeiture.

GCR 4.15 Change of Entry

With approval of the organizers, a change of Entry is permitted up to the close of entries. Only the entered Driver or Co-driver is allowed to make such a request.

A change of Entry after the close of entries and prior to posting of the Final Start Order for the first control of the event may be approved by the Stewards, subject to GCR 4.11.

No change of Entry is permitted after the publication of the Final Start Order for the first control of the event.

GCR 4.15 Change of Competition Vehicle

~~Subject to anything to the contrary in the applicable regulations, after the closing of entries, the Steward(s) of the Event may authorize the substitution in an event of a competition vehicle different from that specified on the entry form, provided that the Supplementary Regulations are complied with in all other respects.~~

GCR 6.2.3 Authority and Duties of the Stewards

~~o) Approve changes to an entry after the closing of entries and prior to the first Stewards Meeting as specified in the Supplementary Regulations.~~

Rally Competition Rulebook Updates

RCR 2.1.1 Definition

A rally crew shall consist of those two persons nominated on the official entry form as Driver and Co-Driver. Unless otherwise stated, either member of the crew may drive during the rally.

~~RCR 2.1.4 Change of Crew~~

~~During a national rally, no change of crew and/or vehicle as listed on the official entry form for the event is permitted and, further, the crew member listed on the entry form as driver shall operate the vehicle at all times while on special stages. Switching of duties during stages shall result in exclusion from the event, and the entry shall be recorded on the results as a DNF. Switching of duties during transits is permitted. Switching may also be permitted due to illness and if approved by the Senior Steward or the Competition Director. In these instances, the interchange of duties will only be permitted if the co-driver has a lower speed factor than the driver.~~

~~During a regional rally, the driver and co-driver may swap duties. The results will show driver and co-driver as entered.~~

Rationale: Competitors have questioned the meaning of several rules related to the close of entry as well as when and under what conditions an entry may change.



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