2026 Motorsport Australia Queensland Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations



2025 OUTRIGHT CHAMPIONS

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Queensland Off Road Championship (QORC)

These Regulations have been approved by the Queensland State Council of *Motorsport Australia*.
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1. GENERAL

The Championship will be held under the *FIA* International Sporting Code including Appendices; the National Competition Rules (*NCR*) of *Motorsport Australia*; the Off Road Standing Regulations of *Motorsport Australia*; these Championship Regulations and such *Supplementary Regulations* as may be issued.

2. ADMINISTRATION

The Championship organisers will be the *Event Organising Committees* under the control of the Queensland State Council of *Motorsport Australia*.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1. By entering any round of the QORC, each person and corporation agrees to refer to it only by its full title, "The 2026 Motorsport Australia Queensland Off Road Championship".

3.2. All promotional material must include the full title.

3.3. Each *Automobile* must display the *Motorsport Australia* logo on each side of the *Automobile*, together with any Championship sponsorship signage.

3.4. An *Organiser* may also require each *Competitor* to display signage promoting the *Event* sponsor; in such case this must be included in the *Supplementary Regulations*, and the *Organiser* will provide this signage to each *Competitor*.

4. SCHEDULE

The 2026 Queensland Off Road Championship will comprise the following *Long Course* and *Short Course Events*:

ROUND	DATE	EVENT TYPE	VENUE	ORGANISING CLUB
1	APRIL 18th - 19th	LONG COURSE	Charters Towers	NQORRA
2	JULY 10th- 12th	LONG COURSE	Limevale	SEQORRA
3	31st OCTOBER- 1st NOVEMBER	SHORT COURSE	Lockyer Valley	CORD

5. EVENT OPERATIONS

5.1. STARTS

5.1.1. An *Event* may include multiple *Automobile Starts,* depending on track conditions. The *Start* format will be advised in *Supplementary Regulations*.

5.1.2. A prologue will determine the initial starting order for each *Long Course* and *Short Course Event* and be conducted as per Articles 11.6, 11.7 and 11.8 of the Off Road Standing Regulations. Prologue times DO NOT count towards the point scores.

5.1.3. The starting order for the second and subsequent *Sections* will be based on the outright finishing order of the preceding *Section*. *Starts* will be as per Articles 11.7 &11.8 of the Off Road Standing Regulations. If the *Event* format splits the field into multiple groups, regrouping may occur within the individual groups. If seeding is required, it will be at the discretion of the *Organiser.*

5.1.4. Each *Event Organiser*, at their discretion, may separate *Competitors* into groups for each *Section*. In this instance, the prologue will determine the starting order within each of the groups for the first *Section*. The starting order for subsequent *Sections* will be determined as described in Article 5.1.3 of these regulations. Groups may be rearranged throughout the *Event* at the Clerk of the Course's discretion.

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5.1.5. Other than as provided for in Article 5.1.2 of these regulations, each *Automobile* will *Start* the prologue at the time allocated by the *Organiser*.

5.2. SEEDING

5.2.1. The *Crew* of an *Automobile* unable to attempt and/or not completing the prologue or a *Section* of an *Event* consisting of multiple *Sections*, may, on application to the *Organiser* and approval by the Stewards, be seeded.

5.2.2. There will be no right of appeal against any decision about seeding.

5.3. COMPETITION NUMBERS

5.3.1. Each competition number must comply with Article 30 of the General Requirements for Off Road Vehicles in the Off Road *Appendix* of the *Manual*.

5.3.2. A competition number on an *Automobile* that has been allocated to the *Driver* by *Motorsport Australia* will be given preference to use that number. If a *Competitor* does not have a number, the *Organiser* will allocate a competition number to be used at that *Event*.

5.4. TIMING & RESULTS

5.4.1. Timing will be by manual or electronic means to an accuracy of one (1) second.

5.4.2. Each *Automobile* will be timed as its front wheels pass the timing marker of the control, or if an electronic means of timing is utilised, when the electronic timing is activated.

5.4.3. The results of each *Event* will be determined by the total elapsed time taken by each *Automobile* for each *Section* of the *Event* plus any penalties. The results of each *Event* will be determined as per Article 14 of the Off Road Standing Regulations

5.4.4. Where a compassionate time allowance is made by the Clerk of the Course in conjunction with the Stewards, it will be applied to the times of the *Section* in which the incident occurred and where possible prior to the commencement of the next *Section*, so that it can be taken into consideration for the *Start* order of that *Section*.

5.4.5. Each score sheet will be required to clearly indicate how many *Sections* make up the *Event* and record total time for each *Section* and prologue for each *Crew*.

5.4.6. Each score sheet must record the total elapsed time for the determination of outright positions.

5.4.7. Each score sheet is required to indicate the names of the nominated primary *Driver* and *Co-Driver*/*Navigator* as well as the *Automobile* number.

5.4.8. Each score sheet shall be accompanied by each *Competitor's Entry* form at each *Event*.

5.5. JUDGES OF FACT

5.5.1. The Chief Scrutineer will be deemed to be a Judge of Fact in respect of *Automobile* safety and equipment safety in accordance with the *NCR* **(Refer NCR 79, Duties of a Judge of Fact). Each control official will be a Judge of Fact about time and direction of entry into each control. Control officials include, start control, finish control, and all checkpoint officials.**

5.5.2. The Starter (and any appointed Assistant) will be deemed a Judge of Fact in respect of any starting grid procedure and false *Start* in accordance with the *NCR*.

5.5.3. Each *Course* official will be deemed a Judge of Fact in respect of any deviation from the *Course*, finish line procedure, and finishing order in accordance with the *NCR.*

5.5.4. Each Timekeeper will be deemed a Judge of Fact in respect of timing in accordance with the *NCR.*

5.5.5. **The name of each Judge of Fact and the facts that they are judging are to be included in the *Supplementary Regulations* and/or a Bulletin.**

5.6. PROTESTS

Refer to the *NCR*.

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5.7. POSTPONEMENT OR CANCELLATION

Each *Event Organiser* reserves the right to cancel, postpone, or alter an *Event* in accordance with the *NCR* and may cancel the *Event* if insufficient entries are received.

5.8. SUBSTITUTION OF EVENT

The Queensland State Council, on advice from the Queensland Off Road Advisory Panel, reserves the right to substitute an *Event* in the case of a cancellation.

5.9. LODGING OF ENTRIES

5.9.1. An *Entry* will be considered valid if it complies with the *Supplementary Regulations*. The *Entry* form must be fully completed (and signed) and accompanied by the required fee and must be lodged with the *Event* Secretary within the period specified. It will be permissible to lodge an *Entry* by facsimile or by any other approved electronic means of communication as long as it is received before the close of entries.

5.10. RETURN OF ENTRIES

5.10.1. Each *Event Organiser* must specify, in the *Supplementary Regulations*, the conditions for return of *Entry* fees in the case of an *Event* cancellation or *Competitor* withdrawal.

5.11. RECONAISSANCE

5.11.1. An *Organiser* must provide the opportunity for reconnaissance of the *Course* by *Crews* in accordance with Article 11.4 the Off Road Standing Regulations and subject to the following conditions:

- A road registered *Automobile* and/or race *Automobile* is eligible at the *Organiser*'s discretion; and
- Each occupant must wear a seat belt/harness; and
- Speed is limited to a maximum of 80km/h.

5.12. EVENT FORMAT

5.12.1. An *Event* may be run as a *Long Course* or *Short Course*, as described in Article 15 of the Off Road Standing Regulations, and must have a minimum overall race distance of not less than 150km.

5.12.2. An *Event* may be run either as one *Section* or more than one *Section*.

5.12.3. For the purposes of these regulations, a *Section* ends when timing ceases for a break at any part of the race. The field will be regrouped at the beginning of each *Section*.

5.12.4. Where an *Event* is divided into *Sections*, each *Section* will be scored separately for class points. *Sections* may be run on different days. A *Crew* that does not complete a *Section*, will be permitted to start in a subsequent *Section*.

6. AUTOMOBILE/CREW/COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY

6.1.1. The *Competitor* and each *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* must hold the appropriate *Motorsport Australia Licence* and be a member of a *Motorsport Australia* Affiliated Club in accordance with the *Manual* (General Appendix- Competition Licences).

6.1.2. If the *Driver* of an *Automobile* is less than 18 years old or does not hold a current civil Driver's Licence, they must be accompanied at all times while competing by a *Crew* member, in the *Automobile*, who either holds a current civil Driver's Licence or is not less than 18 years old.

6.1.3. *Competition Licence*, logbook and club membership details must be presented at scrutineering at which time logbooks may be held by the Chief Scrutineer.

6.1.4. With the exception of *Automobiles* that have only one seat (in accordance with the Off Road Appendix - Specific Requirements of the *Manual*), for both *Long Course* and *Short Course Events* each *Crew* will consist of at least 2 persons, one nominated as the *Driver* and the other as the *Co-Driver* or number one *Navigator*.

6.1.5. For an *Automobile* to be eligible, it must comply with all Off Road requirements listed in the *Manual*, for the specific class in which it intends to compete.

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6.1.6. Each *Competitor* must nominate on the *Entry* form the primary *Driver* and *Co-Driver*/*Navigator* for the purpose of allocation of championship points. Where multiple *Co-Drivers*/*Navigators* are used at an *Event*, the first listed on the *Entry* form will be allocated the points for that *Event*.

6.1.7. If there is a change to the nominated primary *Driver*, *Co-Driver* or *Navigator* for an *Automobile* during an *Event*, the Clerk of the Course, Competitor Relation Officer or Starter must be notified prior to commencement of the *Section*. Failure to do so may result in penalties.

6.1.8. All competing *Automobiles* must carry a radio at each *Long Course* and *Short Course Event*. The radio must comply with Article 5.6 of the Off Road Standing Regulations.

7. SAFETY

7.1. DRIVER AND NAVIGATOR SAFETY

7.1.1. Each competing *Crew* member must wear apparel that complies with the Technical Appendix – Schedule D

7.2. AUTOMOBILE SAFETY

7.2.1. The attention of each *Competitor* is drawn to the *Manual* in which each *Automobile* requirement is listed.

7.3. ROAD REGISTERED AUTOMOBILES

7.3.1. A road registered *Automobile* must comply with each safety requirement as specified in the *Manual*.

7.3.2. A Queensland road registered *Automobile* must have an extension to compulsory third party insurance to compete.

8. CLASSES OF AUTOMOBILE

8.1. The Championship will be divided into the following classes as per the Off Road Standing Regulations:

8.1.1. Pro Buggy
8.1.2. Pro-lite Buggy
8.1.3. Sportslite
8.1.4. Super 1650 Buggy
8.1.5. Sportsman Buggy
8.1.6. Extreme 2WD
8.1.7. Performance 2WD
8.1.8. Side x Side Sport
8.1.9. Side x Side Pro
8.1.10. Production 4WD
8.1.11. Extreme 4WD
8.1.12. Extreme Lite

9. SCRUTINEERING

9.1. Self Scrutiny will be used at each *Event*. Each *Competitor* must complete a Statement of Vehicle Compliance and a Self Scrutiny Checklist prior to the *Event*. Each *Organiser* must complete full scrutiny on at least 10% of the field. An *Automobile* selected for full scrutiny must be advised at least 24hrs prior to scrutiny being conducted. *Automobiles* and apparel will also be subject to scrutiny spot checks at the discretion of the Chief Scrutineer prior to and during the Event. Scrutineering will be conducted at each *Event* as per Article 11.1 of the Off Road Standing Regulations.

9.2. Any *Automobile* may be examined for eligibility at any time during an *Event* and up to 20 minutes after the conclusion of the *Event*.

9.3. Immediately upon the completion of the *Event*, *Automobiles* may be impounded by the Chief Scrutineer for post-*Event* eligibility scrutineering. Any other *Automobile* may also be impounded at the *Organiser's* discretion

9.4. Examination for compliance may be undertaken whilst an *Automobile* is impounded, and each *Competitor* may be required to provide mechanical assistance to Scrutineers undertaking such examinations.

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10. PARC FERMÉ

10.1. If *Parc Fermé* is conducted at an *Event*, it will be in accordance with the Article 17 of the *NCR*.

10.2. For regrouping or other reasons, each *Automobile* may be required to be held in a *Parc Fermé.* An *Event* with multiple *Sections* may require *Automobiles* to be placed in *Parc Fermé* after an allocated service time, so each *Automobile* has the same amount of service time regardless of which Heat they run in. *Parc Fermé* may be used for regrouping, so each *Automobile* has the same amount of service time and other reasons between *Sections* at an *Event*. Details will be listed in the *Supplementary Regulations*.

10.3. Any *Automobile* which enters a *Parc Fermé* with its engine running may be restarted with assistance from officials before its release time.

11. POINTSCORE

11.1. To be eligible for Queensland Championship awards at the end of the QORC, a *Driver* and *Co-Driver/Navigator* must have entered and started any lap during *Competition*, not including prologue, at ONE of the calendared QORC and score at least 1 point.

11.2. The *Co-Driver*/*Navigator* will receive the same points as the *Driver* of the *Automobile* in which they are competing for both class and outright results at each *Event*.

12. CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

12.1. The award for Queensland Off Road Champion *Driver* and *Co-Driver*/*Navigator* only will be presented at the *Motorsport Australia* 'Evening of Champions'. Second and third positions (*Driver* and *Co-Driver*/*Navigator*) plus the winning *Driver* and *Co-Driver*/*Navigator,* in each class, will be awarded trophies which will be supplied from the Trophy Levy.

13. CLASS POINTS

13.1. Class points will be allocated equally for each *Section* regardless of distance. To be eligible for class points, a *Crew* must complete the total distance of a *Section* within the specified time allocated by the *Event Organiser*.

13.2. Class points will be awarded as follows:

Place	1 section	2 sections (points per section)	3 sections (points per section)	4 sections (points per section)	5 sections (points per section)
1st	120	60	40	30	24
2nd	90	45	30	22.5	18
3rd	72	36	24	18	14.4
4th	60	30	20	15	12
5th	48	24	16	12	9.6
6th	36	18	12	9	7.2
7th	24	12	8	6	4.8
8th	18	9	6	4.5	3.6
9th	12	6	4	3	2.4
10th	6	3	2	1.5	1.2
All other finishers	4	2	1.5	1	0.8

13.3. When an *Event* is stopped or otherwise shortened for any reason, class points will be awarded according to the *Event* format and number of Sections the leading *Automobile* has completed when the *Event* is stopped, as per the following.

13.3.1. When the *Event* is being run as <u>one *Section*</u>

- if less than 25% of the scheduled distance has been covered, no class points will be awarded;
- if 25% but not more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed, 50% of the available points will be awarded; or
- if more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed points will be awarded as though the scheduled distance had been covered.

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13.3.2. When the *Event* is being run as two or more *Sections*: points will be allocated for those *Sections* completed, in accordance with the appropriate scale (for the number of *Sections* scheduled as above). No points will be allocated for any *Section* not completed or which is stopped before the scheduled time for completion.

14. OUTRIGHT POINTS

14.1. Outright points will be distributed, regardless of class, and separate to class points, according to each *Crew*'s total elapsed time for all *Sections* after any penalties are applied.

14.2. To be eligible for outright points a *Crew* must complete 100% of the race distance.

14.3. Outright points will be awarded as follows:
1st - 120 points; 2nd - 90 points; 3rd - 72 points; 4th - 60 points; 5th - 48 points; 6th - 36 points; 7th 24 points; 8th - 18 points; 9th - 12 points; 10th - 6 points. The remainder of finishers each receive 4 points.

14.4. When an *Event* is stopped or otherwise shortened for any reason, outright points will be awarded according to the number of *Sections* the leading *Automobile* has completed when the *Event* is stopped.

- if less than 25% of the scheduled distance has been covered, no outright points will be awarded.
- if 25% but not more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed, 50% of the available points will be awarded; or
- if more than 75% of the scheduled distance has been completed points will be awarded as though the scheduled had been covered.

15. TIES

15.1. Outright: If two or more *Drivers* or two or more *Co-Drivers*/*Navigators* have accumulated equal points at the end of the QORC, the final positions will be determined by the greater number of higher outright *Event* finishing positions.

15.2. Class: If two or more *Drivers* or two or more *Co-Drivers*/*Navigators* have accumulated equal points at the end of the QORC, the final positions will be determined by the greater number of higher class *Section* finishing positions.

15.3. If this mechanism does not determine the result, a tie will be declared.

16. ENTRY FEES

16.1. The *Entry* fee will include an Off-Road Levy of $15.00 per *Entry*.

17. PARENTAL CONSENT

17.1. If any *Competitor*, *Driver*, *Co-Driver*, *Navigator* or pit crew is under 18 years of age, it must be stated on the *Entry* form together with the signed consent of a parent or guardian. Each *Entry* form must contain provision for the address and telephone number of a consenting parent or guardian.

18. INSURANCE

18.1. The *Event Organiser* must arrange public risk insurance with *Motorsport Australia*. Personal accident insurance for all officials, *Drivers*, *Co-Drivers*, *Navigator*s, and pit crew (nominated on the *Entry* form and duly signed) will be arranged with *Motorsport Australia*.

19. ALCOHOL/ PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

19.1. The consumption of alcohol or any prohibited substance by a *Driver*, *Co-Driver*, *Navigator* or team member (including pit crew) is forbidden during the *Event*. Consumption of alcohol or prohibited substances by anyone in the pit, paddock and other non-public areas is forbidden until all *Competition* is concluded for each day of the *Event*. Refer to the *Manual*.

20. OFFICIAL REGISTRAR

20.1. The 2025 Championship Registrar is:

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20.2. It is the responsibility of each *Event Organiser* to notify the Registrar of the *Final Classification* for the *Event* and Crew Check Sheet for prologue and each *Section* must be supplied with overall results, as per Articles 11, 12, 13 & 14 of these regulations within 7 days of *Event* completion.

21. EVENT TROPHIES

21.1. Trophies will be awarded at the discretion of the organising club and these awards will be defined in the *Supplementary Regulations*.

21.2. At the completion of each *Event*, the organising club will present trophies for that *Event*. (Completion of the *Event* means every *Automobile* has stopped racing.)

21.3. Trophies awarded at the *Organiser*'s discretion may reflect different place getters than the official point-score according to the method of discernment.

22. OTHER

22.1. WATERING OF COURSE

In order to comply with relevant Local Government requirements, where applicable, or to reduce dust and the like, it may be necessary to water the *Course* at intervals during the *Event*. Specific conditions will be detailed in the *Supplementary Regulations*.

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