

PART 1

SHORT CIRCUIT MOTOR SPORT ASSOCIATION *Inc.*

SHORT CIRCUIT TOURING CAR SPEED EVENTS

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1.1 AUTHORITY

Each Event will be held under the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices, and the National Competition Rules (NCR's) including any Appendix of the Motorsport Australia, the Speed Event Standing Regulations, the Short Circuit Standing Regulations, the Short Circuit Vehicle Regulations, Short Circuit General Regulations, Supplementary Regulations, and any Further Regulations or instructions that may be issued.

1.2 AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT EVENTS

Each club affiliated with the Short Circuit Motor Sport Association (SCMSA) are eligible to conduct a short circuit event in their own right, however to do so clubs must follow the guide lines set down by the Association.

- The club wishing to conduct a short circuit event must first apply to the SCMSA stating the type of event, date of the event to be conducted and on what circuit the event is proposed to be conducted.
- Each Event must be conducted as per the current short circuit rule book.
- Each short circuit event must have the services of a recognised state ambulance able to transport e.g. QAS (QLD) NSW (NSW).
- Supplementary regulations must be forwarded to the SCMSA Secretary or a member nominated by the Association before applying to Motorsport Australia for the permit. The SCMSA will forward the permit application to Motorsport Australia on the Club's behalf.
- Competitors (car owners) and Drivers must be a current financial member of one of the SCMSA affiliated car clubs. Each competitor in Short Circuit touring car speed event who are already a member of an affiliated club, other than the SCMSA, will need to have also purchased a SCMSA vehicle number prior to competing in a SCMSA touring car speed event. Annual fee asat 2021 is \$60.00.

Each competing vehicle must have a Motorsport Australia Vehicle log book or a SCMSA Vehicle log book. **NB:** If a Short Circuit Vehicle log book is required, this will be supplied free of charge as part of an annual vehicle number fee. A Motorsport Australia Vehicle Log Book takes precedence over a SCMSA Vehicle Log Book.

Each vehicle competing in a short circuit speed events must comply with the short circuit regulations.

- Each short circuit multi-car speed event must be conducted as a closed to club event.
- It is strictly prohibited for short circuit multi-car speed events to be conducted on circuits with a track length in excess of 1200 metres.

The events will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH & S and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the Motorsport Australia website at www.motorsportaustralia.com.au. Insurance for these Events will be provided in accordance with provisions of the current Motorsport Australia Manual.

Each Event will be subject to the issuing of a Motorsport Australia Organising Permit.

1.3 PROMOTER

Each Series Event will be promoted and organised by the Short Circuit Motor Sport Association.

1.4 EVENT ORGANISERS

Each Series Meetings will be organised by the Short Circuit Motor Sport Association. Short Circuit Events other than the Series Events will/may be organised by:-

Downs Motor Sport Club	PO Box 1762, Toowoomba, QLD 4350
Ipswich West Moreton Auto Club <i>Inc.</i>	PO Box 112, Ipswich, QLD 4305
Millmerran Auto Club <i>Inc.</i>	PO Box 5, Brookstead, QLD 4364
Stanthorpe & District Sporting Car Club <i>Inc.</i>	PO Box 83, Stanthorpe, QLD 4380
Tamworth Sporting Car Club <i>Inc.</i>	PO Box 115, Tamworth NSW 2340

1.5 EVENT DESCRIPTION

Each Event will be Club Status Short Circuit Speed Event conducted at any of the following circuits:- Morgan Park – Warwick (1200 metre track), Carnell Raceway – Stanthorpe, Willowbank Park – Ipswich, and the Reserve Raceway - Millmerran.

1.6 TO BE ADVISED IN SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

Sponsor details
Organising Club
Organising Committee
Event details and times
Clerk of Course
Event Secretary
Chief Scrutineer
Stewards
Address for receipt of entry forms
Entry fee

1.7 JUDGES OF FACT

- (a) Scrutineers shall be deemed Judges of Fact in respect to safety equipment, eligibility of vehicles, each document is current and correct, and the measurement of emitted noise.
- (a) The Start Official (his/her assistants where applicable) shall be deemed Judges of Fact in respect to starting grid procedures and false starts, and finish line procedures.
- (b) The Chief Timekeeper (and his/her assistant if applicable) shall be deemed to be the Judges of Fact relative to the order of finish.

1.8 LODGING AN ENTRY

Each Entry may be accepted at the discretion of the organisers and subject to the provision of the Track Licence if addressed as advised in the Event Supplementary Regulations. The official entry form fully completed (and signed), and accompanied by the required fee must be lodged with the Event Secretary within the period specified. Entry forms may be lodged by facsimile or electronically, but for the entry to be valid the entry fee must be received by the organiser prior to the closing date of the entries. (Refer to the Motorsport Australia Manual NCR 27 and NCR 28).

The number of vehicles competing in an event shall be limited to the maximum grid capacity or a lesser number as determined by the Clerk of Course in consultation with the Stewards of the Meeting.

The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry without assigning any reason. - refer to the Motorsport Australia Manual of Motorsport NCR 33.

1.9 PARENTAL CONSENT

If any entrant, driver or pit crew is under 18 years of age, the consent of his/her parent or guardian must appear on the entry form, as must be the name, address and signed consent of his/her parent or Legal Guardian.

1.10 PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER/COMPETE

Only a competitor or driver who has obtained a SCMSA vehicle number, rule book and SCMSA membership card are eligible to enter and compete.

Note: In order to compete in a Short Circuit Motor Sport Association event, a Competitor (car owners) or Drivers must be a current financial member of one of the following car clubs: Downs Motor Sport Club, Ipswich West Moreton Auto Club, Millmerran Auto Club, Stanthorpe & District Sporting Car Club, Tamworth Sporting Car Club.

Each competitor, whose cars is competing in a Short Circuit Touring Car Event will need to have purchased a SCMSA vehicle number prior to competing in a Short Circuit Touring Car Event. Annual fee as at 2022 is \$50.00

Any Junior must have attained the age of 14 years and not 17 years as at the 1st January of the calendar year.

1.11 LICENCE REQUIREMENTS:

Each Entrant and driver must hold a Motorsport Australia Speed Licence of the appropriate level.

1.12 SCRUTINEERING

Each document including evidence of SCMSA Inc. Club Membership, Club Membership Card, Licences, and a Motorsport Australia or SCMSA Vehicle Log Book must be presented at scrutineering. **NB:** A Motorsport Australia Vehicle Log Book takes precedence over a SCMSA Vehicle Log Book.

Each piece of driving apparel including FHR and helmet, clothing and footwear must be presented to the scrutineers at the time of scrutiny of the subject car. Apparel must be in with accordance with Schedule D of the current Motorsport Australia Manual

Any vehicle that has not been scrutineered and approved for competition by the Chief Scrutineer (or nominee) will not be permitted to practice or participate in the event. The onus is on the owner of the vehicle to present an eligible vehicle at scrutineering and at any time during competition.

1.13 DRIVERS BRIEFING

All competitors are required to attend the Drivers' Briefing at a time and location to be advised in the Supplementary or Further Regulations. The Clerk of Course may hold a briefing at any other time during the day, the time and place of which will be advised to each competitor.

1.14 PRACTICE

Each Competitor may be given 10 minutes compulsory practice within their class. Each driver and relief driver will complete at least three practice laps. Failure to do so may result in exclusion, at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. Small number of entries in any class may lead to amalgamation of classes at the discretion of the organisers.

1.15 STARTING POSITIONS

Qualifying will be at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. If transponder is used by any short circuit competitor, that competitor will be given approximately 10 minutes compulsory qualifying within their class. Each driver shall complete at least three timed qualifying laps. Failure to do so may result in exclusion, at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. The starting positions will be decided on lap times established in the qualifying practice sessions with the fastest driver being placed on first starting position and the remainder in order of their qualifying times. If two or more drivers record equal lap times in qualifying sessions, the first driver to record the time will take precedence for starting positions.

A TOURING CAR SPRINT SPEED EVENT MEETING may run over two days. It is expected each days competition will be made up to three (3) Heats and a Final Touring Car Sprint Event.

The starting positions for the heats will be as follows:

Heat 1	The starting positions will be determined by the qualifying positions (if a transponder is used). If a transponder is not used the starting positions will be decided by a draw.
Heat 2	The starting position will be the reverse of the grid position decided for Heat 1.
Heat 3	The starting position will be the highest accumulated points minus any penalties over the previous Heats to start at the front of the grid. The competitor having the next lowest aggregate, minus any penalties, shall occupy the next position, and so on. In the case of equal scores, the starting position for the tied competitors will be decided by a ballot draw conducted by the Pit Marshall.
Final	The starting positions will be the highest accumulated points minus any penalties over the previous Heats to start at the front of the grid.

AN ENDURANCE TOURING CAR SPEED EVENT MEETING will be made up of a number of Heats and a Final Endurance Event.

The starting position for the heats will be as above, except for the Final Endurance Feature Event. The Endurance Feature Event will be run as a **handicap** event.

Competitors based on their particular class of vehicle will be started at nominated positions around the Course. Starting positions within each class will be determined by the highest accumulated points minus any penalties over previous heats or by times recorded in qualifying sessions.

Each car, upon crossing the START/FINISH line will be deemed to have completed their first lap. (Note: The distance travelled by each class of vehicle to complete their first lap will vary as a result of this **handicapping** process.

Events will be conducted separately for Junior Competitors (Junior Events) and Senior Competitors (Senior Events). **Juniors are those persons identified at “1.10 Eligible Persons,” Juniors are eligible to compete in Senior events as a senior at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.**

STARTING POSITION ASSEMBLY

Prior to each event competitors shall assemble their vehicles in the pit area as directed by the Clerk of Course or his/her assistant. Each Competitor will assume their starting position only when directed to do so by the Clerk of Course or his/her assistant.

1.16 FLAG SIGNALS

The flags to be used during competition are:

AUSTRALIAN FLAG: Start of race.

YELLOW (waved): Great danger, be prepared to stop. Each car must slow down immediately, there is to be no passing under the waved Yellow Flag, from the flag point to the next green flag.

RED: Immediately reduce speed and all vehicles able to do so will proceed slowly to the start / finish line. Overtaking is not permitted. Working on a vehicle on the track under a Red Flag is prohibited.

BLACK: (Displayed with car number on a blackboard at least 600 mm square) Return to the pits immediately via the pit entrance, and report to the Clerk of the Course as soon as the event is completed.

BLACK FLAG WITH ORANGE DISC

(Displayed with car number on blackboard) Vehicle has mechanical problems. Return to the pits immediately via the pit entrance. When the mechanical problems have been rectified the car may rejoin the race.

BLACK & WHITE DIAGONALLY DIVIDED:

(Displayed with Car number on a blackboard) Driver cautioned for poor sportsmanship. Driver may continue in race but must report to the Clerk of the Course immediately after the race.

BLUE: Overtaking signal to alert the driver that a following car/s may be attempting to overtake.

WHITE Service Vehicles or slow-moving vehicles on the track.

BLACK & WHITE CHEQUERED: Finish of the race or practice.

LAST LAP BOARD: Indicates the last lap of the race.

YELLOW WITH RED STRIPES: (Deterioration of adhesion) informs drivers that the conditions of adhesion of the track surface have suddenly deteriorated in the area beyond the flag.

1.17 RED FLAG SITUATION IN AN EVENT:

If the event is stopped before the completion of two laps, then the original start will be deemed null and void and a new event commenced. The length/distance of the new event will be the original length/distance of the aborted event unless the Stewards of the Meeting approve a shorter length/distance. The starting order of competitors in the new event will be the same as that of the aborted event.

If the event is stopped after the completion of two laps then, the original event will be deemed null and void and a new event commenced, however the length of the new event will be two laps less than the original event distance, less the number of laps completed by the leader before the signal to stop was given. At the re-start competitors will be arranged in single file as per the order of each competitor at the end of the lap **prior** to that during which the signal to stop was given.

If the event is stopped after 90% or more of the event length/distance has been completed then the event may, at the discretion of the Clerk of Course and subject to the approval of the Stewards of the Meeting, be deemed to have finished at the time when the leading vehicle crossed the finish line for the penultimate time before the event was stopped.

1.18 LIGHT SIGNALS:

There may be instances where light signals may be used to supplement, or under some circumstances, to replace flag signals. A Light may replace waved red, yellow, green, blue or white flag.

Each competitor will be briefed on how the light system will be operated.

1.19 INSURANCE

Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by Motorsport Australia in relation to the event. Further details can be found in the Motorsport Australia Insurance Handbook, available at www.motorsportaustralia.com.au.

1.20 PROTESTS

Any Protest must be lodged in writing and handed directly to the Stewards of the Meeting, or if this is not possible to the Clerk of Course in accordance with the Motorsport Australia International Competition Rules and accompanied by the appropriate fee.

1.21 ABANDONMENT

Event organisers have the right to postpone, abandon or cancel the meeting at their sole discretion subject to the current Motorsport Australia Manual of Motorsport and may cancel the event if fewer than 30 entries are received.

1.22 USE OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

Any holder of a Motorsport Australia 'Competition' or 'Officials' licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of drugs (or other banned substances) and subject to a penalty/ies for a breach in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Anti-Doping Policy and/or the Motorsport Australia Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy as published on the Motorsport Australia website. Consumption of alcohol in the paddock, pits or any section of the competition venue/course under the control of the Officials is forbidden until all competition is concluded each day. Accordingly, any holder of a Motorsport Australia 'Competition' or 'Officials' licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may also be tested for the presence of alcohol by a Motorsport Australia Accredited Testing Official (CATO) in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Standard Operating Procedure for Breath Alcohol Testing.

1.23 USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

Each Competitor and any crew are required to make themselves aware of the requirements for the appropriate use of Social Media outlined in the Motorsport Australia Social Media Policy as published on the Motorsport Australia website.

This Policy applies to:

- (a) any Motorsport Australia contractor, agent and employee; and
- (b) any Individual who hold a Motorsport Australia Licence (as defined in the Motorsport Australia National Competition Rules), (collectively referred to in this Policy as You) when using Social Media in relation to Motorsport Australia or an Event.

Social Media in this Policy means any type of electronic public forum that enables people to create and share content or engage in social networking. Common examples include Twitter, Facebook, blogs, forums, content sharing and uploading, etc.

This Policy does not apply to the use of Social Media in personal and other areas of life which are not related to Motorsport Australia or an Event

1.24 CLASSES

The organisers envisage the competition will be divided into the following classes:-

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| (1) Juniors | (2) Improved Production 0-2000cc, |
| (3) Improved Production Over 2000cc | (4) Sports Production |
| (5) Sports Sedans | |

Small number of entries in any class may lead to amalgamation at the discretion of the organisers. The organisers reserve the right to add to or subtract from the classes and reclassify vehicles on the day.

1.25 PENALTIES:

Any competitor in breach of the rules during competition may be shown a Black and White Diagonal Flag or a Black Flag. At the discretion of the Clerk of Course, in consultation with the Stewards, the showing of a Black and White Diagonal Flag may incur an on the spot penalty of five (5) points: a Black Flag may incur an on the spot penalty of ten (10) points.

Jumping the start and poor sportsmanship will incur an on the spot penalty of five (5) points.

Failing to obey the proper orders of an official of the meeting shall be deemed to be a breach of the rules.

Any display of bad sportsmanship from a competitor, driver or pit crew may lead to the exclusion of that team from the event.

Failure to follow the lawful direction of any Official of the Meeting may lead to the exclusion of that team from the event.

1.26 SAFETY – DRIVERS APPAREL

Each Driver must be attired in accordance with Schedule D of the current Motorsport Australia Manual.

1. Each competitor in any Short Circuit speed event are required to wear a Frontal Head Restraint (FHR) and helmet compliant with Standard A as specified in Schedule D.
2. Clothing from ankles to neck to wrists. Clothing of flammable synthetic material, such as nylon, is not acceptable. Level A, B or C overalls are recommended
3. Suitable footwear - Feet must be completely covered with leather boots, shoes or other flame-resistant material (high-heeled shoes are prohibited).

1.27 SAFETY - CARS

Each competing vehicle must be equipped with the safety provisions set out in the current Motorsport Australia Manual and the Short Circuit Motor Sport Association's General Regulations & Vehicles Specifications as approved by Motorsport Australia.

1.28 DETERMINATION OF WINNERS:

Timing will be by manual or electronic means. The results will be determined by fastest to the slowest in each class.

1.29 POINTS ALLOCATION

If the event is a SCMSA series meeting all competitors who compete on the day will be eligible for series points.

Each Competitor must complete 75% of a heat or final in an event and take the chequered flag to be classified as a finisher and to be eligible for points.

POINTS TABLE FOR ALL HEATS & FINALS DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF CARS STARTING A SHORT CIRCUIT SPEED CLASS

Car's Finishing Position	6 Cars Starting Event	5 Cars Starting Event	4 Cars Starting Event	3 Cars Starting Event	2 Cars Starting Event	1 Car Starting Event
1 st	7	6	5	4	3	2
2 nd	6	5	4	3	2	
3 rd	5	4	3	2		
4 th	4	3	2			
5 th	3	2				
6 th	2					
7 th or more	1					

Under no circumstances can points be carried from one class to another.

1.30 AWARDS

At the conclusion of each event trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd highest point scorers in each of the competing classes.

At the conclusion of the SCMSA Short Circuit Series, trophies will be awarded to the first three (3) outright places, and the first three (3) places in each class. To be eligible for SCMSA series trophies each competitor must compete in at least 75% of the series events e.g. 3 out 4 events.

The series Outright and Class trophies will be awarded to those competitors with the highest accumulated points earned for Series competition throughout the year.

Event organisers reserve the right to add to these awards.

1.31 TWO WAY RADIOS IN COMPETITION VEHICLES

The use of two way radios in competition vehicles will be permitted providing that:-

1. Radio transmission is from car to pits only (No car to car transmission)
2. On a radio frequency different to that used by the Organising Committee.
3. The transmitter's radio frequency is to be advised to the Event Secretary prior to the start of competition.
4. The Organising Committee reserves the right to monitor these transmissions at any time during the competition.