



Victorian State Circuit Racing Championships - Round 4 Sandown International Motor Raceway 7 – 9 August 2026

Motorsport Australia Permit Number: **326/0908/01**

Further Regulations

Officials for the Event shall be:

Chief Steward: David Bellenger
Stewards: Aaron Blanchard, Krystian Jackson
Clerk of the Course: David Vernall
Deputy Clerk of the Course: Jeremy Cath
Assistant Clerks of the Course Judicial: Terry Buxton
Driving Standard Advisor: John Beck
Secretary of the Event: Noel Tippet
Deputy Secretary of the Event: Karyn Hamer
Chief Scrutineer: Jeff Birrell
Chief Marshal: Mick Arnott
Marshal: Glenn Rochester
Chief Fire Marshal: Phil Craig
Chief Medical Officer: Dr Jack Spencer
Starter: Shane Rogers
Chief Timekeeper: Darren McKemmish
Judge of Fact for Event Starts: David Vernall, Darren McKemmish, Jeremy Cath
Judge of Fact Pit Lane speed: David Vernall, Darren McKemmish, Jeremy Cath

Sandown access and venue procedures:

Access hours – Gates open at 7:00am on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Thursday access – You can access the Paddock from 1.00pm on Thursday 6th August.
No competition engines are to be started on Thursday under any circumstances.

Transporter parking– Transporters must be in their park up position on Thursday 6th August. Pit Lane Garage tender parking is allowed at the rear of your garage. Other transporters must park in areas allocated for your Category. Park responsibly– if in doubt, seek advice from a Paddock Marshall.

Paddock area– **Park your race car in your Category area (see Paddock Motorsport Map)**. Paddock speed limit is 15 Kph. If you are detected driving unsafely, you shall be referred to the Stewards of the Event. If you ride a bicycle, motorised scooter or similar unsafely, you face a ban on further use of that device. Cars entered for the race Event must not be driven outside the pit/paddock area. **No tent pegs or spikes are to be driven into the asphalt. Each competing vehicle may have one tender vehicle in the Paddock, unless otherwise directed. All other vehicles or trailers must be parked in the Trailer Parks as directed.**

Power leads must have been tested and tagged. No overhead power leads are allowed. No power leads may be run in any areas of public access.

Noise is strictly controlled. No competition engines may run before 9:00am or after 6:00pm.

Protect the environment– use the rubbish bins provided for refuse and put waste oil in bins supplied. **Smoking and Vaping** is not permitted in garages, carports, marquees, pit lane, or in any other building on the venue.

Friday Practice– A schedule of events will be sent in a separate email. An Observed Licence Test will be held as part of Friday activities. **There will be Driver Briefings on Friday.**

Document Check & Scrutiny

Document check will be available in garage 34, next to the control tower, on Thursday from 2.00pm and from 7.30am Friday and Saturday

Logbooks will be checked for audit purposes.

There will be spot checks on club membership during check in.

Licence Upgrades

If you wish to upgrade your licence to or get a maintenance signature for your Circuit licence, please lodge your competition record with the Secretary of the Event on Friday or Saturday morning prior to the start of the Event. You will be observed, and following the conclusion of your last event the driver must collect their record of competition from the Secretary of the Event 30 mins after your last session. Licences will not be accepted after document check is completed.

Timetable- The three-day timetable will be sent in a separate email.

Testing There is to be no "testing" of any cars entered for the meeting, in either the paddock area or on the road outside the paddock area.

Sandown (MRC) Venue Regulations

Must be read in conjunction with these regulations. Are available at
https://vic.mgcc.com.au/client_images/2738946.pdf

Regulation of Fuel at Sandown – Worksafe Victoria rules and Sandown (Melbourne Racing Club) regulations on fuel storage in garages, marquees or in the open paddock area must be observed.

Motorsport Australia appointed Compliance Officers will enforce these rules and regulations and have authority to close the race event ("work place") if these are not followed:

- You must not bring more than 60 litres of fuel into the Sandown venue.
- A maximum of 60 litres of fuel is permitted in your garage/marquee/paddock pit at any one time no matter how many race cars are parked in it.
- Compliance Officers will patrol the venue to enforce this rule.
- If you are found with more than 60 litres of fuel in your garage, marquee or paddock pit, you will be instructed to relocate that fuel in containers complying with AS2906 clearly marked with the Competitors name and Competition number to the fuel bund.- An OH&S incident report will go to Race Control. The driver may be referred to the Stewards of the Event.

Sandown fuel service – Put safety first – and your own convenience – by buying a range of competition fuels at reasonable prices from Race Fuels (Ph: 0419 511 517). They are in the designated fuel bund at the Dandenong Road end of the Paddock next to Scrutiny Bay. An order form for fuels available and pricing is attached.

Scan and email the order form to Race Fuels. Fuel can be dispensed direct into your car, or into suitable containers. Some containers may be available in exchange for a security deposit. Engines off in the fuel bund.

Practice / Qualifying – CRSR 4.1

Circuit Activity:

Racing Procedures

Circuit direction is anti-clockwise and track length is 3.1 km. No reversing will be permitted to gain access to any part of the race track unless directed by the Clerk of the Course.

Racing Procedures

It is the intention of the Organisers to utilise Raceceivers at this Event. We will have a limited number available for hire. However competitors are urged to make their own arrangements.

All practice sessions and races will be time certain rather than number of laps. The time will begin once the first car is released from pit lane. It is therefore important that the formation lap is conducted at a brisk pace.

All practice sessions and races will be run sequentially as per the attached schedule. Start times for individual races will not be published. Competition will begin at 9.10 am on all days and finish at 5.00pm.

Any incidents that occur in a particular session that cause a significant delay to the program will not impact other categories. However, the time lost will be deducted from that category's future sessions.

All incidents involving contact with your car are serious. If you contact another car or the safety barriers on the track, you must:

- Take your car directly to the Scrutiny Bay when returning to the paddock.
- Report to the Chief Medical Officer before recommencing competition.
- The incident must be reported to the Judicial Team on the ground floor of Race Control

These requirements are monitored by the Clerk of the Course.

Flag procedures– Ensure you are familiar with the flag procedures as outlined in the Motorsport Australia Motorsport Manual.

Grid positions– All racing categories will use progressive grids. Direct any questions to the Secretary of the Event.

Permission to start rear of grid– Drivers wishing to start rear of grid for any reason must lodge a request with the Secretary of the Event at least 30 minutes before the relevant Event.

Penalties applied by the Stewards– As authorised in *CRSR Article 7*, the Stewards may apply a time penalty or require a competitor to come into pit lane by showing the black flag and the car number at the start line and at turn 11. No protest against the decision of a Judge of Fact will be accepted. Infringements such as false start, failure to obey flag signals, Code of Driving Conduct violations and dangerous track re-entry may be penalised in this manner. A sign displayed at the Start Line stating TIME PENALTY, together with your car number, will be used to notify you of the penalty. These penalties will not prevent further penalties being imposed for the same infringement.

Marshalling and Formation Lap procedure– Fifteen minutes before your event you will be called to the Marshalling Area. You must show your wristband as you enter the marshalling area. You will be shown the 1-minute board prior to leaving the Marshalling Area. Proceed onto the track for the formation lap. Do not stop to carry out a practice start in the marshalling area or at pit exit. To help keep to schedule, complete the formation lap at a brisk pace. Drivers deemed by the Clerk of the Course to be taking excessive time will be black flagged. You must not stop to carry out a practice start on the formation lap.

During the Formation Lap passing is only permitted in order to maintain formation.

Any Automobile out of position at the exit of turn 9 must enter the Pit Lane and may join the race from the exit of the Pit Lane under the direction of an official after the field has passed. (CRSR 5.2.12.3)
Once you enter Turn 11 do not break traction or weave violently. All races will use a Non-Championship Standing Start as per CRSR Article 5.2.9

Sports Cars and Vic V8's have a Non-Championship Rolling Start with a formation lap.

Start procedure– When the Starter is satisfied that all cars are correctly positioned, a 5 second board will be shown to the grid at which time you are under "Starters Orders", and the red light will be turned on. At any moment, between two and three seconds, the red light will go out to start the race.

False Start– The penalty for a jump start, as deemed by the Judge of Fact, will be the addition of a minimum of 5 seconds to your race time.

Driving Standards– Any breaches of the CODE OF DRIVING CONDUCT (CRSR 6) shall be reported to the Stewards.

Red Flag– In the case of a serious incident the Event will be stopped by the Red flag. You must reduce speed and be ready to stop if necessary. No overtaking is permitted and you must return to Pit Lane. You should expect to see emergency vehicles and officials on the track.

Circuit Exit– Following the chequered flag cars will proceed around the track and exit into pit lane at the start of the main straight.

Variations of Events– If on-track incidents or weather cause changes to the Event Schedule, you will be informed and a notice will be displayed at the Race Secretary's Office. Listen to the public address - you are responsible to be in marshalling on time. Competitors gridded in events outside their category for any reason will be individually notified.

Dorian timers– Timing will be electronic for all categories. You will require a DATA-1 Transmitter, known as a Dorian timer. Timers and brackets are available for purchase from Dorian Industries (Ph: 03 9931 1371). There will be Dorian Timers available for hire at the Event.

Pit Lane– The Pit Lane speed limit is 40 km/h at all times. If you exceed this limit, a penalty in accordance with the CRSR may be imposed by the Stewards. **Drivers must not engage reverse gear in pit lane.** This includes entering or exiting pit lane garages.

Pit Crew and Spectators– No pit crew is permitted to enter the race track at any time. Such persons must remain behind all safety barriers as directed by Race Officials. A maximum of 2 crew members per team may carry out timing/signalling along the main straight fence. The grass area between the barriers on the front straight and Pit Lane is out of bounds. No crew are permitted in this area while track activity is in progress.

Except for a Driver in that session, no person under the age of 16 years will be permitted in Pit Lane or the Marshalling Area. Only pit crews will be permitted beyond the red line approximately 1 meter from the Pit Lane garage. No equipment may be placed on the pit wall during the event. During the start of the formation lap and any race, only race officials and media crews specifically authorised by the Clerk of the Course are permitted at the signaling wall. All such personnel must be suitably attired including, but not limited to, no red tops, shirts, jumpers, jackets, along the signaling wall. The Clerk of the Course will determine suitability.

Pit crew attire– All persons working on cars must be attired in accordance with *Technical Appendix Schedule D of the Motorsport Australia Manual*.

Withdrawal during the Event– If, during the course of the weekend, you are unable to compete any further, you must advise the Secretary of the Event. This courtesy eliminates time wasted searching for you in the Marshalling Area etc.

Driver availability– You must remain at the circuit for 30 minutes after each race so officials can contact you if required.

Refunds– Entry fees are not refundable, except where the Event is abandoned, or if the entry is refused, or if the entry is withdrawn by written advice to the Entry Secretary by the ninth day prior to the Event. An administration fee of \$30.00 will be deducted.

Cancellation- The Organiser reserves the right to postpone or stop the Event in accordance with the NCR.

Results– Results will be available during the week after the Event on the following website: www.natsoft.com.au

Improved Production Automobiles with an effective capacity of 1600cc or less are permitted to use any tyre type that would be permitted for an Improved Production car in a Speed event. (Technical Appendix Schedule E).

Notice on safe working conditions - Both the Organisers and Motorsport Australia have OH&S Policies which are available on their relative web sites and from the Race Administration Office in the Control Tower.

You are reminded that Competitors are responsible at all times for the working conditions of their Pit Crews and other Team Members at all times, and for any Contractors they may have attending the Event to assist them. They must ensure that all applicable safe working conditions and practices (for example, as would be appropriate in industry or your workshop) are met at all times.

Any injuries or “emergencies” experienced by the Teams must be reported to the Race Administration Office as soon as practicable to enable us to deploy an appropriate emergency response, and to comply with Work Safe reporting requirements.

All the Officials are there because they enjoy being part of motor racing, but they do have specific responsibilities. Follow their instructions or their directions and help them help you have a safe and enjoyable weekend's motor racing. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary of the Event.

On behalf of the organising committee, we look forward to seeing you at Winton Motor Raceway and wish you a great event.

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