



(North Queensland Offroad Racing Association Inc (Version 1 18/2/2024 – 21:30))

# MARKWELL GROUP SHORT COURSE SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

## 1. TITLE AND EVENT

The event will be known as MARKWELL GROUP SHORT COURSE and will be a Short Course Off Road Event conducted at Millchester Motorsports Facility Charters Towers ((HQ S20.073878 E146.321144). In the state of Queensland on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

The Event will be Round 1 of the North Queensland Super Series.

## 2. AUTHORITY AND PERMIT

The Event will be held under the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices, the National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport Australia, General Conditions for All Titles, the Off Road Standing Regulations (ORSR), these Supplementary Regulations and any Further Supplementary Regulations, Instructions or Bulletins which may be issued by the Organiser or the Stewards.

The Event will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH&S, Safety 1st, Integrity and Legal, and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the Motorsport Australia website at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au).

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.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au). It is strongly recommended that Competitors consider taking out additional insurance, including income protection insurance.

The Motorsport Australia permit number for the event is # *424/1404/01*

## 3. SPONSOR

The sponsor of the event will be Markwell Group.



## 4. PROMOTER/ORGANISER

The event will be promoted by the North Queensland Offroad Racing Association Inc ABN: 68618326687, which has appointed the Organising Committee listed below.

The official event address, to which all correspondence must be sent, will be:

### The Secretary of the Event

Don Young Email: [don.young13@hotmail.com](mailto:don.young13@hotmail.com) 0438 862 150



## 5. ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The Organising Committee of the event will be:

Don Young	0438 862 150	don.young13@hotmail.com
Robert Turner	0418 778 134	aturneng@bigpond.net.au
Kevin Ballment	0409 056 011	bigkev@chillout.com.au

## 6. PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course	Ken Eardman	1123363	0417 627 410
Starter	Jason Lees	1805964	0437 227 334
Secretary of the Event	Donald Young	9658065	0438 862 150
Chief Scrutineer	Ken Whitby	1024815	0407 635 438
Chief Timekeeper	Judy Turner		0418 728 677
Critical Incident Co-Ordinator	Ken Eardman	1123363	0417 627 410
Critical Incident Controller	Robert Turner	8658065	0418 778 134
AORC Course Checker	Donald Young	9658065	0438 862 150
Compliance Checker	Ken Eardman	1123363	0417 627 410
Recovery Chief	Kevin Ballment	1061183	0409 056 011

## 7. STEWARDS

Chief Steward – Greg Wright

Terry Scully – Terrence Scully

## 8. ENTRIES

Entries open on with the release of these approved Supplementary regulations and close at 5.00pm on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

The entry fee for this Event is as follows:

Entry Fee	\$185.00
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Additional navigators may compete, providing they are properly nominated on the entry form and an additional fee of \$ 10.00 is paid.

Your entries for the 10 Laps includes the Motorsport Australia Insurance Fee of \$95 that the Organiser will remit to Motorsport Australia within 7 days of the Event.

Entries may be limited to 20, and acceptance will be determined in order of receipt. All entries must be made on the Motorsports Australia Online Entry link is available at [Motorsport Australia - Member Portal](https://motorsportaustralia.com.au/member-portal) or via the links at [NQORA \(offroadracingnq.wixsite.com\)](https://offroadracingnq.wixsite.com)

### ENTRY ONLINE PROCESS:

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE GONE IN PRIOR TO ENTERING AND UPDATE YOU PROFILE WITH LATEST LICENCE AND VEHICLE INFORMATION**

Payment to be made via Direct Debit as part of the entry process.



**PART.1.** Enter using the Online Entry System plus payment via direct debit to:

**BSB:** 633000

**Account:** 122294622

**Account Name:** North Queensland Offroad Racing Association Inc

Please quote your competition vehicle number and driver's surname as reference so that payment can be accounted for.

Send email to Secretary of the Event with Proof of Payment.

**PART.2.**

1. [Off Road Self Scrutiny Documentation](#)
2. [Self Scrutiny Declaration](#)

If you have any questions regarding the Entry process, please email the Secretary of the Event.

Note: Entries will not be accepted unless accompanied by the relevant payment. Any competitor / crew with any monies owing to North Queensland Offroad Racing Association Inc will not be permitted to start the Event. If you are unsure, please email the Secretary of the Event.

The Organiser reserves the right to refuse an entry in accordance with the provisions of the NCR.

The Organiser reserves the right to abandon, postpone or stop the Event in accordance with the NCR or if less than 5 entries are received by close of entries (Refer Sporting Regulations).

### **Entry Withdrawal / Refund Policy**

Competitors withdrawing after 5.00pm on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April will have a \$10 document Fee unless: Article a: of these regulations apply.

## **9. INSURANCES:**

Competitors should note that up to five (5) units of additional insurance can be purchased. Details of the insurance and applications, for extra units are available through the Motorsport Australia website by clicking "About", "Insurance", visit Arthur J Gallagher website, "Personal Accident Insurance"

## **10 SCRUTINEERING**

### **10.1 Times and Venues**

Competitors are to complete the Motorsport Australia Self Scrutineering form and Statement of Vehicle Compliance. The completed forms must be submitted PRIOR to attending the Event.

Event check in for all competitors will be conducted between 7:00 and 7:30 Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April at Command Centre.

## **11 DOCUMENTATION**

Competitors will be required to produce the following documentation for review at Check In prior to the Event:

- Valid and current Motorsport Australia affiliated club membership
- Valid and current Motorsport Australia Off Road [License](#)
- Valid and current Motorsport Australia vehicle logbook
- Valid and current competitor licenses (if not the driver).
- If your vehicle is Road Registered in Queensland you will require a 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Insurance Certificate Extension to cover you for the three days of the event.

## **12 CREW BRIEFINGS**

Briefings for competing crew will be conducted on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30 at the Club Shed. The briefing for Sunday will be held on Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30 at the Club Shed.

Attendance at each crew briefing by each entered crew member is compulsory, and each competing crew member is required to sign on. Cases of non-attendance are to be referred to the stewards by way of a formal charge, which may result in a penalty.

### 13 RUNNING DETAILS

The Event will consist of 9 laps run individually of a 15-kilometer course, totaling 135 kms competitive distance as per below. The surface of which is a variety of red soil with small sections of rock, Grass and sand.

Further Details	DISTANCE	INVISAGED RUN TIMES
Reconnaissance (All Competitors)	Full Track	8:00 - 9:00 (Saturday)
Prologue (All Competitors)	1 X 15 KLM LAP	9:30 – 10:30 (Saturday)
Laps 1 to 4 Run Individually throughout Saturday	4 X 15 KLM	11:00 – 17:00 (Saturday)
Laps 5 to 9 Run Individually throughout Sunday	5 X 15 KLM LAPS	8:00 – 13:00 (Sunday)

#### 13.1 Reconnaissance

Road Registered Vehicles are only permitted to do the Reconnaissance of the full course at a maximum speed of 60km/h, which will open at 8:00am Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April and will be closed to any further competitors entering the course at 8:30 hrs. No one will be permitted to start before 8:00 hrs or later than 8:30hrs. Each occupant of a vehicle undertaking reconnaissance must wear a seat belt. Reconnaissance may also be conducted in Competition vehicles, crews must be in full race attire and wear seat belts.

#### 13.2 Prologue.

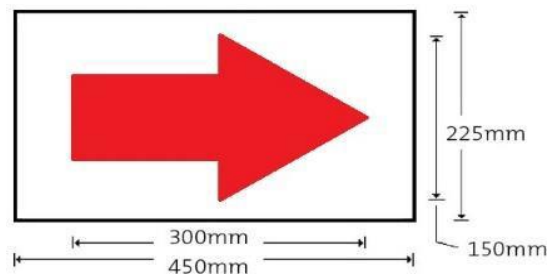
Prologue will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April starting at 9:30 am. The length of the prologue will be 15 kilometres. Competitors will start the prologue in an order determined by the Clerk of Course.

Competitors not finishing the prologue may apply to the Organiser to be seeded. The closing time for applications for seeding will be 10:30 am.

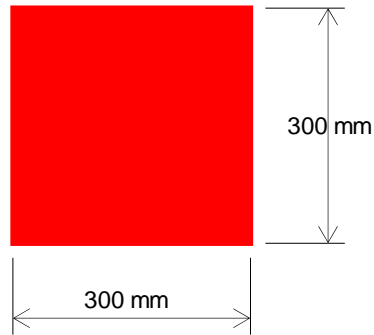
#### 13.3 Course Marking

The standard signs as noted in the Motorsport Australia Off Road Standing Regulations will be used for course marking.

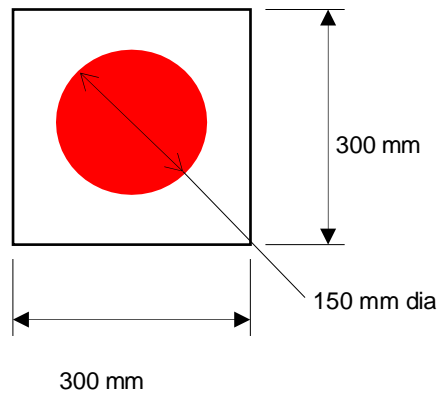
**Direction arrow:** indicates the direction of the *Course*. Such signs facing inwards may also be used to indicate an *Automobile* must pass between them. Each sign must be red on a white background in accordance with the diagram below.



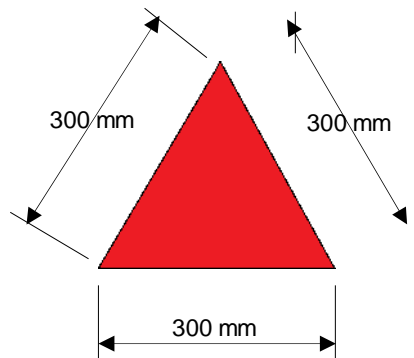
**“Danger” sign:** indicates a hazard ahead requiring a significant reduction in speed. Each sign must be a red square in accordance with the diagram below.



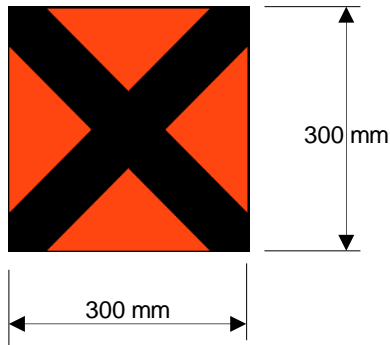
**“Pre-danger” sign:** indicates a “Danger” sign ahead. Each sign must be a red dot in accordance with the diagram below and placed such to provide adequate warning for an Automobile travelling at competition speed to slow and traverse the hazard.



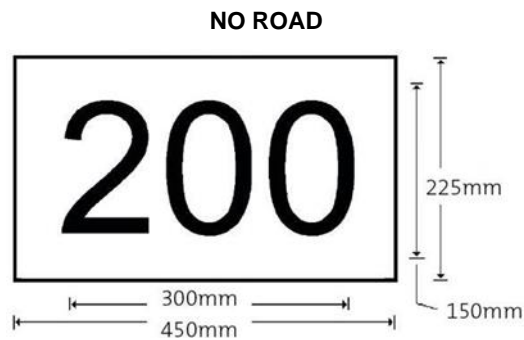
**“Caution” Sign:** indicates a hazard requiring caution but not sufficient to warrant a “Danger” sign. Each sign must be placed at the hazard, on red triangle with a white background in accordance with the diagram below.



**“No Road” sign:** indicate a road/track/etc. which is not part of the Course. Each sign must be a black “X” on an orange background in accordance with the diagram below.

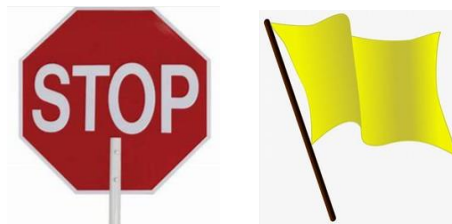


**Braking Marker:** placed towards the end of a straight to indicate a corner or obstacle which may require braking. A 100m, 200m or 300m marker is placed in accordance with the predicted approach speed. Each sign shall be black on a white background in accordance with the diagram below.



### 13.4 Passage Controls

Competitors will not be required to stop at any passage control unless instructed by an official displaying a stop sign, or unless stopping to report an incident. You may also be shown a Yellow Flag if there is an incident ahead where you will slow down until past the Incident.



### 13.5 Refueling

Any refueling must be in compliance with the Sporting Regulations and the Motorsport Australia Off Road Standing Regulations.

Refueling must be carried out in the designated refueling area by teams.

Fuel must be 'Commercial Fuel' or 'Diesel Fuel' in accordance with Schedule G and GR27 of the Motorsport Australia Manual.

Attire for crew must comply with the requirements of the Motorsport Australia Off Road Standing Regulations.

### 13.6 Restarting

Competitors not completing any lap may make application to the Clerk of the Course to start a subsequent lap, they will be required to report to the starter at their renewed starting position/time, if unable to start 2 minutes after the last car competition vehicle has left the start line they will receive a DNS.

### 13.7 Allowed Time

To be classified as a finisher, a crew must complete a lap within 30 minutes or they will be classed as DNF.



## 14. Penalties

In addition to the penalties provided for in the Off Road Standing Regulations, penalties may be applied by the Stewards for the actions indicated:

- Dislodging a course marker, and reporting this to the Start/Finish control – 1 minute
- Dislodging a course marker, and NOT reporting this to the Start/Finish control – 5 minutes,
- Failing to allow a faster Automobile to overtake at the first available opportunity – up to disqualification from the Event.
- Exceeding speed limit on reconnaissance – up to disqualification from the Event.

## 15. Protests

Protests, if any, shall be lodged in accordance with the NCR.

Crews are reminded that, in accordance with the NCR there is no right of protest against the decision of a Judge of Fact.

## 16. Pit Area, Paddock Area

Entry to the pits will be restricted to Crew and Pit Crew. During Competition Automobiles will be allowed to be serviced and refueled in this location by authorised Crew Members and Pit Crew.

- Smoking (including E-cigarettes and Vaping) and the consumption of alcohol are not permitted in the pit, hot work area or refueling.
- Crew members are reminded of their responsibility of unauthorised persons into their pit area.
- Welding and or grinding may only occur in the hot work area designated for this purpose.
- Entry in and out of the pit area must be via the designated entry point/s.

Breaches of these regulations may be referred to the Stewards by way of a formal charge, which may result in a penalty.

## 17. RECOVERY.

Recovery will take place after the last car for the current lap crossed the finish line. Competitors may only retrieve their own vehicles after gaining permission from the Clerk of Course.

The Clerk of the Course reserves the right to refuse this permission on the grounds of safety.

### 17.1 Impound/Parc Ferme

The Organiser reserves the right to impound any competing Automobile during or after the Event in order to verify eligibility, for regrouping or media and promotional purposes.

### 17.2 Incident Reports

Crews involved in any form of incident during the Event must report the incident accompanied with an Incident Report Form to the Clerk of the Course as soon as they can, but in any event, not later than the finish of the Event. Incident report forms must be completed in full by one of the Automobile crew and handed to the Clerk of the Course or CRO at the earliest opportunity. Forms will available from the Event Secretary.

Vehicles which are involved in an accident involving damage must be re-examined by the Chief Scrutineer or his delegate before being permitted to take further part in the competition. The Chief Scrutineer must complete a Vehicle Damage Report and submit to the Clerk of Course prior to the days completion of competition.

### 17.3 Judges of Fact

The Clerk of the Course and his Deputy will be deemed Judges of Fact on all issues.

Control Officials and Timekeepers will be deemed Judges of Fact with regard to whether or not an Automobile follows the prescribed course as well as relative order, time of arrival, direction of entry into controls, start procedure, jumping the start, Finish line procedures, Order of finishers and timing issues.

Radar Operators and Timekeepers will be Judges of Fact as to whether an Automobile exceeds the speed limit on reconnaissance,

The Chief Scrutineer shall be deemed to be a judge of fact in respect to:

- a) The safety of vehicles and equipment.
- b) That all competitors' documents are current and correct.
- c) Procuring in-car video's when required.

Check Points and Officials shall be deemed judges of fact in respect to:

- a) Short Cutting of the track.
- b) Vehicle contact
- c) Driver and Co-driver or Navigator etiquette

### 17.4 Safety

All apparel, including helmets, must be in accordance with Technical Appendix - Schedule D of the Motorsport Australia Manual and the Off-Road Standing Regulations.

Refer to the Motorsport Australia Off Road Standing Regulations General Requirements in relation to:

- Flags Signals
- Hot Work Area
- Emergency Procedures
- Procedures in Case of Injury
- Fire extinguishers
- Warning Triangles

At this time of the year in the Tropics it is advised to keep your intake of water and electrolytes up due to local climate.



## 18. Integrity, Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances

Motorsport Australia's National Integrity Framework and any associated policy (including the Australian Anti-Doping Policy, Motorsport Australia's Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy, the Motorsport Australia Alcohol Policy), apply to any activity authorised by Motorsport Australia as published at motorsport.org.au.

Any Participant including the holder of a Motorsport Australia Licence (or a Licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of alcohol, any drug or other banned substance. In addition to any penalty imposed by Motorsport Australia, a further penalty/s may be applied by Sport Integrity Australia.

Consumption of alcohol in any Reserved Area is prohibited until all Competition is concluded each day.

## 19. Video Footage

Any video footage taken by competitors (in-car or otherwise), shall not be aired on television (free to air or cable) or made available for sale, without the prior written consent of the Organiser and Motorsport Australia. Upon request by the Clerk of the Course or the Stewards, any footage relating to the competition taken by competitors shall be made available at the event for viewing.

## 20. Aircraft/UAV

The Organiser will use registered Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) operator/s at the Event. Non-registered RPAs can cause issues with flight paths and radio interference. The Organiser reserves the right to remove any non-registered RPA operators from the Event. All RPA operator/s must comply with the Motorsport Australia RPA Policy and must be listed on the Motorsport Australia Permit.

## 21. Camping /Amenity

The support of surrounding Property owners and community is essential to the continuity of this Event. We encourage all participants and spectators to respect the facilities and the work the volunteers have put in to prepare for this Event. We encourage any issues to be brought to the Organiser's attention for immediate resolution.

### a. Please Note

- Camping & Amenities will be available to competitors from Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April.
- Fires will be permitted – but must be small and fully extinguished each night – double checked in the morning that all coals are cold.
- Dogs and firearms are prohibited at this Event. (Property Owner's excepted)
- Noise curfew will apply from midnight Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.
- A wide range of food and drinks will be available over the entire weekend. The guide to competitors will include menu, prices and opening hours. These facilities will be run by local community and sporting groups.
- Please be vigilant to ensure the camping area is kept and left tidy. Our precious volunteers time is best spent grooming a great racetrack and not picking up rubbish. There will be bins provided, but if you cannot find one, please work on "I bought it here I will take with me". Please encourage all to respect the property.
- Pit bikes, quads, electric scooters, electric bikes and similar are not permitted at this Event (with the exception of designated officials). Competitors are responsible for their crews, family and friends. Any breach of this will result in the Stewards imposing a penalty up to disqualification from the Event and immediate eviction from the property.

## 22. Point Score

Refer to the North Queensland Off-Road Super Series Regulations.

## 23. Awards

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Outright Driver and Co-driver, 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each class, Driver and Co-driver.

Trophy presentation is envisaged to be held at approximately 14:00 on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April at the Club Shed

## 24. Event Schedule

The following Schedule Times are approximates and will be verified in Further Regulations.

<b>Saturday</b> (13/04/2024)	07:00	Event Headquarters – Open (Document Check)
	07:30	Crew Briefing
	08:00	Track Reconnaissance
	08:30	Close Track for Reconnaissance
	<b>09:30</b>	<b>Prologue</b>
	10:30	Applications for Seeding – Close
	10:45	Lap 1 Vehicles Line Up in Start Order
	<b>11:00</b>	<b>Event – Start Lap 1 x 14klms</b>
	17:00	End of Saturday Competition - Course Closed
	17:05	Sweep Departs
	17:15	Compulsory Sign on for Sunday Drivers Briefing
	17:30	Compulsory Crew Briefing for Sunday

<b>Sunday</b> (14/04/2024)	07:30	Event Headquarters - Open
	07:45	Lap 1 Vehicles Line Up in Start Order
	<b>08:00</b>	<b>Event – Start Lap 5 x 14klms</b>
	13:00	End of Competition Racing.
	13:05	Sweep Departs
	14:00	<b>Ceremony – Podium Presentation</b>

## 25. AUTOMOBILE ELIGIBILITY

The Organiser may invite entries from competitors with Automobiles otherwise ineligible, subject to compliance with the Motorsport Australia General Requirements for Off Road Vehicles and be subject to a Motorsport Australia Automobile Log Book. Invited competitors / Automobiles will not be eligible for outright Event results and Event awards and will be disregarded for the compilation of AORC and QORC point scores.

## 26. COMPETITORS OBLIGATION

Each Competitor who enters the Event, which includes the competitor (owner) Drivers, Co-Drivers and Navigators, will be deemed to have familiarised themselves with the applicable Rules and Regulations and agree to abide by them and the reasonable instruction of any official. It is the team's responsibility to check the official notice board for any bulletins or advice to teams. Competitors are also reminded of their responsibilities regarding the actions of their crews and supporters.

## 27. Guide to Competitors

A Guide to Competitors may be issued to each competitor along with Further Supplementary Regulations. This guide will contain information which does not form part of the Event Regulations but will be of assistance to competitors.

It should be noted that the contents of the Guide for Competitors are of no regulatory value and cannot be used as the basis of a protest.

## END OF SUPPLEMENTRY REGULATIONS

### GENERAL INFORMATION NO REGULARITY VALUE

There will be a Merchandising Stall as well as at the Event for the whole weekend. EFTPOS is available.

There will be no food at this event.



In the interest of safety, pets are permitted at the Event but must be kept on a leash at all times.

The flying of DRONES is not permitted unless the relevant Motor Sports Australia permissions have been met.

We urge all spectators to be extremely aware of safety for both yourself and our competitors. If you have young children, please ensure they are supervised at all times and ensure they do not wander onto the track or climb over any fences or barricading as the track action is travelling at very high speeds and in very dusty conditions. Our competitors are focused on their race and are not looking out for you or your kids! The track is the sole domain of our competitors from 7am to 5pm so give them the respect they deserve. No access to the Pit or Marshalling area will be permitted.

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