

COVID-19 EVENT NOTES

AVALON AUTOCROSS COMPETITORS AND OFFICIALS

Introduction

Firstly, welcome to the **Avalon Autocross Series Round 3, 15 November 2020**.

Due to the current COVID19 situation, this document will focus on those items that will depart from the standard processes and procedures that you would have normally experienced at previous **WDCC and GMSC** events.

During these extraordinary times we need to take extraordinary measures to ensure the health and well-being of all Rally participants and the general public. The nature of the COVID19 restrictions and concessions stipulated by the **Victorian** Government are very fluid during this time and there may be significant changes between the date of this document and the date of the event. Therefore, please endeavour to continue to monitor these changes. Regardless, while COVID19 is still a threat there are two practices unlikely to change. They are social distancing and hygiene.

We appreciate there are a number of concessions generally afforded people who live in the same household. Unfortunately, due to logistics and the number of people that will be involved we will need to treat everyone as an unrelated individual during the running of the event. This includes partners, siblings, parent and child or any other person in the same household. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause but it is essential we take this path for the event to occur at all.

PLEASE NOTE: Competition vehicles can only be shared where the drivers are family members residing full time at the same address. Competition vehicles cannot be shared by family members who do not reside at the same address.

There are basic assumptions that underlie all practices to be followed at the event:

- 1. Assume every person you interact with has COVID19**
- 2. Assume every object you touch has come in contact with COVID19.**
- 3. Assume you have COVID19.**

Social distancing and other COVID-19 practices described in this document must be observed at all times.

1 Before the Event:

Motorsport Australia strongly encourages the download and activation of the Australian Government's 'COVIDSafe App' for all event participants.

1.1 Personal Health

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE WITH SYMPTOMS CONSISTENT WITH COVID-19 ATTEND THE EVENT. This includes any fever, respiratory symptoms, shortness of breath, sore throat, cough, fatigue, or lack of sense of smell.

Under no circumstances should anyone attend the event if they have been:

- i. overseas in the previous 14 days; or
- ii. in contact with someone who has been overseas in the previous 14 days; or
- iii. in contact with a known COVID-19 positive case in the previous 14 days.

It is highly recommended that if any participant exhibits symptoms consistent with COVID-19 prior to the event they should consider taking a COVID-19 test. Contact details for Victorian testing clinics can be found at this link: <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/getting-tested-coronavirus-covid-19#where-to-get-tested>

You may wish to consult with your medical practitioner on measures you could consider prior to the event.

1.2 Scrutineering

ALL EVENT ENTRIES ARE TO BE COMPLETED ONLINE. There will be **NO SCRUTINEERING AT THE EVENT.** You will need to fully complete and sign Motorsport Australia's 'Self-Scrutiny Checklist' and 'Self-Scrutiny Statement of Vehicle Compliance' forms, both of which can be found at <https://motorsport.org.au/covid-19/competitors>.

All other aspects of scrutineering apply except the Scrutineer will not be required to touch or enter the vehicle.

1.3 Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Procurement

Prior to the event, assess all activities you would normally carry out during an event to determine how you will operate while observing social distancing and ensuring hygiene. Some measures to be considered are:

- 1.3.1 Frequent washing of hands or the use of hand sanitiser
- 1.3.2 The mandatory use of suitable masks
- 1.3.3 The use of disposable rubber or nitrile gloves (dispose when considered contaminated)

In the event of an on-track incident requiring a medical response, the First Aid Officer will be the first responder as per the Medical Services/Requirements as described in the General Regulations of Motorsport Australia. If requested by the First Aid Officer, further assistance will be provided by the officials and/or track marshals.

Hand sanitiser will be available for your use whenever dealing with Officials during the running of the event.

1.4 Pre-Event Document Lodgement

Where possible completed forms and documents **are to** be submitted electronically by the date specified-prior to the event. This will ensure the minimum time necessary to complete Documentation Checking.

It is a Motorsport Australia condition that contact details of ALL event attendees are recorded during COVID19 to assist with possible contact tracing so all forms will request this information.



keep **COVIDSafe** active at events

Motorsport Australia recommends downloading the COVIDSafe app and activating it at events.

Keep yourself and your community safe by helping our health workers to notify you quickly if you've come in contact with someone who has Coronavirus

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2 At the Event:

2.1 Social Distancing and Hygiene

As per Victorian Government COVID regulations, it is mandatory that all competitors and officials wear masks when not in their vehicles while at the Avalon Motor Sports Complex.

On entering the Geelong Motor Sports Complex, **all** participants, i.e. entrants and officials, will have their body temperature measured by a non-contact thermometer and the temperatures will be recorded. If you present with an elevated temperature (**above 37.9°C**) you will be asked to put your mask on, if you have one in the vehicle, and remain in the vehicle and you will be given advice on what your next steps will be.

Upon entering the Complex, you will also be required to provide your name and contact phone number.

Hand sanitiser will be available for use as required.

It is mandatory that all participants maintain 1.5m of distance from all people at the event at all times except for treatment that may be required by the Entrant and provided by the event's First Aid Officer. Failing that, frequent use of hand sanitiser will be required.

All enclosed spaces, both inside and outside, will have a limit to the number of people who can occupy that space. This limit will be displayed at the entrance to that space. This will be strictly controlled.

Before you touch a shared item wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser. Once finished with the item wash/sanitise your hands again. If carrying out a repetitive task with multiple items, first wash/sanitise your hands. Secondly, put on disposable gloves to carry out the task. Finally, when complete, remove the gloves and dispose of them and finally wash/sanitise your hands. At all times resist touching your face with your hands.

All competition apparel and equipment must be for the sole use of an individual and must be kept separate from competition apparel and equipment of others. It must not be shared with or handled by any other individual.



2.2 Documentation

It is highly advisable to attend to all administrative activities at the event at your earliest opportunity. These processes may take longer than previously experienced so your understanding and patience will be appreciated.

Physical documentation will be kept to a minimum and where possible will rely on electronic communication between the entrants and event organisers, e.g. drivers briefing notes and competitor numbers will be sent by email prior to the event and it is the responsibility of each entrant to print the relevant documents and numbers.

Support Vehicle, Trailer and Pit Area Parking

Due to Victorian Government constraints on the number of people at public gatherings as a mechanism to limit the spread of COVID19, the support vehicle and trailer parking and pit areas have been defined. Parking of competition vehicles will commence in Pit Area 1 followed by Pit Area 2. A defined area of the latter will also be available for refuelling and minor vehicle servicing.

The expected layout for the tow vehicle and trailer and pit areas are shown below. There is more than adequate space for the expected concurrent number of vehicles and associated crew members to maintain 1.5m of social distancing. As such, these spaces will not be specifically managed, though strict social distancing and hygiene will be expected and enforced. There will be **No** parking allowed in the area bounded by the entrance, containers and toilets.



2.3 Driver's Briefing

There will be no gathering for a driver's briefing. The method for delivery of any form of briefing to Entrants/Drivers will be advised closer to the event.

2.4 Prior to the Start

You will be required to present to the pit areas (noted on map) at the course a **minimum of 30 minutes** prior to the event's scheduled start time in a ready-to-start state

If you need to alight from the vehicle for other reasons while waiting to start, please do not move any further than one arm length away from the vehicle.

2.5 Spectators

Due to COVID-19 compliance there will be **no spectators** permitted at the event.

2.6 Results During the Event:

Results will NOT be posted during the event. Only the timing officials and/or specified team members will need to be in, or in the vicinity of, the Timing Hut.

3 After the Event:

3.1 Results

All results will be sent by email to Entrants post-event. There will NOT be any printout display of results at the event.

3.2 Podiums or Presentations

Due to Victorian Government COVID19 restrictions on public gatherings and venues there will be no podium or presentation at the conclusion of the event.

report if unwell

Know the symptoms of Coronavirus and report to the Event COVID-19 Checker if you or anyone else is feeling unwell or showing any of the symptoms illustrated below.



fever



cough



sore throat



shortness of breath

Your COVID-19 Checker:
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