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FOREWORD

For all Members, the IMSA RULES of the International Motor Sports Association establish the foundation for the organization and conduct of all IMSA Sanctioned Events. The IMSA RULES take effect immediately upon publication.

The purpose of the RULES is to: (i) promote safety, the sport of automobile Competition and IMSA, (ii) enhance Competition, (iii) ensure the quality, fairness and integrity of the IMSA programs and operations and (iv) achieve prompt finality in the Competition results ("**Purpose**").

ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO REVIEW THESE IMSA RULES CAREFULLY.

The **IMSA RULES** consist of following three (3) sections and the Event Supplementary Regulations (**SR**):

- The IMSA Sporting Regulations (**ISR**), which concern Competitor and Event procedures, as well as guidelines for the safe and uniform operation of the sport. The ISR may be modified or changed at any time by the publication of a Competition Bulletin, amending the ISR.

- The Series Supplementary Regulations (**SSR**) that provides Series-specific information about each IMSA Series. The SSR is integrated into the ISR and are designated with "(SSR)" next to the Paragraph title. The SSR may be modified or changed at any time by the publication of a Competition Bulletin, amending the SSR.

- The Technical Regulations, which outline the rules and regulations for the specific cars and equipment. The Technical Regulations may be modified or changed at any time by the publication of a Technical Bulletin, amending the Technical Regulations.

Any portion of the RULES may be modified through Bulletins (Competition Bulletins and Technical Bulletins, respectively) and take force when published. Once published, the Bulletin shall take precedence over the applicable portion of the RULES. Additionally, the RULES may be modified for an Event by the Race Director through the mandatory briefing instructions.

HOW TO READ THE RULES

1) The ISR apply to all IMSA Series, unless specifically stated otherwise.

2) The SSR is specific to each Series. Where the ISR and SSR conflict, the SSR shall govern.

3) The Technical Regulations are specific to particular categories, classes and types of race cars in a Series. Where the Technical Regulations conflict with the ISR or the SSR, the Technical Regulations shall govern.

The SR is specific to an Event and published in conjunction with the Event schedule. Where SR conflicts with the ISR, SSR, and/or Technical Regulations, the SR shall govern.

PREFACE

To enhance the safety of Members, Competitors and spectators at IMSA Sanctioned Events and to provide for the orderly conduct of Events, IMSA requires adherence to the IMSA RULES. All Members agree to comply with these IMSA RULES, as they may be amended from time to time, which RULES, as interpreted by IMSA, govern the conduct and organization of all IMSA Sanctioned Events. The 2021 IMSA RULES supersede all previous editions of the IMSA RULES as well as all amendments thereto, and shall remain in force and effect except as provided herein, until superseded by publication of the next edition of the IMSA RULES.

It is ultimately the obligation of each Member to ensure that their conduct and equipment comply with all applicable IMSA RULES, as they may be amended from time to time. NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM THE PUBLICATION OF, OR COMPLIANCE WITH, THESE RULES. The RULES are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to Members, Competitors, spectators or others.

This is an important document. All Members must read these RULES before participating in an Event. Please contact the appropriate department head at IMSA if you have any questions in relation to these RULES. It is the responsibility of the Member to read, understand and comply with the RULES. Failure to do so provides no relief from the RULES.

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ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS

1. DEFINITIONS

1.1. **Article (Art.)** means an individually identified (numbered or lettered) section of the IMSA Sporting Regulations and/or the Series Supplementary Regulations.

1.2. **Attachment (Att.)** means the sections of the Series Supplementary Regulations addressing specific additional requirements for a Series.

1.3. **Bulletin** means a formal notification creating, modifying, amplifying or deleting the RULES. A Competition Bulletin is used with respect to the ISR and the SSR and a Technical Bulletin is used with respect to the Technical Regulations.

1.4. **Car** means an automobile approved for Competition.

1.5. **Challenge Series** means one or more of the Series Sanctioned by IMSA that have their own SSR.

1.6. **Chief Appellate Officer (CAO)** means the individual(s) selected by IMSA to hear the final appeal of a Member. The Chief Appellate Officers are Roger Bailey and Tim Mayer.

1.7. **Competition** means a contest of competitive nature in which a Car takes part during an Event and results of which Competition are published.

1.8. **Competition Bulletin** means a formal notification creating, modifying, amplifying or deleting the ISR and/or SSR.

1.9. **Competition Memo** means an advisory notice or reminder.

1.10. **Competitor** means a Member whose Membership is in capacity of Entrant, Driver, Entrant Representative, Team Representative, Admin Representative or Crew.

1.11. **Conclusive** means that such action, inaction and/or decision is final and not subject to protest, appeal and/or litigation.

1.12. **Crew** means a Member participating as part of the Team in the direct operation, maintenance, promotion and support of the Car.

1.13. **Development Series/Single-Make** means one or more of the Series Sanctioned by IMSA that have their own SSR.

1.14. **Driver** means a person named as the Driver of a Car in an Event and holds an IMSA Membership in the capacity of Driver or Entrant/Driver.

1.15. **Entrant** means an entity or person who has entered a Car that has been accepted for Competition and holds an IMSA Membership in the capacity of an Entrant or Entrant/Driver.

1.16. **Entrant Representative** is the person nominated by the Entrant and means a principal, partner and/or officer of the Entrant and is an individual legally responsible for the ownership and operation of the business entity. The Entrant Representative is the party responsible for all communications and contact with IMSA regarding all business (as opposed to Competition) matters in connection with the Team(s).

1.17. **Event** means an IMSA Sanctioned motorsport activity. It includes the designated Race as well as all periods for registration, inspections, practice Sessions, qualifying Sessions, racing, pre- and post-Race activities and inspections and rain or postponed dates related thereto.

1.18. **Event Representative** means the individual nominated by the Entrant Representative to serve in the capacity of Team Representative if the Team Representative is not available for that Event.

1.19. **Event Supplementary Regulations (SR)** means the Official Schedule, minute-by-minute (MxM) and any additional RULES specific to an Event.

1.20. GS means a Grand Sport Car or the Grand Sport class.

1.21. GT4 means a GT4 homologated Car.

1.22. Headquarters means the principal office of IMSA, located at One Daytona Boulevard, Daytona Beach, Florida, 32114.

1.23. Homologation means the documented specifications and approval for use in a particular class of racing with IMSA.

1.24. Impound means the restricted access area designated for technical inspection by IMSA.

1.25. IMSA means International Motor Sports Association, LLC with a principle place of business at One Daytona Boulevard, Daytona Beach, Florida 32114.

1.26. IMSA Sporting Regulations (ISR) means the basic statutes under which Series Sanctioned by IMSA are organized and are the basis for the operations of IMSA.

1.27. Intervention Vehicles means the vehicles used by Track Services to respond to an incident.

1.28. Manufacturer means an officially recognized IMSA Official Automotive Partner pursuant to a separate agreement with IMSA, with annual production of 2,500 or more vehicles for public consumption and public road use.

1.29. Member means an individual or entity accepted by IMSA who holds a Membership/License pursuant to the RULES whose Membership/License is not expired, suspended, canceled or terminated.

1.30. Membership/License means the privileges conferred to the Member in the specific type: Entrant Representative, Team Representative, Admin Representative, Driver, Crew, Industry Support, Industry Support Representative, Supplier, Team PR, Team VIP, Media, Media/Broadcast, PR, Photographer, Promoter, VIP, Partner, Vendor, Official and Employee or any other IMSA Member type.

1.31. Michelin Challenge (or IMPC) means the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge.

1.32. OEM means original equipment as delivered on a Car built by a recognized automobile manufacturer and delivered via a regular retail sales outlet.

1.33. Official means an IMSA representative as authorized in these RULES and includes Supervisory Officials.

1.34. Official Schedule means the timetable for the Event including the pre- and post-Race minute-by-minute (MxM) and is considered part of the Event Supplementary Regulations.

1.35. Official Session means practice, qualifying, warm up, recon lap(s) and/or Race but not including any IMSA Sanctioned Test or Promoter Test.

1.36. Paddock means the area within the facility where Entrants park their transporter(s) and work on their Car(s) between Sessions.

1.37. Paragraph (Par.) means an individually identified (numbered or lettered) section of the Series Supplementary Regulations Attachments.

1.38. Pit Box means the working area along pit lane assigned to an Entrant during a Session, in which the Competitors may place their equipment and service the Car.

1.39. Promoter means an individual, partnership, corporation, joint venture or other legal entity that, in connection with the Event, is designated the "Promoter" in the executed Sanction Agreement for the Event.

1.40. Purpose means the purpose of the RULES which is to: (i) promote safety, the sport of automotive Competition and IMSA, (ii) enhance Competition, (iii) ensure the quality, fairness and integrity of the IMSA programs and operations and (iv) achieve prompt finality in the Competition results.

1.41. Race(s) means the Car competition(s) during an Event, listed on the IMSA season Schedule, for which championship points and awards are distributed.

1.42. Race Control means the primary location of operations and officiating for an Event.

1.43. Race Equipment means a Car, Car part, engine, engine component, tires, fuel, support equipment and/or any other part or related equipment.

1.44. Race Procedure means the manner in which an Event is conducted. It includes, but is not limited to, determinations regarding the eligibility of Cars for Competition, compliance with Competition-related procedures as set forth in the RULES, qualifying procedures, the line-up of the Cars, the start of the Race, the control of Cars throughout the Race by flags, lights, or other direct communication, the election to stop or delay a Race, control of pit activity, flagging, the positioning of Cars at any time, the assessment of lap and time penalties, and the completion of the Race. It does not include the assessment of penalties (disqualification, suspension or fine) except lap and/or time penalties imposed during a Race or directly after a Race.

1.45. Removal means being removed from the results.

1.46. RULES or IMSA RULES mean the IMSA Sporting Regulations, the Series Supplementary Regulations, the Technical Regulations and the Event Supplementary Regulations.

1.47. Safety Car means a non-Competition vehicle used during the formation laps prior to the start of the Race and during a Race to collect the field of Cars during an intervention.

1.48. Sanction (Organizing Permit) means the authority granted by IMSA to a Promoter to organize and hold an Event.

1.49. Sanction Agreement means the documentary authority, granted by IMSA and executed with the Promoter, to organize and hold an Event.

1.50. Scrutineer means a technical inspector.

1.51. Scrutineering means the technical checks of the Car prior to the Event or Session.

1.52. Series means the individual racing groups or categories Sanctioned by IMSA.

1.53. Series Supplementary Regulations (SSR) means the Series-specific statutes (as designated by (SSR) preceding the Article language) and the Attachments collectively.

1.54. Session means the time from the start of the on-track activity, through the time of the end of the on-track activity until the last running Car exits the racing surface and the Cars have cleared pit lane.

1.55. Single File means a line of Cars arranged one behind another without overtaking.

1.56. Single-Make Series means one or more of the Series Sanctioned by IMSA that have their own SSR

1.57. Supervisory Official means the officers, employees or agents of IMSA as designated by IMSA. The IMSA Supervisory Officials include: Ed Bennett, John Doonan, David Pettit, Simon Hodgson, Brandon Huddleston, Paul Walter, Mark Raffauf, Geoffrey Carter, Matthew Kurdock, Jeff Mishtawy, Eric Haverson and Beaux Barfield.

1.58. TCR means a Touring Car Racing homologated Car or the TCR class.

1.59. Team means a particular IMSA assigned Car competition number (Car #), its Entrant and all persons associated with its participation. Team points are assigned to a particular Car by its assigned competition number.

1.60. Team Representative means the individual designated by the Entrant that is the party responsible for all communications and contact with IMSA regarding all Competition (as opposed to business) matters in connection with the Team.

1.61. Technical Bulletin means a formal notification creating, modifying, amplifying or deleting the Technical Regulations or part of the Technical Regulations.

1.62. Technical Inspection means the technical checks of the Car following a Session or Race or as may be required at the discretion of IMSA.

1.63. Technical Regulations (TR) means the technical specifications of the Series.

1.64. Test(ing) means all forms of Testing on-track or off-track.

1.65. Tire Set means two (2) front tires and two (2) rear tires of the same type of tire.

1.66. Track Services means the department and persons responsible for on-track incident response and racetrack restoration.

ARTICLE 2 – INTRODUCTION

2. INTRODUCTION

2.1. CONTROL OF COMPETITION

2.1.1. IMSA has established these IMSA RULES that govern the organization and conduct of IMSA Sanctioned Events, the standards for eligibility and conduct of Members, the RULES for eligibility and preparation of Cars, and the RULES for any annual calendar of Events.

2.1.2. All IMSA Members are bound by the IMSA RULES and must abide by their provisions.

2.1.3. IMSA reserves the right to amend the IMSA RULES at its discretion at anytime to promote safety, enhance Competition or for other purposes to ensure the quality and integrity of its programs and operations. Such amendment shall become effective upon publication by IMSA in the manner of its choice.

2.1.4. The RULES may only be amended by publication of an amendment in a Bulletin issued by Headquarters pursuant to the authority of the President of IMSA or other duly authorized Official of IMSA. An amendment is effective upon the date of publication by IMSA, regardless of when a Member receives actual notice. Additionally, the RULES may be modified for an Event by the Race Director through the mandatory briefing instructions. Any other written or verbal communication shall not constitute an amendment to the IMSA RULES.

2.2. INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

2.2.1. If there is a dispute regarding the RULES, the interpretation and application of the Officials shall prevail. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision in the RULES, Supervisory Officials may review an Official's interpretation or application of the RULES where such Supervisory Officials deem such review to be appropriate. The interpretation and application of the RULES by the Officials (or by a Supervisory Official) shall be Conclusive, except as provided for in the RULES.

2.2.2. **Principal Rule.** On occasion, circumstances are presented, either unforeseen or otherwise extraordinary, in which strict application of the RULES may not achieve the Purpose. In such rare circumstances, Officials, as a practical matter, may make a determination that is not contemplated by or is inconsistent with the RULES. Such determinations are reviewable by the Supervisory Officials. All such determinations are Conclusive, except as provided for in the RULES.

2.2.3. **Submission to the RULES**. No express or implied warranty of safety shall result from the publication and/or compliance with the RULES. Every Member warrants that (i) he agrees without reservation to know and abide by the RULES, (ii) he renounces the right to have legal recourse, except with the written consent of IMSA, to any arbitrator or tribunal not provided for in the RULES.

2.2.4. **Pronouns.** The pronouns "he", "his", and "him" are generic and not intended to indicate gender.

2.2.5. **Money.** All monetary amounts specified are in US Dollars.

2.2.6. **Forms and Information.** All forms and information referred to in the RULES can be obtained from Headquarters and/or at imsacompetitors.com.

2.2.7. **Notice.** Receipt is determined by the date contained in the U.S. postal mark (if mailed), IMSA recognized courier receipt, received time stamp of an email, received fax time stamp or the date and time (if delivered in person).

2.3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RULES

2.3.1. Every Member agrees, without reservation or qualification, to conduct themselves in accordance with the IMSA RULES. If there is a disagreement or dispute regarding the meaning or application of the IMSA RULES, the interpretation and application thereof shall be determined by IMSA Officials and Supervisory Officials, whose rulings shall, in all instances, govern and control. Determinations by IMSA Officials applying or interpreting the IMSA RULES are Conclusive, except as provided in the RULES.

2.3.2. IN ORDER TO FAIRLY AND EFFECTIVELY PROMOTE THE SPORT OF AUTO RACING AND TO ACHIEVE PROMPT FINALITY IN COMPETITION RESULTS AND IN CONSIDERATION OF RECEIVING NUMEROUS BENEFITS AVAILABLE TO THEM, THE RECEIPT AND SUFFICIENCY OF WHICH ARE HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED, ALL IMSA MEMBERS, INCLUDING DRIVERS, ENTRANTS, OFFICIALS, PROMOTERS OR OTHER COMPETITORS, EXPRESSLY AGREE THAT DETERMINATIONS BY IMSA OFFICIALS AS TO THE APPLICABILITY AND INTERPRETATION OF THESE RULES ARE NON-LITIGABLE, AND SPECIFICALLY COVENANT THAT THEY WILL NOT INITIATE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY OR MAINTAIN LITIGATION OF ANY KIND AGAINST IMSA OR ANYONE ACTING ON BEHALF OF IMSA, TO REVERSE, OR MODIFY SUCH DETERMINATION OR TO SEEK TO RECOVER DAMAGES OR OTHER RELIEF ALLEGEDLY INCURRED OR REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF SUCH DETERMINATION UNLESS THE IMSA OFFICIAL MADE SUCH DETERMINATION FOR NO PURPOSE OTHER THAN BAD FAITH INTENT TO HARM OR CAUSE ECONOMIC LOSS TO THE MEMBER. IF A MEMBER INITIATES OR MAINTAINS LITIGATION IN VIOLATION OF THIS COVENANT, THAT MEMBER, DRIVER, ENTRANT, OFFICIAL, PROMOTER OR OTHER COMPETITOR AGREES TO REIMBURSE IMSA FOR THE COST OF ALL SUCH LITIGATION, INCLUDING TRAVEL EXPENSES AND ATTORNEY'S FEES. EACH MEMBER, FURTHER COVENANTS THAT IN ANY LITIGATION BROUGHT AGAINST IMSA FOR ANY REASON, IF THE LITIGATION IS NOT DISMISSED PURSUANT TO THIS COVENANT, THE MATTER WILL BE TRIED BEFORE A JUDGE OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION AND HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN SUCH ACTION. IMSA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION HEREUNDER, INCLUDING SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP, FOR VIOLATION OF THE COVENANT NOT TO SUE.

2.4. Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA)

2.4.1. The Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile, hereinafter referred to as the "FIA" is the international authority entitled to make and enforce rules and regulations for the encouragement and control of automobile competitions (including records). Except as provided in Art. 2.4.4, the FIA is the final international court of appeal for appealable disputes arising out of FIA-recognized World Championship Events.

2.4.2. The Automobile Competition Committee for the United States-FIA is recognized by the FIA as the National Sporting Authority (ASN) of the U.S.A., and is generally referred to as ACCUS-FIA. NASCAR, IMSA, IndyCar, USAC, SCCA and NHRA are members of ACCUS.

2.4.3. IMSA is the sole and final authority for the development, maintenance, and distribution of Point Fund / Prize Money, the awarding of IMSA championship points, the naming of Driver, Team, Manufacturer, Tire Partner, Constructor or other champions in any IMSA Series, scheduling of IMSA Sanctioned Events, live broadcast and ancillary rights relative to IMSA Sanctioned Events, determinations regarding the suitability of a racing facility, control over all aspects of Competition during IMSA Sanctioned Events, and the governance, interpretation, and implementation of the IMSA RULES, including but not limited to, IMSA Membership/License, entries, disciplinary action, the IMSA Substance Abuse Policy, and the determination of driver eligibility, in the manner set forth in the IMSA RULES. Notwithstanding that a particular IMSA Sanctioned Event may be listed on the FIA calendar, or count towards an FIA championship, IMSA reserves sole authority to finally settle any dispute that may arise during such IMSA Sanctioned Event.

2.4.4. All Entrants entering IMSA-FIA listed Events must possess a current, valid FIA Entrant's License. All Drivers driving in IMSA-FIA listed Events must possess a current, valid FIA Driver License of the grade specified in the SSR. If the SSR permits FIA license holders who do not possess a current IMSA Membership/Licenses to compete, they must fully meet IMSA's eligibility requirements as determined by IMSA and they are also required to sign releases and waivers and to acknowledge that they are not eligible for the benefits of IMSA Membership, including without limitation Participant Accident Insurance. They are bound by the RULES, as may be amended from time to time. Application for FIA license(s) may be made through IMSA Registration at IMSA Headquarters.

ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP & CREDENTIALS

3. MEMBERSHIP & CREDENTIALS

3.1. Requirement. Any person who desires to participate in an Event as a Competitor, Official, Promoter, Manufacturer or other Membership types, must apply for, receive, and possess a valid, current IMSA Membership authorizing participation in that capacity. IMSA may, but is not required to, accept as an IMSA Member any individual or business that has properly and truthfully completed and filed a Membership application, agreed to abide by the RULES, paid the fee(s) prescribed for Membership, and meets the required qualifications. All Membership cards and credentials issued by IMSA remain the property of IMSA. Memberships and credentials are not transferable. Privileges may be revoked at any time for non-compliance with the RULES.

3.2. IMSA is dedicated to the highest degree of professionalism, sportsmanship and integrity in sports car racing. For that reason, IMSA may reject the Membership application of an otherwise qualified applicant in the interest of sports car racing or IMSA, in IMSA's sole discretion. Among other things, participation or involvement by a person or business entity (including, in the case of a business entity, involvement by any stockholder, director, officer, employee, partner or agent thereof) in conduct detrimental to sports car racing or to IMSA, whether in the course of Competition or not, and whether the person or business entity was a Member or applicant at the time of such conduct, may result in rejection of a Membership application by IMSA. Any person or business entity whose Membership application has been declined by IMSA may appeal directly to the IMSA Chief Appellate Officer in accordance with Art. 59.5 (Appeal to the IMSA Chief Appellate Officer).

3.3. Application Process. Application forms for IMSA Membership may be obtained at imsacompetitors.com. Upon completion, they must be submitted, including the required fee(s), through the specified means to Headquarters, which is the only IMSA office authorized to approve and issue such Memberships. The receipt of a Membership/License and Annual Credential Application and Agreement and fee(s) by an Official and the depositing of accompanying fee(s) by IMSA do not constitute the issuance of or approval by IMSA of such an application for IMSA Membership.

3.4. Minimum Requirements. In addition to the requirements set forth below for a specific type of Membership all applicants must:

3.4.1. Be at least 16 years of age.

A. Exception per Art. 3.7.3.

3.4.2. Execute and deliver to IMSA such authorizations, releases, applications, consents, waivers, resumes and other documents as may be required by IMSA from time to time.

3.5. Minors. All applicants who are 16, 17 or 18 years old at the time of application and are not legally emancipated, must also include with their Membership/License and Annual Credential Application and Agreement, a fully complete Annual Minor's Assumption of Risk Acknowledgement that is signed by the applicant. Also included must be the standard and the Florida Annual Parental Consent, Release and Waiver of Liability Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement signed by the applicant's father and mother, or legal guardian. An applicant, who is 16, 17 or 18 and emancipated, must include with their Membership/License and Annual Credential Application and Agreement, a copy of the emancipation order. Specific Events may have additional requirements for minors that must be fulfilled prior to participation in such Event.

3.6. Business Entities. If the applicant is a partnership, corporation or other entity, the person responsible for all communication and contact with IMSA regarding the business shall fill out the Membership/License and Annual Credential Application and Agreement and such person must meet the eligibility requirements for the capacity in which the business wishes to participate.

3.7. Driver Membership. Every person who drives a Car in an Event must possess a current IMSA Driver Membership. A Driver must be approved to participate for each specific IMSA Series.

3.7.1. (SSR) Every person who drives a Car in an Event must possess a current IMSA Driver Membership/License. The standard IMSA Driver Membership minimum age is 17 years old. The minimum age may be reduced to one year younger, at the sole discretion of IMSA, where the Driver has significant racing experience in formal organized Competition. For a Membership in the capacity of Driver, at a minimum the applicant must:

A. If requested by IMSA Officials, provide a racing resume detailing past racing participation and experience qualifications. If requested by Officials, submit to and pass driving ability tests conducted by and at the discretion of Officials, whose decision as to the applicant's driving ability is Conclusive.

B. Be physically and physiologically fit as determined in the sole discretion of IMSA. In this regard, IMSA requires a Competitor or applicant to:

i. At a minimum, have a current (issued within three (3) months of the date of application for the IMSA Driver Membership) completed IMSA, FIA, INDYCAR, SRO Motorsports America, NASCAR or World Endurance Championship (WEC) medical examination form.

ii. Submit to and pass one or more physical examinations by a qualified physician(s);

iii. Complete a neurocognitive base line ImPACT test / assessment from ImPACT Applications, Inc. within the last two (2) IMSA seasons prior to the date of submitting the Membership application and prior to participation in the first Official Session of their first Race Event. Proof of completion must be submitted via MERG (Art. 13.2) to the Driver Medical Documents Submission Portal. The test must be performed by a Credentialed ImPACT Consultant healthcare provider or at the accredited website provided by IMSA as part of the application process. For a nearby provider see: http://impacttest.com/find_care_provider. Allow sufficient time to complete the assessment prior to the Driver's first Event.

C. In order to participate in FIA listed Events, a Driver must also have a valid, current FIA Driver license. Application for an FIA license may be made through IMSA registration at IMSA Headquarters.

3.7.2. (SSR) To be eligible to participate in the Event, Drivers must submit an application with all required documents (including medical materials) by CoB on the Tuesday two (2) weeks prior to the Event week. After this deadline until CoB on the Friday of the week prior to the Event, a fee must be paid to expedite the credentialing process. No applications (or related documents) are processed for the Event after CoB on the Friday of the week prior to Event. In some instances, deadlines may be adapted in consideration of holidays and consecutive Events. Deadline dates are listed in the SR.

3.7.3. IMSA Driver Memberships may be issued to Drivers holding valid FIA Grade C licenses issued by IMSA or their home ASN. Holders of foreign FIA licenses must provide written documentation of permission to Race with IMSA granted by their national sporting authority (ASN).

3.7.4. Provisional Driver Memberships may be issued to Drivers whose qualifications require further evaluation. As a condition of entry, these Drivers recognize that their Membership is subject to revocation at any time and such decision by the Officials is Conclusive. Holders of provisional Memberships are subject to a period of evaluation prior to a determination of qualification for an IMSA Driver Membership.

3.8. IMSA ENTRANT MEMBERSHIP

3.8.1. An Entrant must be specified for all entries and is required in order to take certain actions under the IMSA RULES. An Entrant must be at minimum, 18 years of age. It is the responsibility of the Entrant wishing to participate in an Event to obtain the appropriate Event Entry Application and to ascertain and abide by all applicable deadlines and instructions. Holders of foreign FIA licenses must secure and provide written documentation of permission to Race with IMSA granted by their national sporting authority (ASN).

3.8.2. **Entrant Representative/Team Representative.** An Entrant must nominate an Entrant Representative. An Entrant Representative may designate a Team Representative. The Entrant Representative and Team Representative may be the same person.

3.8.3. **Responsibility.** Entrants are at all times responsible for the conduct of their Competitors. An offense committed by a Competitor may be charged to the Entrant. Unpaid fines of the Entrant, its designee and/or Competitors may be collected by deducting the amount from any Point Fund / Prize Money of the Entrant. Entrants are at all times responsible for anyone in their pit, whether members of their Team and/or Crew or not. Credential policy violation penalties may include confiscation and requirement to seek SEC replacement on a per-Event basis.

A. Entrant is responsible for any credential(s) attributed to Entrant for the entirety of the season, regardless of the continued employment status of any Crew or other assignee. Entrant must return to IMSA any credential in order to cancel it or receive another in its place.

3.8.4. **Change in Ownership.** An Entrant Membership is non-assignable and non-transferable, unless approved by IMSA in writing. With respect to an Entrant that is a business and/or partnership entity, the Entrant must promptly inform IMSA in writing, using the appropriate form, if the entity is altered in any material manner or the entity's stock or assets are sold (other than routine daily stock sales) or becomes the subject of a merger or the entity's ownership interest materially changes. When informed of such a change, IMSA in its sole discretion may revoke the entity's Membership or permit the continuation of the Entrant Membership by the altered entity.

3.8.5. **Team Change.** Any change to the Team including without limitation (i) Car number, (ii) Team name, or (iii) registered Car manufacturer, is subject to IMSA's prior written approval. To request a change, Entrant must complete the applicable Team change form, available from the Competiton Administration Department, and submit it with the applicable administrative fee for IMSA's review. This review may take up to two (2) weeks. IMSA, in its sole discretion, may assign to the new Car number, Team name or Car the Championship Points earned by the previous Car number, Team name and/or Car, if doing so is in the interest of Competition and sports car racing and fees may apply. IMSA may make such other determinations regarding scoring, Point Fund / Prize Money as it determines to be in the interest of Competition and sports car racing.

3.8.6. **Team Transfer.** Transfer of any Team or party of a Team (Car, Car Number, Team name, Championship Points) to another Entrant is subject to IMSA's prior approval in its sole discretion. To request a transfer, Entrant must complete the applicable Team transfer form available from the Competiton Administration Department and submit it with the applicable administrative fee for IMSA's review. This review may take up to two (2) weeks. If IMSA determines in its sole discretion that the Team (or part thereof) may be transferred, the original Entrant must pay to IMSA an additional administrative fee up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00). The new partnership, corporation or business entity must hold an Entrant Membership. IMSA, in its sole discretion, may assign to the new Entrant the Championship Points earned by the Team of the former Entrant, if doing so is in the interest of Competition and sports car racing. IMSA may make such other determinations regarding scoring, Point Fund / Prize Money regarding the transferred Entry as it determines to be in the interest of Competition and sports car racing.

3.8.7. IMSA issues the Membership in the name of the Entrant as named on the Membership application. If the Car is owned/managed by a partnership, corporation or other business entity, the Membership is issued in the name of the partnership, corporation or business entity, and the Membership will further indicate the name of the individual legally responsible for the ownership and operation of the business entity. That person is the party responsible for all communications and contact with IMSA regarding all business (as opposed to Competition) matters in connection with the Car.

3.8.8. (SSR) There are two (2) types of Entries: Premium and Standard.

3.8.9. (SSR) Premium Entries are considered full-season Entries and are committed to enter and participate in all scheduled Events for the entire season.

3.8.10. (SSR) Standard entries enter Events individually and are committed to participate in all entered Events.

3.8.11. (SSR) There is a one-time IMSA Premium or Standard Entry Package Fee, in addition to individual Event entry fees for each Race.

3.9. Crew. To secure and maintain Membership in the capacity of Crew, an applicant must at minimum: (i) Be 16 years of age and (ii) Be physically fit as determined in the sole discretion of IMSA. In this regard, IMSA may require an applicant to pass one or more physical examination(s) by a qualified physician(s).

3.10. Official. To secure and maintain Membership in the capacity of Official, an applicant must at minimum: (i) Be 18 years of age; (ii) Possess, in the sole discretion of IMSA, the necessary qualifications and abilities to carry out the duties of an Official; and (iii) Be physically fit as determined in the sole discretion of IMSA. In this regard, IMSA may require an applicant to pass one or more physical examination(s) by a qualified physician(s).

3.11. Partner. To secure and maintain Membership in the capacity of Partner, an applicant must at minimum: (i) Be 18 years of age; and (ii) Be an employee or agent of an entity that has a direct contractual relationship with IMSA (sponsor, Manufacturer, Constructor, Tire Partner, Series entitlement sponsor, Promoter, etc.).

3.12. Industry Representative. To secure and maintain Membership in the capacity of Industry Representative, an applicant must at minimum: (i) Be 18 years of age; and (ii) Be an employee or agent of a company that supplies products or services to Competitors and have entered into an Industry Partner Agreement with IMSA.

3.13. Media. To secure and maintain Membership in the capacity of Media, an applicant must at minimum: (i) Be 18 years of age; and (ii) Be assigned to cover IMSA Event(s), and (iii) agree to and execute the IMSA standard media agreements.

3.14. Non-Participant Single Event Credential. To secure and maintain Membership in the capacity of Non-Participant, an applicant must at minimum: (i) Be 16 years of age; and (ii) be nominated by a partner, employee, official or Team.

3.15. MEMBERSHIP STIPULATIONS

3.15.1. IMSA may specify, limit or restrict the types of Series, Cars, or racetracks in which a Member may participate.

3.15.2. **Non-Transferable.** An IMSA Membership is non-transferable and non-assignable. It may be used only by the Member to whom it is issued. Any attempt to transfer, lend, or permit any other person or entity to use it shall result in a penalty imposed on the Member by IMSA. IF FOR ANY REASON, WHETHER INTENTIONAL OR UNINTENTIONAL, A MEMBERSHIP IS TRANSFERRED, LOANED, OR USED BY ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY, THE ORIGINAL MEMBER SHALL INDEMNIFY IMSA AND ALL RELATED PARTIES FOR ANY DAMAGES ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH TRANSFER, LOAN OR USE.

3.15.3. **Membership Status.** A Member is not an agent or employee of IMSA by virtue of such Membership. With respect to any IMSA-related activities in which a Member engages, unless the Member is also an employee of IMSA, the Member shall act as and be deemed to be either an independent contractor or an employee of a person or entity other than IMSA, and not an agent or employee of IMSA. Each such Member, or the Member's employer, is obligated to furnish any tools, supplies or materials necessary to perform the Member's duties. Each such Member shall be responsible for compensating, and shall be responsible for all actions of, their employees or agents. Each such Member assumes all responsibility, either by himself/herself or on behalf of his/her employer, for any charges, record keeping, premiums and taxes, if any, payable on any funds the Member may receive as a result of any activities as a Member, including but not limited to, social security taxes, unemployment insurance taxes, workers compensation insurance, income taxes and withholding taxes. If a Member is an IMSA employee, the Employee Manual supersedes these RULES on any violations and/or disciplinary actions.

3.15.4. **Suspension.** IMSA may suspend a Membership for a definite or indefinite period of time in the interest of sports car racing or IMSA, in IMSA's sole discretion. The affected Member may appeal such a suspension directly to the Chief Appellate Officer in accordance with Art. 59.5 (Appeal to the IMSA Chief Appellate Officer). Such Member shall have no right to receive, and IMSA shall not be obligated to refund, any part or all of the fee(s) previously paid by the Member to IMSA.

3.15.5. **Voluntary Termination.** A Member may terminate his/her Membership at any time by providing a letter of resignation to Headquarters. Such Member shall have no right to receive, and IMSA shall not be obligated to refund, any part or all of the fee(s) previously paid by the Member to IMSA.

3.15.6. **Involuntary Termination.** IMSA may terminate a Membership at any time in the interest of sports car racing or IMSA, in IMSA's sole discretion. The affected Member may appeal such involuntary termination directly to the Chief Appellate Officer in accordance with Art. 59.5 (Appeal to the IMSA Chief Appellate Officer). Such Member shall have no right to receive, and IMSA shall not be obligated to refund, any part or all of the fee(s) previously paid by the Member to IMSA.

3.15.7. **Expiration.** An IMSA Membership expires automatically on December 31 of the calendar year in which the Membership is issued.

3.15.8. **Ejection.** A Supervisory Official may eject a Member from an Event or from the premises in an emergency situation, as determined by such Supervisory Official, to promote the orderly conduct of the Event and/or future Events. An ejection is Conclusive.

3.15.9. **Medical.** For safety reasons, at any time during the calendar year IMSA may require a Competitor to undergo a physical or psychological examination by designated medical professionals at the Competitor's expense.

3.15.10. **Interim Review of Member Qualifications.** IMSA, in its sole discretion, may review the qualifications of a Member at any time after issuance of a Membership and may require the Member to submit to such additional physical examinations, to submit a resume or an updated resume to include Driver information and record of competition, or to pass such additional Driver ability tests, and may take such other action or require the Member to take such other action as IMSA may deem appropriate, to determine whether the Member continues to qualify for the applicable type of Membership under these RULES.

3.16. CODE OF CONDUCT

3.16.1. An IMSA Member shall not make or cause to be made a public statement and/or communication that criticizes, ridicules, or otherwise disparages another person based upon that person's race, color, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, age, handicapping condition or official position.

3.16.2. IMSA is dedicated to the highest standards of safety and conduct and all Members must conduct themselves accordingly. Unsafe or inappropriate conduct may result in the imposition of penalties. Acts or omissions that constitute a violation of the IMSA RULES, or are detrimental to auto racing, sports car racing, IMSA, Promoters, sponsors, participants or fans, may result in the imposition of penalties.

3.16.3. All Members of IMSA are expected to conduct themselves in a professional and sportsmanlike manner. Persons whose appearance, associations or affiliations at or away from an Event are deemed inappropriate or who exhibit conduct that is offensive, abrasive, in bad taste, or otherwise inappropriate or who have been convicted of criminal activity may be denied Membership or may have their existing Membership and/or credential suspended or revoked by IMSA. Such conduct may also be or be considered a violation of these RULES and may result in the imposition of other penalties.

3.16.4. Competitors may be required to take part in certain fan and media activities as directed by the Officials. Such activities may include but are not limited to autograph periods, television interviews, fan forums, tech talks, pit lane or Paddock "open houses", etc. Failure or refusal to participate as directed, once scheduled and notified either in-person or through the SR or otherwise, may result in the imposition of penalties. Arriving late, missing the activity or departing early, without permission from IMSA Officials, is a breach of the RULES.

3.16.5. Except during periods of extreme weather, or when permission of IMSA Officials is obtained, Competitors must not fully enclose their Paddock setups (including the use of clear panels) such as to obscure the view of fans of the majority of the activities including, at least, the preparation of one (1) Car. Teams are encouraged to be fan friendly.

A. Competitors must not fully enclose their pit lane setups such as to obscure the view of fans of the majority of the activities including, at least, the campaigning of one (1) Car.

3.16.6. Failure to obey the direction of an IMSA Official or Promoter representative, as such pertain to the procedures and RULES that govern the organization and administration of an Event, is considered a breach of the RULES.

3.16.7. Any Member that publicly criticizes and/or disparages IMSA or its Officials may be considered to be acting in an unsportsmanlike manner prejudicial or detrimental to IMSA and the best interests of the sport and shall be considered a breach of the RULES.

3.16.8. Actions or in-action not otherwise specifically prohibited by these RULES, of a Member while participating in an Event deemed by IMSA to be or to cause a situation, unnecessarily dangerous, negligent or otherwise inappropriate, shall be considered a breach of the RULES.

3.16.9. Actions or in-action on the part of a Competitor that, in the opinion of the Race Director and/or the Supervisory Officials results in an unfair advantage to the Competitor shall constitute unsportsmanlike conduct, is a breach of the RULES and is subject to penalty (Art. 57).

3.16.10. During each Event, there may be several mandatory meetings, including Driver and/or Team Manager briefings. Failure to attend or late arrival is a breach of these RULES. Attendance is for the specified Competitors, and guests or other attendees must receive prior approval.

3.16.11. Animals are prohibited in the pit lane, on the racetrack, or in the pit lane area. Animals are prohibited in the Paddock and/or in any public area except as permitted by the Promoter or as may be required by law. Such animals must be leashed or harnessed.

3.16.12. Entrants must ensure that all persons related to their Team abide by the IMSA RULES. Throughout the Event, it is the individual and collective responsibility of any Team and/or Crew to ensure that the RULES are respected.

3.16.13. Throughout the Event, it is the Entrant's responsibility to ensure that their Car complies with the RULES, including without limitation the safety requirements and technical specifications.

3.16.14. **Unregistered Driver:** A Driver who has not satisfactorily completed registration and/or Sporting Checks is prohibited from taking part in any on-track Session. Penalty: Minimum $10,000 Fine.

3.17. CREDENTIALS / PARKING PASSES

3.17.1. Only persons approved by IMSA are permitted to enter restricted areas (i.e., garage areas, pits, racing surface and similar areas) after they have personally signed all required entry forms, waivers and release of liability forms and pit permits applicable to the particular Event and obtain an IMSA issued credential. Persons are prohibited from signing at any time, for any reason, any entry form, waiver and release of liability form or pit permit for anyone other than themselves. Credentials must be displayed at all times during an Event. Competitors must not enter Race Control, timing and scoring and/or the broadcast compound during any Session unless permitted or directed by an Official.

3.17.2. Annual credentials are available for Members in the capacity of: Entrant Representative, Team Representative, Admin Representative, Driver, Crew, Industry Support, Supplier, Team PR, Team VIP, Media, Photo/Video, Promoter, VIP, Partner, Vendor, Official and Employee upon execution and acceptance by IMSA of an Annual Credential Application. IMSA Single-event credentials are available to Members in the capacity of: Industry Support, Supplier, Media, Photo/Video, Promotor, Partner, Crew, VIP and Vendor.

3.17.3. An IMSA annual credential serves as a valid credential for each Event. Single-event credentials are sold by IMSA registration upon authorization of the Entrant or Official and availability may be limited.

3.17.4. IMSA-designated participants and each Car entered in an Event receives serialized seasonal Team automobile parking passes, which remain the property of IMSA. IMSA reserves the right to remove automobiles without a valid parking pass at the owner's expense. Lost or stolen passes can be replaced once per season at a cost of $500.00. Designated lots and additional parking restrictions may apply as specified in the applicable SR. Possession of a parking pass shall not guarantee parking availability. Misuse of the parking pass system may be penalized.

3.17.5. Delivery passes valid for thirty (30) minutes are available for individual temporary check out from the Administrator at the IMSA Series-specific Technical Trailer and IMSA Registration at each Event. Delivery passes must be returned immediately after use and are not considered parking passes. Vehicles with delivery passes must not remain unattended. Violators towed at owner/operator's expense. Misuse of the delivery pass system may be penalized.

ARTICLE 4 – ENTRIES

4. ENTRIES

4.1. Release. BY SUBMITTING AN EVENT ENTRY APPLICATION AND/OR TAKING PART IN ANY ACTIVITY RELATING TO THE EVENT, A MEMBER AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE DECISIONS OF IMSA OFFICIALS RELATING TO THE EVENT OR ANY MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE EVENT, AND AGREES THAT SUCH DECISIONS ARE FINAL, NON-APPEALABLE (EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THE RULES) AND NON-LITIGABLE. SUCH MEMBER FURTHER AGREES TO INSPECT THE FACILITIES, AND HIS/HER CAR AND ALL RELATED EQUIPMENT, SAFETY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT, AND CONDITIONS AT THE RACETRACK, TO ENSURE THAT IT IS IN A SAFE, RACEABLE AND USABLE CONDITION, AND THAT THE MEMBER VOLUNTARILY ASSUMES THE RISK OF, AND HAS NO CLAIM FOR DAMAGES AGAINST IMSA, THE PROMOTER OR THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, SHAREHOLDERS, OFFICIALS, AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES BY REASON OF, DAMAGE TO THE CAR, OR INJURY OR DEATH OF THE DRIVER, CREW OR ANY OTHER PERSON. ALL MEMBERS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY AND ALL INJURIES SUSTAINED, INCLUDING DEATH, AND ALL PROPERTY DAMAGE, ANYTIME THEY ARE IN THE RACING AREAS OR EN-ROUTE THERETO OR THEREFROM. EACH MEMBER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE MEMBER'S SPOUSE AND NEXT OF KIN HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT THE MEMBER UNDERSTANDS THE HIGH RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH WHICH MAY RESULT FROM RACING, AND THAT THE MEMBER SOLELY ASSUMES ALL SUCH RISKS.

4.2. To participate in an Event, an Entrant must complete and have approved, an Event Entry Application and paid the applicable Event entry fee in accordance with the directions stated on the Event Entry Application. An Event Entry Application accepted by IMSA shall constitute a contract, binding the Entrant to take part in the Event and pay the applicable Event entry fee, either with the Driver(s) designated or with IMSA-approved substitute Driver(s), unless prevented by forces beyond his control. If an Entrant enters an Event without having properly submitted an Event Entry Application, the Entrant by such actions nevertheless agrees that he is subject to the RULES, as well as all statements, releases and obligations appearing in the Event Entry Application, as if he had properly submitted an Event Entry Application. Acceptance of any Event Entry Application is at the discretion of IMSA.

4.2.1. (SSR) Transporter(s), equipment and/or race Car(s) are prohibited in the Paddock until all entry requirements are met.

4.2.2. (SSR) For a Premium Entry choosing the per-Event payment option, payment not submitted by the Event Entry deadline is subject to a late fee.

4.2.3. (SSR) For a Standard Entry, if an Event Entry Application and payment are not submitted by the deadline, IMSA in its sole discretion may accept the Event Entry Application, subject to a late fee.

4.3. Event Entry Deadlines.

4.3.1. (SSR) The Event entry deadline is by close of business (CoB) on the Tuesday, two (2) weeks prior to the Event week, as listed in the SR.

4.3.2. (SSR) The Late Event entry deadline is by CoB on the Monday of the week prior to the Event week. After the Event entry deadline up to the Late Event entry deadline, a fee of $1,000 is applied.

4.3.3. (SSR) The Final Event entry deadline is by CoB on the Friday of the week prior to the Event week. After the Late Event entry deadline up to the Final Event entry deadline, a fee of $2,500 is applied.

4.3.4. (SSR) Entries submitted after the Final Event entry deadline (CoB on the Friday prior to the Event week) are accepted at the sole discretion of IMSA and may include an additional fee.

4.3.5. (SSR) The deadline to make Driver changes to the Entry List to approved Driver names is by CoB on the Monday of the week prior to the Event week. After this deadline, a fee of $500 is applied per Driver change.

4.3.6. An Event Confirmation Declaration must be submitted via the MERG system (Art. 13.2) no later than 4:00 pm ET on the Monday of the week prior to the Event week. For Event Confirmation Declarations received after this deadline, a fee of $500 is charged.

4.4. A Car must be entered by the holder of a current IMSA Entrant Membership.

4.4.1. (SSR) Entrant may enter multiple Cars but each Car earns championship points separately.

4.5. After the close of registration, Driver substitution(s) are subject to the approval of the Race Director.

4.6. At Events where the physical limitations of the facilities limit the maximum number of Cars, IMSA may establish specific criteria for the number of Cars permitted to participate.

4.7. Entry Acceptance and Refusal. IMSA is the sole judge of whether an Event Entry Application is accepted and such decision is Conclusive. IMSA is not obligated to give any reason for such a decision. An Entrant whose Event Entry Application is refused by IMSA shall be promptly informed of that fact by IMSA and the applicable Event entry fee returned.

4.8. Falsification. If it is determined that the Entry Application contains false information or incorrect statements, it may be considered null and void and any fees paid to IMSA shall be forfeited.

4.9. Withdrawal of Entry. Once an entry is accepted for an Event, the Entrant becomes obligated to attempt in good faith to compete in the Event to the best of his/her ability. The Entrant Representative must submit in writing any request to change the entry, including the withdrawal of the entry, to IMSA via MERG (Art. 13.2) no later than the Late Event entry deadline (CoB on the Monday of the week prior to the Event week), which IMSA may accept or decline in its sole discretion. If the request is received by IMSA later than the Late Event entry deadline or not at all, Entrant may be subject to a penalty fee of up to $5,000 and Entrant will still be obligated to pay the applicable Event entry fee(s). After the Close of Sporting Checks, a Car is no longer permitted to withdraw and may discontinue participation via MERG (Art. 13.2). A Car submitted as discontinue participation is shown as “No Time/No Speed” for any remaining Session(s) and as “DNS” for the Race. Penalty fees apply. After the start of the Race, a Car must be retired via MERG (Art. 13.2).

4.10. Car Number.

4.10.1. **Car Registration.** Entrants must register their Car(s) with IMSA by completing the necessary application forms and paying the appropriate fees. Competition numbers are assigned by IMSA following the completion of the registration process.

4.10.2. **Competition Number.** Competition numbers are non-assignable and non-transferable, except by IMSA. Entrant must use the assigned competition number on the Car registered by the Entrant. During an Event, Entrant must use the competition number to identify a particular Car and must not be transferred to another Car during the same Event, except with IMSA written approval. At subsequent Events, Entrant may use the competition number to identify a different Car registered by the Entrant. Championship points, awards and/or Point Fund / Prize Money are awarded to the Entrant for the performance of the Car identified by the competition number assigned to Entrant. If IMSA changes an Entrant's competition number, IMSA, at its option, may transfer Entrant’s championship points to the new competition number. IMSA reserves the right to revoke, reassign or transfer competition numbers at any time.

4.10.3. **Number Allocation**. The allocation of competition numbers is exclusively controlled by IMSA. Such numbers must comply with IMSA requirements and number panel requirements.

A. (SSR) Three-digit (000) numbers and numbers beginning with zero (0X) are prohibited except as approved at the sole discretion of IMSA in extraordinary circumstances. Certain numbers may be restricted or retired at IMSA's discretion. The number "1" is reserved for the preceding season GS class Team champion should the Entrant select it, and is ineligible for use by another Competitor.

B. (SSR) A Team failing to submit an Entry by the second Tuesday in December of the current season for the Series forfeits the right to use their previous or historical number if another Entry is then received requesting that number.

C. (SSR) A Premium Entry Team may, only with IMSA approval, use an approved temporary number for significant cause without jeopardizing their right to their previous or historical number and retaining the Team championship points.

4.11. Payment.

4.11.1. Failure to pay all sums due to IMSA or its contractors, agents and affiliated companies, or to the various Series sponsors or Promoters may result in revocation of credentials or Membership, withholding of any Point Fund / Prize Money or other penalties as well as potential denial of future Premium Entrant access and previous Car number. Pre-payment options may be available.

4.11.2. IMSA may charge interest of 1% per month, or 12% per annum, or the highest amount permitted by law if lower, on any sums outstanding. IMSA may charge a service fee up to the maximum amount permitted by law for any returned or canceled check, insufficient funds, or refused credit card payment.

4.11.3. Multiple declined credit Cards and/or returned checks may require future payments to be made by cash or wire transfer only.

4.11.4. All Point Fund / Prize Money won shall be paid by IMSA solely and directly to the applicable Entrant. IMSA requires that each Entrant provide a W9 and/or other required governmental documentation prior to distribution of payment.

ARTICLE 5 – INSURANCE, INJURIES & RESPONSIBILITY

5. INSURANCE, INJURIES & RESPONSIBILITY

5.1. Participant Accident Insurance. IMSA provides participant accident (PA) insurance coverage to competitors and crew during IMSA sanctioned Events. Subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, the policy limits are as follows:

$50,000 Accidental Death and Dismemberment

$50,000 Excess Medical

$1,000,000 Excess Catastrophic Medical

Emergency (ambulance) transport from track to hospital: Maximum $7,500

5.2. Injuries. Any Competitor involved in an incident in which there is an injury must report such incident to the IMSA Medical Liaison, Series Manager or a Supervisory Official prior to leaving the Event on the day the incident occurred. Where there is significant damage or injury, or at the direction of any Official, a Competitor MUST present himself or be transported to the Promoter medical facility for evaluation. For after-hours medical, dial 911. IMSA Event medical facility information is listed in the Schedule/SR. Participant accident insurance coverage may be declined by the insurance provider if an Official is not notified and/or the Competitor is not evaluated by the Promoter medical staff. The Competitor is solely responsible for all medical costs, including any costs associated with off-site medical transportation, for injuries not covered by the PA insurance provider.

5.3. Assumption of Risk. Automobile racing is an inherently dangerous sport and each Member assumes that risk of bodily injury, death, or property damage when participating in an Event. The risk of serious injury or death cannot be eliminated and is always present at a high level. Members are required to advise their spouses and next of kin, if any, of this fact. IMSA cannot be and is not responsible for all or even most aspects of the safety effort. That responsibility instead rests with the various participants in the Event as follows:

5.3.1. **IMSA Responsibility.** Employees and representatives of IMSA, when they are present at an Event, will inform the Promoter of any inadequacies in the facilities, safety personnel and equipment, or other conditions at the racetrack that they (a) observe and (b) consider in their best judgment to be inconsistent with the interests of safety. In addition, IMSA works with Competitors, Promoters, Manufacturers and Constructors and Tire Partners and outside independent experts to facilitate, where and when appropriate, the exchange of useful information regarding safety designs, products, practices and procedures. IMSA, however, is not and does not hold itself out as an expert in safety standards, designs, products, practices or procedures, nor is IMSA a standards organization or a designer, manufacturer or seller of safety-related products, facility designs or Car designs. IMSA DOES NOT MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OF SAFETY TO ANY MEMBER OR OTHER PERSON AND CANNOT AND DOES NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THE ADEQUACY – FOR PURPOSES OF SAFETY – OF THE FACILITY, SAFETY PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT, AND/OR CONDITIONS AT THE RACETRACK. The Promoter (see below) and the Members (see below) are solely and ultimately responsible for such matters at Events.

5.3.2. **Official's Responsibility.** Officials at an Event will inform the Promoter of any inadequacies they observe and consider in their best judgment to be inconsistent with the interest of safety, including but not limited to inadequacies in the facilities, safety personnel, equipment and conditions of the racetrack. In addition, if an inadequacy is observed on a Competitor's Car, equipment, or conduct, Officials may take whatever action is reasonable and appropriate to correct such inadequacy, including but not limited to, requesting physical examination(s) and/or Driver ability tests. In any case, Competitor is obligated to follow the Official's directives. IMSA, HOWEVER, IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADEQUACY OF A COMPETITOR'S CAR, RACING EQUIPMENT, OR RACING ACTIVITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE.

5.3.3. **Promoter Responsibility.** The Promoter is directly and finally responsible to ensure that the facility is adequate and that adequate safety personnel and equipment are provided for at each Event, both for the purpose of preventing injury where reasonably possible, responding to injury when it occurs; and that the conditions at the facility are maintained in a reasonable manner to reduce the risk of injury, all as more fully set forth in the Sanction Agreement applicable to the Event.

5.3.4. **Member Responsibility.** All Members are obligated to inspect the facility, safety personnel and equipment and conditions of the racetrack on a continuing basis before, during, and after the Event. Members must promptly report to IMSA and the Promoter any inadequacy in the facility, personnel, equipment, or conditions of the racetrack. Members also are solely and directly responsible for the safety of their Race Equipment and are obligated to perform their duties in a manner designed to minimize to the risk of injury to themselves and others.

5.4. NEITHER IMSA NOR THE PROMOTER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADEQUACY OF A COMPETITOR'S RACE EQUIPMENT, OR RACING ACTIVITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE. IMSA DOES NOT MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OF SAFETY TO ANY COMPETITOR OR OTHER PERSON, AND CANNOT AND DOES NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THE ADEQUACY, FOR PURPOSES OF SAFETY, OF THE FACILITY, SAFETY PERSONNEL OR EQUIPMENT, OR CONDITIONS AT THE RACETRACK.

5.5. Each Member agrees and consents that in the event of injury or death in the course of or as a result of an Event, IMSA may obtain access to and copies of any and all medical records of the Member related to such injury or death.

5.6. IMSA Participant Accident Insurance is in effect, for all IMSA Sanctioned activities (Subject to the Terms and Conditions of the policy), from the beginning of the first Event Load-In day until the Load-Out Time for each specific Series per the Official Schedule.

ARTICLE 6 – MEDIA RELEASES

6. MEDIA RELEASES

6.1. Advertising and Promotion Release. Each Member by entering an Event, grants to IMSA, its duly authorized agents, assigns and licensees, including but not limited to the Series entitlement sponsors and Promoters, on an exclusive basis, the right to use and sublicense, Competitor's name, likeness and performance, in and out of uniform, including photographs, images and sounds of Competitor, any Crew and/or any Car(s) with respect to which Competitor participates in the Event(s), in any way, material or medium (including but not limited to print, telecasts by and through television, cable television, radio, pay-per-view, closed circuit television, satellite signal, digital signal, film productions, audiotape productions, transmissions over the Internet, public and private online services authorized by IMSA, sales, other commercial projects and/or the like) for promoting, advertising, or reporting IMSA racing generally, the IMSA Series in which Competitor participates, and/or any Event(s) or related telecast or programming, before, during and after such Event and Competitor hereby relinquishes to IMSA exclusively and in perpetuity all rights thereto for such purpose.

6.2. Broadcast Rights. Each Member by entering an Event acknowledges that IMSA and its licensees and assigns exclusively and in perpetuity owns any and all rights to broadcast, transmit, film, tape, capture, overhear, photograph, collect or record by any means, process, medium or device (including but not limited to television, cable television, radio, pay-per-view, closed circuit television, satellite signal, digital signal, film productions, audiotape productions, transmissions over the Internet, public and private online services authorized by IMSA, sales, other commercial projects and/or the like), whether or not currently in existence, all film, audio, video and/or photographic images, sounds and data (including but not limited to in-Car audio, in-Car video, in-Car radio, other electronic transmissions between Cars and Crew and timing and scoring information) arising from, during, or in connection with the Event(s) or the Member's performance in the Event, and that except for works created pursuant to the fair use doctrine or the IMSA Media Access Policy, IMSA shall be the sole owner of any and all copyrights, intellectual property rights and other proprietary rights worldwide in and to these works and in and to any other works, copyrightable or otherwise created from the images, sounds and data arising from, during or in connection with the Event(s) or Member's performance in the Event. Each Member hereby agrees to take all steps reasonably necessary, and all steps requested by IMSA, to protect, perfect or effectuate IMSA's ownership or other interest in these rights. Each Member agrees not to take any action, nor cause others to take any action, nor enter into any third party agreement that would contravene, diminish, encroach or infringe upon these IMSA rights.

ARTICLE 7 – IMSA SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

7. IMSA SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

7.1. Notice - Any Member charged with any violation of the law relating to alcoholic beverages or illegal substances, or charged with any felony, shall notify the IMSA Vice President of Competition prior to the next scheduled Event or within seventy-two (72) hours of being charged, whichever is earlier.

7.2. Introduction - Through a comprehensive testing program, IMSA's Substance Abuse Policy is designed to keep Events safe for everyone and provide a level playing field. Strong testing programs save lives, prevent injury, gives IMSA Members additional reasons to say no to illegal drugs and help identify people with substance abuse issues and facilitate their treatment. To those ends, IMSA prohibits the misuse of alcohol, prescription drugs, and any other substance used in a manner that affects safety or impacts the integrity of the Competition, including –but not limited to-- illegal or performance enhancing substances. All IMSA Members are responsible for whatever goes into their body.

7.3. Administration of this Policy; Program Administrator (PA), the Testing Laboratory and Medical Review Officer (MRO) - The Policy of this program is overseen by IMSA, but it is administered and implemented through a program administrator, testing laboratories, medical review officers and substance abuse professionals.

A. **Program Administrator (PA) -** IMSA has designated Dr. Doug Aukerman, M.D. as the program administrator (PA). The PA acts to oversee the administration and implementation of the program, but his primary role is to act as an advocate for the accuracy and integrity of the substance abuse testing process. The PA will also facilitate evaluations for IMSA Members for the Road to Recovery Program by coordinating evaluations with the appropriate substance abuse professional for advising on the creation of a Road to Recovery Plan that may include substance abuse counseling, treatment or rehabilitation.

B. **Specimen Collection –** All specimen collections pursuant to this Policy will be conducted by IMSA designated collectors. The IMSA designated collector shall administer all Reasonable Suspicion and Road to Recovery collections, and to assure transport of urine, blood, saliva, hair and/or breath specimens pursuant to this Policy.

C. **Testing Laboratory -** All testing pursuant to this Policy will be done at the IMSA designated Testing Laboratory. The IMSA designated Testing Laboratory shall administer the testing of urine, blood, saliva, hair, and/or breath specimens pursuant to this Policy and to communicate the results to the MRO. IMSA reserves the right to designate other testing facilities, as needed to facilitate this Policy, throughout the year.

D. **The Medical Review Officer (MRO) -** IMSA has designated Douglas Aukerman, M.D., as the MRO of this Policy. The MRO is an independent and impartial physician to the laboratory's findings, and he is responsible for receiving and reviewing laboratory results generated pursuant to this Policy and determining whether there is a legitimate medical explanation for a positive drug test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, or other non-negative test. Dr. Aukerman is a board certified Sports Medicine physician and a medical review officer certified by the American Association of Medical Review Officers (AAMRO). IMSA reserves the right to designate other MROs, as needed, to facilitate this Policy throughout the year.

7.4. IMSA Members Subject to Testing - All Members are required to adhere to IMSA's Substance Abuse Policy and are subject to reasonable suspicion testing, as well as any subsequent follow-up testing and Road-to-Recovery testing that is necessary. (See Art. 7.6).

7.5. Prohibited Substances and Acts

7.5.1. **Prohibited Substances** - For the purpose of this Policy, prohibited substances are those substances that, in the PA's and the MRO's determination, in consultation with IMSA, may adversely affect the safety and well-being and performance of an IMSA Member at an Event, including without limitation illegal drugs. The PA and the MRO, in consultation with IMSA, may make this determination with respect to a particular substance at any time, including and without limitation at the time of discovery of the substance following a drug test. For the purposes of the IMSA RULES, federal bans and definitions of illegal substances supersedes any state and/or local ordinance, regulation or law allowing use of a substance. IMSA Members are prohibited from using, having in their system, possessing, purchasing, selling and/or participating in the distribution of any drug that is illegal to possess, use, and/or distribute by the laws of the United States of America and/or any of its 50 states, regardless of the amount, at any time. Illegal acquisition and/or illegal distribution of any prescription or over-the-counter medication are strictly prohibited at any time. In addition to the prohibition of illegal drugs described above, non-medical use of the following non-exhaustive list of drugs is prohibited under this Policy.

A. **Stimulants**

Amphetamine, methamphetamine, Ecstasy (MDMA), Eve (MDEA), MDA, PMA, Phentermine, and other amphetamine derivatives and related compounds.

B. **Narcotic Analgesics**

Including without limitation, alfentanil, fentanyl, hydromorphone, marijuana (cannabis), meperidine, methadone, morphine, oxycodone, oxymorphone, propoxyphene, sufentanil, heroin and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compounds, as well as codeine, dihydrocodeine, hydrocodone, and codeine analogs and related compounds (including those available over the counter in some countries if taken for a non-medical use).

C. **Ephedrine Class**

Ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, and phenylpropanolamine and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compound as well as pseudoephedrine (even if purchased as an over the counter medication without a prescription) if used:

i. in a manner that is inconsistent with the instructions provided by the drug manufacturer (e.g., use in concentrations or amounts in excess of the manufacturer's recommended dose); or

ii. in a manner or an amount that may cause an increased risk to health, safety, or an impairment of ability to perform his/her duties in relation to an Event.

D. **Benzodiazepines**

Including without limitation, alprazolam, diazepam, lorazepam (Ativan), oxazapam (Serax), temazepam (Restoril), Alpha-hydroxy-alprazolam (Xanax), Nordiazepam (Valium) and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compounds.

E. **Barbituates**

Including without limitation, amobarbital (Amytal), butalbital (Anolor 300, Esgic, Fioricet, Fiorinal), butabarbital (Butisol), phenobarbital (Luminol, Solfoton), pentobarbital (Nembutal, Nembutal Sodium), secobarbital (Seconal) and/or their chemical and pharmacological analogs and related compounds.

F. **Performance Enhancing Drugs**

Including without limitation, Human Growth Hormone (hGH), Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (hCG), Luetenizing Hormone (LH) and Insulin-like Growth Factor (IGF-1), clenbuterol, anabolic androgenic steroids ("AAS"), including without limitation:

- Androstenediol
- Androstendione
- Bolasterone
- Boldenone
- Chloroxomesterone (dehydrochlormethyl-testosterone)
- Clostebol
- Dihydroepiandosterone
- Dihydrotestosterone
- Dromostanolone
- Epitestosterone
- 4-Chlortestosterone
- Fluoxymesterone
- Formebolone
- Furazabol
- Mesterolone
- Methandienone (methadrostenolone)
- Methandriol
- Methenolone
- Methylclostebol
- Methyltestosterone
- Methyltrienolone
- Mibolerone
- Nondrolone
- Norandrostendione
- Norethandrolone
- Oxabolone
- Oxandrolone
- Oxymesterone
- Oxymetholone
- Stanozolol
- Stenbolone
- Testosterone
- Trenbolone

G. **Muscle Relaxers**

Including without limitation, carisoprodol (Soma) and meprobamate (Miltown, Meprospan).

H. **Sleep Aids**

Including without limitation, zolpidem (Ambien).

I. **Beta Blockers**

Including without limitation, the following drugs and related compounds:

- Acebutolol
- Alprenolol
- Amosulalol

- Atenolol
- Betaxolol
- Bisoprolol
- Carteolol
- Esmolol
- Landiolol
- Levobunolol
- Mepindolol
- Metipranolol
- Nadolol
- Nebivolol
- Oxprenolol
- Penbutolol
- Pindolol
- Propranolol
- Metoprolol
- Sotalol
- Tilisolol
- Timolol

J. **Hormone and Metabolic Modulators**

Including without limitation, anastrozole, formestane, ATD, clomiphene, "SERMS" (raloxifence, tamoxifen (Nolvadex), toremifene, Arimidex, clomid, evista, fulvestrant, aromatase inhibitors (Androst – 3, 5-dien, 17-dione), SARMS, etc.

7.5.2. **Medical and Non-Medical Use of Prescription and Over-the-Counter Medications -** IMSA recognizes that there are many prescription and over-the-counter medications that serve essential or beneficial purposes for the health and well-being of IMSA Members, and nothing in this Policy is intended to discourage the proper use of these medications. Some medications, even when properly used, may adversely affect the safety and integrity of Competition. For example, many types of cough medicines contain codeine, which is a potent narcotic that may result in drowsiness or diminished alertness. Non-medical use of a prohibited, prescription, or over-the-counter medication by an IMSA Member is prohibited, and the MRO will examine whether: (1) the medication was used in a manner inconsistent with the instructions provided by the manufacturer, pharmacist and/or the prescribing physician; (2) the medication causes a competitive advantage, or a diminished or impaired ability to perform duties on the day of an Event; (3) the medication was used without a valid prescription from a licensed and treating physician that was given for a legitimate medical purpose; (4) the IMSA Member failed to advise the issuing physician that another physician was prescribing the same and/or similar medication; and/or (5) the medication was prescribed more than 6 months prior to an Event. For the purposes of the IMSA RULES, federal bans and definitions of illegal substances supersedes any state and/or local ordinance, regulation or law permitting the use of a substance.

7.5.3. **Alcohol -** An IMSA Member is prohibited from consuming any alcohol 12 hours prior to or during any Session. An IMSA Member with breath, urine, saliva, or blood alcohol level above 20mg per 100ml (.02%) at the time of testing is deemed unfit for race driving, participating or officiating in an Event. Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude an IMSA Official from determining that an IMSA Member with a breath, urine, saliva, or blood alcohol test level below 20mg per 100ml (.02%) is physically unfit for race driving, participating, or officiating in an Event and taking such action as the IMSA Official may deem appropriate under the IMSA RULES.

7.5.4. **Dietary and CBD Supplements -** Dietary and CBD supplements may contain (either purposefully or through contamination) a prohibited substance under this Policy. Any product sold with a warning advising non-use if the purchaser is subject to a drug testing program should be avoided even though such product may be available without a prescription. IMSA Members may use a variety of apps or internet sources to become more educated about the contents of a supplement, but regardless of that information, the IMSA Member is responsible for any substance found in their system.

7.5.5. **Masking Agents -** The use or attempted use of any agent or technique that is designed to avoid detection of a prohibited substance and/or falsify, alter, compromise, or otherwise tamper with the integrity of a specimen or test under this Policy is prohibited. This includes providing false urine samples (e.g., urine substitution or synthetic urine), contaminating the urine sample with chemicals or chemical products, using pharmaceutical diuretics to purposefully dilute the urine sample, using masking agents, using Aromatase inhibitors that may be used to biologically manipulate the testosterone/epitestosterone ratio, and/or using epitestosterone to artificially alter the testosterone/epitestosterone ratio.

7.5.6. **Substances That Mimic Effects of Banned Substances -** IMSA Members are prohibited from using any legal or illegal substance, or combination of substances, including but not limited to synthetics, analogues and/or derivatives of a banned substance.

7.5.7. **Manner of Use**

A. **Safety -** The use of any legal or illegal substance, or combination of substances, which when taken into the human body, can impair the ability of the person to perform safely is prohibited. Under this Policy, any substance or combination of substances used in an unsafe manner is a violation. For example, a combination of drinking 10 cups of espresso, taking cold medicine and using prescribed sleep medication will cause a safety risk, although each substance in small amounts by themselves may not necessarily result in a violation of the SAP.

B. **Integrity of Competition -** The use of any legal or illegal substance, or combination of substances, which when taken into the human body, can alter or enhance a person's ability to compete in a manner unfair to other Competitors is a violation. For example, a legal substance may be substantially similar to an illegal drug – i.e., an analogue or derivative of an illegal drug – use of that substance will result in a violation of the SAP.

7.5.8. **Prescription Documentation for Prohibited Substances to the Medical Review Officer -** Competitors or Officials in the IMSA Series are required to notify and provide proof of prescriptions for all prohibited substances under this Policy to the MRO upon receipt of such a prescription from his/her treating physician. The method to provide this information to the MRO shall be:

A. Using a fax cover sheet, print "IMSA SAP Information", the Competitor or Official name and phone number, name of medication, the prescribing physician, and the physician's phone number. Attach a copy of the prescription providing the dosage and duration instructions for proper use.

B. Fax both the cover sheet and copy of the prescription to the MRO at (888) 595-4949, or email scanned copies to mro@aukmed.net.

C. The Competitor's or Official's physician may receive a call from the MRO to discuss the prognosis and expected length of treatment and corresponding duration of the prescription.

7.6. Testing for Prohibited Substances - Under this Policy, all Competitors, Officials and IMSA Members will be tested on the following basis:

7.6.1. **Reasonable Suspicion -** IMSA may require an IMSA Member to submit to a test or tests if an IMSA Official has reasonable suspicion that the IMSA Member has violated any part of this Policy or has a competitive advantage or diminished ability to perform as a result of using any substance in violation with this Policy. Some of the conditions, observations and/or reports that may cause an IMSA Official to have such a reasonable suspicion are, without limitation, as follows:

A. When an IMSA Member is found or observed in possession of illegal substances or illegal drug paraphernalia at any time.

B. Observation of signs, symptoms, and/or behaviors generally understood to accompany the use of prohibited substances or alcohol use or intoxication including, without limitation:

i. Physical signs of red or droopy eyes, dilated or constricted pupils;

ii. Slurred speech, stumbling, or hyperactivity;

iii. Needle marks;

iv. Repeated unexplained disappearances from an Event;

v. Constantly running nose, red appearance in the face, or persistent sniffing;

vi. Time distortion, including repeated tardiness and missed appointments;

vii. Chronic forgetfulness or broken promises;

viii. Accidents during Events;

ix. Inability to concentrate or remember, or to maintain attention;

x. Mental confusion, paranoia, or presence of abnormal thoughts or ideas;

xi. Violent tendencies, loss of temper, or irritability;

xii. Extreme personality change or mood swings; or

xiii. Deteriorating personal hygiene or appearance.

C. An arrest or conviction for driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or an alcohol or drug related conviction.

D. Receipt of a report from a reliable source that an IMSA Member is under the influence of substances prohibited under this Policy on the day of an Event, or, at any time, is using, possessing or selling illegal drugs or substance.

E. The results of an examination or test, as provided by the IMSA RULES, which shows evidence of use of a prohibited substance or alcohol abuse or of adulteration or manipulation of the specimen.

F. The odor or aroma of an alcoholic beverage on or about the breath or body of a Competitor, Official or IMSA Member consistent with use of such a substance or alcoholic beverage on the day of an Event.

G. Violation of IMSA safety precautions or careless acts during an IMSA Event.

7.6.2. **Follow-up testing -** IMSA Members may be required to undergo follow-up testing as requested by the PA, MRO or IMSA. Tests may be:

A. Administrative. The PA may request follow-up testing for administrative issues.

B. MRO requested. The MRO may request follow-up testing for variety of reasons, including but not limited to:

i. If the MRO finds that test results are invalid, the MRO may request a follow up test to assist in analysis.

ii. Monitor or determine therapeutic levels of prescription drugs.

iii. Determine whether an IMSA Member is "cycling" or "stacking" performance enhancing substances.

iv. Assist in the investigative process to determine if there is a legitimate medical reason for test results.

C. In its discretion, IMSA may decide to include drug and/or alcohol testing as a condition of probation. In the rare instances when that occurs, IMSA will review the situation and determine how many times, for how long, in what circumstances and for what substances a Member will be tested as part of probation and whether collections are to be observed.

7.6.3. **The Road to Recovery / Competition Re-entry -** IMSA Members, who violate this Policy are required to be evaluated and tested before returning to IMSA. In conjunction with the terms and condition of reinstatement of an IMSA license, the PA will provide for an evaluation with an appropriate substance abuse professional for the purpose of advising on the creation of a Road to Recovery Plan, which may include substance abuse counseling, treatment or rehabilitation. The PA will determine how many times the IMSA Member will be tested, for how long, and for what substances. The PA may also require that collections be under direct observation.

7.7. Specimens For Testing - IMSA may require an IMSA Member to submit to a test or tests, including without limitation urine, blood, saliva, hair, and/or breath tests. At the time of testing, the choice of specimen for a particular test is at the discretion the PA, MRO and IMSA. Also, the type of test performed is at the discretion of the PA, MRO and IMSA. In the event of disagreement, IMSA shall make the determination of the specimen for a particular test.

7.8. Refusal to Test

7.8.1. Refusing to submit to testing will be treated as if the test was found to be positive. For the purposes of this Policy, IMSA Members have refused to take a test if they:

A. Fail to participate, authorize or cooperate for testing, including failure to follow procedures of Art. 7.9.

B. Fail to appear for a test after being notified of the test.

C. Fail to remain for the duration of testing or until all testing requirements are completed.

D. Fail to provide sufficient amount of the requested specimen, and the MRO determines that no legitimate medical reason exists for the insufficient specimen.

E. Fail to permit or allow a requested observed collection.

F. Fail to take a requested follow up test.

G. Fail to consult and/or cooperate with the MRO.

H. Fail to provide an unadulterated specimen. A test is considered a refusal for any findings of specimens that are adulterated, substituted, including but not limited to a finding of synthetic urine, synthetic marijuana, adulterants, intentional dilution of specimens, etc., and where no legitimate medical explanation supports the laboratory findings.

I. Any attempts by IMSA Members to mask or alter the results of the test will be considered a refusal.

7.8.2. **Removal from IMSA Event -** If an IMSA Official directs an IMSA Member, who refuses to consent to and participate in a test within the time period designated by the IMSA Official, the IMSA Member may be removed from the racing premises by an IMSA Official and may be subject to other emergency action as may be appropriate, including disciplinary action pursuant to IMSA RULES.

7.9. Authorization for Testing and Release - If an IMSA Member refuses to execute any authorization for the release of that IMSA Member's medical records, as deemed relevant in the PA, MRO or IMSA's discretion, or withdraws such authorization for testing and release pursuant to this Policy, IMSA Member will not be issued an IMSA license and, if already issued, the IMSA license will be suspended until the IMSA Member executes the above mentioned authorization and release and delivers it to IMSA. If an IMSA Official directs an IMSA Member to submit to a urine, blood, saliva, hair and/or breath test as provided by this Policy, that IMSA Member must consent to and participate in the test by the time designated by the IMSA Official. If that IMSA Member refuses to consent to and participate in such a test or tests within the time period designated by the IMSA Official, the IMSA Official may eject the IMSA Member from the racing premises or take such other emergency action as may be appropriate, and that IMSA Member will also be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the IMSA RULES.

7.10. Collection and Transport of Specimen(s) - The Collectors will, among other things, be responsible for the following procedures:

7.10.1. **Identification & Direct Observation -** The Collectors will confirm the identity of the person whose specimen is taken. Where necessary, the Collectors will conduct direct observation of the collection of the specimen(s) if directed by the MRO or if in the Collectors's own discretion, the integrity of the testing process requires it. To direct an observed collection, the Collectors and his/her agents may consider not only their training and experience, but other factors, not limited to, but including: materials brought to the collection site, a temperature of the original specimen was out of range or the IMSA Member's behavior indicates an attempt to tamper with a specimen, etc.

7.10.2. **Designated times -** The Collectors will ensure that the specimen(s) are collected within the designated time period. Normally, collection shall be made within one (1) hour or less of the notification of the IMSA Member that testing will be conducted, unless a different time is designated by the Collectors and/or an IMSA Official based on the circumstances.

7.10.3. **Recording or Photographing of Substance Abuse Procedures -** Taking photographs and/or audio/visual recording of any of the IMSA Substance Abuse Program collection protocols or procedures is prohibited. IMSA Members are prohibited from bringing any electronic device capable of photography and/or audio/visual recording into the collection area.

7.10.4. **Specimen quality -** The Collectors will promptly measure the temperature of the specimen(s) to ensure it has not been manipulated. Where results indicate that the sample is inappropriate for testing, the PA and/or an IMSA Official may require the IMSA Member to provide additional specimen(s) as necessary.

7.10.5. **Specimen handling -** The Collectors will split specimens into "A" and "B" samples (when possible), label, secure, and transport the specimen(s) to the Testing Laboratory in such a manner as to ensure that the specimen(s) are not misplaced, tampered with, or relabeled.

7.10.6. **Prescription drug forms -** The Collectors will provide a form to be completed by the IMSA Member that identifies all prescription and over-the-counter medications consumed by IMSA Member in the preceding three (3) months.

7.10.7. **Specimen ownership -** Under this policy, all specimens collected, including both "A" and "B" samples, are exclusively the property of IMSA.

7.11. Procedures if a Test Shows the Presence of Prohibited Substances Adulteration, Substitution - MRO cancelled tests

7.11.1. **MRO Requests for an interview and additional information -** Once the MRO notifies an IMSA Member that they have a positive drug test or refusal to test because of adulteration or substitution, or other non-negative test, the IMSA Member has 72 hours from the time of notification to respond to the MRO's request for an interview and additional information in accordance with the following:

A. The MRO may request the following information, for example and without limitation: suitable proof of valid medical prescriptions given by a licensed and treating physician consent to review records of the prescribing physician, or any other reasonable requests that assist the MRO investigation.

B. To assist the MRO's investigation, the MRO may also direct the IMSA Member to undergo further independent medical evaluation from a professional designated by the MRO, at the IMSA Member's expense. After a medical exam is requested, IMSA Members have 30 business days to have the test examination conducted. By obtaining an IMSA Membership or license, IMSA Members have consented for the MRO to contact their physician for the purposes of a MRO investigation. The failure to cooperate with the MRO's investigation, or provide suitable proof in a timely manner shall be treated as confirmation of the positive test.

C. PA and MRO Notifications. When required by this policy, the PA or MRO are to make reasonable efforts to notify Members. Reasonable efforts may include the PA or MRO using email, texts, phone or mail to contact the Member via the contact information the Member provided on the license application.

D. If the MRO determines that there is no legitimate medical use or legitimate medical explanation for a positive test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, the MRO is to consider all information derived from the testing process, and information derived from the MRO investigation, and then make a determination of whether the results are positive. If the MRO decides the results are positive, the MRO shall inform IMSA of a positive result, irrespective of whether the split specimen procedures described in this Rule Book have been completed. Once split specimen procedures are completed, the MRO shall then issue to IMSA either a confirmed negative test result or a confirmed positive test result. If split specimen procedures are waived or never acted upon, the MRO shall issue a confirmed positive result and violation of this Policy to IMSA.

7.11.2. **PA's Reporting of Results -** Once the MRO reports a positive test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, the PA is to consider all information derived from the testing process and information derived from the independent investigation of the MRO, and then makes a determination of whether the results are positive. If in consultation with the MRO, the PA decides the results are positive, the PA shall inform IMSA of a positive result, irrespective of whether the split specimen procedures described herein have been completed. Once split specimen procedures are completed, the PA shall then issue to IMSA either a confirmed negative test result or a confirmed positive test result. If split specimen procedures are waived or never acted upon, the PA shall issue a confirmed positive result and violation of this Policy to IMSA.

7.11.3. **Split Specimen Procedures -** Once the PA or MRO notifies an IMSA Member that they have a positive drug test or refusal to test because of adulteration, substitution, or other non-negative test, the IMSA Member has 72 hours from the time of notification to request in writing a test of the split specimen or B sample in accordance with the following:

A. All requests to test a "B" sample must be made in writing to the MRO. Please fax your request with a cover sheet to the MRO at (888) 595-4949, or send your request by email to mro@aukmed.net.

B. The "B" sample test shall be conducted at the IMSA designated Testing Laboratory using the "B" specimen from the original collection. The IMSA Member may be present (either personally or be represented by a qualified toxicologist not affiliated with the IMSA designated Testing Laboratory during the second test at his/her own expense. If the IMSA Member chooses to be present personally or represented by a qualified toxicologist during the "B" sample test, the IMSA Member must notify the MRO within the 72 hour period in writing per Art. 7.11.3.

C. The "B" sample test will be performed in accordance with the same procedures used by the IMSA designated Testing Laboratory in the original test of the "A" specimen. If the "B" sample fails to confirm the original test, then the specimen and test will be recorded as negative, and there will be no violation under this Policy. If the "B" sample test confirms the original test, then the specimen and test will be recorded as a confirmed positive test and a violation of this Policy.

D. If no "B" sample is available due to the nature of the collection, then the MRO and PA will act upon the procedures in. Art. 7.11.1. The final determination of whether there has been a violation of this Policy will be made by the MRO.

E. After a "B" sample test is requested, IMSA Members have 30 business days to have the "B" sample test conducted and results finalized.

F. If the MRO decides the results are positive, the MRO shall inform IMSA of a positive result, irrespective of whether the split specimen procedures described herein have been completed. If the MRO is concerned about the safety and integrity of the Competition or other exigent circumstances, the MRO may notify IMSA of the original "A" specimen positive test prior to the verification of the results.

G. Upon notification of the original "A" specimen positive test, IMSA, in its sole discretion, may temporarily suspend an IMSA Member's license before the "B" sample test is completed based on the following reasons:

i. Concerns regarding the safety of the IMSA Members and others at the Event.

ii. Concerns regarding the fairness of a Competition.

iii. Exigent circumstances,

iv. Undue delay to accommodate the presence of the IMSA Member (or his/her representative) at the "B" sample test.

IMSA Members temporarily suspended in this section are ineligible to apply for temporary deferment of the suspension in accordance with Art. 59.5. In the interests of safety and integrity of the Competition, the temporary suspension shall be executed promptly.

H. The "A" and "B" specimen samples remain the exclusive property of IMSA.

I. An IMSA Member is not entitled to 72 hours to request a B sample test when no specimen was produced or tested due to refusal or when the IMSA Member waives the 72 hours during the MRO interview.

J. **Uncooperative Member -** When the MRO has made repeated attempts to contact the Member regarding notification of a positive test and B bottle sample testing procedures, and the Member has not responded to the MRO, then the MRO may report the test as positive after 72 hours from the findings of the test. Lack of cooperation with the MRO by the Member will be treated as a constructive waiver of his B bottle sample testing procedures.

7.11.4. **Cancelled and Negative Tests -** If the MRO verifies a test as cancelled or negative, the results will be reported to IMSA. A cancelled and negative test will not be treated as a violation of this Policy.

7.11.5. **Suspension of IMSA License -** Upon being notified by the MRO of a verified positive or refusal or any violation of this Policy, IMSA will suspend an IMSA Member's license for an indefinite period and/or take such other disciplinary action deemed appropriate under the circumstances pursuant to the IMSA RULES.

7.11.6. **Publication of Results -** By seeking to participate in any Event, all IMSA Members agree that IMSA may publish the results of any test or tests conducted pursuant to this Policy and the circumstances giving rise to such test or tests to such third parties as IMSA, in its sole discretion, deems reasonable under the circumstances. IMSA may also publish any and all violations to this Policy, including but not limited to conduct violations where no testing may have occurred. No IMSA Member shall have any claim or cause of action of any kind against IMSA or any director, officer, employee or agent of IMSA, the PA, Testing Laboratory, or MRO with respect to such publication, and/or shall be deemed to have released any such claim or cause of action.

7.11.7. **Road to Recovery / Competition Re-entry -** IMSA shall also send the suspended IMSA Member a letter containing terms and conditions for consideration of reinstatement of the IMSA Member's IMSA license. If the IMSA Member wishes to have IMSA lift the suspension, the IMSA Member must agree to IMSA's terms and conditions. In conjunction with the terms and conditions of reinstatement, the PA will also facilitate an evaluation for the Road to Recovery Program by coordinating an evaluation with the appropriate substance abuse professional for advising on creation of a Road to Recovery Plan that may include substance abuse counseling, treatment or rehabilitation. The PA will determine how many times the IMSA Member will be tested, for how long, and for what substances. The PA may also require that collections be under direct observation. Testing will be done at a time and place and under conditions specified by IMSA and/or the PA, at the IMSA Member's expense, which will include laboratory fees and all other direct and indirect costs incurred by IMSA or the laboratory in connection with each test. When an IMSA Member has, to the satisfaction of the PA, completed the requirements set forth in the letter, the IMSA Member is eligible for reconsideration of reinstatement of an IMSA license.

7.12. Disciplinary Action for Prohibited Acts Where There is No Testing for, Prohibited Substances or Alcohol - With respect to any prohibited act described herein, if an IMSA Official determines that an IMSA Member has engaged in any such prohibited act, the IMSA Official may remove the IMSA Member from the racing premises or take such other emergency action as is appropriate, and that IMSA Member will also be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to IMSA RULES.

7.13. Self-Reporting - Pain medications and other substances prohibited or misused under this Policy can be addictive, abused, and generally harmful to the health and well-being of IMSA Members. An IMSA Member who believes he/she may have a substance abuse issue or problem is encouraged to seek professional assistance or self-help solutions. No penalty will be imposed under IMSA's Substance Abuse Policy on Member who voluntarily acknowledges a substance abuse issue or problem to IMSA's Substance Abuse Program Director prior to notice of a drug test. IMSA may, however, in the interest of safety, temporarily suspend the IMSA Member's license until the IMSA Member has been rehabilitated to the satisfaction of IMSA. If requested, IMSA will provide a list of credible drug or alcohol rehabilitation programs. IMSA strongly encourages both self-help and professional treatment for those suffering from a substance abuse issue or problem. Many worthy programs, both public and private, are available for the treatment of substance abuse addictions. IMSA will continue its efforts to support a drug-free America and a society in which alcohol is not abused.

7.14. Applicability of the IMSA RULES - This Policy, as it may be amended from time to time, is binding upon all IMSA Members in the same manner and to the same extent as the IMSA RULES.

ARTICLE 8 – IMSA MICHELIN PILOT CHALLENGE

8. (SSR) The IMSA MICHELIN PILOT CHALLENGE (Michelin Challenge**)**

8.1. (SSR) The Michelin Challenge is an annual calendar of Races determining Driver, Manufacturer and Team Champions, as well as other special awards outlined in Att. 7.

8.2. (SSR) 2021 Calendar of Michelin Challenge Races:

Daytona International Speedway, FL*

Sebring International Raceway, FL

WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, CA

Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, OH

Watkins Glen International, NY*

Canadian Tire Motorsport Park, ON (CAN)

Lime Rock Park, CT

Elkhart Lake's Road America, WI

VIRginia International Raceway, VA

Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta, GA

8.2.1. (SSR) Michelin Challenge Races are two (2) hours in duration *except at above Events of four (4) hours each, unless otherwise specified in the SR.

ARTICLE 9 – EVENT & SR

9. EVENT & SR

9.1. Event. IMSA approves an annual calendar of Events. An Event or a Session forming part of an Event may be canceled, rescheduled, or postponed by IMSA for reasons of safety, or forces beyond IMSA's control. If an entire Event is canceled prior to its commencement, IMSA will make every effort to notify all parties concerned, but accepts NO responsibility for such cancellation, or failure to notify.

9.2. ORGANIZATION

9.2.1. Every Event is organized according to the IMSA RULES:

A. The IMSA Sporting Regulations (ISR);

B. The Series Supplementary Regulations (SSR);

C. The IMSA Technical Regulations;

D. The Event Supplementary Regulations (SR);

E. Applicable Bulletins and Race Director's Briefing instructions.

9.3. Event Supplementary Regulations (SR). Articles in the RULES noted as "SR" or "Schedule/SR" if applicable are included in the SR for a given Event. The SR are published in conjunction with the Event schedule.

9.4. INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT

9.4.1. Sanctioning body:

International Motor Sports Association (IMSA)
Address: One Daytona Blvd.
Daytona Beach, FL 32114 USA
Telephone: +1 (386) 310-6500
Fax: +1 (386) 310-6695
Internet: imsa.com and imsacompetitors.com

9.4.2. Description of the Event: Schedule/SR

9.4.3. Name of the Event (if applicable): Schedule/SR

9.4.4. Event Facility: Schedule/SR

9.4.5. Date of the Event: Schedule/SR

9.4.6. Close of Entries: Schedule/SR

9.4.7. Length of the Racetrack & Type: Schedule/SR

9.4.8. Duration of the Race: Schedule/SR

9.4.9. Direction of the Race: Schedule/SR

9.4.10. Pole Position: Schedule/SR

9.4.11. Number of Cars admitted (may be defined by class):

A. Practice Sessions: Schedule/SR

B. Qualifying Sessions: Schedule/SR

C. Race: Schedule/SR

9.4.12. Sporting Checks & Scrutineering:

A. Location: Schedule/SR

B. Schedule: Schedule/SR

C. Time of Inspection of the Refueling Equipment: Schedule/SR

9.4.13. Impound: Schedule/SR

9.4.14. Fuel Drop Scheduling and Fuel Distribution:

A. All fuel must be obtained from the "Official Fuel" supplier (as designated by IMSA) at each Event.

Place of Delivery: "Official Fuel" compound in the Paddock
Distribution: By drum at "Official Fuel" compound
Storage: Approved fifty-four (54) gallon drums
Schedule: Schedule/SR

9.4.15. Team Manager Briefing:

A. Date: Schedule/SR

B. Location: Schedule/SR

i. All pertinent materials and information from any briefing, in-person or as otherwise distributed, must be communicated and/or distributed within the Team by the Team/Entrant representative and such distribution must include Drivers and designated Team personnel. It is the Entrant's responsibility that all associated personnel abide by the information as required throught the Event. Non-compliance with the briefing information is subject to **Penalty**.

9.4.16. Driver and Team Manager Briefing:

A. Date: Schedule/SR

B. Location: Schedule/SR

i. All pertinent materials and information from any briefing, in-person or as otherwise distributed, must be communicated and/or distributed within the Team by the Team/Entrant representative and such distribution must include Drivers and designated Team personnel. It is the Entrant's responsibility that all associated personnel abide by the information as required throught the Event. Non-compliance with the briefing information is subject to **Penalty**.

9.4.17. Autograph Period (when scheduled):

A. Date: Schedule/SR

B. Location: Schedule/SR

i. Attendance: Attendance of Driver throughout autograph period is mandatory.

ii. Penalty: One (1) warning per season, then penalty per person late/not attending.

9.4.18. Driver Parade (when scheduled):

A. Date: Schedule/SR

B. Location: Schedule/SR

i. Attendance: Attendance of Driver at the Driver parade is mandatory.

ii. Penalty: One (1) warning per season, then penalty per person late/not attending.

9.4.19. Official Notices (Pit box assignments, Channel List, etc.): IMSA Technical Transporter, at imsacompetitors.com and on the Notice Board at results.imsa.com.

9.4.20. Location of Race Control: Schedule/SR

9.4.21. Car Tire Allocation and Specification: Schedule/SR

ARTICLE 10 – ADVERTISING, IDENTIFICATION & BRANDING

10. ADVERTISING, IDENTIFICATION & BRANDING (See also ATTACHMENT 5)

10.1. Display of Branding & Advertisements. Entrant acknowledges and agrees that IMSA may refuse to permit, or it may restrict or assign the size and/or placement of all patches, decals, advertising logos, text or identification of entities, persons, and/or sponsors ("Branding") on the Car, transporters, Team uniforms and/or fire suits and in the Paddock and pit lane during an Event, if IMSA determines in its sole discretion that such Branding is: (i) detrimental to the sport, IMSA, the Series, Series entitlement sponsors and/or Promoter for any reason, including but not limited to the public image of the sport and/or (ii) does not comply with the Branding terms and conditions set forth in the RULES as may be amended from time to time. Entrant agrees to accept IMSA's determination in this regard, and that all such determinations are subject to the RULES and are Conclusive.

10.1.1. Logos of other series and sanctioning bodies are prohibited from the time of load-in through load-out of the Event. Cars, transporters, uniforms and/or firesuits, and/or equipment with logos of other series and sanctioning bodies are prohibited in the Paddock, pits or on-track until such logos are covered or removed.

10.2. REQUIRED BRANDING

10.2.1. Entrant shall cause every Driver and Crew member on its Team competing in the Series to correctly display the required patches on their fire suits and/or uniforms.

10.2.2. Entrant shall cause every Car that Entrant is competing in the Series with, or displays in the Paddock, at any Event, to correctly display the required decals, number panels (including illuminated panels as required) and leader lights (See also Art. 20.2.12 and ATT. 5.).

10.2.3. Cars and Competitor uniforms must carry the mandatory decals and patches, without exception and/or modification. IMSA reserves the right to approve final placement for all identification markings, in its sole discretion. Such decisions are Conclusive. Failure to display mandatory decals and patches as required shall be penalized.

10.2.4. Certain decals and patches are available at the IMSA Series Transporter in the Paddock.

10.2.5. Cars without required Series decals or displaying prohibited decals or branding during the Event are not eligible for championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money and/or any official contingency program(s).

ARTICLE 11 – SPORTING CHECKS

11. (SSR) SPORTING CHECKS

11.1. (SSR) Sporting Checks comprise the presentation of the required documentation and confirmation of eligibility for participation, administered by Registration.

11.2. (SSR) Sporting Checks conclude at the close of registration on the day prior to the first Official Session or as listed in the SR.

11.2.1. (SSR) The deadline to add and/or change licensed Drivers (Drivers previously completing all licensing and medical requirements for that Series) on a Car is by close of Sporting Checks for that Series for the Event.

A. (SSR) After the close of Sporting Checks, Driver changes only for extraordinary circumstances are accepted at the sole discretion of IMSA and only upon application in writing via MERG (Art. 13.2) by the Team Representative to and with approval of the Race Director and Director, Racing Operations. It is prohibited for a Driver to change Cars declared or determined to be for championship points puposes (Art.12.5).

B. (SSR) After qualifying, and until two (2) hours prior to the start time of the Race, changes to a nominated Driver combination approved by IMSA as above require that the Car must start the Race from the back of the starting grid for its class (and Driver(s) must meet the Driver requirements as approved by the Race Director). **Penalty** for changes after this deadline: Drive-Through.

11.2.2. (SSR) A registered Driver, properly nominated by an Entrant, is only eligible to participate in the Car listed on that Entry.

11.2.3. **(SSR) Unregistered Driver.** A Driver who has not satisfactorily completed registration and/or Sporting Checks is prohibited from taking part in any on-track Session. **Penalty:** Minimum $10,000 Fine, may forfeit Point Fund / Prize Money, and other penalties may apply.

11.2.4. (SSR) Presentation of these valid documents during Sporting Checks is required:

A. (SSR) IMSA Entrant Membership.

B. (SSR) IMSA Driver Membership.

C. (SSR) For Entrants and Drivers from countries outside the United States: written permission to race with IMSA granted by their national sporting authority (ASN).

11.3. (SSR) During Sporting Checks, the Entrant Representative must declare any change of their Team Representative and/or nominate an Event Representative in writing via MERG (Art. 13.2).

11.4. (SSR) Nomination of the Car's Driver combination: Team Representative must nominate a minimum of two (2) Drivers for any Race. The maximum number of Drivers permitted is as follows:

A. (SSR) A single Driver may be nominated for a maximum of two (2) Cars.

B. (SSR) Reserve Drivers are prohibited (all nominated Drivers must participate as required for the Event for drive-time, etc.).

C. (SSR) Daytona - The maximum number of Drivers permitted is three (3).

D. (SSR) MRRA1 - The maximum number of Drivers permitted is three (3).

E. (SSR) All other Michelin Challenge Races - The maximum number of Drivers permitted is two (2).

11.5. (SSR) FIA Driver Ratings. FIA Driver ratings are not required for participation in the Michelin Challenge, however, Drivers having a FIA rating of Platinum are prohibited from competition in Michelin Challenge.

11.6. (SSR) IMSA Driver Evaluation Committee (IDEC). The IDEC is a body with the purpose of reviewing and evaluating drivers, including performance factors and funding contributions to Team's budget, to prepare driver rating recommendations for consideration by the FIA Driver Categorisation Committee consistent with the FIA Driver Categorisation Regulations, and to determine any IMSA-specific adjustments to the annual ratings once finalized and published by the FIA. Please see the full IDEC regulations at imsacompetitors.com.

ARTICLE 12 – DRIVE-TIME, POINT DISTRIBUTION & CHAMPIONSHIPS

12. (SSR) DRIVE-TIME, POINT DISTRIBUTION & CHAMPIONSHIPS

12.1. (SSR) Driver Eligibility Requirements

12.2. (SSR) Two (2) Drivers Must Drive. At least two (2) Drivers must drive each Car in a Race. A Driver is considered to have "driven" a Car if registered the corresponding Driver ID on taking the start of the Race on the track, or crossing the pit exit timing loop after the start of the Race.

12.3. (SSR) Driver Entered in Car(s): Drivers are eligible to be awarded points only in the Car(s) they are nominated in during the Race as detailed below.

12.4. (SSR) Driver Entered in One (1) Car: The Driver must meet all drive-time requirements and comply with all other Sporting and Driver eligibility and Participation requirements in the Car.

12.5. (SSR) Driver Entered in Two (2) Cars in Same Class: Drivers in more than one (1) Car in the same class are eligible to be awarded points only in the Car declared for championship points. A Driver may be nominated in a maximum of two (2) Cars in same class but is only eligible to score championship points in one (1) Car by complying with the following:

12.5.1. (SSR) The Team Representative must, no later than the conclusion of Sporting Checks, declare via MERG (Art. 13.2), to the Race Director and/or Director, Racing Operations) the Car in which the Driver is eligible to score championship points. If not declared, the Driver is assigned a Car for championship points eligibility at the sole discretion of the Race Director. Drivers nominated in only one (1) Car and later added to another Car are eligible for championship points only in the first Car in which they were nominated.

12.5.2. (SSR) The Driver must meet all drive-time requirements and comply with all other Sporting and Driver eligibility and participation requirements in the Car in which they are declared for championship points.

12.5.3. (SSR) The Driver must also meet all drive-time requirements in the 2nd Car in order to maintain that Car's eligibility for points. Drivers nominated in more than one (1) Car shall have their maximum drive-time calculated cumulatively for the purposes of maximum drive-time. Exceeding maximum drive-time incurs the penalty for all Cars in which the Driver is nominated, irrespective of the Car declared for championship points.

12.6. (SSR) Driver Entered in Two (2) Cars in Different Classes: Drivers in more than one (1) Car in different classes are eligible to be awarded points in both Cars. A Driver in different classes may be nominated in a maximum of two (2) Cars in different classes by complying with the following:

12.6.1. (SSR) The Driver must meet all drive-time requirements and comply with all other Sporting and Driver eligibility and Participation requirements in each Car.

12.6.2. (SSR) Drivers nominated in more than one (1) Car shall have their maximum drive-time calculated cumulatively for the purposes of maximum drive-time. Exceeding drive-time incurs the penalty for all Cars in which the Driver is nominated.

12.7. (SSR) Podium for Driver Entered in Two (2) Cars: Drivers are recognized in any podium and/or posted finishing orders/results in each Car in which they participated and met the requirements, even if not their declared championship points Car.

12.8. (SSR) Cars entered for Competition, the championship points scoring status of their Drivers notwithstanding, are listed in their respective finishing positions for which they are eligible in any listing of results.

12.9. (SSR) Driver Participation

12.9.1. **(SSR) N/A**

12.10. (SSR) Minimum Pace. During the Race, Drivers should achieve and/or maintain a lap time at least equal to 115% of the best time achieved by the fastest Car in the Driver's respective class.

12.11. (SSR) Timing and Scoring of Drive-Time

12.11.1. (SSR) The drive-time for all Drivers starting the Race on the racetrack commences when Timing and Scoring starts the timing system when the first Car crosses the starting line at the completion of the scheduled formation (pace) lap(s), which is also the commencement of the official start time of the Race (Art. 44.9), regardless of whether the Race starts under green flag, yellow flag, and/or behind the Safety Car.

12.11.2. (SSR) When a Car enters the pit lane during the Race, the drive-time stops when the Car crosses the designated pit-in scoring loop. Drive-time starts (or re-starts) for the Driver exiting pit lane when the Car crosses the designated pit-out scoring loop (also for a pit lane start (Art. 44.1)). Drive-time is not counted when the Car is in the pit lane or Paddock. The Driver in the Car when it enters the pits is credited for completing that lap, regardless of where that Pit Box is located on pit lane. **Penalty** for Driver change in a closed pit that is not considered Emergency Service (Art. 46.3.1.A.): Stop plus sixty (60) seconds.

12.11.3. (SSR) If a Car is disabled on-track, the drive-time ends for the Driver in the Car at the last recorded crossing of the S/F line. If a disabled Car is recovered and returned to the Paddock, the Car is not credited for completing that lap. If a Car returned to the Paddock rejoins the Race, drive-time starts (or re-starts) for the Driver exiting pit lane when the Car crosses the designated pit-out scoring loop.

12.11.4. (SSR) Drive-time (but not necessarily the Race) ends when the published time for the Race expires, or, if a distance is specified, at the moment when the leading Car crosses the control line (either in the pits or on the racetrack) first after completing the distance (See also Art. 12.11.5). Should a distance and a time be specified, the drive-time ends at the moment when the first of these is completed as herein.

12.11.5. **(SSR) Drive-Time During Red Flag.** If drive-time is stopped during a red flag period during a Race (announced by Race Control), the minimum drive-time is reduced by a percentage commensurate to the time lost from the originally scheduled time of the Race while drive-time was stopped and the adjustment(s) announced by Race Control directly after the Race is resumed or abandoned. Competitors should consider that conditions may restrict or prohibit a return to yellow or green flag conditions following a red flag period. Minimum Driver achievements (requirement to drive, etc.) may be adjusted as determined by the Race Director, which adjustment shall be Conclusive.

A. (SSR) If a Race that is red flagged after completion of 50% or more of the Race and is not restarted under green flag conditions, the minimum drive-time is reduced by a percentage commensurate to the time lost from the originally scheduled time of the Race back to the time of the red flag, including the time of any following FCY(s) (See also Art. 47.8).

B. (SSR) Outstanding penalties from the last green flag lap and/or previous, are applied post-race.

12.11.6. (SSR) Computation of lap count or drive-time is at the sole discretion of IMSA and Conclusive.

12.12. (SSR) Drive-Time Penalty Order Priority

12.12.1. (SSR) Cars are placed at the back of the class for drive-time requirement violations and are ordered as follows (and all other Cars/Drivers elevated in the finishing positions):

A. (SSR) First, regardless of minimum drive-time status or how many Drivers have "driven" the Car (Art. 12.2), Cars completing less than 90% of the Race time are not placed at back of class and remain in their finishing order except if exceeding Maximum Drive-Time (see Art. 12.12.1.B);

B. (SSR) Second, Over Maximum Drive-Time, the Car with the Driver most exceeding Maximum Drive-Time placed lowest;

C. (SSR) Third, Cars completing 90% or more of the Race time where a Driver did not achieve the Minimum Drive-Time, the Car with the Driver least achieving the drive-time placed lowest.

12.13. (SSR) Minimum Drive-Time

12.13.1. **(SSR) GS/TCR – (3/2 Driver Combination).**

A. (SSR) Each Driver must individually achieve the Minimum Drive-Time as listed in the SR or Car penalized in the Drive-Time Penalty Order Priority (Art. 12.12).

12.14. (SSR) Maximum Drive-Time

12.14.1. (SSR) Drivers must not exceed the Maximum Drive-Time of any limit listed in the SR.

12.14.2. (SSR) Drivers nominated in more than one (1) Car have their maximum drive-time calculated cumulatively. Exceeding maximum drive-time incurs the penalty for all Cars in which the Driver is nominated, irrespective of the Car declared for championship points.

12.15. (SSR) N/A

12.16. IMSA Championship Points Authority. IMSA is the sole authority for the awarding of all IMSA Series championship points, the naming of IMSA Series Driver, Team and/or other Champions and the distribution of any IMSA Series Point Fund / Prize Money in the manner set forth in the SSR.

12.17. (SSR) Driver Championship Points

12.17.1. (SSR) IMSA recognizes Driver champions in the GS and TCR classes based on the total number of championship points earned during the season.

12.18. (SSR) Team Championship Points

12.18.1. (SSR) IMSA recognizes a Team champion (assigned competition number and its Entrant) in the GS and TCR classes based on the total number of championship points earned by a Car during the season.

12.19. (SSR) Manufacturer Championship Points

12.19.1. (SSR) Each Manufacturer must be an Official Automotive Partner and receives championship points for its highest finishing position in each class in each Race. The positions of subsequent finishing Cars from the same Official Automotive Partner Manufacturer are not considered in the results and all other Cars elevated in the finishing positions accordingly.

12.19.2. (SSR) IMSA recognizes a Car Manufacturer champion in the GS and TCR classes.

12.20. (SSR) Championship Points Table. Championship points are awarded in each Race to the finishers that have met the eligibility requirements in each championship per the following table:

1st	350	Points	11th	200	Points	21st	100	Points
2nd	320	Points	12th	190	Points	22nd	90	Points
3rd	300	Points	13th	180	Points	23rd	80	Points
4th	280	Points	14th	170	Points	24th	70	Points
5th	260	Points	15th	160	Points	25th	60	Points
6th	250	Points	16th	150	Points	26th	50	Points
7th	240	Points	17th	140	Points	27th	40	Points
8th	230	Points	18th	130	Points	28th	30	Points
9th	220	Points	19th	120	Points	29th	20	Points
10th	210	Points	20th	110	Points	30th+	10	Points

12.20.1. (SSR) Championship points are awarded based on the finishing position of the Car in each Race as earned by its Drivers per the table above, subject to all technical and/or sporting eligibility requirements, and penalties applied.

12.20.2. (SSR) A Car found out of compliance with the RULES may be penalized by being placed at the back of its class, or up to and including Removal from consideration for championship points for its finishing position. Championship points of other finishers are elevated accordingly.

12.21. (SSR) YEAR END POINT FUND / PRIZE MONEY

12.21.1. (SSR) IMSA shall establish a Year End Point Fund for each class.

A. (SSR) To be eligible for the Year End Point Fund in GS, the Premium Entry must finish within the top five (5) of the Series Team championship points standings, and comply with the Premium Entry agreement.

B. (SSR) To be eligible for the Year End Point Fund in TCR, the Premium Entry must finish within the top three (3) of the Series Team championship points standings, and comply with the Premium Entry agreement.

ARTICLE 13 – TEAM INFORMATION & NOTIFICATIONS

13. TEAM INFORMATION & NOTIFICATIONS

13.1. (SSR) Instant Messenger System (IM): Competitors must at all times that their Car is participating in a Session or Race, establish and maintain the IM connection using the Race Control Notification System (RCNS) between their pit and Race Control. It is the Competitor's responsibility to be familiar with the Regulations. Race Control does not respond to inquiries regarding the disposition of other Competitors and may not respond to requests for regulatory clarification due to the complex nature of the RULES during the time pressures of the Competition. Such inquiries should be made directly and in person with the Race Director or appropriate IMSA Officials.

13.1.1. **(SSR) Reports.** Reports of on-track activity, passes under yellow and similar must include the time of day, location, and a description of the specific concern. Vague reports receive lower priority.

13.1.2. **(SSR) Pass Under Yellow.** Passes under yellow must be reported only via IM, not through the pit lane Officials.

13.1.3. **(SSR) Behind The Wall.** Requests to "go behind the wall" must be made only through the pit lane Officials, not via IM.

13.1.4. **(SSR) Driver ID.** Competitors must contact Timing and Scoring for any Driver ID related questions. Timing and Scoring does not answer questions about other Competitors.

13.2. (SSR) Membership Enrollment Registration Gateway (MERG)

13.2.1. **(SSR) MERG.** The MERG system, accessed at merg.imsa.com, is used to manage all entry list and starting grid changes, updates, and other changes. The Team Representative must login to MERG to make updates or changes to the entry list, change starting tires post-qualifying, to submit nominations for the starting Driver when required, change the starting Driver.

13.2.2. **(SSR) Name Race Starting Driver.** If a Car does not participate in qualifying, or qualifying is abandoned, the Team Representative must submit the name of the Race starting Driver via MERG within thirty (30) minutes of the originally scheduled end of the final segment of qualifying. Failure to submit a Race starting Driver as required shall cause the starting Driver to be determined alphabetically by last name.

13.2.3. **(SSR) Change Race Starting Driver.** Requests to change the Race starting Driver must be made using MERG. MERG is active for submission from the time of the originally scheduled end of the final segment of qualifying until fifteen (15) minutes prior to the posting time of the Official Starting Grid. Changes to the Starting Driver are irreversible after submission. Starting Driver changes after MERG is closed are subject to drive-through penalty.

A. (SSR) Incorrect Driver starting subject to Stop plus thirty (30) second penalty.

13.2.4. **(SSR) Change Qualifying Tires.** (see also Art. 43.6)

A. (SSR) (Art 40.1.4) Car must start the Race on the four (4) RFID qualifying tires (or Wet tires) or its assigned grid position is forfeit and the Car moved to the back of the grid in its class (Art. 43.4).

B. (SSR) Requests to change any qualifying tires must be made using MERG. MERG is active for submission from the time of the originally scheduled end of the respective class' qualifying segment until fifteen (15) minutes prior to the posting time of the Official Starting Grid. Submissions made prior to the time of the originally scheduled end of the respective class' qualifying segment are invalid. Changes from the four (4) RFID qualifying tires after qualifying require the Car to forfeit its assigned grid position, and the Car is moved to the back of the grid in its class (Art 43.4). Changing qualifying tires are irreversible after submission (except as per weather). Changes qualifying tires after MERG is closed is subject to drive-through penalty.

13.2.5. **(SSR) Race Retirement.** The Team Representative must use MERG as the only formal notification of a retirement of the Car. On IMSA receipt of retirement, the Car is ineligible to rejoin the Race.

13.2.6. **(SSR) Effective Order of Changes.** Submissions to change the starting Driver or starting tires are processed in the chronological order received. Cars with post-qualifying technical inspection penalties, or penalties as determined by the Race Director are ordered at the back of their class behind all other class Cars irrespective of changes.

13.3. (SSR) Entry Lists.

13.3.1. (SSR) Prior to the Event, IMSA releases a Pre-Event Entry List. Following the publication of the Pre-Event Entry List, all updates to the entry list must be submitted via MERG. The official entry list is published following the close of Sporting Checks. In the event of approved changes after the publication of the post-Sporting Checks entry list, a Pre-Race entry list shall be posted. After the Close of Sporting Checks, a Car is no longer permitted to withdraw and may discontinue participation via MERG. A Car submitted as discontinue participation is shown as "No Time/No Speed" for any remaining Session(s) and as "DNS" for the Race. After the start of the Race, a Car must be retired.

ARTICLE 14 – RADIOS

14. RADIOS

14.1. In order to reduce radio interference, particularly on critical frequencies, and to enhance the fan experience, the following requirements apply to all IMSA Members. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in penalties.

14.2. Only the UHF (450-470 MHz) frequency band is permitted for pit to Car radio communication. Competitor radio traffic is limited to a maximum of four (4) watts on handheld radios and a maximum of ten (10) watts ERP on mobile units (base stations) and/or repeaters and must not transmit to Car on one frequency and receive on another at greater than 5Mhz spacing. All Car communication must operate or be rebroadcast in analog mode on 12.5Khz channel spacing. On the transmit and receive of a radio broadcast, the DPL or TPL codes must be the same. Mixing of codes between TX and RX is prohibited. Digital and/or encrypted, or any radio transmission scheme between Team and Driver not understandable using a standard scanner at any time during any qualifying Session or Race is prohibited.

14.2.1. All radio transmissions between the Team and Car or Driver may be recorded and must be directly understandable in their meaning. Providing false or intentionally misleading information is a breach of the RULES and the use of code(s), cipher(s), disguised, misleading, or otherwise secretive language to attempt to influence the BoP process by manipulating the performance through Driver management or by any other means is prohibited and may be penalized per Art. 57. IMSA is the final authority with respect to radio transmission inputs, recordings and all related decisions.

14.3. Every originator of transmitted radio signals, including all voice and data transmissions, must each year apply to register each radio frequency, PL codes, transmission scheme (if not a standard scheme) and intended use (for example "Pit to Driver", or "Car Telemetry"), no later than two (2) weeks prior to use with the IMSA designated representatives for coordination. This requirement extends to all persons or organizations Members of IMSA, including Teams, manufacturers, suppliers, corporate Members and individuals. The determination of IMSA in any dispute regarding conflicting frequency or discrepancy is final and Conclusive.

14.4. Teams must declare and register their Team-to-Driver radio frequency used in any qualifying Session and Race. The IMSA designated representative is Racing Electronics. Teams must submit frequency registrations directly to Racing Electronics no later than two (2) weeks prior to their first Race and at each Race if changed. Changes during an Event must be submitted no less than two (2) hours prior to qualifying or Race.

14.5. Application forms (Petition for Frequency Use) for registration of frequency(ies) are provided by Racing Electronics and are available at imsacompetitors.com or from the Racing Electronics office at the Event site. Forms must include Frequency, PL, Channel use and FCC license designator if applicable.

14.6. Teams must bring a handheld radio to Racing Electronics for verification no later than two (2) hours prior to qualifying at their first Event and again in the case of changes to the frequency(ies).

14.7. Racing Electronics coordinates licensing for registered frequencies with the governing body in Canada and assists Competitors in obtaining required operating licenses. Proper licensing of frequencies remains the sole responsibility of the user/Competitor/vendor.

14.8. IMSA reserves the right to monitor and record all frequencies used by IMSA Members and to use such recordings for any purpose whatsoever. All IMSA Members, by their continued Membership, consent to such recording and use. IMSA reserves the right to deny use by IMSA Members of a particular frequency at an Event.

14.9. At all times that the Car is on the racetrack, a minimum of one (1) Crew member in the Pit Box must have radio communication with the Driver. At all times during a Session, a minimum of one (1) Crew member in the Pit Box must monitor the published Race Control frequency. Competitors must not use these IMSA operational frequencies.

IMSA RADIO FREQUENCIES

CHANNEL			FREQ		PL CODE
Race Control (Primary)	Simplex	Analog	461.2000		DPL 432
Race Control (Backup)	Simplex	Analog	464.6000		DPL 631

14.10. Applications must be emailed or faxed in advance of an Event to Joseph Piercy, 980-439-7710 (mobile) at jpiercy@racingelectronics.com or: Attention to: IMSA Radio Frequency Coordinator, 704-721-5133 fax. At the racetrack, applications must be delivered to the Racing Electronics office at the Event site.

ARTICLE 15 – BROADCAST EQUIPMENT & BROADCASTERS

15. BROADCAST EQUIPMENT & BROADCASTERS

15.1. Competitors may be required to carry Onboard Cameras and their corresponding equipment (OBC) and cooperate with the official broadcaster in the installation of such, including the provision of power for such equipment, which may require battery packs. Cars equipped with OBC must display the Car number in the OBC's home position field of vision. Once installed for an Event, OBC must not be removed or disabled by the Competitor for any Session or Race and the OBC and audio must remain functional at all times unless expressly approved by the Race Director. All images generated by the official broadcasters are copyright of IMSA and/or its designees, or the broadcast copyright holder. No right of interest accrues to the Competitor from carrying such equipment. Non-compliance may result in penalties. 3G Wireless LLC is the exclusive provider of OBC for IMSA. For technical questions, please contact the IMSA' technical liaisons: Mark Hull at mhull@nascar.com.

15.2. For commercial questions, contact David Pettit at dpettit@imsa.com.

15.3. OBC not provided by the official broadcaster are prohibited in all phases of all Events, except as approved by IMSA, or as may be permitted in the SSR. In any case, broadcast, display or any non-private use of such images requires permission from IMSA or its designee.

15.4. Competitors may be required to carry on-board telemetry devices for television broadcast use and cooperate with the official broadcaster in the installation of such, including the provision of power where necessary. Once installed for an Event, such equipment must not be removed or disabled by the Competitor for any Session or Race unless expressly approved by the Race Director. Where telemetry devices are prohibited, the installation of this equipment shall not violate those provisions. Competitors shall have no right to the data acquired.

15.5. (SSR) N/A

15.6. OBC as specified by IMSA for other commercial or promotional purposes may be required from time to time with specific arrangement with the Competitor(s).

15.7. Where a Series has a minimum weight, equipment listed in Art. 15 is included in that minimum weight. Altering the structure or configuration of Cars in contravention of the RULES is prohibited.

15.7.1. IMSA Members must cooperate with the official broadcasters and public address announcers to the fullest extent reasonable. This includes cooperating with interviews, features, graphics, audio sound bites and other elements of the show and providing space, time and unfettered access to working areas.

ARTICLE 16 – PRIVATE IN-CAR-CAMERAS

16. PRIVATE IN-CAR-CAMERAS

16.1. Private In-Car-Cameras (ICC) may be permitted only after the express approval of IMSA and any footage gathered from such private ICC shall only be used for non-commercial use by Team and Driver. Each Driver and/or Entrant must execute and maintain current, a media rights and usage license with IMSA or its designated production company prior to participation in their first Event. Any private ICC installation for any Session must be approved by Paul Walter, Director of Racing Operations (pwalter@imsa.com). Installations are limited to inside the cockpit on closed Cars and within a limited proximity of the cockpit on open Cars unless otherwise approved. Private ICC installation on Driver helmet prohibited. Footage shall not be transferred, sold, given to any party not having executed the media rights and usage license with IMSA or its designated production company. Real time or live streaming or posting of any recorded material is prohibited. Any use of the private ICC footage by sponsors or any other third party shall require the execution of a separate commercial use license with IMSA.

16.1.1. Per Car penalties for violations of Art. 16.1. include but are not limited to:

First violation - $5,000 Entrant Fine, loss of ten (10) Team championship point and ten (10) Driver championship points per Driver in Car and immediate removal of any prohibited media from visibility.

16.1.2. Second and subsequent violation(s) - $5,000 Entrant Fine, loss of thirty (30) Team championship points and thirty (30) Driver championship points per Driver in Car and immediate removal of any prohibited media from visibility.

16.1.3. (SSR) Requests for any promotional activity that involves the use of the track must be received and finalized with IMSA no later than the close of business on the Monday prior to the Event week. Dawn Zinsmaster, IMSA Manager, Communications dzinsmaster@imsa.com.

ARTICLE 17 – AERIAL DEVICES

17. AERIAL DEVICES

17.1. The use by Members of drones or other aerial devices at an Event is prohibited except by IMSA.

ARTICLE 18 – OFFICIALS

18. OFFICIALS

18.1. The Officials responsible for conducting an IMSA Event are organized as follows:

A. RACE DIRECTOR

B. CLERK OF THE COURSE

C. SUPERVISORY OFFICIALS

D. STARTER

E. TIMING & SCORING MANAGER

F. TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

G. MANAGER, TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE AND SCRUTINEERING

H. TRACK SERVICES MANAGER

I. COMMUNICATION MARSHAL

J. COURSE MARSHAL

K. PIT LANE OFFICIALS

L. SR. DIRECTOR OF SERIES PLATFORMS

M. SR. DIRECTOR OF LOGISTICS

N. SR. MANAGER, MEDICAL & SAFETY SERVICES

O. MANAGER OF SECURITY

P. DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION

Q. SR. MANAGER, TECHNOLOGY OPERATIONS

R. FIELD INVESTIGATOR

S. OTHER OFFICIALS

18.1.2. Except for the Supervisory Officials, the above Officials may delegate part of their duties to assistants. Individual Series may appoint Officials whose decisions are subject to ratification by the IMSA Supervisory Officials.

18.1.3. **Supervision.** In addition to these Officials, IMSA reserves the right to appoint a person to evaluate and report on the Event.

18.1.4. **Appointment of Officials.** The Race Director and Supervisory Officials are appointed by IMSA. Other Officials are appointed subject to approval of IMSA.

18.1.5. **Conduct.** Officials are expected to conduct themselves in a manner reflecting credit on the sport of automobile racing and IMSA. IMSA may remove any Official's appointment or penalize them if they fail to conduct themselves appropriately.

18.1.6. **Separation & Plurality of Duties.** An Official must have no responsibility or authority beyond that attached to their appointment. However, except for the Race Director and Supervisory Officials, a person may hold more than one Official position.

18.2. RACE DIRECTOR

18.2.1. The Race Director is the primary IMSA Official at an Event and is responsible directly to IMSA for the conduct of the Event. Accordingly, the Race Director has the duty and authority to:

A. Keep order in cooperation with civil authorities responsible for public safety.

B. Execute the program of Competitions and other activities punctually by directing the Drivers and their Cars, Officials and their assistants and other Competitors.

C. Prevent ineligible Cars and Drivers from taking part in an Event.

D. Order inspection of any Car in order to verify its eligibility.

E. Refer disputes and protests to the Supervisory Officials.

F. Determine, upon consultation with the Supervisory Officials, whether conditions are safe to continue the Event, postpone a Competition, modify the SR or alter the schedule for reasons of safety or forces beyond their control.

G. Assess penalties in accordance with the RULES.

H. Replace an Official unable to perform their duties.

I. Compile a report on all aspects of the Event as may be requested by IMSA.

J. Assign certain responsibilities and/or authorities to other IMSA Officials.

K. Also serve as Clerk of the Course in certain cases. when the Director of Racing Operations is not present.

18.3. CLERK OF THE COURSE

18.3.1. The Clerk of the Course (Director of Racing Operations) is responsible for conducting the Event in accordance with the RULES.

18.4. SUPERVISORY OFFICIALS

18.4.1. The Supervisory Officials are named in Art. 1. Not every Supervisory Official may be present for every Event. At all Events, at least one (1) Supervisory Official is present to represent the Supervisory Officials. When required, others may be contacted telephonically.

18.4.2. The Supervisory Officials shall have oversight authority for the enforcement of the RULES. The Supervisory Officials may overturn the decisions of the Race Director regarding the penalty(ies) assessed. In addition to the authority stipulated within the RULES, the Supervisory Officials may hear Protests and/or Appeals (Art. 59). The Supervisory Officials also have authority for the following:

A. They may assess penalties or fines;

B. They may pronounce Removals;

C. They may amend the results;

D. They may assist the Race Director in the investigation of possible RULES violations and other disputes;

E. They may advise the Race Director on any matter that they feel may improve the conduct of the Event.

18.5. STARTER

18.5.1. The Starter communicates the flag signals to the competing Drivers from the time the Cars take their starting positions until the Competition is ended and all Cars have left the racetrack.

18.6. TIMING & SCORING MANAGER

18.6.1. The Timing & Scoring Manager and their staff are responsible for the accurate timing and scoring of the Event. They prepare the official results, maintain official qualifying times for competing Cars and furnish timing and scoring information.

18.7. TECHNICAL DIRECTOR (CHIEF SCRUTINEER)

18.7.1. The Technical Director (or designee) is responsible for checking all competing Cars for safety and eligibility. The Technical Director and his staff conduct inspections and report any Cars found unsafe or ineligible. Where appropriate, references to "Technical Director" shall include by extension, their designee. Where appropriate, references to "Technical Director" shall also be interchangeable with "IMSA Technical Committee (ITC)" in such cases of technical oversight and/or submission of applications and/or where no acting Technical Director is present.

18.8. MANAGER, TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE AND SCRUTINEERING

18.8.1. The Manager, Techncial Compliance & Scrutineering reports directly to the Technical Director and checks all competing Cars for safety and eligibility. The Manager, Technical Compliance & Scrutineering and his staff conduct inspections and report to the Technical Director any Cars found unsafe or ineligible.

18.9. TRACK SERVICES MANAGER

18.9.1. The Track Services Manager is responsible for organizing and directing the incident response activities of the racetrack and IMSA personnel and equipment.

18.10.COMMUNICATIONS MARSHAL

18.10.1. The Communications Marshal is responsible for the operation of the system used for transmitting and communicating information between Race Control and the marshal stations.

18.11.COURSE MARSHAL

18.11.1. Course Marshals are responsible for final preparation and maintenance of the racetrack, flagging and other related duties assigned by the Race Director.

18.12. PIT LANE OFFICIALS

18.12.1. The Pit Lane Officials are the liaison between Competitors and Race Control.

18.13. SR. DIRECTOR OF SERIES PLATFORMS

18.13.1. The Sr. Director of Series Platforms is responsible for the management and oversight of the respective series participating at an Event. Where appropriate, references to the Sr. Director of Series Platforms shall include by extension the Sr. Series Manager or their designee.

18.14. DIRECTOR OF LOGISITICS

18.14.1. The Director of Logistics is responsible for all Paddock related activities.

18.15. SR. MANAGER, MEDICAL & SAFETY SERVICES

18.15.1. The Sr. Manager, Medical & Safety Services is responsible for the Medical and Track Services Departments.

18.16. MANAGER OF SECURITY

18.16.1. The Manager of Security is responsible for Event security and the investigation of and security of any impounded Car.

18.17. DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION

18.17.1. The Director of Administration is responsible for Entries, Licensing and Credentials.

18.18. SR. MANAGER, TECHNOLOGY OPERATIONS

18.18.1. The Sr. Manager, Technology Operations is responsible for oversight of the Timing & Scoring Department and all IT matters.

18.19.FIELD INVESTIGATOR

18.19.1. The Field Investigators are responsible for collecting and analyzing information post-incident and have authority to impound any Car or component to aid in such responsibility.

18.19.2. The Field Investigators work within the Series Technical Department on safety and technical inspections to determine proper installation, maintenance and use of such systems.

18.20. (SSR) OTHER OFFICIALS

18.20.1. (SSR) IMSA may establish such other Officials as deemed appropriate

ARTICLE 19 – EVENT LOGISTICS

19. EVENT LOGISTICS

19.1. Event logistics are under the exclusive direction of IMSA and no other entity may give contradictory direction. Transporter Load-In specifics are issued via the SR and/or as directed by the IMSA Sr. Manager of Logistics. Competitors must not open/unload transporters until instructed by an IMSA Official or as listed on the Official Schedule. Additionally, where applicable and after such permission is granted, pit equipment may be moved to pit lane but must remain 36" from the pit wall until scheduled or notified by an IMSA Official that pit equipment setup may commence.

19.1.1. (SSR) IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge and/or IMSA Prototype Challenge pit equipment may be moved to pit lane but must remain 36" from the pit wall until scheduled or notified by an IMSA Official that pit equipment setup may commence. Lamborghini Super Trofeo, Porsche Carrera Cup North America, Mazda MX-5 Cup, or any other Teams not part of the WeatherTech Championship, Michelin Challenge and/or IMSA Prototype Challenge must not set up any equipment in pit lane except during their designated sessions as permitted in their respective series.

19.2. Teams must not carry out vehicle repair validation testing on the grounds of an IMSA Event facility other than on-track during an Official Session. From Load-In to the conclusion of the Event, Cars must not be removed from the Event premises without the express permission of IMSA and is subject to penalty.

ARTICLE 20 – PADDOCK & PIT - EQUIPMENT & ACTIVITY

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20.1. Pit and Paddock Layout:

20.1.1. The layout and requirements of the pits and Paddock are exclusively at the discretion of IMSA and no other entity may give contrary direction. Road cars are prohibited and must be parked only in the designated areas or may be towed at owner's expense. Inquiries or determinations regarding appropriate compliance should be referred to the IMSA Sr. Manager of Logistics for approval prior to commencement.

A. **(SSR) Pit Lane Assignments.** The pit lane and garage (if applicable) assignments are made by IMSA at its sole discretion. Multi-Car Entries are placed in adjacent pit boxes in order as determined by IMSA. All Cars must use the pit box assigned to them. If such Cars prefer to be pitted separately, the respective Team Representative must inform IMSA no later than the entry deadline for the first Event of the season (or if a single Event entry, the entry deadline for the first Event for that Team) and shall then be assigned pit boxes separately for the season. Reverting to adjacent assignment is prohibited.

20.1.2. **Business Transactions/Delivery.** Unless specifically authorized by IMSA, only persons with Partner or Industry Representative Memberships are permitted to conduct business transactions within the Paddock. A business transaction includes, but is not limited to, unauthorized solicitation and/or the delivery of parts or services. Unauthorized third parties engaging in business transactions or solicitation within the Paddock shall be escorted from the Paddock area and Members so engaged with such parties may be subject to penalty. Food service at transporters to anyone other than direct personnel is prohibited. Providing catered meals, except through track-authorized vendors, is prohibited.

20.1.3. **Appearance**. The appearance of the Series and Competitors must always meet a professional standard. All transporters must be of tasteful design and kept clean and in good repair, in IMSA's sole opinion. Defacement, damage or theft of racing facility property is strictly prohibited. Competitors must leave their designated Paddock and pit lane work area clean and free of trash or debris.

20.1.4. **Advertisement**. Unless specifically authorized by IMSA in writing, advertising outside of the confines of Competitor's equipment, uniforms and permitted awning space, including but not limited to, direct sales and marketing efforts, sampling, exhibits and surveying are strictly prohibited.

20.2. Paddock Equipment:

20.2.1. (SSR) IMSA exclusively makes all Paddock assignments and no other party may give contrary direction. All Paddock arrangements, specific transporters/trailers and tow vehicles, as well as the construction and arrangement of any awning or canopy(ies) are subject to approval by IMSA. As a general policy, road automobiles, motorhomes, fifth-wheel and/or tag trailers are prohibited in the Paddock. Any Team receiving dispensation from IMSA for the inclusion of a fifth-wheel and/or tag trailer must maintain such trailer at a high degree of preparation and presentation, professionally painted or wrapped and depicting the appropriate presentation as required for the Series.

20.2.2. (SSR) Each entered Car is assigned one (1) Paddock space which is no larger than required for their equipment, and which is a MAXIMUM of ninety feet (90') long and thirty feet (30') wide. This includes all transporters, liftgates, equipment, awnings, walkways, door openings, belly-box swings, slide-outs etc. Awnings must not extend beyond the rear of the trailer with the liftgate in the closed position. No allocation is made for automobile, motorhome or other vehicle parking.

20.2.3. (SSR) Each Michelin Challenge Team is permitted and expected to utilize one (1) tractor-trailer transporter plus an awning per entered Car in its assigned Paddock space, complying with the regulations for the assigned space except as otherwise permitted by IMSA. Unless otherwise required or permitted by IMSA, pop-up type, other temporary, or no awning is prohibited.

A. (SSR) Two (2) Car Teams utilizing one (1) tractor-trailer and one (1) awning are permitted up to a MAXIMUM of ninety feet (90') long and thirty-five feet (35') wide. Two (2) Car Teams utilizing a permitted MAXIMUM of one (1) additional tractor-trailer are permitted an additional ten feet (10') width to forty-five feet (45') wide.

B. (SSR) Three (3) Car Teams utilizing one (1) tractor-trailer and one (1) awning are permitted up to a MAXIMUM of ninety feet (90') long and thirty-five feet (35') wide. Three (3) Car Teams with a permitted MAXIMUM of two (2) additional tractor-trailers are permitted an additional twenty feet (20') width to fifty-five feet (55') wide.

C. (SSR) If a Team desires to utilize a different arrangement of transporter(s) and/or awning(s) than permitted herein, the Team must submit the layout and presentation of the requested Paddock arrangement to IMSA Sr. Manager of Logistics - Michael Neely at mneely@imsa.com) for approval prior to use.

20.2.4. (SSR) For Long Beach and other Events as announced by IMSA and listed in the Schedule/SR, the above thirty feet (30') maximum dimension is smaller and Teams are limited to one (1) transporter per Entered Car, and limited accommodation for awnings. At Daytona, Teams are allocated space for one (1) transporter and designated work space per entered Car. Equipment otherwise not adhering to the appearance expectations of Paddock presentation are prohibited and may incur penalties. IMSA branding per Attachment 5 is required and conflicting marks are prohibited.

20.2.5. (SSR) A card, with minimum dimensions of 24 inches by 24 inches, depicting separately the width in feet of the trailer, the awning and any slide-outs, in font a minimum of 4 inches high, under the Team Name must be made visible in the windshield of the tractor during the load-in procedure.

20.2.6. (SSR) IMSA and/or the Promoter are not responsible to have or make available any ballast or other objects to which to tie down awnings and the responsibility to make appropriate arrangements rests solely with the participant.

20.2.7. (SSR) Michelin Challenge Teams that also compete in the WeatherTech Championship may receive additional consideration, where possible. However, this must be pre-arranged with the Michelin Challenge Series Manager and is exclusively at IMSA's discretion. For a Michelin Challenge Team with a WeatherTech Championship Car, IMSA will make every effort to combine the Team's transporters in the WeatherTech Championship Paddock when possible, however such Competitors must not remove any awnings or transporters until after the conclusion of the last WeatherTech Championship Race of the Event.

20.2.8. (SSR) Organization and/or accommodation of Team, Manufacturer, Constructor, Industry Partner or other entity areas may be established separately or as space permits at IMSA's discretion.

20.2.9. (SSR) Teams are responsible for completing the Paddock Equipment Form at imsacompetitors.com no later than three (3) weeks prior to their first Event and maintaining its accuracy.

20.2.10. (SSR) If the Team is still at the racetrack, the arrangement of the Team's equipment, awnings, hard-panels etc., must not block the view of their Car(s) from the public at any time during Event hours without the express permission of the IMSA Director of Logistics. Except during periods of extreme weather, or when permission of IMSA Officials is obtained, Competitors must not enclose their Paddock setups (including the use of clear panels) such as to obscure the view of fans of the majority of the activities including, at least, the preparation of one (1) Car. Teams are encouraged to be fan friendly. In case of extreme weather, the IMSA Director of Logistics may approve the temporary closure of awnings.

A. (SSR) Teams and suppliers must not begin to dismantle paddock installations, including: awnings, extensions, flooring, walls and cabinets, until the start time of the Open Grid / Fan Walk specified in the Official Schedule, subject to penalty.

B. (SSR) Hard-panels and/or wallboards are prohibited when paddocked in permanent garages except as specified and approved by IMSA.

20.2.11. Awnings must not extend past the rear of the trailer (i.e. into the area of the lift gate) and must not extend past the nose of the tractor in its normal road-going configuration. IMSA may require removal of the tractor and then the awning is limited to the front of the trailer.

20.2.12. Every Car that Entrant is competing in the Series with, and/or any un-entered Car that may be displayed in the Paddock, at any Event, must be be a Car that meets the Series Technical specifications for IMSA competition and correctly displays the required tires, decals, number panels and leader lights. All Entrant's Cars that are entered or not entered in the Event must meet the following criteria:

A. Must be transported in the Entrant's Race transporter. No allocation is made for load-in for separate transporters.

B. Must not be placed on display unless permitted at the sole discretion of IMSA and must remain entirely within the Competitor's allocated Paddock space and not be displayed on or under the liftgate.

C. Must not display commercial signage (for rent, etc.).

20.2.13. Any fitting-out requiring welding, painting or modification of pits, Paddock or racetrack property and/or drilling into walls, surfaces, paving, concrete or otherwise is prohibited and subject to penalty unless approved in writing by the Promoter and/or IMSA.

20.2.14. Participants must be familiar with the Safety Kleen waste disposal system at each facility x and follow the specific procedures and policies. Questions or problems should be brought to the attention of facility personnel immediately. Entrant is responsible for conveying the required information to all Team members.

20.2.15. (SSR) Each Premium Entry is provided a branded Paddock Banner. Teams must transport, maintain and display the Paddock Banner at all Events. (contact Casey Walsh cwalsh@imsa.com regarding replacement).

A. (SSR) Paddock banners must be appropriately displayed in the Team's Paddock space during the Event.

B. (SSR) Multiple Car Entrants must display each Paddock Banner per Team (Car).

20.3. Vehicles in Paddock:

20.3.1. Motorhomes or Toterhomes not used to tow entered Cars are prohibited in the Paddock and Competitors must pre-arrange directly with the Promoter for parking outside the Paddock. Motorhomes/Toterhomes used to tow entered Cars must remain connected to and in line with the Car trailer and must not be moved or removed from the Paddock during the Event.

20.3.2. Driving in the Paddock deemed dangerous, erratic and/or of inappropriately excessive speed for the circumstances or established limits is prohibited and subject to penalty.

20.3.3. Motorized pit support vehicles must have adequate lighting and must not be operated under influence of alcohol or prohibited substances, or be carrying alcoholic beverages or prohibited substances on board. Vehicles must not be left unattended or loaded/unloaded when running. Vehicles must carry no more than the number of passengers that the manufacturer originally designed seating to accommodate. All passengers must be seated and operators must yield right of way to pedestrians. Vehicles must be used for business purposes only. Pit carts and ATV's are intended only for legitimate purposes in the conduction of the Event and must not be used otherwise. Vehicles in the pits must be operated in a safe manner. When not in use, vehicles must be parked in an orderly manner, out of fire lanes and not blocking access to garages or transporters. Vehicle passes per the SR.

20.3.4. Motorcycles, drones, bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades and other non-motorized transportation, as well as motor scooters of one, two or three-wheels and/or designed to transport one or two persons, are prohibited in the garage, pit and/or Paddock areas with the exception of authorized power-driven mobility devices (ADA requirements - Americans with Disabilities Act), and accredited and vested media personnel. Pit vehicles must only be operated by an IMSA credential holder. Motorized carts and similar 3- or 4-wheeled conveyances must not be driven into pit lane except pit equipment approved for a Series or as specified in the SR. Such use in the Paddock must be for legitimate purposes only. Excessive speed and/or unsafe operation is prohibited. Participants must abide by state laws and Promoter restrictions regarding licensing, maximum speed, helmet requirement and use. Such conveyances may be prohibited at certain Events or in certain areas of each facility by local ordinance or Promoter limitation.

20.4. (SSR) Autograph Period:

20.4.1. (SSR) Drivers are available at their Cars on the grid for autographs during the Open Grid Fan Walk period.

20.5. Pit Lane Equipment - Cold Side (Art. 33.3.2):

20.5.1. The cold side of the pit wall is defined as the inner plane of the pit wall, away from the pit lane Car working area.

20.5.2. (SSR) Equipment must not be placed in the pit lane prior to the date and time listed in the Official Schedule or as directed. Specific variations may be required by IMSA. IMSA exclusively makes all pit lane assignments and no other party may give contrary direction.

20.5.3. (SSR) Equipment must fit entirely within a Competitor's allotted space, which may vary dependent on the facility.

20.5.4. (SSR) Teams must be prepared to share their space with other Series as determined by pit assignments.

20.5.5. Areas designed to accommodate people must not be fully enclosed.

20.5.6. (SSR) IMSA encourages each Michelin Challenge Team to establish a sharing relationship with a corresponding WeatherTech Championship Team, with the WeatherTech Championship Team making their timing and video screens accessible and operational and accommodating fuel rigs for their respective Sessions. Any WeatherTech Championship Team(s) without a sharing arrangement with a corresponding Challenge or Single-Make Series Team, must remove their timing stand to the rear of their pit box at any time that the WeatherTech Championship is not on track for a Session. Additionally, such Team must remove their timing stand and fuel rig to the rear of their pit box (leaving at least a five-foot (5') access opening into the pit box or must remove equipment to their Paddock location) no later than one (1) hour prior to the start of any Michelin Challenge, Race. Teams desiring to establish a sharing arrangement should contact their respective Series Manager.

20.5.7. Compressed air tanks, air lines, hoses, fuel barrels, refueling equipment, tools, spare parts, spare body panels and any other equipment or materials stored in the pits must be situated behind the pit wall or as directed by Officials and must not block or infringe upon fire lanes or other designated safety zones. It is prohibited to deface or make holes in the pit lane or Pit Box surface without written permission from IMSA.

20.5.8. Air tanks must be securely fastened or anchored. Once their protective caps are removed, a protective cage must be installed around the regulators and fittings.

20.5.9. Equipment compliance and the certification of the air tanks may be checked at any time.

A. Only compressed Nitrogen is permitted.

20.5.10. (SSR) The following procedures must be adhered to on the pit lane and within the pit lane area:

A. (SSR) The fire lane(s) must be kept clear.

B. (SSR) Generators must be fitted with twist-lock extension cord connectors.

C. (SSR) All cabling and/or electric power cords outside the Team's pit area must be in cable trays or taped to the ground. Routing of cables or airlines overhead the fire lane is prohibited.

D. (SSR) Each Team must provide a minimum of two (2) fire extinguishers (each a ten (10) pound ABC minimum) per Car.

E. (SSR) Any equipment, including any roof or tented structure, must not be higher than four (4) meters (13' 1.5") except radio antenna masts.

F. (SSR) Teams may receive alternative pit lane assignments or require removal of the tenting at racetracks where obstruction of the spectator view is impeded by their pit structure height.

G. (SSR) Racetrack-specific requirements may be listed in the SR.

20.6. Pit Box - Hot Side (Art. 33.3.2.A)**:**

20.6.1. The hot side of the pit wall is defined as the outer plane of the pit wall, closest to the pit lane Car working area.

20.6.2. Any decoration (banners, tape, logos, etc.) on the pit wall or working surface must be removed at the conclusion of the Event or subject to penalty.

A. (SSR) Pit wall banners, securely fastened but cleanly removable, are permitted providing they do not exceed the assigned pit space and are subject to IMSA approval. Teams must remove such banners and any tape or markings at the conclusion of the Event.

20.6.3. (SSR) In the Pit Box, equipment is prohibited to:

A. (SSR) Exceed the external limit of the Pit Box;

B. (SSR) Be less than two (2) meters (6' 7") above ground level (booms, hoses prohibited).

C. (SSR) Be more than four (4) meters (13' 1.5"), beyond the forward plane of the pit wall.

20.6.4. (SSR) Lighting equipment in the pit lane area (for Races run partly by night) must be aimed in such a way to avoid blinding Drivers. Glass incandescent and/or fluorescent bulbs are prohibited if not enclosed in a fixture designed to fully contain breakage.

20.6.5. Flashing signals are prohibited in the pit lane. Any lighted equipment must be approved by IMSA. Typically, red and/or yellow lighting is prohibited and lighting must not interfere with Drivers in oncoming Cars.

20.7. (SSR) N/A.

20.8. (SSR) Other Equipment. On an individual basis, IMSA may approve or require equipment to be fitted to Cars and/or Drivers, or waive certain procedural requirements for the sole purpose of enhancing the Event.

ARTICLE 21 – DRIVER & CREW SAFETY EQUIPMENT & UNIFORMS

21. DRIVER & CREW ATTIRE, COMPETITOR UNIFORMS

21.1. HELMET AND ATTIRE TABLE (Equipment From Each Column Per Position)**:**

Protective Equipment for Driver & Crew Members						
Position	**Fire Suit**	**Underwear**	**Accessories:** Balaclava, Gloves, Socks, Shoes	**Helmet**	**Helmet Removal Device**	**FHR**
Driver	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.2A/5 SFI 3.4/5	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3	**Art 21.1.1** FIA 8860-2010 FIA 8860-2018	**Art 21.1.2** Eject Stand 21 Lid Lifter	**Art 21.1.3** FIA 8858-2002 FIA 8858-2010 SFI 38.1
Refueler Vent Operator Fire Bottle	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.2A/5 SFI 3.4/5	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3	**Art 21.1.5** Fire Rated: FIA SFI SNELL (SA)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Over the Wall Crew	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.2A/5 SFI 3.4/5 **OR** SFI 3.2A/3 SFI 3.4/3 SFI 3.2A/1 SFI 3.4/1	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3 Optional **OR** FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3 **Mandatory**	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3	**Art 21.1.6**	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Paddock Refueling Transfer of Fuel "Deadman" Valve	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.2A/5 SFI 3.4/5 **OR** SFI 3.2A/3 SFI 3.4/3 SFI 3.2A/1 SFI 3.4/1	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3 Optional **OR** FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3 **Mandatory**	FIA 8856-2000 FIA 8856-2018 SFI 3.3	**Art 21.1.7** Optional	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

21.1.1. Modification (drilling of holes, etc.) is prohibited.

21.1.2. Drivers must have the "Eject Helmet Removal" kit or the Stand 21 "Lid Lifter Balaclava" installed in their helmets.

21.1.3. FIA homologated items shall no longer be valid for use in IMSA after December 31 of the calendar year ten (10) years after the manufacture date shown on the FIA label; or after December 31 of the year of expiration shown on the FIA label. Any manufacturer's items may fail inspection due to condition at any time.

21.1.4. Evaporative-loss Freon cool suits are prohibited.

21.1.5. (SSR) For refueling or fuel transfer in pit lane; the refueler, the vent operator where permitted, and the fire bottle operator must wear a fire-resistive rated, full-face helmet meeting FIA, SFI or Snell Memorial Foundation Special Application (SA) specifications (See also Art. 37).

21.1.6. (SSR) For refueling or fuel transfer in pit lane, anyone working on Cars "over the pit wall" must wear a helmet (See also Art. 37). SFI /3 or /1 suits require underwear.

21.1.7. (SSR) For the Cutoff/Deadman operator and any transfer of fuel in the Paddock, a helmet is optional (See also Art. 37). SFI /3 or /1 suits require underwear.

21.2. (SSR) Inspection. All Driver helmets must be inspected by IMSA at Safety Inspection, Scrutineering and/or Technical Inspection prior to first use in the season. Helmets must display the required IMSA inspection sticker. IMSA may spot check or re-inspect Driver and/or Crew equipment at any time.

21.3. Competitor Uniforms: Crew must wear clean uniforms and other appropriate and safe attire at all times in order to present the best possible appearance to the public. Tank tops, shorts, open-toed shoes and similar attire prohibited in the pit box area. Industry support representatives must be clearly identified as non-Team members. Inappropriate attire prohibited. Shorts, open-toe shoes and sleeveless shirts prohibited over the pit wall.

ARTICLE 22 – GENERAL CAR REQUIREMENTS

22. GENERAL CAR REQUIREMENTS

22.1. IMSA publishes specifications for various classes of Car eligible to compete in a Series in the Technical Regulations that shall supersede Art. 22 in case of any conflict.

22.2. Car Composition

22.2.1. The Car must consist of the homologated bodyshell/chassis (monocoque) unit and the homologated engine block (or crankshaft case). During the Race, it is prohibited to change the engine block (crankshaft case), the chassis, or monocoque structure (see also Art. 23.5).

22.3. Mandatory Requirements

22.3.1. Each entered Car must be inspected and approved by the Technical Director or their delegated assistant(s) before it is permitted to participate in any Official Session. No expressed or implied warranty of safety shall result from this inspection or approval. It is at all times solely the responsibility of the Entrant to have their Car free from mechanical defects and in safe racing condition. Cars damaged or altered after they have been approved at inspection are subject to re-inspection and approval. IMSA makes the final decision on the safety and eligibility of an accident-damaged Car. Major body components must be maintained in normal position throughout the Competition. Questionable Cars are subject to approval by the Technical Director. Cars shall present a neat, clean and professional appearance, with no old damage.

22.3.2. **(SSR) Brakelights/Headlights/Taillights:**

A. (SSR) The two (2) main brakelights must be functional. The Race Director may accept one (1) functioning brakelight due to damage or equipment failure.

B. (SSR) When required (SR), in periods of darkness, the two (2) main headlights and two (2) main taillights must be switched on continuously when the Car is running on the racetrack or in the pit lane.

i. (SSR) The two (2) main headlights, taillights and rain light are required whenever wet-type tires are fitted and/or at the request of Race Control.

ii. (SSR) The Race Director may accept one (1) functioning headlight, or one (1) functioning taillight (when headlights/taillights required) due to damage or equipment failure.

22.3.3. (SSR) If two (2) main brakelights (and/or both main headlights and/or both main taillights, when required) are non-functioning, the Car must stop immediately for repairs. Repairs not consistent with original equipment lighting levels must be approved by the IMSA Technical Director. If the Car leaves the pits without making the necessary repairs, it may be stopped by Race Control.

22.3.4. The Car must be equipped with the required external mirrors at the start of the Race. In case of damage or loss, Competitor is responsible for the correct conduct of Car, regardless of mirror integrity.

22.3.5. The Car must be equipped with the required doors that are secured in place, functional, and closed when being driven in pit lane or on-track. A missing door must be repaired immediately. If the Car leaves the pits without making the necessary repairs, it may be stopped by Race Control.

22.3.6. The Car must have all safety structures, major bodywork and/or aerodymanic devices affixed when being driven on-track unless approved by the Technical Director. If the Car leaves the pits without making the necessary repairs, it may be stopped by Race Control.

22.3.7. **(SSR) IMSA Safety Light System.** The Car must be fitted with the IMSA specified Safety Light System that must be powered and functional at all times the Car is on track or in the pit lane. The activating receiver is provided by IMSA during Safety Inspection at each Event and remains the property of IMSA. Entrants must surrender receiver when required by IMSA. A lost or damaged receiver is subject to a replacement fee per the IMSA Accessories Form. Installation requirements and information are found in the Technical Regulations for each class.

A. (SSR) In-Race failure of the IMSA Safety Light system or a Lighted Number Panel, functioning at the start of a Race, does not constitute an infraction.

22.3.8. **(SSR) Driver ID and Transponder.** The driver ID and transponder system must be powered and functional at all times the Car is on racetrack or in the pit lane. The driver ID and transponder system must not be tampered with nor transferred to another Car unless specifically approved by IMSA. Failure to obtain, install and maintain the driver ID and transponder system shall result in the Car not being scored and may result in other penalties.

A. (SSR) The driver ID and transponder must be tested and operate to the satisfaction of Timing and Scoring.

B. (SSR) Failure of the Timing and Scoring Transponder(s) and/or Driver ID system must be repaired immediately on discovery.

22.3.9. **(SSR) Leader Lights.** The Car must be fitted with the IMSA specified Leader Light System in accordance with the Scrutineering System Homologation of the Entrant's respective Manufacturer or Constructor.

A. (SSR) In-Race failure of the Leader Light system functioning at the start of a Race does not constitute a technical infraction.

22.3.10. **(SSR) N/A.**

22.3.11. **(SSR) N/A.**

22.3.12. **(SSR) N/A.**

22.3.13. **(SSR) N/A.**

22.4. General Technical Presentation

22.4.1. IMSA, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to impound and inspect Cars competing in an Event. Non-compliant components may be retained and/or destroyed by IMSA without compensation or recourse to the Competitor.

22.4.2. The timing, location, method and type of Car inspection and the number of Cars to be inspected at any Event is determined by the Technical Director.

22.4.3. When instructed by the Officials to go to Impound or the inspection area, Cars must proceed directly and without delay or are subject to penalty up to and including Removal.

22.4.4. It is the responsibility of the Entrant or Driver to prepare the Car for inspection when requested to do so by the Technical Director or their assistant(s). Any expense incurred, including post-Event off-site inspections, except in the case of a protest, is the liability of the Entrant. Preparation of a Car for inspection must be performed in a timely manner as determined by the Technical Director.

22.4.5. Measurements:

A. Both metric and/or English dimensions may be given. In such cases, when the two systems do not equate exactly, measurements for compliance during inspection normally use the system most advantageous to the Entrant. An equivalence table is provided in Appendix A.

B. The Technical Director may establish tolerances for measurements taken during inspection; may require components on the Car to fit IMSA templates; may require IMSA monitoring devices to be fitted to a Car; and/or may require IMSA limiting devices to be fitted to a Car.

22.4.6. Additional distinction between Cars of similar appearance may be mandated by IMSA.

22.4.7. Mandatory safety requirements for Cars except as specified in the SSR, SR and/or Technical Regulations for a specific Series.

A. Electrical circuit breakers must be clearly marked by a spark in a blue triangle.

B. In all cases, the Driver must be able to exit the Car through both the Driver side and the passenger side in an emergency to the satisfaction of IMSA.

C. An on-board starter and energy source must remain functional at all times, except when deactivated in an emergency by the master electrical circuit breaker.

D. Identification lights are subject to approval by IMSA.

E. An "arrow" decal, available from IMSA, denoting tow hook location, window net release and door release must be affixed in each of these locations.

22.4.8. If the Technical Director determines prior to the Race that a Car does not meet the applicable specifications, the Car shall be prohibited from Competition unless, at the discretion of the Technical Director, the deficiency collectively:

A. Does not affect safety;

B. Cannot be corrected in time for qualifying or the Race (if no qualifying);

C. Does not provide the Competitor a competitive advantage;

D. Is so insubstantial as not to warrant a determination that the Car is ineligible to Race.

E. If the Race Director permits the Car to compete under these circumstances, the Technical Director shall apprise the Competitor in writing of the deficiency and the Car is prohibited from competing in future Events until such deficiency is corrected.

22.5. Sound Enforcement

22.5.1. Cars must meet IMSA sound limits as may be required. At its discretion, IMSA monitors, or has others monitor, sound levels and employs enforcement as appropriate.

22.5.2. Local sound limits beyond IMSA control may require additional procedures or penalties for noncompliance.

22.6. Technical Compliance

22.6.1. It is the Entrant's responsibility to present their Cars in compliance with the RULES at all times. Passing Safety Inspection, Scrutineering or Technical Inspection does not constitute a waiver for existing, ongoing, latent, future, or unobserved infractions of the RULES.

22.7. Technical Non-Compliance

22.7.1. Cars out of compliance with the Technical specifications and/or regulations may be penalized by being moved to the back of class or up to and including Removal from the results.

ARTICLE 23 – CARS ELIGIBLE

23. (SSR) CARS ELIGIBLE

23.1. (SSR) Classes:

A. (SSR) GS

B. (SSR) TCR

23.2. (SSR) N/A.

23.3. (SSR) The eligibility of any Car to compete and its compliance (or not) with the relevant Technical Regulation(s) is at the exclusive discretion of IMSA. IMSA reserves the right to make modifications to the specifications of Cars in the best interest of the Competition and the sport.

23.4. (SSR) In each season, a Team is permitted a maximum of one (1) change of Manufacturer and/or Model (the Car specification as identified by a unique Homologation number) subject to the sole discretion of IMSA. It is prohibited to change the Manufacturer and/or Model during an Event without the express permission of IMSA.

23.5. (SSR) After the conclusion of Sporting Checks it is prohibited to use a chassis identified by the chassis number (serial number) of an entered Car to replace that of any other entered Car.

23.6. (SSR) A Team must only use one (1) single Car during an Event except as approved by IMSA if in IMSA's sole opinion the car is deemed to be irreparable. Any such replacement must be approved by IMSA and the replacement Car must successfully clear Safety Inspection and Scrutineering and be issued the IMSA Technical Conformity Sticker per Art. 24.4.

23.6.1. (SSR) Should a tub or monocoque need replacement, the work must be completed with the approval of the Technical Director and as directed under the supervision of the Scrutineers.

23.6.2. (SSR) After qualifying, such replacement of tub, monocoque and/or Car shall require the Car to go to the back of the starting grid in its class.

ARTICLE 24 – SAFETY INSPECTION, SCRUTINEERING & TECHNICAL INSPECTION

24. SAFETY INSPECTION, SCRUTINEERING & TECHNICAL INSPECTION

24.1. All Driver helmets must be inspected by IMSA at Safety Inspection, Scrutineering and/or Technical Inspection prior to first use in the season. Helmets must display the required IMSA inspection sticker. IMSA may re-inspect any equipment at any time (see Art. 21).

24.2. IMSA may, for inspection purposes, seal or impound Race Equipment entered and competing in an Event. IMSA is not responsible for payment, expense, reimbursement, damage or loss as a result of such sealing or impounding.

24.3. (SSR) (SSR) Presentation of the Cars for Scrutineering

24.3.1. (SSR) Cars must be presented with the required decals per Att. 5.

24.3.2. (SSR) Cars must be presented with mandatory equipment functional (Art. 22.).

24.4. (SSR) IMSA Technical Conformity Stickers

24.4.1. (SSR) IMSA Technical Conformity Stickers are labels issued to a Car after it successfully clears Safety Inspection and Scrutineering. They are affixed in the approved location(s) (Att. 5) after Safety Inspection and Scrutineering, once the Scrutineers have approved the Car.

24.4.2. (SSR) A Car must not take part in the Event after Safety Inspection and Scrutineering without these IMSA Technical Conformity Stickers. They must not be removed and must remain visible in all circumstances.

24.5. The Scrutineers may:

24.5.1. Check the eligibility of a Car or of a Competitor at any time;

24.5.2. Require a Car to be dismantled by the Competitor to ensure that the conditions of eligibility are fulfilled;

24.5.3. Require a Competitor, Constructor or Manufacturer:

A. To pay all expenses associated with the above;

B. To provide samples of parts as deemed necessary.

24.5.4. Once approved by the Scrutineers, any Car dismantled or modified in a way which might affect its safety or call into question its eligibility, or which has been involved in an accident with similar results, must be rechecked for the Scrutineer's approval.

24.6. Cars may be weighed at any time.

24.6.1. When weighing is in process, no solid, liquid, gas or other substance or material of any nature whatsoever may be added to or removed from a Car.

24.6.2. Admittance to any area where inspections are being made is controlled by the Manager, Technical Compliance & Scrutineering or their designee. Intervention is prohibited, save under the control of IMSA Officials. Team members are permitted at the discretion of, or instruction of, IMSA Officials.

24.7. (SSR) Cars in the Impound area (Art. 50) and selected for inspection are weighed with no Driver on board and fuel tank(s) drained.

24.8. Cars selected at random may be checked at any time (Art. 50).

24.9. Safety Inspection, Scrutineering and Technical Inspection are carried out by Scrutineers duly appointed by the Manager, Technical Compliance & Scrutineering. They are responsible for the operations in the Impound area, and are the only people authorized to give instructions to the Competitors and/or Drivers.

24.9.1. Safety Inspection and Scrutineering are during the hours posted and as distributed by the IMSA Technical Department or as instructed by the Manager, Technical Compliance & Scrutineering. Individual checks may be performed at other times by Competitors on a first come first served basis or as permitted by the Manager, Technical Compliance & Scrutineering.

24.10. Anything not explicitly permitted in the RULES is prohibited. Inquiries related to clarification of any of the RULES should be directed to rules@imsa.com.

ARTICLE 25 – TIMING & SCORING

25. TIMING & SCORING

25.1. Cars must be fitted with an approved timing and scoring transponder and/or other electronic scoring device in a location and manner as specified in the Technical Regulations or as approved by Timing and Scoring. The transponder must be powered and functional at all times the Car is on racetrack or in the pit lane.

25.2. For a rolling start, the timing and scoring commences when the leading Car crosses the starting line after completion of the scheduled formation (pace) lap(s).

25.3. First and subsequent laps are timed and scored when each Car crosses the control line at the timing and scoring station unless a different procedure is announced.

25.4. The following timing policy is used at Events:

25.4.1. An "officially timed lap" is defined as: A lap with a minimum of two (2) wheels on the racing surface at all times recorded by IMSA Timing that uses the approved transponder installed in the Car to record a crossing at the control line at the beginning and end of that lap. When a Driver ID system is installed, the crossing must include the correct Driver ID.

25.4.2. **Engage / Disengage Driver ID.** When a Driver ID system is installed, Drivers are responsible for engaging the correct identification plug prior to the start of the formation lap(s), or; in the pit lane, prior to overtaking the last working pit. Drivers must not disengage the identification plug prior to crossing the pit lane speed limit start loop at the pit lane entry.

25.4.3. IMSA shall use its best efforts to notify a Competitor not registering officially timed laps or correct Driver ID. However, it is the Competitor's responsibility to ensure that their transponder is operating correctly, including Driver ID systems when a part of a Series' timing system, during all phases of Competition. Failure of the correct Driver ID registering may result in incorrect Driver time credit, which is the Competitor's responsibility, and may result in penalties.

25.4.4. Only officially timed laps are counted towards Driver or Car qualifications, qualification times, pole positions, starting position, fastest Race laps and/or recognition of the speed of a Competitor during the Competition, and only officially timed laps are recognized as "track records".

25.4.5. During a Race, when a Car is not registering officially timed laps, IMSA shall continue to score the Car (i.e. their physical position or lap count relative to other Cars during a Race shall continue to be recorded) and may display unofficial times.

25.4.6. Distance is normally measured in whole laps completed by the Car.

25.4.7. The approved transponder manufacturer is MyLaps as specified by IMSA.

25.5. Control Line. A Control Line is a Timing & Scoring loop and includes the pit-in and pit out loops, start line and finish line. A Car crosses a control line at the instant the automatic timing apparatus is triggered by the transponder and/or as detailed below.

25.5.1. **Start Line.** The start line is the point on the racetrack where timing and/or scoring begins, unless otherwise stated in the SR. A Car crosses the start line at the instant the automatic timing apparatus is triggered by the transponder, or in the case of a transponder failure on the leading car, at the time assigned via the start line camera that shall apply to all Cars.

25.5.2. **Finish Line.** The finish line, if different from the starting line, is the point on the racetrack where timing and/or scoring ends, unless otherwise stated in the SR. A Car crosses the finish line at the instant the automatic timing apparatus is triggered by the transponder, and more precisely, at the instant the leading-most edge of its bodywork passes over that line (photo finish).

A. In the case of a photo finish (Art. 25.5.2), a Car on the track shall prevail over a Car in pit lane.

ARTICLE 26 – RACETRACK / TRACK WALK

26. RACETRACK / TRACK WALK

26.1. Racetrack

26.1.1. Competition must not take place other than on a racetrack approved by IMSA.

26.1.2. IMSA may:

A. Limit a racetrack to certain Series.

B. Restrict the number of Cars participating in the Sessions.

C. Restrict the classes of Cars to be raced at a racetrack.

D. Restrict the number of Cars to be started in a Race.

E. Restrict the racetrack to certain ratings or grades of Drivers.

26.1.3. **Racetrack Measurement.**

A. Timing and Scoring shall provide the official measurement of the racetrack in the SR.

26.2. TRACK WALK. Track walks, if scheduled, are for participants with appropriate annual credentials or SEC and only during specific listed times. Testing, scanning and/or measurement of the topography of the track is prohibited and will be penalized. Track walks are restricted by the Promoter for walking only unless specifically permitted in the SR or by IMSA in the case of disabled persons. Automobiles are prohibited without the express direction of IMSA Officials. Track walks may be additionally restricted.

ARTICLE 27 – FLAG SIGNALS

27. FLAG SIGNALS. The following signals both advise Drivers of various conditions, and direct Drivers to obey various specific instructions or take specific actions. The signals are normally cloth flags, but flags may be replaced or supplemented with rigid signaling boards or lights carrying the same meanings. A steady light means a motionless or standing flag and a flashing light means a waving flag. Signals are displayed by the corner stations and also by the Starter. Flags displayed by the Starter encompass those of the corner stations, but also include special flags as described for the Starter, below.

27.1. GREEN. Start or restart of a Session or Race, or cancellation of a danger previously signaled. Racetrack is clear.

27.2. YELLOW - LOCAL.

27.2.1. Motionless Single: Danger, no passing, slow down. Motionless yellow flag is generally used to advise of a serious danger off the track. May be displayed preceding a waved yellow for additional warning.

27.2.2. Waved Single: Extreme danger, no passing, slow down, be prepared to stop. Waved yellow flag may mean imminent and serious danger on or adjacent to the track, or exposed persons. Drivers should be aware that safety vehicles may be dispatched on the racetrack.

27.2.3. A green flag may be waved at the first flag station past the point of the incident signifying that the racetrack is clear and overtaking may resume.

27.2.4. The prohibition on overtaking starts at the line on the racetrack perpendicular to the point of the first displayed yellow flag. Overtaking may resume at the line on the racetrack perpendicular to the first displayed green flag. However, any time a yellow flag is displayed at any point on the racetrack it is the responsibility of the Competitor to use additional caution. Failure to use such caution may be penalized regardless of position relative to the flag. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

27.3. YELLOW - FULL COURSE YELLOW.

27.3.1. Double motionless yellow flags: Full Course Yellow (FCY) or Safety Car period. "SC" boards may also be displayed at the start line and other stations for a Safety Car period. Drivers must use caution and be aware that safety vehicles may immediately be dispatched onto the racetrack. Local incident(s) continue to be flagged as appropriate and Drivers must exercise extreme caution around any incident where responders and equipment are present.

27.3.2. In Races where the in-Car IMSA Safety Light System is in use, or yellow lights are installed around the racetrack for a FCY or "Safety Car period", the racetrack condition is considered yellow at all points on the racetrack simultaneously at the moment when either: the radio call is made from Race Control, or the in-Car IMSA Safety Light System lights are illuminated, or the yellow lights around the racetrack are illuminated, or the yellow flags are displayed around the racetrack, whichever may be first.

27.3.3. The time of the yellow indicated in the official IMSA timing logs is the official time of the yellow (not necessarily simultaneous to other indications). At the completion of the FCY or "Safety Car period", the procedure for re-starts is initiated and any such FCY indication lights are extinguished at the same time as those of the Safety Car and the yellow flags cancelled. **Penalty** for overtaking at the initiation time of the FCY: Reposition or Drive Through. **Penalty** for overtaking after the establishment of the FCY: Drive Through.

27.4. RED. (see also Art. 47)

27.4.1. Waved: This flag is used exclusively at the discretion of the Race Director to stop a Session or Race and is displayed by the Starter and all corner stations. Any local incident continues to be flagged as appropriate for that situation.

27.4.2. (SSR) **Session Stoppage:** Except during qualifying (Art. 29.2.1) and/or as permitted elsewhere in these regulations, Cars may line up at the pit exit or may proceed to their Pit Box. Cars electing to go to their Pit Box must remain there until released on the instructions of Race Control.

27.4.3. Upon a red flag, Drivers must decelerate to a slow speed, not pass, and be prepared to stop at any time. Drivers should use caution and be aware that safety vehicles may immediately be dispatched on the racetrack; the racetrack may be blocked; or weather conditions may have made the racetrack un-drivable at Safety Car speeds. Unless otherwise directed by the Race Director, Cars must proceed in a line, slowly and carefully around the racetrack to the pit entrance, where they will be directed further. The pit exit is closed. During practice, service may be performed unless prohibited by the Race Director. In the case of severe weather, Team instructions are communicated by Race Control.

27.4.4. Upon a red flag, lap times in progress are void, reverting to the last completed 'officially timed lap" for each Car.

27.4.5. The time of the red indicated in the official IMSA timing logs is the official time of the red (not necessarily simultaneous to other indications).

27.5. RED AND BLACK COMBINED. Waved. Both a Red and a Black flag are waved simultaneously. This combination is used exclusively at the discretion of the Race Director to stop a Session or Race AND direct all Cars to come to a stop at the side of the track in a safe and controlled manner. Cars must remain stopped until instructed by the Race Director. These flags are displayed by the Starter and all corner stations.

27.6. BLACK WITH ORANGE DISK. Indicates a Car with a mechanical fault or other concern. The specific concern and expectations of Race Control are communicated to the affected Competitor, who must respond as directed or is otherwise subject to penalty. Stop at your pit next time at the pit entrance unless otherwise announced by Race Control.

27.6.1. A Team may request Race Control display the Black With Orange Disk flag to call their Car to its pit box (Team Request).

27.7. BLACK / WHITE DIVIDED DIAGONALLY. This flag is shown as a warning for unsportsmanlike behavior. This signal may be displayed as a furled black flag.

27.8. BLACK.

27.8.1. Waved: Penalty. The specific penalty is communicated by Race Control and at minimum requires the Car to perform a drive-through of the pit lane at the next opportunity as outlined below. This flag is usually displayed by the Starter, along with the number of the Car concerned, and may also be displayed at a secondary corner station.

27.8.2. **Serving Penalties.** A Competitor must serve any on-track or pit lane penalty only under Green Flag conditions. Such penalties must be concluded and the Car properly rejoin the Session or Race prior to the display of the checkered flag to be considered properly served. Such penalties must not be served if the Car has started its last lap of a Race and shall be applied as a post-Race penalty. Such application and calculation of post-Race penalty is Conclusive.

A. A Car on track while the track is under green flag conditions when the penalty is announced may directly enter the pit lane still under green flag conditions to serve a penalty.

B. A Car leaving the pit lane while the track is under green flag conditions when the penalty is announced may directly enter the pit lane still under green flag conditions to serve a penalty.

C. A Car on track while the track is under FCY or coming to a restart when the penalty is announced must pass under the green flag on track at Start/Finish prior to entering the pit lane still under green flag conditions to serve a penalty.

D. A Car leaving the pit lane while the track is under FCY or coming to a restart when the penalty is announced must pass under the green flag on track at Start/Finish prior to entering the pit lane still under green flag conditions to serve a penalty.

27.8.3. If a Competitor fails to serve the penalty or crosses the Finish line under green flag conditions more than four (4) times prior to serving the penalty (Art. 33.5), an additional penalty may be assessed and/or the Race Director may instruct Timing & Scoring to stop timing and scoring the Car.

27.9. YELLOW WITH VERTICAL RED STRIPES. The track surface has changed as a result of liquid and/or debris on-track. Normally displayed only for a limited number of laps even if the surface condition remains.

27.10. BLUE. (the blue flag may incorporate a yellow diagonal stripe)

27.10.1. Motionless: Another Competitor is following you and may be trying to pass you.

27.10.2. Waved: Another Competitor may be rapidly overtaking you. Blue flags are normally used where the Driver being overtaken may be unaware of the following Car or is clearly obstructing another Car.

27.10.3. The blue flag is advisory and is not considered a command flag.

27.11. WHITE.

27.11.1. Motionless: A stationary white flag displayed at any corner post denotes an ambulance, fire truck, wrecker or other service vehicle on the racetrack, or a slow-moving Car ahead.

27.11.2. Waving: A waving white flag displayed at any corner post denotes a very slow-moving vehicle ahead. Drivers must use extreme caution.

27.11.3. Starter displays a waving white flag to indicate the last lap and the last lap is announced by Race Control. Alternatively, the starter may indicate the last lap by displaying one finger. For a late-Race FCY, or where the timing is too close to make an advance call, the white flag may not be displayed, however an announcement of the checkered flag shall be made.

27.12. BLACK AND WHITE CHECKERED. End of a Session or of a Race. Return to the pits at reduced speed and proceed to Impound or stop at the pits as designated by Race Control. The pit exit is closed. Drivers must use caution and be aware that safety vehicles may be dispatched on-track after the last Car passes the checkered flag and clean up may commence.

ARTICLE 28 – TESTING

28. TESTING

28.1. SANCTIONED TESTING

28.1.1. (SSR) IMSA may organize Series-wide "open" Sanctioned Tests (such as the ROAR) at its discretion and if a Team participates, such Test days shall not count toward the Team's allotment.

28.1.2. **Requirements for Participation at IMSA Sanctioned Test Days**

A. Are identical to those of official Practice Sessions as at IMSA Events except as below.

i. Timing & Scoring information is typically distributed via online live timing and by post-Session distribution of summary time-sheets unless otherwise stated in the SR.

ii. Timing & Scoring information shall typically show only Team names, not specific Drivers, except at specific Tests where specified by IMSA (such as the ROAR).

iii. Timing & Scoring and/or Race Control shall give the instructions for Session start-stop and the release of Cars from the pit lane.

iv. Pit Lane Speed Limit violations are given as Warnings (with corresponding information) and may increase to penalties if speed excess is over +5KPH.

v. Any lap times, Driver participation, speeds, percentages and/or night laps are invalid for the purposes of achieving such requirements as may be specified in the RULES for Official Sessions and/or Events

vi. The number of Crew "over the wall" and working on the Car is not restricted except at specific Tests where specified by IMSA (such as the ROAR).

vii. On-track incidents or inappropriate actions may be penalized.

28.2. (SSR) PRIVATE TESTING:

28.3. (SSR) Eligibility

28.3.1. (SSR) Michelin Challenge Teams (Cars) must not Test at a racetrack within fourteen (14) days preceding load-in day at that track for any IMSA Event. Teams may compete (Cars) in verifiable races at such track with other sanctioning bodies within these fourteen (14) days, but use of Michelin Challenge tires in such circumstances is prohibited.

A. (SSR) At a maximum of two (2) Events per season per Team, a Team may request to Test at a racetrack up to and including the Sunday (inclusive) preceding load-in day at that track for any IMSA Event.

B. (SSR) For any Team participating in such Testing up to the prior Sunday limit, the Team must fully participate in the staging and load-in process as scheduled in the respective Event SR.

28.4. (SSR) Limitations (On-Track and Off-Track):

28.4.1. (SSR) Testing must be conducted on the IMSA approved series- / manufacturer-specific tire(s).

28.4.2. (SSR) Regulations are in effect for the full Calendar Year (January 1st to December 31st inclusive) and remain in effect after the date of a Team's last Michelin Challenge Race (in the same calendar year).

28.4.3. (SSR) IMSA may waive limitations and provisions of the Testing Regulations in extraordinary circumstances when in the best interest of the sport.

28.5. (SSR) N/A.

28.6. (SSR) N/A.

28.7. (SSR) N/A.

28.8. (SSR) Penalties

28.8.1. (SSR) Penalties may include a loss of Test days, Championship points, ineligibility of the Car or Team to participate in Competition, and/or other penalties.

28.9. (SSR) Promoter Tests

28.9.1. (SSR) Promoter Test days as part of an Event (where permitted in the SR) are permitted.

28.9.2. (SSR) Promoter Test days must take place within the two (2) days prior to the first Official Session. Any earlier days are not considered part of the Official Schedule for the Event.

28.9.3. (SSR) Promoter Test days are available only to Entrants and Cars participating in the corresponding Event and Cars must use only the approved tires for the corresponding Event.

28.10. (SSR) N/A.

28.11. (SSR) N/A.

28.12. (SSR) Mandatory Tests

28.12.1. (SSR) Certain Tests as specified by IMSA may be mandatory and if so, required participation is compulsory.

ARTICLE 29 – OFFICIAL SESSIONS & REQUIREMENTS

29. OFFICIAL SESSIONS & REQUIREMENTS

29.1. Only Cars and Drivers having cleared registration, Sporting Checks, Safety Inspection and/or Scrutineering are permitted to take part in the Official Sessions (except as may be permitted where Safety Inspection and/or Scrutineering is ongoing after the start of the Official Sessions).

29.2. False Grid. Is used to organize Cars prior to a Session unless otherwise specified by the Race Director. Unless otherwise listed in the SR, the false grid for a Session opens at the actual start time of the start of the preceding Session unless otherwise specified in the MxM.

29.2.1. (SSR) Except during qualifying, on release to the pit lane from the false grid, Cars may line up at the pit exit at the direction of the Officials or may proceed to their Pit Box. Cars electing to go to their Pit Box must remain there until released on the instructions of Race Control. During qualifying, Cars must only proceed to and return to their Pit Box (Art. 40.2.2.).

29.3. Pit to Car to pit radio communication is required. A Crew member must be in the Car's Pit Box and in communication with the Car at all times that the Car is in the pit lane or on-track. Competitor is responsible for the correct conduct of Car, regardless of communications function.

29.4. From the time of the start of a Session until concluded, only a registered Driver, properly helmeted, attired and belted, is permitted to drive the Car to and from the pit lane.

29.5. Officials and Tire Partner technicians shall have free access into the Competitor's pit and Paddock space at all times.

29.6. During Official Sessions and the Race, access to the pit lane is exclusively reserved for those persons having specific responsibilities in the pit lane area. Only properly credentialed individuals are permitted in the pit lane area.

29.7. The Race Director/Clerk of the Course may interrupt a Session.

29.8. The Officials are not obliged to extend a Session after an interruption.

29.9. Interruption of Sessions is Conclusive concerning any possible effects on the qualification of Drivers and/or Cars.

29.10. (SSR) For a Session stoppage, except during qualifying (Art. 29.2.1), Cars may line up at the pit exit or may proceed to their Pit Box. Cars electing to go to their Pit Box must remain there until released on the instructions of Race Control.

29.11. Hardship laps: prohibited unless IMSA directs a Competitor to undertake a change in the Car that must be tested, or at the exclusive discretion of IMSA.

ARTICLE 30 – ON-TRACK PROTOCOL & CONDUCT

30. ON-TRACK PROTOCOL & CONDUCT

30.1. ON-TRACK PROTOCOL:

30.1.1. Drivers must only use the racetrack. The racetrack is defined on both sides by painted verge lines and/or the edge of the paved surface. A Car not on the racetrack must reenter safely, gain no advantage and must not interfere with a Car properly on-track.

30.1.2. It is prohibited to drive a Car in the opposite direction of the Race except to remove it from a dangerous position when the Driver has a clear line of sight or under the instructions of the marshals or IMSA Officials.

30.1.3. During any Session or the Race, should a Car stop on the racetrack, it may be removed by the marshals or responders, as authorized by Race Control, so that its presence does not hinder the continuance of the Session or Race or be permitted to remain if appropriate.

30.1.4. If a Driver is unable to drive the Car out of a dangerous position, the marshals may give assistance at the direction of Race Control.

30.1.5. It is prohibited to perform work on a Car within the first line of protection on the racetrack. It is prohibited to refuel the Car. Marshals or other Officials may push or tow a disabled Car under the direction of Race Control to a safe location without penalty. It is prohibited for a Driver to push their Car. Only if and when Race Control determines that a Car is in a safe location are the Driver and/or Crew permitted to work on it.

A. Disposing of any object other than helmet visor tear-offs from the Car on the track or in the pit lane under green flag conditions, except when stopped in the pit box, is prohibited. The Team must immediately notify IMSA Race Control of the nature of any disposal.

30.1.6. Physical assistance, or pushing between Cars is prohibited, and may be penalized.

30.1.7. At all times during Sessions, and as soon as the grid is cleared (Art. 44.2) until all Cars have proceeded to Impound after the finish of the Race, only marshals, safety responders, Officials on duty and Drivers participating in the Race are permitted on the racetrack.

30.2. DRIVER CONDUCT

30.2.1. **PASSING.** It is the responsibility of both the overtaking Driver and the Driver being overtaken to assure safe overtaking. Where two Cars are reasonably alongside each other, each must permit the other racing room. A Car traveling alone may use the full width of the racetrack. Overtaking may be either right or left depending on prevailing conditions.

30.2.2. **BLOCKING.** Any Driver who, in the sole opinion of the Race Director, moves in reaction, altering their line based on the actions of pursuing Competitors, may be warned or penalized pursuant to Art. 57 of the RULES, and such decision is Conclusive.

30.2.3. **INCIDENTS.** Any Driver who, in the sole opinion of the Race Director, is responsible for: an incident where a Car spins, or goes off-track, or suffers a flat tire or other mechanical difficulty resulting from the incident and requiring it to pit directly for repairs, or an incident of contact resulting in a change of position, may be warned or penalized pursuant to Art. 57 of the RULES, and such decision is Conclusive.

30.2.4. **UNJUSTIFIABLE RISK.** Any Competitor who, in the sole opinion of the Race Director, engages in any behavior deemed to represent an unjustifiable risk or reckless endangerment may be warned or penalized pursuant to Art. 57 of the RULES, and such decision is Conclusive.

30.3. STOPPING.

30.3.1. **Disabled Cars.** If a Car is involved in an incident and/or is stopped on or near the racing surface and unable to continue to make forward progress, unless extenuating emergency conditions exist (i.e. fire, smoke in cockpit, etc.), the Driver should take the following steps:

A. Communicate the condition of the Driver and Car to Officials where possible;

B. Shut off electrical power;

C. Do not loosen, disconnect or remove any Driver personal safety equipment until directed to do so by Officials;

D. After being directed to exit the Car, Driver must proceed as directed by Officials;

E. A Driver must not approach any portion of the racing surface;

F. A Driver must not approach another moving Car.

30.3.2. **Driver Egress** A Driver exiting a Car stopped in a location away from the racing surface should first communicate the condition of the Driver and Car to Officials where possible, shut off electrical power, and only move directly to a protected location behind a wall, other barrier, or as directed, and must not approach the racing surface or other moving Cars.

30.4. Officiating of Conduct. IMSA relies on the official resources available to Race Control for officiating purposes. Private or third-party video, anecdotal observation or public statement is inadmissible evidence unless specifically requested by IMSA. Driver Advisors and other members of Race Control provide input to support the determinations of the Race Director.

ARTICLE 31 – DRIVER DISCIPLINE

31. DRIVER DISCIPLINE

31.1. Driver. During the Race, should the Driver move more than ten (10) meters away from the Car (in the sole judgment of IMSA Officials), the Car may be considered retired from the Race, at the discretion of the Race Director.

31.2. Only marshals and responders as authorized by Race Control are permitted to come within ten (10) meters of a Car and/or Driver (in the sole judgment of IMSA Officials) except Crew members when authorized by Race Control to work on a Car that has been removed to a safe location.

31.3. Except as specifically authorized in these RULES, apart from the areas in the Pit Box, in the Paddock, behind the wall or on the starting grid, repairs must be carried out by the Driver alone with the tools and parts carried on board the Car, except when Crew members are authorized by Race Control to work on a Car that has been removed to a safe location.

31.4. IMSA is dedicated to the highest standards of safety and conduct and all Members must conduct themselves accordingly. Unsafe or inappropriate conduct or driving in the Paddock deemed dangerous, erratic and/or of inappropriately excessive speed for the circumstances or established limits is prohibited and subject to penalty.

ARTICLE 32 – PIT ENTRY / EXIT & SPEED LIMIT

32. PIT ENTRY / EXIT & SPEED LIMIT

32.1. Access to the racetrack from the pits must be made through the designated pit exit and access to the pits from the racetrack must be made through the designated pit entrance.

32.2. The deceleration zone before pit entrance and acceleration zone at pit exit are not considered part of the pits, and working on Cars in these areas is prohibited. Should a Car become disabled, the Driver must use best efforts not to block the pit lane entrance or exit.

32.3. Pit Lane Speed Limit. The speed limit in the pit lane is 60 kilometers/hour. The start and end of the pit lane speed limit (PLSL) is indicated by marked pylons and/or speed limit board(s) at the appropriate locations (not by painted lines), or as otherwise announced by the Race Director. Repeat infractions or higher speeds may result in greater or cumulative penalties at the discretion of the Race Director.

32.4. Pit Lane Exit Light. A red light (or flag), operated by an Official, controls the pit exit. Failure to stop for the signal is subject to penalty.

ARTICLE 33 – PIT LANE PROTOCOL

33. PIT LANE PROTOCOL

33.1. Identification. The Team Representative must make themselves known to the IMSA Officials in the pit lane as the principal spokesperson for the Team on officiating matters and must wear identification when provided by IMSA.

33.2. Responsibility. Each Entrant is responsible for anyone in their pit, whether members of their Team or not.

33.2.1. Competitors must not enter another Team's pit(s) without their or IMSA's approval.

33.2.2. Minors under the age of 16 are prohibited in a Team's pit box.

33.3. PIT LANE GENERAL:

33.3.1. The pit wall is a physical barrier such as concrete or other material delimiting the working Pit Box from the Team's pit area or may be defined as a line as determined by IMSA Officials.

33.3.2. (Art. 20.5 and Art. 20.6) The cold side of the pit wall is defined as the inner plane of the pit wall, away from the pit lane Car working area and the hot side of the pit wall is defined as the outer plane of the pit wall, closest to the pit lane Car working area.

A. The working Pit Box is on the "hot" side of the pit wall. The Team's pit area for timing equipment, etc. is on the "cold" side of the pit wall.

33.3.3. Except when work is performed on the Car, all personnel must remain behind (cold side) the pit wall. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

33.3.4. Team members with their equipment are only permitted over the hot side of the pit wall once their Car is stopped in their Pit Box (wheel stop, Car stationary). Equipment or tools must not be rested on the pit wall. Sitting or standing on the pit wall is prohibited. At the conclusion of the pit stop, all personnel must promptly return to the cold side behind the pit wall except to clean up spills and tools. Equipment or material must not remain in the Pit Box. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

33.3.5. Cars must be stopped or placed properly in their own Pit Box, typically parallel to the pit wall, and not interfere with other Cars properly in their own Pit Box in the sole judgment of IMSA Officials. Positioning a Car, equipment and/or personnel so as to interfere with another Competitor properly within their Pit Box, pit area and/or designated space is prohibited.

33.3.6. It is prohibited to place objects which, in the sole opinion of the IMSA Officials, unfairly hinder the entry or exit of other Cars into their Pit Boxes.

33.3.7. Lines, hoses, tools, parts, wheels, etc. must not be permitted to encroach upon, roll into, or otherwise be propelled into persons, the transition or fast pit lane, or adjacent pits. **Penalty:** Warning/Drive Through if hit by Car.

33.3.8. A Car must not be driven over its own lines or fuel hose(s), tools, parts or persons. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

33.3.9. A Car must not contact any person or be driven over hoses, fuel lines, tools or parts of other Competitors that are properly within their own Pit Box. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

33.3.10. Whenever a Crew member is working under a Car, approved stands or safety supports must be in place under the Car. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

33.3.11. Before leaving (wheel start, Car moving) its Pit Box, the Car must be completely free of all hoses, tools, etc. **Penalty:** Drive Through.

33.3.12. A Car must not contact or damage the RFID readers (if in use) in the pit lane. **Penalty:** Stop plus five (5) minutes plus cost of replacement.

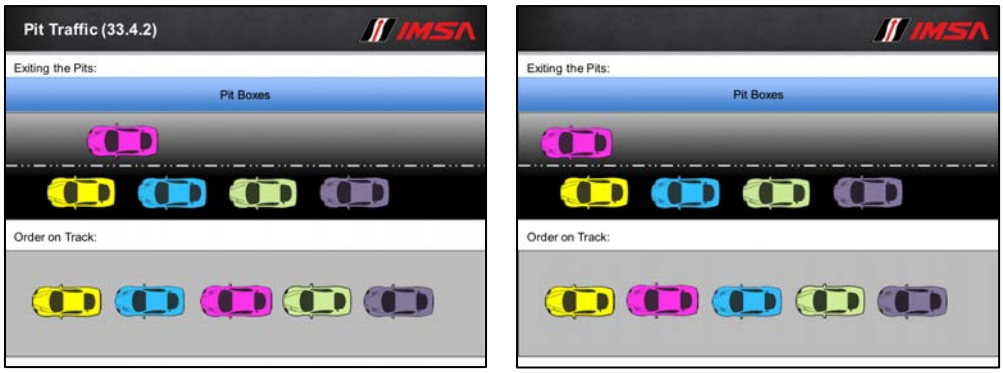
33.3.13. Where permitted, all signaling must be done from the designated signaling area. A maximum of two (2) persons per Car are permitted at the outer wall that separates pit lane from the track (Signaling Area) depending on track layout or limitations. IMSA may further limit this number. Crossing pit lane must be done under the direction and supervision of IMSA Officials and should be kept to a minimum. Just before the start of the Race, until all Cars have passed the pit lane exit on the start of the first green flag lap, only authorized Officials and marshals are permitted at the outer wall or in the Signaling Area.

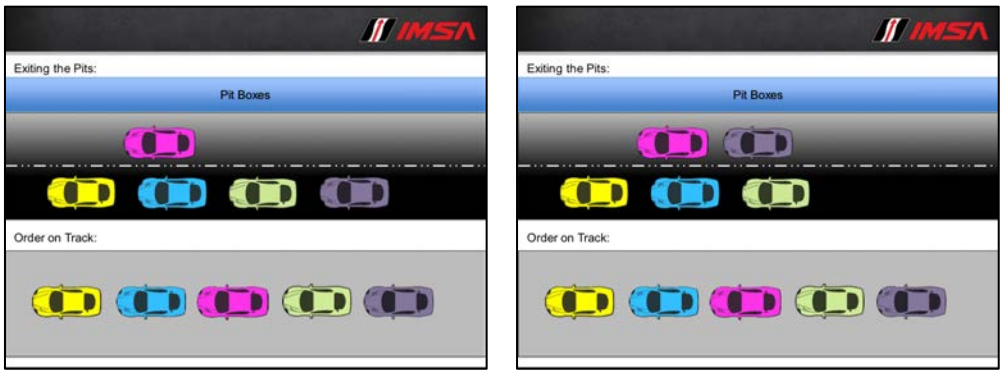
33.4. PIT TRAFFIC:

33.4.1. Driving a Car in reverse or against traffic under its own power in pit lane is prohibited and subject to penalty (Art. 35.1.3).

33.4.2. **Pit "Lanes".** If the racetrack configuration permits it, the pit lane is divided into three areas: The "Working Area" of the Pit Boxes closest to the pit wall, the transition (acceleration and slowing down) lane and the fast lane (farthest from the working pit wall). Once in the pit lane (as defined by the blend line or by the Race Director), Drivers must remain within the designated lanes and must not overtake using the transition lane. A Car not under its own power or unable to maintain the PLSL must not use the fast lane. Drivers entering their Pit Box must not directly cross from the fast lane to their pit box and must reduce speed in the transition lane. When leaving their Pit Box, Drivers must yield to traffic, accelerate in the transition lane and must not enter the fast lane until their speed is at or near the PLSL. Cars must not remain in the transition lane any longer than necessary at the PLSL and must enter the fast lane. Cars in the fast lane must be at or near the PLSL.

A. Any Car within a column of Cars in the fast lane that is entirely behind a Car in the transition lane must yield to the transition lane Car to permit its merge into the fast lane (see sample graphics below). The order of the Cars at the pit exit is determined by their crossings of the pit exit PLSL loop and/or the determinations of IMSA Officials. The order of Cars exiting the pit lane relative to Cars on-track is determined by their relative crossings of the pit exit loop where it crosses racetrack and/or the determinations of IMSA Officials.





33.4.3. **Removal From Pits.** During qualifying or a Race, Cars must only be removed from the pit lane on approval of the Race Director. The Race Director may assign an Official to observe any work.

33.5. Penalty Box/Penalties. The penalty box is ordinarily located after the last working Pit Box towards pit exit or as announced by the Race Director and is identified by a sign. Should Race Control give a Car a penalty (Drive-Through, Stop and Go, Stop plus X, etc.):

33.5.1. Car must not cross the Finish line under green flag conditions more than four (4) times prior to serving the penalty (Art. 27.8.3);

A. Car must proceed directly to the Penalty Box without stopping at its Pit Box;

B. After the penalty is served, Car must rejoin the Race without stopping at its Pit Box.

C. No one except IMSA Officials are permitted to approach the Car.

D. Additional Drive-Through/Stop and Go penalty for any breach.

33.5.2. It is not required to shut off the engine in the Penalty Box unless the penalty includes a Stop & Restart.

ARTICLE 34 – PERSONNEL IN THE PIT LANE

34. (SSR) PERSONNEL IN THE PIT LANE

34.1. (SSR) Personnel permitted in the Pit Box working area "over the wall" when refueling is in process and/or for maintenance or repairs:

A. (SSR) Three (3) persons (mechanics) including refueling, air jack wand or mechanical jack (one (1) maximum per Car if used), tire changes and maintenance.

B. (SSR) One (1) "fire bottle" attendant (must only attend the fire extinguisher bottle).

C. (SSR) One (1) Driver Assistant (only for Driver assistance per Art. 38.2).

D. (SSR) Not counted in the five (5) personnel permitted "over the wall" are:

E. (SSR) One (1) separate (as required per approved Car specification) overflow device (fuel vent) operator (must only attend overflow device).

F. (SSR) One (1) Industry Support "tire" technician (only perform checks).

G. (SSR) One (1) Industry Support "brake" technician (only perform checks).

34.2. (SSR) **Industry Support Technicians.** At anytime during a pit stop, only one (1) industry technician from each discipline, i.e. tire, brake, gearbox etc., whether they are a vendor's technician or members of the Team, are permitted to make checks exclusively.

34.3. (SSR) In the pit lane, three (3) persons maximum are permitted to push a Car belonging to their Team. Dollies and/or quick lifts are permitted to position the Car in its Pit Box. Wheel chocks or other mechanisms may be permitted at certain Events as defined by the Race Director.

34.4. (SSR) Any person from a Team, staying on the working area of the Pit Box is considered to be working on the Car. A Driver working on a Car is considered to be one of the three (3) persons maximum permitted to work on the Car.

34.5. (SSR) During Official Sessions not including the Race, these same requirements are in effect, except that a Team is not restricted to three (3) persons maximum servicing the Car.

34.6. (SSR) Personnel in the pit lane must be properly attired (Art. 21 and Art. 37).

34.7. (SSR) Pit stop practice is permitted only during the times that the Car is in the Team's pit box during scheduled Sessions for that Series. Refueling during pit stop practice is prohibited except as permitted in the regulations or SR (Scheduled Fuel Drops, Night Practice, Warm Up).

ARTICLE 35 – PIT STOP SERVICE & REPAIRS

35. PIT STOP SERVICE & REPAIRS

35.1. (SSR) PIT STOPS:

35.1.1. (SSR) A Driver coming for a pit stop may, only once the Car has come to a complete stop in its Pit Box:

A. (SSR) Unfasten the Driver safety harness and the containment net(s);

B. (SSR) Switch off the lights (when in use);

C. (SSR) Switch off the engine;

D. (SSR) Open the door.

35.1.2. (SSR) Before leaving the Pit Box:

A. (SSR) The Driver safety harness and the containment net(s) must be fastened and tightened.

B. (SSR) The Driver must switch on the lights (if required).

35.1.3. (SSR) Disabled in pit lane or overshooting the Pit Box:

A. (SSR) If a Car is disabled inside the limits of the pit lane or overshoots their assigned pit box but has not gone beyond the working pit boxes and/or Penalty Box must either complete another lap or may be pushed backwards by its Crew (respecting any limitations thereto) to the assigned pit or "behind the wall" prior to any work performed. The Car must only be moved by the three (3) persons maximum or Officials and/or marshals. Use of reverse gear prohibited and subject to penalty.

35.1.4. (SSR) A Car may be driven through pit lane without stopping.

35.2. (SSR) SERVICE & REPAIRS

35.3. (SSR) Tools

35.3.1. (SSR) Once the Car is in the pit lane prior to stopping, a pole-mounted signal may be extended over the pit wall and must not be used for any other purpose than to stop or release the Car. Equipment or tools may be rested on the pit wall as long as they are in the hands of a Crew member.

35.3.2. (SSR) Tools acting on the Car or Driver operated from behind the pit wall are prohibited.

35.3.3. (SSR) Electronic tools, devices or other equipment that may generate sparks are prohibited in the Pit Box during refueling and wheel changes.

35.4. (SSR) Three (3) Persons Maximum are Permitted to Intervene:

35.4.1. (SSR) During a pit stop, after the Car is at a standstill;

A. (SSR) To make all materials (tires, tools, etc.) ready for use in the Pit Box after the Car is at a standstill;

B. (SSR) To raise the Car and change the tires;

C. (SSR) To clean the windscreen, two (2) main headlights, rear lights, mirrors and/or cameras;

D. (SSR) To connect the downloading cable;

E. (SSR) To change the memory card of the IMSA data logger;

F. (SSR) To carry out maintenance operations, topping-up liquids, repairs or any other operation whatsoever.

35.5. (SSR) Team members may carry out work on any Car(s) entered by the same Entrant, provided they abide by the three (3) persons maximum.

35.6. (SSR) For checks or maintenance in the pit lane, an external source of energy may be used to start the engine. During a Race, when such operations are concluded, the engine must be started only on its onboard battery and starter system by the Driver alone, sitting behind the steering wheel, with no outside assistance. Pushing the Car, "Push starting", jump batteries, etc. are prohibited when a Car leaves the starting grid or Pit Box during a Race unless approved by IMSA Officials in the case of mechanical failure. Penalty: "Stop and Restart" (engine switched off and started again by Driver alone).

35.7. Apart from the areas in the Pit Box, in the Paddock, behind the wall or on the starting grid, repairs must be carried out by the Driver alone with the tools and parts carried on board the Car, except when Crew members are authorized by Race Control to work on a Car that has been removed to a safe location.

35.8. Behind the Wall. A Car entering the pit lane or already in its Pit Box with the intention of “going behind the wall”, must first request permission from IMSA Officials (not via IM). On receiving permission, a Car entering the pits may proceed directly there. In either case, it may be pushed, by the maximum of three (3) persons. The Car may be assisted in the pit lane with a jack or dollies.

35.8.1. (SSR) When a Competitor is granted permission to work “behind the wall” they must only do so only in their Paddock space or in a location approved by the Race Director. The maximum three (3) persons permitted to carry out work on a Car does not apply when the Car is “behind the wall”.

35.8.2. (SSR) Cars undertaking lengthy repairs in their Pit Box may be asked to go "behind the wall" to avoid interfering with other Competitors. Typically, work requiring more than ten (10) minutes should be undertaken "behind the wall".

35.8.3. (SSR) A Car may rejoin the Race directly from "behind the wall" without stopping in its Pit Box. If rejoining from behind the wall under a FCY period while the pits are closed or closed to that class, a Car must only receive "Emergency Service" (Art. 46.3.1.A) prior to rejoining on-track and must then comply with the requirements of the FCY and the Emergency Service obligation (drive-through). The pits are not considered "open" for such Car(s) until the last of the same class of Cars behind the Safety Car has stopped in its pit box. If no Car from the same class enters the pit lane, the pits are considered "open" for such Car(s) when the last Car in the same class crosses the S/F line.

ARTICLE 36 – WHEEL/ TIRE CHANGES

36. WHEEL/TIRE CHANGES:

36.1. (SSR) Are only permitted:

36.1.1. (SSR) On the starting grid until the "10-minute" notification. Tires must not be removed from Cars on the grid except if actively changing from or to Wet tires, or as approved by IMSA. Additional tires and/or tire changing equipment must not be on the grid except if actively changing from or to Wet tires, or as approved by IMSA.;

36.1.2. (SSR) In the assigned Pit Box: by the three (3) persons maximum, with no more than two (2) pneumatic devices (wheel guns) or two (2) torque wrenches over the cold plane of the pit wall at any one time (electric powered wrenches prohibited);

A. (SSR) For Cars with single-lug wheels, only one (1) pneumatic device (wheel gun) or one (1) torque wrench is permitted over the cold plane of the pit wall at any one time.

36.1.3. (SSR) In the Paddock, "behind the wall";

36.1.4. (SSR) After taking the start, only if the Car has been removed to a safe location.

36.2. (SSR) Wheelspin is prohibited while the Car is raised in the pit lane except as below.

36.2.1. (SSR) A Team must place a Car on stands and remove the drive wheels for the purpose of checking gearbox functionality.

36.3. (SSR) Special equipment designed to: make the wheel change faster; to heat and/or maintain the temperature of the tires is prohibited.

ARTICLE 37 – REFUELING

37. REFUELING

37.1. (SSR) Refueling Equipment:

37.1.1. **(SSR) Tank.** One (1) autonomous supply tank, per the Technical Regulations, must be used per Car.

A. (SSR) The fuel tank assembly, including the automatic self-closing ball valve (Cutoff or Deadman) but not including the hose assembly must not extend beyond the cold (inner) plane of the pit wall.

B. (SSR) The vessel must display the Car number(s) of all Cars utilizing that particular tank. The number(s) must be of a contrasting color, minimum 4" high with .5" stroke and facing the hot pit lane.

C. (SSR) A Car number must only be used on one (1) vessel.

D. (SSR) It is prohibited to refuel with, store fuel in, and/or add fuel to the autonomous tank except when permitted in the pit lane.

E. (SSR) Refueling with, storing fuel in, and/or adding fuel to, the autonomous tank is prohibited in the Paddock unless directed by IMSA Officials.

37.1.2. (SSR) Booms are prohibited.

37.1.3. **(SSR) Ground.** All metal parts of the refueling installation, from the coupling to the main supply tank and its tower, must always also be connected to ground (earth).

A. (SSR) It is recommended to connect the Car electrically to ground (earth) before the connection of the fuel tank filler and/or vent and throughout refueling.

37.2. (SSR) Fuel Storage. Apart from the autonomous supply tank, fuel in excess of two (2) drums (54 gallons each) must not be stored in the pits or the Paddock. A portable tank of not more than 108 gallons may be used for fuel storage and transfer instead of drums.

37.3. (SSR) Fuel Transfer & Refueling. Fuel transfer must only be performed using an IMSA approved manual or air powered fuel pump. For any transfer of fuel or refueling, Crew must be properly attired per Art. 21, with goggles worn over the eyes, or a visor on the helmet that is down, during the actual fuel transfer or refueling and as detailed throughout Art. 37. A Crew member manning a fire extinguisher must always be in attendance during the transfer of fuel.

37.3.1. (SSR) Refueling and/or fuel transfer in permanent garage structures is prohibited. Refueling or fuel transfer must be done in the Competitor's Paddock space. Crew must comply with Art. 21 and Art. 37.3.

37.4. (SSR) Refueling In Sessions or Race.

37.4.1. **(SSR) Throughout.** Personnel over the wall must be properly attired (Art. 21 and Art. 37.3). Gloves may be removed when not refueling. Working under the Car during refueling and/or refueling with the Car above or on stands, dollies or quick lifts is prohibited. Throughout refueling, Competitor must ensure that:

A. (SSR) One (1) attendant holding a fire extinguisher that is ready for use, with the pin removed, is over the wall and beside the Car;

B. (SSR) One (1) attendant is operating the automatic self-closing ball valve (Cutoff/Deadman) on the outlet of the autonomous tank and that the valve is functional. The self-closing valve must not be fitted with any device permitting or forcing it to stay in the open position.

C. (SSR) For Cars with an approved offside refueling point, the refueler may cross over the pit wall and take up position on the outside of the Pit Box prior to the Car stopping in its Pit Box. The refueler must not engage the refueling probe until the Car has come to a complete stop in its Pit Box.

D. (SSR) For Cars with an approved offside overflow device, the overflow device operator may cross over the pit wall and take up position on the outside of the Pit Box prior to the Car stopping in its Pit Box. The overflow device operator must not engage the overflow device until the Car has come to a complete stop in its Pit Box.

37.4.2. (SSR) It is prohibited to refuel the Car by means other than gravity. Any attempt to speed up the fuel flow by modification of the autonomous tank specifications is prohibited.

37.4.3. (SSR) The autonomous fuel rig must remain at atmospheric pressure and ambient temperature.

37.4.4. (SSR) It is prohibited to top up the autonomous tank until the refueling rig inspection is concluded or at anytime the Car is in the Pit Box.

A. (SSR) Hose(s) attached to the autonomous tank must be clearly visible. All attached hoses must not be covered by any autonomous fuel tank shrouding.

37.4.5. (SSR) Refueling is permitted at any time during a pit stop. The engine may be running and the Car may be raised only on its airjacks. Refueling is prohibited when working under the Car or when the Car is raised on stands, dollies or quick lifts.

A. (SSR) Data download permitted.

37.4.6. (SSR) Pumpout is permitted in the pit lane only as below.

A. (SSR) Immediately prior to a Session, from the time that Cars arrive in their pit box until the time of the green flag to start the Session.

B. (SSR) Between Sessions, only if both the preceding and following Sessions are for the same Series.

C. (SSR) Pump out is prohibited during a red flag stoppage.

D. (SSR) Pump out operations must cease when directed by an IMSA Official.

E. (SSR) Team members must be properly attired during pump out operations (Art. 21) and attended by a dedicated individual manning a fire extinguisher.

37.4.7. (SSR) Leakage/Excessive Fuel Spill: Prohibited.

37.5. (SSR) Practice. During Sessions, refueling is only permitted by means of an approved un-pressurized container not exceeding 25 liters (6.5 gallons) capacity, vented to atmosphere and with a leak-proof coupling connecting it to the Car.

37.5.1. (SSR) Specific to each Car, personnel over the wall must comply with Art. 21 and Art. 37.3 while the Car is being refueled. Non-attired persons must not enter the pit box of a Car during active refueling. Gloves may be removed when not refueling.

37.5.2. (SSR) Refueling during qualifying is prohibited.

37.6. (SSR) In Race.

37.6.1. (SSR) Personnel over the wall for all Cars must comply with Art. 21 and Art. 37.3 regardless of active refueling. Gloves may be removed when not refueling.

37.6.2. (SSR) Fueling in the pit lane during a Race must only be done using the IMSA approved autonomous tank specific to that Car.

37.6.3. (SSR) For Cars with an approved offside overflow device, the overflow device operator may cross over the pit wall and take up position on the outside of the Pit Box prior to the Car stopping in its Pit Box. The overflow device operator must only use an approved, non-opaque, un-pressurized container not exceeding 25 liters (6.5 gallons) capacity, vented to atmosphere and with a leak-proof coupling connecting it to the Car.

A. (SSR) it is the responsibility of the Team with the offside position to be aware when the Car or Cars pitted in the two (2) following pit boxes are pitting, and if before the Team's Car, the fuel person must wait. It is prohibited to drive inside the fuel person. The fuel person must not remain in a position of obstruction to the Cars pitted in the two (2) prior pit boxes as those Cars depart their pit boxes. IMSA interprets the offside fuel position as "equipment" in the sense of determining responsibility for placement and/or penalty with respect to impeding another Car's pit stop.

37.6.4. (SSR) For Cars with an approved offside refueling point, the refueler may cross over the pit wall and take up position on the outside of the Pit Box prior to the Car stopping in its Pit Box. The refueler must not touch the refueling probe until the Car has come to a complete stop in its Pit Box.

A. (SSR) it is the responsibility of the Team with the offside position to be aware when the Car or Cars pitted in the two (2) following pit boxes are pitting, and if before the Team's Car, the vent person must wait. It is prohibited to drive inside the vent person. The vent person must not remain in a position of obstruction to the Cars pitted in the two (2) prior pit boxes as those Cars depart their pit boxes. IMSA interprets the offside vent position as "equipment" in the sense of determining responsibility for placement and/or penalty with respect to impeding another Car's pit stop.

37.6.5. (SSR) Supplying the Car with fuel during the Race is prohibited when not in the Pit Box.

37.7. (SSR) Minimum Refueling and Refueling Time Calculation.

37.7.1. (SSR) An Entrant must not demonstrate a full refueling time less than the Minimum Full Refueling Time listed in the class-specific BoP table subject to and as verified by a single Minimum Full Fill Refueling Time Audit (Art. 37.6).

37.7.2. (SSR) Any quantity of fuel up to the Maximum capacity as specified in the BoP table may be added during a pit stop in the Race.

37.7.3. (SSR) The Minimum Refueling Time is calculated using IMSA sensors and the following formula:

$$\text{Calculated Full Fill time} = \frac{\text{BoP Capacity x Transfer Time}}{\text{Volume Transferred}}$$

37.7.4. (SSR) In the case of a fill less than 100% of the BoP Capacity, the Minimum Refueling Time shall be extrapolated using the refueling data measured during the applicable pit stop.

37.7.5. (SSR) Calculated Full Fill time must not be less than as published in the BoP table.

37.7.6. (SSR) The Calculated Full Fill time does not include vented fuel.

37.8. (SSR) Fuel Consumption Reporting. Competitors must be prepared to report their fuel consumption to IMSA and be prepared to install IMSA specified measuring equipment and report the results.

37.9. (SSR) Minimum Refueling Time Audit.

37.9.1. (SSR) An Entrant must not demonstrate a refueling time faster than the minimum full fill time listed in the class-specific BoP table and as verified by a single Minimum Refueling Time Audit.

37.9.2. (SSR) Requirements and process of the Minimum Refueling Time Audit:

A. (SSR) Maximum fuel capacity and the Car must comply with the applicable Technical Regulations and Technical Bulletins including the BoP Table.

i. (SSR) The as-raced fuel capacity of the Car will be audited to verify compliance with the minimum refueling time listed on the class specific BoP table.

B. (SSR) Autonomous Supply Tank and associated fittings, volume, height and peripherals, including supply/vent hoses, must comply with the Technical Regulations.

C. (SSR) IMSA Official Inspection seals must be intact.

i. (SSR) Removal of inspection seals prior to a Post-Race Minimum Refueling Time Audit is considered a violation of the RULES and is subject to penalties established in Art. 12.20.2.

D. (SSR) Fuel level in the autonomous fuel supply tank must be full and verified by the designated IMSA official(s).

E. (SSR) Car must be empty of fuel, engine off, off the air jacks, and on the ground, on its wheels and tires as raced.

F. (SSR) All fuel pumps must be operational and running when directed by the IMSA Official.

G. (SSR) During fuel delivery operations, the deadman ball valve must be in the position such that the throat of the ball is aligned axially with the outlet of the deadman valve body with the actuation handle fully extended.

i. (SSR) The deadman valve may be operated by an IMSA official.

H. (SSR) Autonomous fuel supply tank vent must remain unrestricted.

I. (SSR) IMSA measurement of the audit time starts upon the complete engagement of the fuel probe. The fuel probe must remain fully engaged throughout the Audit. The time stops upon a complete and visible vent as determined by the Technical Director (or appointed designee). The measured time and volume will be correlated to the IMSA mandated autonomous supply tank level sensor where applicable.

J. (SSR) It is the responsibility of the Entrant to comply with the minimum allowable class-specific refueling time or may be subject to the minimum penalties as established in Art. 12.20.2 and Att. 2.

K. (SSR) Per Att. 2, Par. 2.9, decisions of IMSA regarding BoP are Conclusive and not subject to protest or appeal.

37.10. (SSR) Fuel Capacity Audit Procedure.

37.10.1. (SSR) Entrant must demonstrate a fuel capacity equivalent to or less than defined in the BoP table. Fuel Capacity Audit Procedure as defined below must begin no more than ninety (90) minutes after the time of the checkered flag of the Race, unless otherwise approved by the IMSA Technical Director. Fuel capacity may be checked in tandem with the minimum refueling time audit as defined in Art. 37.8.

A. (SSR) Car must be filled to capacity by fuel delivered from the Teams' autonomous fuel supply tank with a complete and visible vent as determined by the Technical Director (or appointed designee). The designated IMSA Official may require the Entrant to activate and operate all fuel pumps during all or part of the filling of the Car.

B. (SSR) Once it has been determined by a designated IMSA official that the Car is full, main power to Car must be switched on, with all fuel pumps activated, to remove fuel from the Car.

C. (SSR) Fuel may be pumped out of the Car via the engine side dry-break into measurement container(s) and recorded.

i. (SSR) This process continues until the Car fuel pumps are ineffective in removing the remaining fuel inside the fuel cell.

D. (SSR) The Team must have available all necessary means for the removal of as much fuel as possible via the in-tank fuel pumps.

E. (SSR) A visual inspection may be performed by IMSA officials to ensure the fuel cell and fuel collector are empty.

F. (SSR) Remaining fuel not evacuated from the Car via the in-tank fuel pumps may be removed by other means (syringe, vacuum device, etc.) and added to the total.

G. (SSR) Total fuel removed from the Car is calculated to determine fuel capacity.

H. Excessive spill during the test may require a repeat of the test.

ARTICLE 38 – DRIVER CHANGES IN RACE

38. DRIVER CHANGES IN RACE

38.1. (SSR) Driver changes within the nominated Driver combination for a Car are permitted only when the Car is stopped at its Pit Box or in its Paddock.

38.2. (SSR) Driver Assistant. During a pit stop, one (1) person (may be the Driver leaving the Car) is permitted only to give the Driver assistance (such as drink bottle, cool suit, radio, ID plug, helmet hose, fasten/tighten the safety harness), to change the data card, and to close the door(s), regardless of Driver change or not. Any one (1) of the three (3) persons maximum (service and repairs may otherwise perform this function. The Driver Assistant is not required to wear gloves. Any equipment designed to aid driver ingress or egress is prohibited.

ARTICLE 39 – QUALIFICATIONS & STARTING POSITIONS

39. QUALIFICATIONS & STARTING POSITIONS

39.1. Cars are placed in the starting lineup in order of their lap times with the fastest to the front of the field.

39.2. IMSA may require that Cars and/or Drivers achieve a minimum qualifying time in order to be eligible to start a Race. IMSA may restrict the number of starters if a Race is oversubscribed.

39.3. A Car must be qualified by a Driver nominated to drive that Car.

39.4. If two (2) Cars achieve the same qualifying time, the Car that sets the time earliest in their qualifying Session is gridded first.

ARTICLE 40 – OFFICIAL QUALIFYING

40. OFFICIAL QUALIFYING

40.1. (SSR) Dry or Wet Tire Usage

40.1.1. (SSR) Only one (1) set of Dry tires OR one (1) set of Wet tires must be used per Car in the official qualifying segment as below. All qualifying laps per segment must be completed on a single Tire Set. Only the Dry tires used for qualifying shall be identified by recording the RFID. Unless declared by the Race Director, Competitors must use only the Dry tires.

40.1.2. (SSR) If the Race Director declares that racetrack conditions require the use of Wet tires, all Competitors must use only Wet tires. Should the Race Director declare a Wet Session the provisions of Art. 40.1.4 are void. Such requirement of Wet tires, or not, by the Race Director is Conclusive.

40.1.3. (SSR) If the Race Director declares that racetrack conditions warrant flexibility in tire type selection, Competitors may select the Dry OR the Wet tires. Cars with faster qualifying times are gridded ahead of slower Cars in their own class, regardless of tire type used. Such declaration, or not, by the Race Director is Conclusive.

A. (SSR) If a Car qualifies on Wet tires, tire choice for the start of the Race is at the discretion of the Team but must be part of the Car's allocation.

40.1.4. (SSR) The Car must start the Race on the four (4) RFID qualifying tires (or Wet tires) or its assigned grid position is forfeit and the Car moved to the back of the grid in its class (Art. 43.4).

A. (SSR) In case of damage, and only with advance approval from the Technical Director (in consultation with the Tire Manufacturer), a Car may be permitted to start on three (3) of the four (4) qualifying tires (Art. 40.1.1) and retain its grid position. The replacement tire must be from the Car's allocation and the same compound as the tire being replaced. Requests to replace one (1) damaged tire must be submitted through TIMS (Art. 13.2). Any decision by the Technical Director regarding tire damage is Conclusive.

B. (SSR) Changes to more than one (1) qualifying tire must be submitted through TIMS (Art. 13.2) and requires the Car to go to the back of the starting grid in its class (Art. 43.4).

40.2. (SSR) Qualifying Segments

40.2.1. (SSR) N/A.

40.2.2. (SSR) During qualifying, Cars must not line up at the pit exit and must go only to their pit box at the start of the segment or for any segment stoppage until the green flag is again displayed or the segment is concluded or are subject to penalty.

A. (SSR) Cars that line up at the pit exit must wait at the pit exit until all other Cars properly in their pit box have had an opportunity to join the Session, and are then released.

B. (SSR) Cars that line up at the pit exit that do not wait and that enter the track prior to release must serve any penalty immediately and prior to registering valid lap times.

40.2.3. (SSR) Only one (1) Driver is permitted to drive the Car during each qualifying segment. The Driver of the Car during the qualifying segment must start that Car in the Race or its assigned grid position is forfeit and the Car moved to the back of the grid in its class (Art. 43.4).

40.2.4. (SSR) MOTUL Pole Award information per Att. 7.

40.2.5. (SSR) Any Driver involved in an incident or a concurrent incident that initiates a red flag stoppage may be penalized by deletion of their two (2) fastest timed laps of that segment and may be prohibited from further participation. Any Driver involved in an incident or concurrent incident resulting in abandonment of qualifying may be placed at the back of the starting grid in its class.

40.2.6. (SSR) N/A.

40.2.7. (SSR) N/A.

40.2.8. (SSR) N/A.

40.2.9. (SSR) Touching the Car is prohibited once it has left its Pit Box during a qualifying segment until instructed by IMSA Officials at Impound or when released to Paddock. The Driver must remain in the Car until the Car arrives in Impound. A Competitor may request permission from an IMSA pit lane Official to address the following. Permission is at the sole discretion of, and all actions must take place only under the direct supervision of an IMSA pit lane Official.

A. (SSR) Clear debris from the radiator inlet screen(s);

B. (SSR) Clean the inside/outside of the windshield in inclement weather;

C. (SSR) Push or pull a Car that is in an otherwise blocked location;

D. (SSR) Assist the driver (qualifying red flag - drink - door closure - belts);

E. (SSR) Other than the above, if a Car is touched after leaving the Pit Box and before so instructed at Impound or released to Paddock, all qualifying times are forfeit and the Car must cease participation in the Session.

F. (SSR) The pole winning Driver in each class may be directed to participate in interviews and/or a pole award ceremony as directed by IMSA Officials and in such case, the Driver may be directed to exit the Car and a Crew member deliver the Car to Impound.

40.3. (SSR) If the Car does not participate in qualifying, or qualifying is abandoned, the Team Representative must nominate, within thirty (30) minutes of the end of the final qualifying class segment, the starting Driver for the Race via MERG (Art. 13.2). Failure to submit a starting Driver as required shall cause the starting Driver to be determined alphabetically by last name. **Penalty** for incorrect starting Driver: Stop plus thirty (30) seconds.

40.3.1. (SSR) In the event that multiple Cars in a class do not participate in qualifying, they are ordered at the back of the grid in their class in Team championship points order.

40.3.2. (SSR) Tire choice for the start of the Race is at the discretion of the Team but must be part of the Car's allocation.

40.4. (SSR) Other Means To Set The Grid. Should qualifying be abandoned or "other means" be required to set the grid, each class shall be gridded together in the order GS, TCR. Within each class, the Cars are ordered by the following priority:

40.4.1. (SSR) The Car with the most Team championship points in that same class for the current season shall be gridded first, with other Cars following in descending order. Tiebreaker per Art. 53, then by Art. 40.4.2.

40.4.2. (SSR) Should a Car not have Team championship points in that same class for the current season, the Car shall be gridded by the Car with the most Team championship points in that same class from the previous season. Already tie-broken, then Art. 40.4.3.

40.4.3. (SSR) Should a Car not have Team championship points in that same class for the current or previous season, the Car shall be gridded by the Car with the most Team championship points earned in any class from the previous season. Tiebreaker by class order per Art. 40.4., then Art. 40.4.4.

40.4.4. (SSR) Should any one or all of these individual circumstances not be applicable to a particular Car(s), the Car(s) are placed on the grid at the Race Director's discretion.

40.5. (SSR) **Engine Change.** For any Car requiring an engine change after qualifying, the Team Representative must give written notice via MERG (Art. 13.2) no later than two (2) hours prior to the start time of the Race. Such Car(s) must start from the back of the starting grid in its class. **Penalty** for late notification: Drive-Through.

ARTICLE 41 – WARM UP

41. WARM UP

41.1. (SSR) When scheduled, the warm up takes place as listed on the Official Schedule.

ARTICLE 42 – PRE-RACE PROCEDURES / REQUIREMENTS

42. PRE-RACE PROCEDURES / REQUIREMENTS. Competitors must adhere to the Minute by Minute (MxM) comprising the Pre-Race procedures/requirements and the instructions of IMSA Officials.

42.1. Pre-Race MxM. All Cars must adhere to the Pre-Race times designated in the MxM. Any Car arriving at the pit entry loop after a published time may, at the discretion of the Race Director, be placed at the back of the grid and must not attempt to regain its original starting position. Running of engines during Pre-Race ceremonies is prohibited unless otherwise instructed by IMSA.

42.2. Dispensation. Permission for a Car significantly damaged or in mechanical distress to miss any Pre-Race activities is at the sole discretion of the Race Director, in consultation with the Technical Director and/or Sr. Director of Series Platforms, and any work may be attended by IMSA Officials. Cars receiving such dispensation must start at the back of its class and depart the grid for the formation laps. Cars unable to depart the grid for the formation laps must start the race from the pit lane and are subject to the pit lane start penalty (Art. 44.1).

ARTICLE 43 – RECONNAISSANCE LAPS & STARTING GRID

43. RECONNAISSANCE LAPS & STARTING GRID

43.1. (SSR) Reconnaissance Lap(s): Permitted as listed on the MxM.

43.2. (SSR) Service On Grid. Once the Car arrives on the starting grid for the Open Grid - Fan Walk, the Team may service the Car until the ten (10) minute notification. Battery powered wheel guns are permitted (see Art. 36.1.1.). Refueling is prohibited.

43.3. (SSR) Starting Grid Configuration. The starting grid is drawn up in a staggered two-column formation and ordered by class in the order GS, TCR, in the order of the best times achieved during the qualifying Sessions and/or as per Art. 40.2.7, with a pole sitter represented in the GS class.

43.3.1. **(SSR) Absent.** If any Car(s) are absent prior to and/or on departure for the formation lap(s), the grid closes up accordingly, with the Car(s) moving up by position, not within the column (see also Art. 43.3 and 43.7.1).

43.4. (SSR) Back of the Grid in Class. Competitors required to go to the "back of the grid" are placed chronologically in the order that they elected, or were required, to go to the back of the grid, unless otherwise determined by the Race Director. Cars placed at the back of the starting grid are ordered behind all Cars in their respective class and at the discretion of the Race Director, but ordinarily on a 'first-come, first-served' basis. Cars with Technical or Sporting penalties are ordered behind Cars with elective changes affecting grid position.

43.5. (SSR) Race Starting Driver. The Driver that qualifies the Car must start the Car in the Race. Requests to change starting Driver must be submitted in writing via MERG (Art. 13.2) to the Race Director no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the posting time of the Official Starting Grid. If approved, the Car must start the Race from the back of the starting grid in its class. **Penalty** for changes after this deadline: Drive-Through. **Penalty** for incorrect starting Driver: Stop plus thirty (30) seconds.

43.6. (SSR) Race Starting Tires. Tires must be only Dry or only Wet tires as conditions warrant, at Competitor discretion. Dry Tires must be as Art. 40.1.4 (four (4) RFID or marked qualifying tires) or as per Art. 43.6.1. Wet tires permitted as conditions warrant, at competitor discretion. Fitting Wet tires shall not require the Car to go to the back of the starting grid.

43.6.1. (SSR) Requests to change any of the RFID or marked starting tires must be submitted in writing via MERG (Art. 13.2) no later than fifteen (15) minutes prior to the posting time of the Official Starting Grid. **Penalty** for changes after this deadline: Drive-Through.

43.6.2. (SSR) Under adverse conditions, the Race Director may require all Cars to start the Race on Wet tires. If so declared, all Cars must take the start on Wet tires. Once a Car has taken one (1) green flag lap, that Car is free to change tires. If a Car starts from the pit lane, it must take one (1) green flag lap on Wet tires, unless the overall leader has already completed one (1) lap of the Race. Such requirement of Wet tires, or not, by the Race Director is Conclusive. Upon such declaration, any Car placed at the back of the starting grid exclusively for failure to meet Art. 40.1.4 above shall be restored to its original grid position.

43.7. (SSR) Posting Time of the Official Starting Grid: No later than one hour and fifteen minutes (1:15) prior to the start time of the Race.

43.7.1. (SSR) **Changes to the Official Starting Grid.** After publication, are communicated by Race Control. It is the responsibility of each Competitor to monitor such changes and to adjust their own starting position appropriately, with respect to position and/or column relative to such changes, on the departure from the starting grid and on the formation lap(s).

43.8. (SSR) **Unable to Start the Race.** Any Competitor whose Car is potentially unable to start the Race shall inform the Race Director and Series Manager immediately.

ARTICLE 44 – STARTING PROCEDURE

44. STARTING PROCEDURE

44.1. (SSR) Pit Lane Start / Late Start

44.1.1. (SSR) Any Car unable to achieve the starting grid, or still in the pit lane after the pit exit is closed, must start from the pit lane. **Penalty:** Drive Through (under green flag but not required to pass the start line).

44.1.2. (SSR) A Car starting from the pit lane must join the Race only at the IMSA Official's instruction (obey light/flag at pit exit) after all able Cars (subject to the judgment of the Race Director) have passed the pit exit following the start of the first Race lap.

44.1.3. (SSR) A Car not starting the Race on time and first driven to the pit exit after one (1) or more laps have been completed after the start of the Race by the overall leader, may join without penalty.

44.2. (SSR) Drivers Start Your Engines (countdown):

44.2.1. (SSR) 10-Minute Notification: All tires must be fitted and work complete. **Penalty:** Pit Lane Start (Art. 44.1)

44.2.2. (SSR) 5-Minute Notification: Clear Grid of all personnel except Officials and required Team personnel.

44.2.3. (SSR) 1-Minute Notification: Clear Grid of all personnel except Officials.

44.3. (SSR) Formation Lap(s). During the formation lap(s), the Cars are preceded by the Safety Car and may be followed by a Track Services Intervention Vehicle.

44.3.1. (SSR) The Safety Car departs the starting grid and leads the formation lap(s) of the racetrack at moderate speed. Unless otherwise instructed by the Race Director, Cars initially take their assigned grid order positions in Single File behind the Safety Car.

44.3.2. (SSR) A Car falling back on the formation lap(s) must not regain its starting position if all other Cars have overtaken such Car.

44.3.3. (SSR) Prior to the Race start, a Car is only permitted to enter pit lane for "emergency service" or if disabled and must not rejoin until instructed by the IMSA Official at pit exit. In such case there is no additional emergency service obligation or penalty for pit lane start. Refueling is prohibited. Cars taking more than emergency service subject to **Penalty:** Stop plus sixty (60) seconds.

44.3.4. (SSR) On the final formation lap, at a point designated by the Race Director, the Cars must pair up into two (2) columns in their assigned grid positions to form the starting field. In exceptional conditions, the Race Director may require a single-file start.

44.3.5. (SSR) At the time that the Cars are directed to pair up for the start, the pole sitter must take their position on the correct side of the racetrack and each successive Car must take up their appropriate starting position, alternating each side of the racetrack to create two (2) starting columns and to fill any open grid positions left by Cars changed from the official starting grid or falling out during the formation lap(s). Drivers should take the position that is the opposite of the Car preceding them. After the Cars have paired up, the grid positions of any Cars falling out are filled by the Car directly behind in the column, with successive Cars in the same column moving up also and a Car must no longer attempt to regain its position, and must start from the back of the entire grid.

44.3.6. (SSR) A Car unable to stay in front of an Intervention Vehicle during the formation lap(s) must return to the pits at reduced speed without overtaking or obstructing any other Car. It is then permitted to start from the pit exit according to Art. 44.1.

44.3.7. (SSR) If conditions so require, the Race Director may order the Safety Car to carry out one (or more) additional formation lap(s). Should this occur, the start of the Race (Race time) begins at the end of the originally scheduled formation lap(s).

44.3.8. (SSR) The pit exit is closed from the Race Control command to 'pair up' for Races with a single formation lap and at the Safety Car arriving at the pit entry on the first formation lap for Races with more than one (1) scheduled formation lap. The pit exit remains closed until after all able Cars (subject to the judgment of the Race Director) have passed the pit exit following the start of the first Race lap.

44.4. (SSR) Unable to Start Formation Lap(s)

44.4.1. (SSR) A Driver unable to start the formation lap(s) must raise their arm or open a door. When all other Cars have gone, the marshals and/or Officials may push the Car to start the engine, which is an exception to the prohibition on push-starting.

A. (SSR) Should the pit exit remain open, the Driver may then complete the formation lap(s) but must not overtake a moving Car except if the latter is disabled.

B. (SSR) Should the Car not start after being pushed, the responders shall push it to the pit lane, where its three (3) persons maximum are permitted to intervene.

44.5. Start is a Rolling Start.

44.5.1. For a rolling start, the Cars are moving at the moment the starting signal is given, in which case a Safety Car (pace car) may be used to lead the field to the starting line. The rolling start is used unless otherwise stated in the SSR for a Series or announced for the Race.

44.5.2. The Safety Car departs the starting grid and makes at least one (1) formation (pace) lap of the racetrack at moderate speed.

44.6. (SSR) Race Start. Track-specific instructions are given by the Race Director at the Driver briefing. Cars must not overtake the Safety Car until it has exited the racetrack. After the Safety Car has exited the racetrack, Drivers must maintain their pace and positions as on the formation lap or as instructed, and must remain in formation until the display of the green flag by the Starter.

44.6.1. (SSR) The pole sitter has earned the right to start the Race and to cross the starting line even or ahead of the other Cars within the limitations below.

A. (SSR) Cars must maintain the speed of the Safety Car or as instructed until the pole sitter reaches the "start zone". The "start zone" is indicated by cones, stripes, and/or as instructed by the Race Director. The pole sitter must accelerate upon reaching the "start zone" and the green flag shall be displayed while the pole sitter is within the "start zone". The Car in the second starting position must maintain position alongside the pole sitter until accelerating when or after the pole sitter accelerates.

B. (SSR) Respecting the above instructions, if the Car in the second starting position reaches the starting line ahead of the pole sitter, it shall not be considered a false start.

C. (SSR) Cars must not overtake within their starting column until they individually cross the starting line after display of the green flag.

44.7. (SSR) No Start/Wave Off. If the Starter waves off the scheduled start of a Race, no flag may be displayed at the starter stand. The Starter shall also call "no start" on the radio and may shake their head indicating "no" and all flag stations shall display a motionless yellow flag. Cars must continue at a reduced pace, reform into the side by side, two-column formation per their original grid positions as directed and anticipate a start on the next crossing of the starting line as described in Art. 44.6. or as instructed by Race Control.

44.8. (SSR) False Start. A false start occurs when a Driver deviates from the instructions given at the Driver briefing, the Race Start regulations and/or the position assigned to them before the starting (or restart) signal is given. Gamesmanship, brake checking or manipulation of the pace or procedure is prohibited. A missed shift, wheel spin or another unavoidable situation on the start may be determined by the Race Director and is Conclusive. The Race Director may assess a penalty for a false start.

44.9. (SSR) Starters. The Race officially begins and all Cars (and their Driver(s)) that have departed the starting grid become eligible for championship points when the first Car crosses the starting line after completion of the scheduled formation lap(s) regardless of whether or not the Starter has displayed the green flag.

44.9.1. (SSR) A Car (and its Driver(s)) starting from the pit lane becomes eligible for championship points if they start from the pit lane after the Race officially begins in accordance with these RULES.

ARTICLE 45 – SAFETY CAR

45. SAFETY CAR

45.1. The Safety Car is identified as such and fitted with an augmented flashing light system and may be dispatched to neutralize the Race at the discretion of the Race Director.

45.2. The primary purpose of the Safety Car is to create a traffic interval on the racetrack so that responders may handle situations more safely and quickly; therefore, it is essential that all Cars catch up with the field as quickly as possible consistent with safety and observing extreme caution at any incident site.

45.3. Special Safety Car procedures may be discussed at a Team Manager and/or Driver briefing and/or communicated to Competitors by Race Control.

45.4. The Safety Car may be dispatched at any time during a Race in order to correct a hazardous situation. Drivers are warned that a Safety Car will be used when all corner stations display two (2) motionless yellow flags. Additionally, a SC board may be displayed When the IMSA Safety Light System is in use, Drivers may also be warned by the in-Car Safety Light System dash lights and/or by yellow flashing or motionless lights around the racetrack. Overtaking is prohibited anywhere on the racetrack and Drivers must observe extreme caution at any incident site. When possible, the Safety Car (with its lights on) enters the racetrack ahead of the overall leader, who must slow to safety car speed to facilitate this or may be subject to penalty. All Competitors must then follow the Safety Car in Single File. A Driver must not overtake the Safety Car unless specifically instructed to do so.

45.4.1. This procedure may be modified at the Race Director's discretion, including not picking up the overall Race leader at the start of the intervention if immediate dispatching is deemed critical.

45.5. If the Safety Car is required to first pick up a Car that is not the overall leader, when deemed appropriate, the Race Director will instruct an Initial Wave-By (IWB) of all Cars between the Safety Car and the overall leader. Such Cars must overtake the Safety Car on the right, and remaining in order in Single File, proceed around the racetrack as quickly as possible consistent with safety and Race Control messaging to rejoin the field at the rear of the Car(s) remaining behind the Safety Car. Overtaking the Safety Car must be done only on the right, unless otherwise instructed by Race Control.

45.6. The Safety Car may be used to lead formation lap(s) prior to the start of a Race.

45.7. (SSR) Pit Exit Closure. A red light (or flag) indicates the pit exit is closed. Cars may enter the pits while the Safety Car is on course, if the pits are open, or enter a closed pit lane to receive Emergency Service per Art. 46.3.1, but must not re-enter the racetrack until directed by an IMSA Official. They must fall into line at the rear of the main field after it has passed the pit exit.

45.8. TRACK SERVICES / INCIDENT RESPONDERS / INTERVENTION VEHICLE. Track Services, Incident Responders and/or Intervention Vehicle(s) may be dispatched on the racetrack at any time and Competitors must respect the responders and vehicles intervening and leave them room to work. Tire scrubbing is prohibited in any response area.

ARTICLE 46 – NEUTRALIZATION OF THE RACE: "FULL COURSE YELLOW"

46. NEUTRALIZATION OF THE RACE: "FULL COURSE YELLOW"

46.1. (SSR) The pits are deemed closed at the time of the announcement of Full Course Yellow (FCY) by Race Control, regardless of the function of the pit closed light. The racetrack is deemed to be under FCY conditions at the time of the announcement by Race Control, regardless of the function of the IMSA Safety Light System, any on-track light system or display of flag(s).

46.1.1. (SSR) The pit exit closes from the time that the Safety Car (or the overall leader acting as the Safety Car) is perpendicular to the last working Pit Box until the main field has passed the pit exit and Cars can be released to join the back of the line behind the Safety Car at the sole discretion of the IMSA Officials. For a restart, the pit exit closes from the time that the Safety Car enters the pit lane until the main field has passed the pit exit and Cars can be released to join the back of the main field at the sole discretion of the IMSA Officials. The pit exit may close momentarily to facilitate dispatch of the Safety Car if necessary.

46.2. (SSR) Pass-Around:

46.2.1. (SSR) The pit entrance is closed from the beginning of the Safety Car intervention until the Safety Car has picked up the overall leader and main field and any Pass-Around is initiated or as announced by Race Control. Disabled Cars unable to maintain the speed of the Safety Car or pack up as directed must move aside and permit able Cars to overtake.

46.2.2. (SSR) If deemed appropriate, the Race Director shall authorize the Pass-Around for any Car that has its class leader behind it in the order circulating behind the Safety Car. If the class leader (and any subsequent Car) exits the racetrack, the next Car in line behind the Safety Car in that class shall become the place-holder to determine eligibility for the Pass-Around for the Cars ahead of that place-holder. It is the Competitor's responsibility to determine if their Car is eligible for the Pass-Around.

Penalty for Pass-Around when ineligible: Stop and Hold for time equal to two (2) Race laps (as determined by Race Control).

46.2.3. (SSR) Pass-Around Cars must throughout the procedure remain in Single File in the order initially established behind the Safety Car unless otherwise instructed by Race Control. Tire scrubbing is prohibited where Cars are in two (2) columns during the Pass-Around.

A. (SSR) Pass-Around Cars must, only when instructed, overtake the Safety Car on the right, and circulate as quickly as possible consistent with safety (reducing speed at any incident site) to rejoin the field at the rear of the Car(s) remaining behind the Safety Car without entering the pit lane. The Safety Car does not physically direct Cars to overtake. Cars may not be packed up prior to the pit opening sequence.

46.3. (SSR) Standard and Short Full Course Yellow:

46.3.1. **(SSR) STANDARD FCY.** The Race Director instructs Officials to re-open the pits for the "Standard FCY". Only GS Cars are permitted to pit on the first lap after the pits are declared open. Only TCR Cars are permitted to pit on the subsequent lap. Any Car is permitted to pit on laps after the first two class-specific opportunities to pit are concluded.

A. **(SSR) Std. FCY Emergency Service.** A Car disabled as the result of an incident, running out of fuel, flat or deflating tire (not flat spot) or similar mechanical handicap (or where another Driver would be caused to fail to meet the minimum drive-time), in the sole opinion of the Race Director, may, after requesting and receiving permission from an IMSA Official (not IM), enter a closed pit lane (or not open for that class) and receive assistance only to remedy the immediate concern (~5 seconds of fuel). Such "Emergency Service" Car(s) are then obligated to make a drive-through (although any service may be performed) on the lap after the pits are open for TCR Cars per Art. 46.3.1 (**Penalty:** Stop plus ten (10) seconds for non-compliance with the obligation). Cars that take Emergency Service fuel must pit for fuel at the first permitted opportunity. A Car entering a closed pit and working on the Car (typically crash damage) for an extended time is deemed to have met the Emergency Service obligation to pit again if such Car is still in the pit lane at the time that the pits are open to all Cars (the lap after the pits are open for TCR Cars).

46.3.2. **(SSR) Last 30 Minutes**. The Standard FCY is not in effect for any Safety Car period during the last thirty (30) minutes of the Race.

46.3.3. **(SSR) SHORT FCY.** A Short FCY is declared for the first of any FCY initiated within 15 minutes of a preceding green flag. Except per Art. 46.3.2, a Short FCY is not followed by another Short FCY. For a Short FCY, after the Pass-Around, the pit lane remains closed until the last Car has passed the pit entry and the restart has been announced by Race Control (coming to the green flag). No Final Wave-By is performed.

A. **(SSR) Short FCY Emergency Service.** Emergency Service Cars are obligated to make a drive-through (although any service may be performed), directly after the pits are opened (**Penalty:** Stop plus ten (10) seconds for non-compliance with the obligation). Cars that take Emergency Service fuel must pit for fuel at the first permitted opportunity. The restart is led by the overall leader, or, if that Car (and any others) exits the racetrack, by the next Car remaining in the line behind the Safety Car. For the Short FCY, a Car entering a closed pit and working on the Car (typically crash damage) for an extended time is deemed to have met the Emergency Service obligation to pit again if such Car is still in the pit lane at the time that the main field has taken the restart and passed the pit exit. If the duration of a Short FCY exceeds fifteen (15) minutes, IMSA may elect to initiate a pit stop procedure.

46.3.4. **(SSR) More Than Emergency Service Penalty.** Any Car not disabled that enters while the pit lane is closed (or closed to that class) and receives assistance beyond Emergency Service may be penalized. **Penalty:** Stop plus sixty (60) seconds.

A. **(SSR) Cars Waiting in a Closed Pit.** For Cars in a closed pit waiting to perform work on the Car, the pits are not considered "open" for such Car(s) until the last of the same class of Cars behind the Safety Car has stopped in its pit box. If no Car from the same class enters the pit lane, the pits are considered "open" for such Car(s) when the last Car in the same class crosses the S/F line.

46.4. (SSR) Final Wave-By:

46.4.1. **(SSR) Final Wave By.** If deemed appropriate, the Race Director shall authorize the Final Wave-By (FWB) for any Car that has its class leader behind it in the order circulating behind the Safety Car. If the class leader (and any subsequent Car) exits the racetrack, the next Car in line behind the Safety Car in that class shall become the place-holder to determine eligibility for the FWB for the Cars ahead of that place-holder. It is the Competitor's responsibility to determine if their Car is eligible for the FWB.

Penalty for overtaking the Safety Car when ineligible: Stop and Hold for time equal to two (2) Race laps (As determined by Race Control).

46.4.2. (SSR) FWB Cars must throughout the procedure remain in Single File in the order initially established behind the Safety Car unless otherwise instructed by Race Control. Tire scrubbing is prohibited where Cars are in two (2) columns during the FWB.

46.4.3. (SSR) FWB Cars must, only when instructed, overtake the Safety Car on the right, in Single File and circulate as quickly as possible consistent with safety to rejoin the field at the rear of the Car(s) remaining behind the Safety Car. FWB Cars are permitted to pit. The restart may occur regardless of FWB Cars catching up to the field. The Safety Car does not physically direct Cars to overtake. Cars may not be packed up prior to the GS class split.

46.4.4. (SSR) If during the process, the first class leader in line behind the Safety Car exits the racetrack, the Safety Car picks up the Car that remains on the racetrack that was the most immediately/directly behind that class leader at the time the FWB was requested.

46.5. (SSR) GS Class Split:

46.5.1. (SSR) In a mixed-class Race, prior to the restart, Race Control shall conduct the GS Class Split. TCR Cars must remain in running order, move left, and permit eligible GS Cars to move right and in Single File, pass any non-GS Cars to take position at the front of the field behind the Safety Car. Tire scrubbing is prohibited during the Class Split. GS Cars that pit during the Class Split may overtake other class Cars until they reach the end of the GS Class Split prior to the restart or as instructed by Race Control. The restart may occur regardless of Cars not yet completing the GS Class Split.

46.6. (SSR) End of Neutralization & Restart:

46.6.1. (SSR) When the Race Director has determined that the racetrack is clear and acceptable for the continuation of Competition, he instructs the Safety Car to extinguish its flashing lights and where in use, the IMSA Safety Light System or any on-track lights are also extinguished and yellow flags withdrawn, indicating that this is the final lap of this Safety Car intervention.

46.6.2. (SSR) The Safety Car may accelerate away and exits the racetrack at the location specified by the Race Director.

46.6.3. (SSR) The Car immediately behind the Safety Car prior to the restart must maintain the previous slow speed of the Safety Car, or as instructed by the Race Director, until the designated restart location. All Cars must remain packed up, in the proper order, until the restart leader initiates acceleration and the green flag is displayed. Once the green flag is displayed, the Race resumes and overtaking is permitted. Any manipulation of this pace or procedure may be penalized for False Start (Art. 44.8).

46.7. (SSR) Race Control may at any time direct that Cars may overtake other Car(s) failing to achieve and/or maintain a pace commensurate with any aspect of the FCY process, as determined by the Race Director. Such determination is Conclusive.

46.8. (SSR) This procedure may be modified at the Race Director's discretion or if a Race does not include all classes of Cars.

ARTICLE 47 – RACE STOPPAGE & RESTARTS

47. RACE STOPPAGE & RESTARTS

47.1. Stoppage. Upon display of the red flag during a Race, scoring stops and Competitors must follow the procedure in Art. 27.4 and any applicable SSR. Overtaking is prohibited.

47.1.1. The pit lane entrance and exit are closed. Race Control may order Cars to enter the pit lane. If so directed, Cars that enter pit lane must proceed as directed by Race Control or IMSA Officials. Cars in their Pit Box at the time of the stoppage must remain in their Pit Box until released by Race Control. Cars in the pits at the time of the stoppage may have their lap count adjusted so as to not unfairly advantage or disadvantage them based on their position relative to the control line. Drivers must remain in the Cars unless otherwise instructed by Race Control. In the case of severe weather, Team instructions are communicated by Race Control.

47.2. Service/Replenishment. Unless specifically authorized by the Race Director and announced to all Competitors, service or replenishment of any kind on any Cars is prohibited from the time the red flag is displayed until scoring resumes. This includes Cars already in the pit lane or Paddock. Permission to restart engines to maintain temperature may be announced and permitted by Race Control.

47.3. Restarting. Once appropriate, the Race Director orders the pit exit opened and Cars that were in the pits shall join the field at the back of the pack in the order they left the pits.

47.3.1. The Race Director restarts the Competition with Cars:

A. In their original starting positions, unless the entire running field has completed one (1) lap, or the overall leader has completed two (2) laps;

B. Otherwise, the Race Director lines up the Cars with the normally running Cars in Single File, in the order according to Timing and Scoring, of their last verified crossing of the control line at start/finish prior to the time the red flag was displayed, starting with the Car with the oldest crossing time.

47.4. Lap Count. In order to establish a uniform lap count, once the Cars are circulating prior to the restart, the Race Director may order a wave-by, until the overall leader, or leading Car circulating, is immediately behind the Safety Car. Once this wave-by is initiated, if that leading Car enters the pits or stops, the next Car circulating behind the Safety Car is selected.

47.4.1. IMSA may review and change the lap count of Cars to ensure that they did not gain an unfair advantage as a result of the stoppage. IMSA may require Cars that: were not normally running; impaired at the time of the stoppage; or caused the stoppage, to enter the pits to be reviewed by the Officials. Once cleared, they may then join for the restart at the back of the field in the order they exited the pits.

47.5. Race Time. Overall Race time, but not Race laps, continues to be counted during the stoppage unless otherwise announced by the Race Director (See also Art. 12.11.5).

47.6. Scoring. Recommences upon the order of the Race Director to restart the Cars, and any formation lap(s) to the restart are scored.

47.7. (SSR) If listed in the SR, IMSA may elect to resume a stopped Competition on an alternate day.

47.8. A Race that is red flagged after completion of 50% or more of the Race and is not restarted under green flag conditions shall be scored as of the last completed green flag lap as though the checkered flag was displayed to the overall leader and the remaining cars at the conclusion of that lap.

47.8.1. Outstanding penalties from the last green flag lap and prior are applied post-race.

ARTICLE 48 – MINIMUM DURATION

48. MINIMUM DURATION. A Race stopped with less than 50% of its scheduled time or distance elapsed and not restarted is considered incomplete and IMSA is not obligated to distribute championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money. IMSA, at its sole discretion, may award partial championship points for Races less than 50% complete and not restarted on evaluation of circumstances surrounding such stoppage. If 50% or more has elapsed, IMSA may call the Race complete and direct the distribution of championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money.

ARTICLE 49 – CONCLUSION OF RACE

49. CONCLUSION OF RACE

49.1. Once the duration of the Race expires or when the distance to cover is achieved, the pit exit is closed and the checkered flag is displayed to the Car running first in the overall scoring order as it crosses the finish line on the racetrack. If the Car shown first in the overall scoring order has not crossed the finish line on the racetrack once the duration of the Race expires or when the distance to cover has been achieved, the checkered flag is displayed when the next highest placed Car crosses the finish line on the racetrack.

49.1.1. In Races of a given distance, the checkered flag is given first to the leading Car, then to the other finishers as they cross the finish line.

49.1.2. In Races of a timed length, the checkered flag is given first to the leading Car as it crosses the finish line at or after the expiration of the specified duration, then to the other finishers as they cross the finish line.

A. If the leading Car is not running at the expiration of the time limit, the checkered flag is displayed to the next highest running Car (not necessarily the winner) in the same manner. If the leading Car is disabled at the expiration of the time limit, the Race Director shall determine the time permitted for such Car to complete the final lap prior to the display of the checkered flag.

49.1.3. Should the checkered flag be inadvertently or otherwise displayed before the leading Car completes the scheduled number of laps or before the prescribed time has been completed, the Race is nevertheless deemed ended when the flag is displayed.

49.1.4. Should the checkered flag be inadvertently delayed, the results are based on the positions at the moment provided for in the scheduled Race length or distance. If the delayed checkered flag is inadvertently or otherwise displayed to a Car other than the leader, it is considered a delayed finish as though the flag had been given to the leader.

49.1.5. The checkered flag is displayed for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

49.1.6. It is not required to take the checkered flag on the racetrack to be eligible for a finishing position, championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money.

49.1.7. To be listed as “running” in the results, the Car must cross the finish line on the racetrack when the checkered flag is displayed.

49.1.8. Cars are ordered in the results according to the number of whole laps completed during the Race subject to any penalties applied. For Cars completing the same number of laps, the time when the Cars cross the finish line determines the order.

ARTICLE 50 – IMPOUND

50. IMPOUND

50.1. (SSR) When the Checkered Flag is displayed, all Cars, as directed by the IMSA Officials, must proceed to Impound directly, with a Team representative if so directed, and under the supervision of the IMSA Officials. A Car not driven directly and immediately to Impound is subject to penalty.

50.2. (SSR) A Team representative must be present at Impound to be informed of any decisions taken regarding possible technical checks. Team representatives are prohibited to enter the Impound inspection area unless instructed by an IMSA Official, and Drivers must depart directly after delivering the Car. During voluntary technical inspection, one (1) team representative may be present in the inspection area with the Car during the scrutineering process unless otherwise instructed by an IMSA Official. During involuntary technical inspection, zero (0) team representatives are permitted unless otherwise instructed by an IMSA Official.

50.3. (SSR) Team representatives in Impound (Post Qualifying or Race) must be attired consistent with Art. 21.4 (Competitor Uniforms) with a minimum of one (1) Team Member attired per Art. 21.2 (SSR) REFUELING & OVER THE WALL SAFETY EQUIPMENT).

50.4. (SSR) Team equipment is prohibited in Impound unless otherwise instructed by an IMSA Official.

50.5. (SSR) Computers and/or electronic equipment are prohibited in Impound unless otherwise instructed by an IMSA Official.

ARTICLE 51 – POST-RACE PROCEDURES / REQUIREMENTS

51. POST-RACE PROCEDURES / REQUIREMENTS. Competitors must adhere to the Minute by Minute (MxM) comprising the Post-Race procedures/requirements and the instructions of IMSA Officials. IMSA may give Event-specific directives as communicated in the Team Manager and/or Driver Briefings and unless otherwise directed or approved, only Drivers and authorized Team representatives are permitted on the podium for Victory Circle celebrations. Failure to follow instructions for Post-Race procedures, Impound and/or podium logistics may be penalized.

ARTICLE 52 – WINNER

52. WINNER

52.1. The winner is the Car that has covered the greatest distance in the shortest official period of time once the duration of the Race expires or when the distance to cover is achieved. The position of the Cars on the starting grid is not taken into account.

52.2. For Races run in two (2) or more parts (red flag), the distances covered in each part are combined. In such case, the winner is the Car that has covered the overall greatest distance in the shortest official period of time.

ARTICLE 53 – TIES

53. TIES

53.1. In case of a tie in the final Driver championship point standings, the tie shall be resolved according to the highest ranked Driver's record of first place points finishes, and then if necessary, the number of second place points finishes, and so on down to the last championship points position for the Series. If a tie still remains, the tie shall be broken by the first to achieve the highest points finishing position in that season for that Series.

53.1.1. In case of a tie in other championship standings, the word "Driver" above is replaced with that of the specific championship (Team, Manufacturer, Tire, etc.) in question.

53.2. IMSA decisions regarding championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money are Conclusive.

ARTICLE 54 – OFFICIAL RESULTS

54. OFFICIAL RESULTS

54.1. Only those results (Unofficial, Provisional and/or Official) published and posted by IMSA are deemed the official ones. IMSA may publish and distribute results electronically or by other means at a time after the conclusion of the Session(s), Race and/or Event.

54.2. All starting Cars are credited with a finishing position whether or not they are running when the checkered flag is displayed.

54.3. Directly following a Session, results are "Unofficial" until audits of timing and scoring are completed and Technical Inspection is concluded. Directly following the completion of a Race, the "Unofficial" results reflect the running order on the racetrack. "Provisional" results are posted at the conclusion of on-site Technical Inspection and review of on-track incidents and are subject to audit or verification. "Official Results" are those issued in PDF format from the IMSA office (or Series office if designated by IMSA) after any final review, audit, verification, extended technical inspection and/or outstanding protests or appeals are concluded.

54.4. Cars receiving a penalty applied post-Race that alters the finishing position order shall result in all other affected Cars advancing accordingly. Any Car found out of compliance with the RULES may be placed at the back of the Class or penalized up to Removal from the results and all other finishers advanced accordingly.

54.5. IMSA shall authorize payment of Point Fund / Prize Money only after the results of a Race are audited and published in final "Official Results" form.

ARTICLE 55 – RESULTS LISTINGS

55. RESULTS LISTINGS

55.1. (SSR) **These Results Listings are Established:**

55.1.1. (SSR) General (classes joined together for overall results)

55.1.2. (SSR) Class-specific (results within class itemized)

55.1.3. (SSR) Classes:

A. Grand Sport (GS) Class

B. Touring Car Racing (TCR) Class

ARTICLE 56 – INTERVIEW PERIOD / PRESS CONFERENCE

56. INTERVIEW PERIOD / PRESS CONFERENCE

56.1. (SSR) Post-qualifying: As may be required or per the Official Schedule, the Driver who has achieved the "pole position" in class or Series must attend an interview period/press conference in the designated media interview area or other location and/or activity as specified by IMSA.

56.2. (SSR) Post-Race: As may be required or per the Official Schedule, first place class or Series winners must attend the winner's interview period/press conference in the designated media interview area or other location and/or activity as specified by IMSA as soon as the ceremony on the podium is completed and as instructed by the Officials. Other Drivers and Team members may be required to provide interviews as directed by IMSA Officials.

ARTICLE 57 – PENALTIES

57. PENALTIES

57.1. VIOLATIONS & PENALTIES. Any IMSA Member who, a.) Violates the RULES, b.) Attempts to bribe anyone connected with an IMSA Event or activity, or c.) Is party to a fraud or other act prejudicial to IMSA or to the interests of any Competitor or to the interests of motor sports generally may be penalized according to the nature of the offense by IMSA, the Supervisory Officials or the Race Director. Drivers and/or their Cars may be penalized for technical and other violations committed by their Team and/or Crew, including any manufacturer, constructor or technical consultants and/or their Entrant.

57.1.1. IMSA Officials may impose the penalties specifically set out in these RULES in addition to/instead of any other penalties available to them under the RULES. The authority to assess penalties is not limited to violations occurring during an Event.

57.2. PUBLICATION. IMSA shall have the right to publish notice that it has imposed a penalty and the reasons therefore, and a person or body referred to in such notice shall have no right to act against IMSA or the person publishing the notice. Penalties are posted on the notice board at results.imsa.com.

57.3. RANGE OF PENALTIES. Penalties that may be imposed, in order of their severity, include:

57.3.1. **WARNING**: IMSA may determine that a Competitor's actions warrant the issuance of a warning prior to imposing a penalty.

57.3.2. **REPRIMAND** (blame): IMSA may assign blame/fault and issue a reprimand.

57.3.3. **PROBATION:** IMSA may impose a definite or indefinite period of probation.

57.3.4. **FINE:** A fine may be imposed. A Member's Competition privileges are automatically under suspension until the fine is paid. Remit fines to: International Motor Sports Association, One Daytona Boulevard, Daytona Beach, Florida 32114. Fines must be paid within one (1) week of penalty notice/invoice. Entrant must not participate in an Event until fines are paid in full.

57.3.5. **TIME and/or LAP:** A time and/or lap penalty may be imposed during a Competition as the Race Director may deem appropriate by calling a Car into the pits and/or by holding a Car already in the pits, or by requiring a Car to execute a lap or laps at a reduced pace. A time and/or lap penalty may be imposed after a Competition by adding to a Car's finishing time and/or lap count.

57.3.6. **POSITION:** A position penalty may be imposed during a Competition by changing the finishing result or starting grid position of a Car.

57.3.7. **LOSS OF CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS:** Loss of championship Driver, Team, Manufacturer, Tire Partner and/or other championship points may be imposed.

57.3.8. **REMOVAL:** A Driver, an Entrant and/or Car may be removed from Competition, in which case their rights to any championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money in the Competition are forfeited and the official results shall advance the next Competitors accordingly.

57.3.9. **SUSPENSION and/or REVOCATION of CREDENTIALS:** A Member's privilege to take part at Events may be suspended for a definite or indefinite period. Credentials and/or parking privileges may be revoked for a definite or indefinite period of time.

57.3.10. **DISQUALIFICATION/LOSS of ACCRUED POINTS:** Loss of accrued points earned by a Driver, Team and/or Manufacturer may be imposed.

57.3.11. **EXPULSION:** IMSA or a court appointed by IMSA may expel a Member for serious offense(s).

57.3.12. **AUTHORITY:** This article shall in no way be construed to limit the authority or discretion of IMSA or the Race Director/Supervisory Officials to assess additional, different, or no penalties for these or other violations of the IMSA RULES.

57.3.13. **PLURALITY:** More than one penalty may be imposed for the same offense.

57.4. Post-Race Penalty Application. Penalties for on-track incidents occurring in the closing stages of a Race, or where circumstances prevent their being served prior to the conclusion of a Race, may include any of the above and may be equal to or greater than the commensurate penalty applied and served during a Race, at the discretion of the Race Director and/or the Supervisory Officials. As with penalties imposed during a Race, penalties for on-track incidents assessed after the Race finish are Conclusive.

ARTICLE 58 – INFORMAL INQUIRY

58. INFORMAL INQUIRY

58.1. Prior to filing a protest, Entrants or Affected Parties (see Art. 59.2.5) are encouraged to resolve any dispute informally. Immediately upon acquiring knowledge of any facts that could potentially be the subject of a protest, but in no case after the expiration of the time limit for any formal protest as established in Art. 59, Entrants or Affected Parties may verbally request an informal inquiry, which shall then be conducted in any manner deemed appropriate by the Race Director for Sporting matters, the Technical Director for Technical matters and the Vice President of Competition for Affected Party matters. There is no fee payable for such informal inquiry.

58.2. If the informal inquiry does not resolve the dispute, the time limitation for filing a formal protest shall commence at the time the informal inquiry is terminated, or as otherwise provided in Art. 59.

ARTICLE 59 – PROTESTS & APPEALS

59. PROTESTS & APPEALS

59.1. General Administration

59.1.1. **Final and Not Subject to Protest or Appeal (Conclusive).** The following matters and all actions, decisions, rulings and/or penalties made or taken with respect to such matters are Conclusive:

A. Any action or decision (or alleged inaction) by IMSA arising out of an Event except those directly related to a Car's technical compliance;

B. Any Race Procedure penalty;

C. Any decision with respect to timing and scoring;

D. A decision as to whether a matter is or is not Conclusive;

E. Revocation of credentials or parking privileges for such Event.

59.1.2. **Publication.** IMSA reserves the right to publicize penalties, protests, appeals and/or the decisions thereof and the persons, or entity referred to in the publication shall have no right of action against IMSA.

59.1.3. **Bad Faith.** If IMSA determines that the submitter of a protest and/or appeal has acted in bad faith, the Entrant shall be in violation of the RULES and may be penalized.

59.1.4. Protests and Appeals must be lodged in accordance with the RULES, with Protests preceding Appeals (Art. 59.2 and 59.3).

59.2. ENTRANT PROTEST

59.2.1. **Entrant Protest.** The right to protest rests with an Entrant taking part in the Event in question. An Entrant taking part in the Event in question may protest a decision, act or omission of IMSA, an Official, Competitor, or other person connected with the Event, as permitted in these RULES.

59.2.2. **Notice of Entrant Protest.** The protest must be delivered to the Race Director for Sporting matters or the Technical Director for Technical matters, in writing, stating the specific Regulation alleged to have been violated and the complete details of the alleged violation. The protest must be signed by the Entrant or Team Representative making the protest.

59.2.3. **Entrant Protest Fee.** The protest must be accompanied by the protest fee of $2,500 payable to IMSA. The protest fee may be retained or returned, in whole or part, at the discretion of IMSA.

59.2.4. **Time Limits of Entrant Protests.** Time limits for Entrant protests are as follows:

A. **A protest regarding Race Equipment** must be received prior to the start of the first Official Session for the relevant Event.

i. **For a Race Equipment protest regarding a Car's eligibility**, the Entrant must provide, in addition to the protest fee, an additional protest inspection fee of $3,000. The protest inspection fee is returned only if the protest is found to be valid. Any Entrant who does not permit inspection of their Car is subject to immediate Removal from the Event.

B. **A protest regarding a RULES violation during a Session** must be received within thirty (30) minutes after the end of the applicable Session.

C. **A protest regarding a penalty or action by IMSA** must be received within thirty (30) minutes of the notification of such penalty or action.

D. **Extension.** The Race Director may, at his sole discretion, extend any protest time limit.

59.2.5. **Affected Party Protest.** A Manufacturer, Constructor and/or Tire Partner (Affected Party) may protest a penalty solely imposed upon that Manufacturer, Constructor and/or Tire Partner and only if such penalty did not derive from or was not also imposed on an Entrant/Team.

59.2.6. **Notice of Affected Party Protest.** The protest must be delivered to the Vice President of Competition, in writing, stating the specific Regulation alleged to have been violated and the complete details of the alleged violation. The protest must be signed by the Affected Party making the protest.

59.2.7. **Affected Party Protest Fee.** The Affected Party protest must be accompanied by the protest fee of $2,500 payable to IMSA. The protest fee may be retained or returned, in whole or part, at the discretion of IMSA.

59.2.8. **Time Limit of Affected Party Protests.** The Time limit for an Affected Party protest is:

A. **A protest regarding a penalty or action by IMSA** exclusively to an Affected Party must be delivered to the Vice President of Competition at Headquarters within one (1) business day of the notification of such penalty or action.

59.2.9. **Protest Review.** The Vice President of Competition shall deliver the Protest fee and materials to the Supervisory Officials. The Supervisory Officials first determine whether the matter in question is subject to protest under the RULES. Such decisions are Conclusive.

59.2.10. **Protest Hearing.** If the matter is found to be protestable, the Supervisory Officials shall identify the parties involved and facilitate the timely procurement of all documents, data and/or other evidence deemed necessary at their discretion to render a fair decision. The Supervisory Officials shall endeavor to hear the protest as soon as practical and may act within a quorum of three (3). A Supervisory Official factually involved shall recuse themselves from participation in the protest hearing. The Supervisory Officials shall establish the most appropriate procedure for hearing the protest and inform all parties of such procedure prior to the hearing. The Supervisory Officials, or parties to the protest at their own expense, may call witnesses or present evidence, but the protestant must present their own case and must not be represented at the hearing by another individual or attorney. Other persons must not be present at the protest hearing except those permitted by the Supervisory Officials. Failure of the protestant to appear as requested or otherwise fail to respond to any investigatory request of the Supervisory Officials may result in the dismissal of the protest with prejudice.

59.2.11. **Protest Decision.** In deciding the outcome, the Supervisory Officials may take any action deemed appropriate in the interest of IMSA or the sport of automobile racing including but not limited to, revising the results, imposing penalties, or taking no action at all, but under no circumstances shall they order an Event or any portion thereof to be rerun. A copy of the decision is sent to all parties to the appeal after the decision becomes final. All parties concerned are bound by the decision, subject only to the rights of appeal as provided in the RULES.

59.2.12. **Withholding Awards.** With the exception of post-Race podium ceremonies, the distribution of championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money occurs after the period for receiving protests has elapsed. When a protest that would affect distribution of championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money has been lodged, distribution of any championship points and/or Point Fund / Prize Money affected are withheld and the results provisional until the matter is resolved. If required, Event trophies must be returned as directed by IMSA.

59.3. APPEAL. Provided the applicable protest procedures have been properly exercised, the Entrant or Affected Party shall have the right to appeal any decision or penalty issued against that Entrant or Affected Party, except as otherwise prohibited.

59.3.1. **Notice of Intent to Appeal.** Notice of intent to appeal must be delivered to a Supervisory Official within one (1) hour from notice of the protest decision.

59.3.2. **Formal Notice of Appeal.** Formal written notice of an appeal must be delivered to the President at Headquarters no later than 5:00 pm eastern, the second business day after the notice of the protest decision or penalty. The written notice of appeal, signed by the appellant, must specify the grounds for appeal.

59.3.3. **Appeal Fee.** The formal written notice must include the appeal fee of $5,000, payable to IMSA, half of which is retained by IMSA regardless of any decision.

59.3.4. **Appeal Review.** The President, in his sole discretion, determines whether any appeal is reasonable, complies with the RULES, and if it shall be heard by the Supervisory Officials. Such decisions are Conclusive.

59.3.5. **Appeal Hearing.** If the matter is permitted, the Supervisory Officials shall endeavor to hear the appeal as soon as practical and may act within a quorum of three (3). A Supervisory Official factually involved shall recuse themselves from participation in the appeal process. The Supervisory Officials shall establish the most appropriate procedure for hearing the appeal and inform all parties of such procedure prior to the hearing. The Supervisory Officials, or parties to the appeal at their own expense, may call witnesses or present evidence, but appellant must present their own case and must not be represented at the hearing by another individual or attorney. Other persons must not be present at the appeal hearing except those permitted by the Supervisory Officials. Failure of the appellant to appear as requested or otherwise fail to respond to any investigatory request of the Supervisory Officials may result in the dismissal of the appeal with prejudice.

59.3.6. **Appeal Decision.** In deciding the outcome, Supervisory Officials may take any action they deem appropriate in the interest of IMSA or the sport of automobile racing including, but not limited to, revising the results, imposing penalties, or taking no action at all but under no circumstances shall they order an Event or any portion thereof to be rerun. A majority of the Supervisory Officials must agree to modify the decision of a protest. A copy of the decision is sent to all parties to the appeal after the decision becomes final. All parties concerned are bound by the decision as provided in the RULES.

59.4. APPEAL to the CHIEF APPELLATE OFFICER - Entrant or Affected Party (E/AP). Provided that the applicable protest and appeal procedures have been properly exercised, E/AP shall have the right to further appeal to the Chief Appellate Officer (CAO).

59.4.1. **E/AP Notice and Fee to the CAO.** Notice of intent to appeal to the CAO must be delivered to the President within one (1) hour of the receipt of the Supervisory Official's appeal decision. Formal written notice must be delivered to the CAO at Headquarters no later than 5:00pm eastern the third business day after notice of the decision of the Supervisory Officials. The written notice, signed by the appellant, stating the grounds for appeal, must include the appeal fee of $5,000 payable to IMSA, which is retained by IMSA regardless of any decision.

59.4.2. **Disposition of E/AP Appeal.** The CAO may choose to hear or not to hear an appeal, or he may choose to review the written documentation and base his decision on the evidence presented at the initial appeal. The CAO's decision as to whether or not an appeal is heard is Conclusive. All parties are informed of the time and place of a CAO's hearing. The CAO, or appellant at their own expense, may call witnesses or present evidence, but the appellant must present their own case and must not be represented at the CAO's hearing by another individual or attorney. Other persons must not be present at the CAO's hearing except those permitted by the CAO. Failure of the appellant to appear when requested or respond to any investigatory request of the CAOmay result in the dismissal of the appeal to the CAOwith prejudice.

A. The CAO can be replaced by IMSA should the current designated person not be available or have a conflict of interest in the specific appeals determined by the President or CEO of IMSA.

59.4.3. **E/AP Decision.** The CAO may vacate, assess additional, decrease or increase penalties previously imposed and may vacate, modify or uphold protest and initial appeal decisions, but, under no circumstances, order an Event or any part thereof to be re-run. A copy of the final decision is sent to all parties of the appeal to the CAO after the decision becomes final. All parties concerned are bound by the decision given, as provided in the RULES.

59.5. APPEAL to the CHIEF APPELLATE OFFICER - Membership Appeals (M.A.). A person or entity declined a Membership or who has their Membership suspended or involuntarily terminated shall have the right to appeal directly to the CAO.

59.5.1. **M.A. Notice and Fee to the CAO.** Formal written notice must be delivered to the CAO at Headquarters no later than 5:00pm eastern the third business day after notice of the decision affecting the Membership. The written and signed notice, stating the grounds for appeal, must include the appeal fee of $1,000 payable to IMSA. This fee may be retained or returned, in whole or part, at the discretion of IMSA.

59.5.2. **Disposition of M.A. Appeal.** The CAO may choose to hear or not to hear an appeal, or he may choose to review the written documentation and base his decision on the evidence presented at the initial appeal. The CAO's decision as to whether or not an appeal is heard is Conclusive. All parties are informed of the time and place of a CAO's hearing. The CAO, or appellant at their own expense, may call witnesses or present evidence, but the appellant must present their own case and must not be represented at the CAO's hearing by another individual or attorney. Other persons must not be present at the CAO's hearing except those permitted by the CAO. Failure of the appellant to appear when requested or respond to any investigatory request of the CAO may result in the dismissal of the appeal to the CAO with prejudice.

A. The CAO can be replaced by IMSA should the current designated person not be available or have a conflict of interest in the specific appeals determined by the President or CEO of IMSA.

59.5.3. **M.A. Decision.** The CAO may vacate, modify or uphold the Membership decision of IMSA. A copy of the final decision is sent to all parties of the appeal to the CAO after the decision becomes final. All parties concerned are bound by the decision given, as provided in the RULES.

ARTICLE 60 – SERIES SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS ATTACHMENTS

60. SERIES SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS ATTACHMENTS

60.1. The Series Supplementary Regulations (SSR) include in their entirety, the Attachments.

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APPENDIX A -- EQUIVALENCE FORMULAE

1 inch = 2.54 centimeters = 25.4 millimeters
1 millimeter = 0.1 centimeters = 0.03937 inches
1 foot = 12 inches = 0.3048 meters
1 meter = 3.28 feet = 1.0936 yards
1 mile = 1760 yards = 5280 feet = 1.60934 kilometers
1 kilometer = 1000 meters = 1093.6 yards = 0.62137 miles
1 square inch = 6.45 square centimeters
1 cubic inch = 16.387 cubic centimeters
1 cubic centimeter = 0.061 cubic inches
1 U.S. gallon = 4 U.S. quarts = 231.18 cubic inches = 3.785 liters
1 liter = 1000 cubic centimeters = 61.0255 cubic inches = 0.264 U.S. gallons
1 pound = 16 ounces = 453.592 grams
1 kilogram = 1000 grams = 2.2046 pounds
1 mile per hour = 1.467 feet per second = 1.60934 kilometers per hour
1 kilometer per hour = 0.62137 miles per hour
1 kW = 1.34102 hp
Cylinder volume (displacement) = π x (1/2 bore)^2 x stroke
Engine displacement = Cylinder volume x number of cylinders
Weight of gasoline = 7.2 pounds per gallon at 60° F
Atmospheric pressure = 29.92" HG = 14.7 P.S.I. = 1.01 Bar 1 Bar = 14.5 P.S.I.
Average speed formula = $\frac{3600 \times \text{length of racetrack} \times \text{number of laps}}{\text{Total time in seconds}}$

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1. ATTACHMENT 1 – STANDARD MINIMUM PENALTIES ABBREVIATED TABLE

1.1. Except when the Race Director/Supervisory Officials determine there to be extenuating circumstances, these standard minimum penalties are assessed for the RULES violations listed in the table below.

1.2. Penalties do not carry over to qualifying or the Race, and outstanding penalties may be assessed as financial or other penalties. Penalties not served during the Race due to the expiration of time available may be converted to time/lap added or financial penalties as may be appropriate for any Car at the end of the Race.

1.3. The Race Director assesses these standard minimum penalties. Repeat infractions may result in greater or cumulative penalties at the discretion of the Race Director/Supervisory Officials.

1.4. This Attachment shall in no way be construed to limit the authority of IMSA or the Race Director/ Supervisory Officials to assess additional or different penalties for these or other violations of the IMSA RULES.

1.5. DESCRIPTIONS IN TABLE ARE ABBREVIATED AND FOR REFERENCE ONLY; REFER TO SPECIFIC ARTICLE TEXT FOR ACTUAL REGULATORY LANGUAGE AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. Key: W=Warning, D-T=Drive Through, S&G=Stop & Go Black Flag Penalty.

#	VIOLATION	SOURCE	PENALTY
	PIT LANE		
P1	Speeding in pit lane (greater speed incurs greater penalty)	32.3 (60 KPH)	Warning/D-T/S&G/Stop + Additional Time
P2	Belts undone/door opened prior to stop	35.1.1 (A-D)	Drive Through
P3	Person(s) over pit wall before Car stops	33.3.3 & 33.3.4	Drive Through
P4	Equipment over wall before Car stops	33.3.3 & 33.3.4	Drive Through
P5	Person(s) over pit wall not properly attired	21.2 & 21.4	Warning/$500 fine/D-T
P6	Too many persons working/over pit wall	34.1	Drive Through
P7	More than permitted number over wall, considered working on Car	34.1 & 34.4	Drive Through
P8	Using more than two (2) wheel guns	36.1.1.B	Drive Through
P9	Working under Car without approved stands	33.3.10	Drive Through
P10	Run over hose, tool, part, person in own or other box	33.3.8 & 33.3.9	Drive Through
P11	Propelling parts	33.3.8	Warning/D-T if hit by Car
P12	Exit pits with hose or tool attached	33.3.11	Drive Through
P13	Leave pit box with belts loose	35.1.2.A	Warning/Drive Through
P14	Push start in pits (unless approved)	35.6	Stop + Restart
P15	Using reverse gear in pit lane	33.4.1 & 35.1.3.A	Stop + 60 seconds
P16	Working in closed pit (more than Emergency Service)	35.8.3 & 44.3.3 & 46.3.4	Stop + 60 seconds
P17	Failure to abide by instructions - red flag/light at pit exit	45.7	Stop + 60 seconds
P18	Incorrect starting Driver	43.5	Stop + 30 seconds
P19	Wheelspin	36.1.2	Warning/Drive Through
	REFUELING		
R1	Fire extinguisher not properly manned	37.3.1.A	Drive Through
R2	Cutoff/Deadman valve not properly manned	37.3.1.B	Drive Through
R3	Refueling on stands, etc.	37.3.5	Drive Through

#	VIOLATION	SOURCE	PENALTY
REFUELING, CONTINUED			
R4	No helmet, goggles/visor up during fuel, improper attire	21.2	Warning/$500 fine/D-T
R5	Excessive fuel spill	37.3.7	Warning/$500 fine/D-T
R6	Top off autonomous tank while Car in Pit Box	37.3.4	Drive Through
ON-TRACK			
T1	Brakelights/Headlights/Taillights not working	22.3.3	Repair
T2	Driver pushing Car	30.1.5	Stop + 120 seconds
T3	Anyone working on Car but Driver except at Pit Box	31.3	Stop + 120 seconds
T4	Fuel Replenishment on-track	37.4.9	Stop + 120 seconds
T5	Drive counter-Race except to remove from unsafe loc.	30.1.2	Stop + 120 seconds
T6	2X Red or Checkered Flag	27.4.3 & 27.12	5 Min. hold each 2X+ or 10 Min. Impound (Car & Driver)
T7	False Start	44.8	Drive Through
T8	Pass under yellow	27.2 & 27.3	Reposition/Drive Through
T9	Shortcut	30.1.1	Warning/Drive Through
T10	Not stop at chicane(s) when missed (shortcut)	30.1.1	Drive Through
T11	Blocking	30.2.2	Drive Through
T12	Incident Responsibility	30.2.3	Drive Through
T13	Unjustifiable Risk	30.2.4	Discretion
T14	Drive-Time Infractions	12	Back of class
T15	Driver more than ten (10) meters away from Car	31.1 & 31.2	Discretion/Retired
T16	Door(s) missing	22.3.5	Stop/Repair
T19	Transponder Non-Functional	22.3.7	Stop/Repair
DURING A PENALTY			
D1	Must not stop at pit during “Drive Through” penalty	33.5.1.A	Repeat D-T
D2	Must not stop at pit during “Stop and Go” penalty	33.5.1.A	Repeat S&G
D3	No Driver contact during “Stop and Go”	33.5.1.C	Repeat S&G
ADDITIONAL BASELINE PENALTIES			
B1	Un-served PLSL and other penalties that cannot carry over to qualifying or Race	ATT1, Par. 1.2	Warning/$500/Discretion
B2	Change qualifying tires before pre-Race deadline	43.6	Back of class start
B3	Change qualifying tires after pre-Race deadline	43.6	Drive Through
B4	Change starting Driver before pre-Race deadline	43.5	Back of class start
B5	Change starting Driver after pre-Race deadline	43.5	Drive Through
B6	Change Driver combination / new Driver before pre-Race deadline	11.2.1.B	Back of class start
B7	Change Driver combination / new Driver after pre-Race deadline	11.2.1.B	Drive Through
B8	Pit lane blend line violation	32.1	Warning/Drive Through
B9	Improperly served Emergency Service obligation	46.3.1.A & 46.3.3.A	Stop + 10 Seconds
B10	Unserved penalty after four (4) crossings	27.8.3	Drive Through added
B11	Late or absent from mandatory briefings	9.4.15 & 9.4.16	Warning/$500

2. ATTACHMENT 2 – BALANCE OF PERFORMANCE (BoP)

2.1. DEFINITIONS for BoP. The following definitions are applicable within Attachment 2 where different from the Definitions listed in Art. 1 of the Sporting Regulations.

2.1.1. **BoP** means Balance of Performance.

2.1.2. **Car** means a singular representation of a Car Model possessing a Technical Credential, entered by an Entrant in an Event.

2.1.3. **Car Model** means a specific model of a vehicle constructed by an IMSA-recognized Manufacturer Partner, and intended for Competition.

2.1.4. **Class** means a category for Cars sharing a common set of Homologation Regulations and differentiated from others by type of Car Model.

2.1.5. **Class Stratification** means the performance difference between Classes.

2.1.6. **Class Average Sensitivity (CAS)** means the calculated sensitivities to mass and power per the process as defined in Par. 2.3.

2.1.7. **Constructor** means an entity that designs and builds racecar chassis.

2.1.8. **Demonstrated Performance** means the IMSA verified data generated in a Race by a Car respecting the Specification.

2.1.9. **Dyno Testing Protocol** means the IMSA prescribed dynamometer testing and teardown process.

2.1.10. **Fuel Capacity** means the total amount of fuel stored in the Car.

2.1.11. **Homologated** means a Car Model approved through the Homologation Process.

2.1.12. **IMSA Technical Committee (ITC)** means the committee within IMSA that drives the BoP process and technical decisions.

2.1.13. **Manufacturer** means a Manufacturer Partner constructing an approved Car Model.

2.1.14. **Manufacturer Partner** means a recognized IMSA Official Automotive Partner.

2.1.15. **Model Representative Car (MRC)** means the Car selected to represent a Car Model and/or Manufacturer in analysis.

2.1.16. **Power** means power figures calculated using IMSA's average power methodology.

2.1.17. **Probational** means a temporary status assigned by the ITC to a New, EVO, or Car Model with change(s) to the Specification.

2.1.18. **Sector** means a segment of a Track defined by published IMSA timing lines.

2.1.19. **Specification** means all technical characteristics of the Car Model defined by the Homologation and Technical Credential.

2.1.20. **Track** means a circuit used for Competition.

2.1.21. **Wind Tunnel Protocol** means the IMSA prescribed wind tunnel testing process.

2.2. GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

2.2.1. **Goals**

A. To ensure the Demonstrated Performance of the best example of each Manufacturer's Car Model is within a targeted performance window that allows for competitive equivalency.

B. To enable each Manufacturer an opportunity to compete with and market the automotive architecture that is representative of their brand.

2.2.2. **General**

A. To maintain competitive equivalency between Cars within the Class, and between Classes, IMSA uses the Balance of Performance (BoP) process as outlined herein to identify and mandate adjustments to the Specification.

i. Evaluation is based on Demonstrated Performance data; including, but not limited to, the IMSA Scrutineering data logger IMSA technical inspection measurements, Team Data logger, ECU Data, and official Timing and Scoring.

B. These Regulations serve as a guideline for the application of BoP.

C. Cars representing a Car Model must always respect the Specification.

i. Cars outside of technical compliance may be excluded from BoP Analysis.

D. IMSA's measurements and calculations are the official measurements and calculations.

2.2.3. **Inputs**

A. The IMSA BoP process utilizes the following inputs:

i. Timing and Scoring.

a) Lap and Sector data is exclusively measured by the IMSA timing loops.

ii. Vehicle data.

a) Car data exclusively from the IMSA scrutineering logger system.

b) IMSA technical inspection measurements.

iii. Autonomous Pit Tank sensors.

iv. In-Race observations.

v. Video review.

2.2.4. **Process and Timeline Overview**

A. Following an Event, the IMSA Technical Committee, Manufacturer Partners, and Constructors shall abide by the following process overview:

i. IMSA to provide standard analysis material to Manufacturers;

ii. Manufacturers are invited to submit written feedback to IMSA, which may also include feedback from the Entrants they represent;

iii. IMSA to hold class-specific Manufacturer Forums to discuss BoP changes prior to release of Technical Bulletins;

iv. The IMSA Technical Committee may adjust the process and schedule in cases of races occurring on consecutive weekends, otherwise extraordinary, or unforeseen circumstances.

a) The IMSA Technical Committee shall issue an official communication with any change.

v. The IMSA Technical Committee may adjust the process and schedule in cases of races occurring on consecutive weekends, otherwise extraordinary, or unforeseen circumstances.

a) The IMSA Technical Committee shall issue an official communication with any change.

B. Manufacturer feedback

i. Optional feedback submitted from Manufacturer Partners and Constructors to the IMSA Technical Committee must:

a) Be submitted by the schedule detailed in Par. 2.2.4.A.i.

b) Be solely focused on the operation and strategy used in the Race for Car(s) of their own Car Model.

ii. Feedback requesting BoP changes to a specific Car Model will not be considered.

2.2.5. **Power Calculation**

A. Power is calculated by IMSA's averaging process.

i. All references to power figures in BoP are based on IMSA's averaged figures.

2.2.6. **Application of Penalties**

A. Deliberately providing false information, attempting to influence the BoP process through manipulating performance by any means or displaying a level of performance above or below the expected result in any Session, by any entity specified below, may be penalized to the full extent listed in Art. 57.

i. Competitor.

ii. Constructor.

iii. Manufacturer.

2.2.7. **Final Authority**

A. IMSA is the final authority with respect to the Balance of Performance process and all related decisions.

i. Decisions of IMSA regarding BoP are Conclusive and not subject to protest or appeal.

2.3. CLASS AVERAGE SENSITIVITIES (CAS)

2.3.1. **General**

A. Manufacturers may submit power and mass sensitivities for each Sector of a season at IMSA's request.

2.3.2. **Calculation of the CAS**

A. Median value is taken per Sector from each manufacturer's Mass sensitivities & Power sensitivities.

B. Any OEM submitted outlier sensitivity is not included in the CAS for that Sector.

2.4. SECTOR CLASSIFICATIONS

2.4.1. Sector Types

A. All track Sectors are categorized as sensitive to power or mass.

i. Sector types are specific to a Class.

2.5. ELIGIBILITY FOR ANALYSIS

2.5.1. General

A. IMSA retains sole authority to determine a Car's eligibility for inclusion in BoP Analysis.

i. IMSA retains discretion to use a manual process to determine if a Car, Car Model, or Manufacturer adequately demonstrated performance in a Race to be included in the BoP Analysis.

B. A Car must reflect the Specification to the satisfaction of the IMSA Technical Committee (ITC) to be included in the BoP Analysis.

C. Indication of an MRC displaying fuel savings or performance manipulation by means of driver input, shift points, engine parameters, or other means may result in a negative adjustment and/or exclusion from eligibility for analysis.

i. The ITC retains sole authority to use either an alternate applicable MRC or no MRC in the above circumstance.

2.5.2. Criteria

A. Race Distance.

i. Positive Adjustments.

a) The MRC must complete at least 75% of the Class winner's Race distance.

ii. Negative Adjustments.

a) The MRC has no minimum distance requirement.

B. Damage.

i. The MRC must be free of substantial damage as determined by the ITC.

C. Strategy.

i. IMSA retains sole discretion to quantify differences in Race strategy that affect BoP Analysis.

ii. Class Average Sensitivities will be used for quantification of strategic differences.

D. Adverse Conditions.

i. IMSA retains sole authority to deem Race data unusable for a Car(s) or Class(s) in the event of inclement/adverse weather or other mitigating conditions.

2.6. CLASS TARGETS AND WINDOWS

2.6.1. General

A. The ITC may, in its sole discretion, select an alternate performance target or performance window to preserve Class Stratification or reduce outlier influence of the analysis and resultant adjustment process.

2.6.2. **Class Performance Window**

A. The window of performance for each Class is as follows:

Class	Window
GS	0.75%
TCR	0.75%

2.7. ADJUSTMENTS

2.7.1. **General**

A. IMSA's measurements and calculations are the official measurements and calculations.

B. Races are calculated individually.

C. All computed adjustments are contingent upon IMSA's review and correlation of logged Car data.

D. Car Model(s), Evo(s), or cars with changes to the Specification, which are new to IMSA competition may be subject to individual analysis outside of the process outlined in this Paragraph. Further details for the BoP of new Car Model(s) and Evo(s) as found in Par. 2.9.

2.7.2. **Model Representative Car (MRC)**

A. A single Car is selected to represent a Car Model for analysis from a Race.

i. The MRC is selected following the Race by the ITC.

2.7.3. **Criteria for Adjustment**

A. Daytona.

i. An Event at Daytona is separate from all other Events for all aspects of BoP analysis and comparison.

ii. Adjustments for Daytona are generated using the previous year's Race data.

iii. All MRCs are adjusted to the Adjusted Class Performance Target subject to Par. 2.7.1.C.

iv. Data and/or Demonstrated Performance from Daytona are not subject to any rolling average calculation and may be excluded from analysis for other Events.

B. Consecutive Race Participation.

i. A Car Model must be represented by a Car at consecutive Events.

ii. IMSA retains sole discretion to implement alternative processes and/or data when a Car Model does not participate in consecutive Events.

iii. Races must be free of adverse or inclement weather, or other mitigating circumstances, to the satisfaction of the ITC.

iv. Daytona is not included for the purpose of consecutive Events.

v. Consecutive Race count for a season begins at the Sebring Race.

C. Frequency of Adjustment(s).

i. The IMSA Technical Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine if adjustments to a Car Model will be made after a single or multiple Races.

a) Adjustments including data from multiple Races may be averaged, combined, added, subtracted, or omitted.

D. Manufacturers must submit supporting data when requested by the ITC.

2.7.4. **Power Changes**

A. Adjustments for power cannot exceed ±3% of the applicable MRC's power in a single adjustment.

B. Rounding for Naturally Aspirated Engines.

i. Power adjustments are rounded to the nearest approved restrictor size from the raw changed generated by the Class Average Sensitivities.

a) Restrictor designs and sizes must be tested by IMSA prior to approval for use.

C. Rounding for Forced Induction Engines.

i. Power adjustments are rounded to the nearest 0.75%.

ii. IMSA may apply changes to applicable areas of the boost table as determined by the ITC.

D. When a rounded power change is calculated, IMSA may address a lap time gain/loss remainder imbalance by means of an equivalent, alternate change.

2.7.5. **Mass Changes**

A. Adjustments for mass cannot exceed 3% of the applicable MRC's mass (kg) in a single adjustment.

B. Mass adjustments are rounded to the nearest five (5) kg increment.

i. Floor rounding for negative numbers and ceiling rounding for positive numbers may be used.

C. When a rounded mass change is calculated, IMSA may choose to address a lap time gain/loss remainder imbalance by means of an equivalent, alternate change including the following:

i. Power.

ii. Aerodynamic properties and adjustments.

iii. Chassis limitations and settings.

2.7.6. **Maximum Change Limit Compensations**

A. In the event of a Class Average Sensitivity generated change exceeding the individual change limit for Mass and/or Power (as defined in Par. 2.7.4 and 2.7.5), IMSA may apply an equivalent, alternate change to the applicable Car Model or equally to all other Car Models in the applicable Class.

2.7.7. **Car Model Limit Compensations**

A. In the event of a Class Average Sensitivity generated change exceeding the Car Model's limit for Mass and/or Power, IMSA may apply an equivalent, alternate change to the applicable Car Model or equally to all other Car Models in the applicable Class.

2.8. FUEL CAPACITY

2.8.1. General

A. Fuel Capacity is determined by measurement of fuel consumed during the Race.

B. The MRC is used for calculations related to establishing or adjusting the Fuel Capacity for a Car Model.

C. All computed adjustments are contingent upon IMSA's review and correlation of logged Car data.

D. Indication of fuel savings by means of driver input, shift points, engine parameters, or other means may result in exclusion from eligibility for Fuel Capacity analysis.

2.8.2. N/A

2.8.3. Frequency of Adjustment(s)

A. The IMSA Technical Committee, in its sole discretion, shall determine if adjustments to a Car Model will be made after a single Race, or multiple Races.

B. Adjustments including data from multiple Races may be averaged, combined, added, subtracted, or omitted.

2.8.4. Change Limits

A. No single Fuel Capacity change shall exceed ±4% of the pre-adjustment Fuel Capacity.

B. Minimum Fuel Capacity adjustments are rounded to the nearest Liter.

2.8.5. Power Changes

A. IMSA may adjust Fuel Capacity when a BoP Power change is applied.

i. Fuel Capacity changes are proportionate to the applied Power change as determined by the ITC.

B. Fuel Capacity changes as related to Power changes are not subject to limits as defined in Par. 2.8.4.

2.9. NEW CAR / EVO INTRODUCTION

2.9.1. General

A. New Car Models, EVOs, or Car Models with changes to the Specification are classified as Probational for BoP consideration at the discretion of the ITC.

B. IMSA will use good-faith efforts to appropriately introduce a Probational Car Model into competition.

C. The respective Manufacturer of the Probational Car Model must provide accurate data when data is requested by IMSA.

D. New Car Models, EVOs, or Car Models with changes to the Specification are classified as Probational for BoP consideration at the discretion of the ITC.

E. Probational Car Models are not subject to limits as defined in Par. 2.7 and 2.8.

F. IMSA may, in its sole discretion, make BoP change(s) to Probational Car Models outside of the rolling average process.

G. The IMSA Technical Committee may use data from any Event to develop, enhance, or otherwise determine the Balance of Performance for a Probational Car Model.

2.9.2. **Duration**

A. Applicable Car Models retain Probational status for the first season in which the Car Model participates in IMSA events.

B. IMSA may release a Car Model from Probational Status at the sole discretion of the ITC in the case of partial season participation.

C. Car Models with limited participation may retain Probational status longer than a season.

2.9.3. **Dyno Testing**

A. Any Car Model new to IMSA must successfully complete the IMSA Dyno Testing Protocol a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to participating the first Event for that Car Model.

B. IMSA may require select Probational Car Models to successfully complete the IMSA Dyno Testing Protocol.

2.9.4. **Aerodynamic Testing - N/A**

2.9.5. **Additional Testing**

A. IMSA may require additional testing to validate submitted, calculated, or measured data.

2.9.6. **Probational Balance of Performance**

A. Probational Car Models are issued a baseline Balance of Performance with the applicable Class BoP table.

2.9.7. **Revisions to Balance of Performance**

A. Revisions to the BoP of Probational Car Models must respect Par. 2.10.2.

2.9.8. **Release from Probational Status**

A. IMSA shall inform the applicable Class-specific Manufacturer group when a Car Model is released from Probational status prior to the release of the applicable BoP table.

B. Once officially released from Probational status, the Car Model begins the standard limits as defined in Par. 2.7 and 2.8.

2.10. COMMUNICATION

2.10.1. **General**

A. IMSA releases BoP adjustments via official communication of a Technical Bulletin(s).

i. Informal and/or verbal communication regarding BoP are not approval of any potential adjustment.

B. Revisions to the BoP take effect seven (7) days after publication except in the case of Events on consecutive weekends.

3. ATTACHMENT 3 – TIRES

3.1. General

3.1.1. IMSA reserves the right to regulate tires and the eligibility of certain tires and tire manufacturers, and may do so at any point in the season, and may modify or waive any part of this Att. 3 at its sole discretion. Decisions of IMSA pursuant to this Att. 3 are Conclusive.

3.1.2. All tires used in a Session must be specifically designed for automobile racing and must be approved by their manufacturer for such use.

3.1.3. **Class Specifications.** Cars must use properly branded tires complying with class specifications.

3.2. Tire Manufacturers

3.2.1. The only permitted tire manufacturer is Michelin.

3.2.2. For a tire manufacturer to be approved with a particular brand of tire:

A. That brand must be sold for automotive use in the United States of America.

B. Enter into an Official Tire Partner Agreement with IMSA.

C. Meet such other minimum requirements as required by IMSA.

3.2.3. Tire manufacturer must provide to IMSA, prior to distributing any tires, an inventory of all tires they have brought to an Event. IMSA reserves the right to inspect and inventory any manufacturer's tire supply to ensure compliance with this Attachment. Except with written permission from IMSA, a tire manufacturer must not bring tires not intended for use at that Event. For such waiver, tires not intended for use at that Event must be securely stored, with access controlled by IMSA. It is the manufacturer's responsibility to ensure that all tires are stored in secured containers with access limited only to the manufacturer's representatives and IMSA Officials.

3.3. Tire Specifications

3.3.1. Tires must conform to the specifications of the specified Technical Regulations.

3.3.2. Recapped tires prohibited.

3.3.3. Tires must be declared by their manufacturer to be either Wet tires or Dry tires. A Car must run either an all Wet Tire Set or an all Dry Tire Set at any given time.

3.3.4. Tires designed specifically for the purpose of qualifying are prohibited.

3.3.5. All tires must be clearly identified and marked with the following information:

A. The tire manufacturer's brand, which must be visible and on the side of the tire intended to face the outside of the Car.

B. Identification unique to each tire type with regards to construction, tread, rubber compound and tire size. The tire manufacturer is not required to disclose the meaning of this identification regarding construction, tread, and rubber compound or tire size.

C. These identification marks must be manufactured in a manner that they remain visible at all stages of the tire's life in normal racing use. These do not need to be visible while the tire is in use and may be on the bead or on the inside of the tire.

3.3.6. **Wet Tires.** Prior to providing any wet tires intended to be used in Competition to Teams, tire manufacturers must provide to the IMSA Technical Director a list detailing what tire types are intended to comprise a Wet Tire Set for each class of Car supplied by the tire manufacturer. The type is defined by the tire's compounding, construction, tread pattern, depth and size. Tire manufacturers must register the tread pattern with IMSA by providing a full-scale diagram of the tread showing at least three (3) repeats of the tread via a digital medium or on a transparency or transparent paper. They must also specify the nominal tread depth, as manufactured, and the nominal ratio of contact areas as a percentage of total area, which must conform to Par 3.3.7 of this Attachment.

3.3.7. Wet tires must conform to the following minimum standards:

A. Tread depth, as manufactured and supplied to Competitors, must be a minimum of 2.5 mm in any void area of the tire.

B. All wet tires must, when new, have a maximum contact area of 70% of the total area. For the purpose of measuring the voids, any void not conforming to Par. 3.3.7.A. is not considered.

C. Adding or enlarging grooves on Wet tires by the manufacturer may be permitted with written permission from the IMSA Technical Director, provided the wet tires met the requirements of Par. 3.3 of this Attachment prior to the alteration.

3.3.8. Tire manufacturers must only bring one (1) type of Wet Tire Set as specified for each class of Car they supply. That type must be available to all Cars they supply as specified for that class.

3.4. Entrant Tire Allocations

3.4.1. For the purpose of tire allocations for all classes, an Event includes all Official Sessions through and including the Race day.

3.4.2. New or used Dry tires matching the required specification of the current Event may be carried over from any previous Event in the current season and are counted against the Car's allocation. These tires must be clearly marked by the Team as carryover tires and must be tires purchased directly from the Tire Manufacturer at a previous test or Race.

A. All tires for an Event must be registered with the Tire manufacturer prior to use in any on-track sessions. Registration occurs in the following ways:

i. All tires purchased during the Event at the Tire manufacturer's tire workshop or as part of the Tire Cart service for the Event are automatically registered for the current Event at the time of purchase/mounting.

ii. Teams must register carryover tires at the Tire manufacturer's tire workshop, provided those tires are the correct specification as designated in the SR for the Event. Carryover tires must be brought to the tire workshop for scanning to complete registration.

3.4.3. The Dry tire allocation is limited for each Event as listed in the SR.

3.4.4. Wet tires are not counted in a Car's allocation.

3.5. Tire Selection, Mounting & Marking

3.5.1. **Selection.** For wet tires, IMSA Officials may select tires at random from each tire manufacturer's supply of a particular type to fill Competitor's orders. The method of selection is at the Official's discretion, and tires are selected from the tire manufacturer's entire Event inventory. Tire manufacturers must not provide tires not approved by the IMSA Officials.

3.5.2. **Mounting;** Tire manufacturer service hours of operation commence at 8:00am and end at 4:30pm on the day prior to the first Event day. On all Event days, mounting commences two (2) hours prior to the first Session and ends at the later of; two (2) hours after the last Session, or 5:00pm. The Officials may change these times and notify the Competitors either in the SR or by announcement at the Event. Additional accommodations may be made, by exception.

3.5.3. **Marking.**

A. Should tire marking be required, tires where the Official's markings have been worn or damaged must be immediately returned to the Officials for re-marking.

B. It is prohibited to change, deface or forge the Official's tire markings, embedded RFID chips or the tire manufacturer's markings. Any such attempt shall result in withdrawal of the tires by IMSA from the Event and imposition of any other penalty deemed appropriate.

C. New or used Dry tires may be carried over from a previous Event for use at a subsequent Event (if the correct specification for that Event and subject to Par. 3.4.3 and 3.4.3.A.ii). Such tires must be clearly marked by the Team as carryover tires.

D. Tracking of tires by RFID or bar code may be utilized in place of tire stamping or marking.

3.6. Tire Usage

3.6.1. Entrants must not transfer tires allocated for use by one Car to another Car, even if the same Entrant has entered the other Car. Penalties apply.

3.6.2. Any tire stamped by IMSA and delivered to the Entrant is charged against the Car allocation. Any tire returned and that is new and determined to be unused by the Officials is credited to the Car's tire allocation. Permission to exchange tires is at Michelin and the IMSA Official's discretion. Tire marking shall occur at the respective tire manufacturer's mounting area only. Tracking of tires by RFID or bar code is utilized in place of tire stamping or marking whenever practical.

3.6.3. Used tires damaged in the course of the Event are not replaced except that at the sole discretion of the IMSA Technical Director, they may permit up to one (1) tire per Event per Car to be replaced exclusively in case of adverse circumstances, however this tire is considered part of the Car's original allocation. Accident or contact with another Competitor, unintentional or otherwise, whether caused by the Competitor or not, does not necessarily warrant replacement of tires. Only tires identified by the Officials as having been damaged are replaceable. Any replacement tire must be an exact replacement (i.e. position, type and specification).

3.6.4. **Prohibited:** Tire modification; Use of a traction compound or any substance that might alter the physical properties of a tire as supplied by its manufacturer; "Grooving" Dry tires to create intermediate style Wet tires; Tire warmers or any other means of artificially warming tires; Any method of regulating tire pressure on-track. Any action, other than ordinary on-track use, designed to alter the tires as supplied. Anything not specifically permitted is prohibited.

A. Entrants must not transfer tires marked for use by one Car to another Car, even if the same Entrant has entered the other Car.

3.6.5. **Permitted:** Cleaning rubber "pick-up" from used tires via heat gun and scraper.

3.6.6. **Operational Requirements:** IMSA will distribute Tire manufacturer's bulletins, through the IMSA notification system, specifying appropriate operational requirements. These bulletins may be issued to cover single or multiple Events and/or locations. Such bulletins shall include the following operational requirements (Subject to Penalty per Art. 22.7. Technical Non-Compliance):

A. Minimum cold and/or hot pressures;

B. Minimum and/or maximum front and/or rear camber settings;

C. Compliance with Tire Manufacturer operational requirements is mandatory, therefore Competitors are advised to utilize Michelin's Tire Gauge calibration service at each Event. Deviation from published requirements may only be granted by designated Tire Manufacturer representatives via published bulletin upon approval by IMSA. Noncompliance is subject to penalty.

D. **Access:** Officials of IMSA and the tire manufacturer shall have free access into the Competitor's pit and Paddock space at all times to validate the operational requirements including tire pressures and alignment settings. This includes access to tire pressure data from Car telemetry systems. Tire Manufacturers and IMSA may perform comparisons of telemetry-reported tire pressures to actual measured tire pressures. Intentional application of offsets within the pressures being reported by the tire pressure monitoring system and associated Car telemetry system is prohibited and may be subject to penalty.

3.6.7. **Location:** If marked by their manufacturer for a specific position on the Car, tires must only be used in those position(s) for which they are marked (such as LF, RF, LR, RR). Dismounting a tire and remounting it with the outboard sidewall facing inboard is prohibited.

3.6.8. **Radio Frequency Tire Identification (RFID)**

A. All Dry tires used in competition must be fitted with RFID identification tags to control tire allocation.

B. Active recording of each tire RFID may be used in place of tire marking and/or for tracking of tire consumption relative to tire allocations for each Car.

C. Each Car must carry ~~a~~ two (2) Car-specific RFID vehicle identification tags uniquely identifying the Car. The Car RFID tags are supplied to IMSA by the Tire Manufacturer. IMSA issues the Car's RFID tags as part of the equipment package provided to each Entrant and additional RFID identification tags may require purchase if Entrant consumption is excessive therefore it is the Entrant's responsibility to ensure the Tags are protected during normal use.

i. One (1) RFID tag is required on each side of the Car.

ii. Car RFID tags must be affixed vertically (small section horizontal).

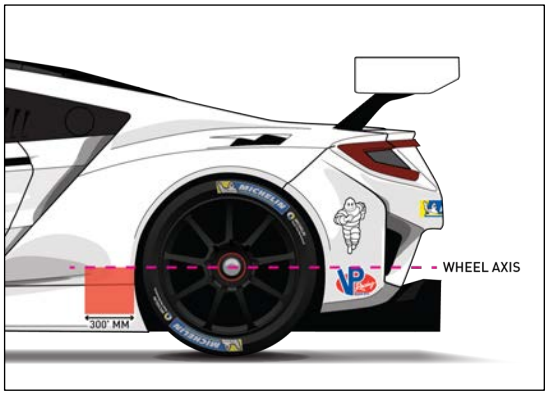
D. Placement

i. Car RFID tags must be affixed in front of the rear wheel at a height proximal to centerline of the wheel axis (red area in diagram below).

ii. Alternate locations must be approved in writing by the IMSA Technical Director prior to the Event.

iii. Car RFID tags may be covered with minimal, non-metallic or clear vinyl.

iv. Car RFID tags must be unobstructed by any other part of the Car.



E. It is the responsibility of the Entrant to ensure the Car-specific RFID vehicle identification tags operate properly.

F. Each Car must have functioning Car RFID tags in place prior to exiting pit lane for any IMSA-sanctioned Event on-track session when RFID systems are in use. Proceeding on-track without a Car RFID tag in place may result in a penalty.

G. RFID readers are located at the exit of pit lane and all Cars must pass through the RFID readers when entering the track.

i. ~~All~~ Cars entering the track from pit lane must pass through the RFID readers in single file at the Pit Lane Speed Limit.

ii. Contact with the RFID reading equipment is subject to penalty.

iii. Entrant is responsible for all associated costs of repair or replacement of the RFID reading equipment resulting from contact.

4. ATTACHMENT 4 – FUEL

4.1. Cars participating at an Event, including any "Promoter Test Day" (if applicable), or any IMSA-directed Testing, must use the approved fuel ("Official Fuel") for the engine type as listed by the Entrant in the Vehicle Registration Form.

4.1.1. Competitors are responsible for ordering fuel from the IMSA Official Fuel Supplier, with a link to the order form at imsacompetitors.com.

4.1.2. The following Official Fuels are authorized by IMSA:

A. Gasoline: IMSA 100 (E10)

4.1.3. All Competitors must use only these Official Fuels as dispensed from the IMSA Official Fuel Supplier, typically in sealed, fifty-four (54) gallon lined steel drums. Additives are prohibited.

4.1.4. IMSA may sample the actual fuel(s) provided by the fuel supplier as the benchmark from which all Competitor's samples are judged. IMSA reserves the right to check any fuel at any time.

4.1.5. Competitors are responsible for the proper handling, transportation and security of their fuel from the time it is dispensed to them and for the proper disposal of unused fuel and/or fuel drums.

4.1.6. Competitors are specifically directed not to leave any fuel at the racetrack after the Event, unless prior arrangements have been made. Abandoning fuel drums in the Paddock post-Event is subject to penalty.

5. ATTACHMENT 5 – LOGOS / NUMBER PANELS / DECALS

5.1. LOGOS, DRIVER AND CREW MEMBER UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS (See Also Article 10)

5.1.1. IMSA requires specific logos to be on all Driver and Crew Member uniforms. Embroidered logos are acceptable provided they are the exact size, shape & colors of the required/supplied patch. Printed logos are acceptable for Crew Member uniforms.

5.1.2. Below are shown the official logos and only acceptable logos to be utilized on all Driver and Crew Member uniforms. All logos must follow the brand guidelines at imsacompetitors.com, retain the original logo aspect ratio, remain intact and must not be altered in any manner:

2021 Required Logos:

IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge Series Logo

PMS	CMYK			
Red 1797C	C: 0	M: 100	Y: 99	K: 4
Reflex Blue	C: 100	M: 70	Y: 0	K: 0
Yellow	C: 0	M: 5	Y: 100	K: 0
Black 3C	C: 75	M: 68	Y: 67	K: 90
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

Red IMSA logo – standard IMSA logo

PMS	CMYK			
Red 1797C	C: 0	M: 100	Y: 99	K: 4
Black 3C	C: 75	M: 68	Y: 67	K: 90
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

Michelin Corporate Logo - Solid blue and yellow background and white logo/Michelin Man are required

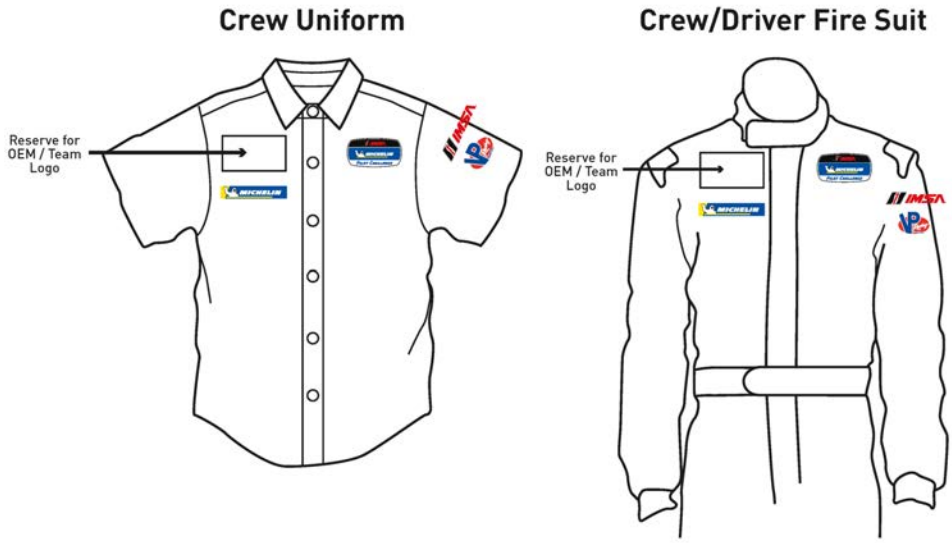
PMS	CMYK			
Reflex Blue	C: 100	M: 70	Y: 0	K: 0
Yellow	C: 0	M: 5	Y: 100	K: 0
Black	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 100
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

VP Racing Fuels Logo

PMS	CMYK			
Red 185	C:	M: 91	Y: 76	K: 0
Reflex Blue	C: 100	M: 70	Y: 0	K: 0
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge Team/Crew Uniforms

Exhibit A



Logos	Minimum Size (W x H)
IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge	3.75" x 2"
IMSA Logo	3.75" x .77"
Michelin Corporate	4.5" x 0.9"
VP Racing Fuels	4" x 3"

5.2. Specifics: (see Exhibit A)

5.2.1. IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge logo must be in top position.

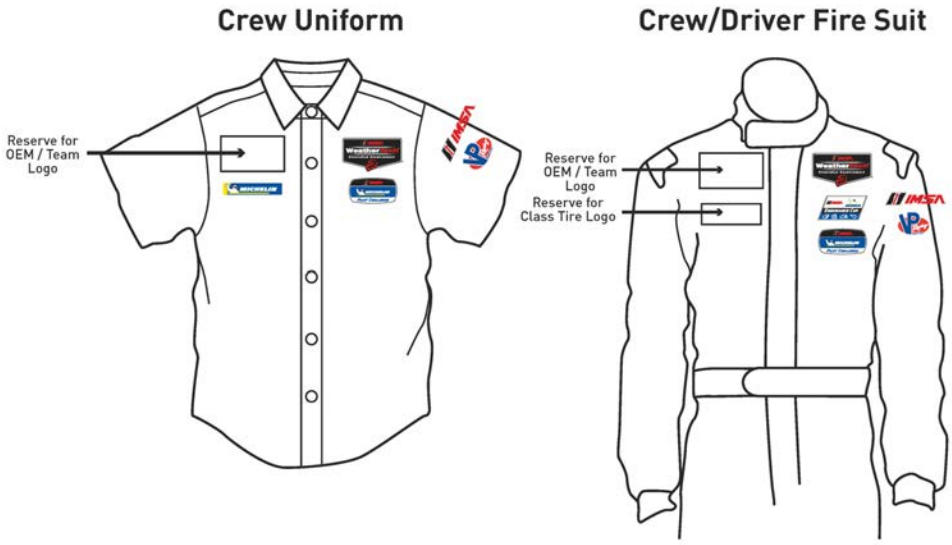
5.2.2. MICHELIN corporate logo must be in second position, directly below the Car Manufacturer/Team logo.

5.2.3. IMSA logo must be located on the left sleeve.

5.2.4. VP Racing Fuels logo must be located on the left sleeve directly below IMSA.

Multiple Series Team/Crew Uniforms

Exhibit B



5.3. Teams/Drivers Participating in Multiple Series: (See Exhibit B)

5.3.1. Multiple Series patches/logos are permitted on the same fire suit provided they appear in the following descending order: (IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge, IMSA Prototype Challenge, Ferrari Challenge, Lamborghini Super Trofeo, Mazda MX-5 Cup, Porsche Carrera Cup North America, on the same side. Non-IMSA Series logos are prohibited.

5.3.2. Multiple Tire Partner logos are permitted on the same fire suit, however only the appropriate Series Tire Partner must be displayed when participating in the Series. Example, for Driver/Crew Member participating in another series and IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge, the other series' Tire Partner logo must be covered when in IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge Sessions.

5.3.3. VP Racing Fuels logo must be placed on the left sleeve directly below IMSA logo.

5.3.4. All other required logos must be displayed at all times.

5.4. Additional Specifications.

5.4.1. Entrant may receive a minimum $500.00 fine for logos not in compliance.

5.4.2. All logos must be in their full and correct colors and are available by contacting info@imsa.com.

5.4.3. Blank areas where background shirt/firesuit colors are visible when embroidering logos are prohibited.

5.4.4. Failure to display required logos may result in penalties or ineligibility for Point Fund / Prize Money.

5.4.5. Uniforms must be of tasteful design and neat and clean in appearance.

5.5. IMSA REQUIRED LOGOS/DESIGNATIONS, TRANSPORTERS AND CARS:

5.5.1. IMSA requires specific decals & panels to be placed on IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge transporters and competing Cars. Transporter size requirements outlined in 5.7, car size requirements outlined in 5.8. All images below. All logos and advertising are subject to IMSA approval. Please reference the IMSA and IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge brand guides at imsacompetitors.com.

5.5.2. Decals are supplied by IMSA at the time of Car registration. Additional decals are available at the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge competition transporter and/or by contacting IMSA at competition@imsa.com. Competitors may also be required to display Event-specific sponsor decals in an approved location on each side of the Car.

5.6. Required Logos:

5.6.1. Below are shown the only acceptable and official logos/class designations to be utilized on Team transporters and Cars.

Required Logos

PMS	CMYK			
Red 1797C	C: 0	M: 100	Y: 99	K: 4
Reflex Blue	C: 100	M: 70	Y: 0	K: 0
Yellow	C: 0	M: 5	Y: 100	K: 0
Black 3C	C: 75	M: 68	Y: 67	K: 90
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IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge Logo

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Red IMSA Logo – standard IMSA logo

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White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

Lockup IMSA Logo - White background and black border are required

PMS	CMYK			
Reflex Blue	C: 100	M: 70	Y: 0	K: 0
Yellow	C: 0	M: 5	Y: 100	K: 0
Black	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 100
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

Michelin Corporate Logo - Solid blue and yellow background and white logo/Michelin Man are required

PMS	CMYK			
Black	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 100
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

Michelin Sprinter Man – Should always be showin in conjunction with Michelin Corporate Logo, solid white background is required.

PMS	CMYK			
Red 185	C:	M: 91	Y: 76	K: 0
Reflex Blue	C: 100	M: 70	Y: 0	K: 0
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

VP Fuels Logo

PMS	CMYK			
Red 185C	C: 0	M: 91	Y: 76	K: 0
White	C: 0	M: 0	Y: 0	K: 0

Motul Logo

Class Decals:

GS Class

TCR Class

GS Windscreen

TCR Windscreen

5.7. LOGOS, TEAM TRANSPORTERS:

5.7.1. The following requirements are applicable to transporters in the IMSA Paddock at all Events:

A. One (1) IMSA logo on each side of transporter with a minimum width of 36" as well as appropriate clear space as determined by brand guide. Please use the IMSA Lockup Logo if Transporter design does not allow for clear space (i.e. a textured background will show through IMSA Logo).

B. One (1) IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge logo on each side of transporter with a minimum width of 36" as well as appropriate clear space as determined by brand guide.

C. One (1) IMSA logo on back of transporter with a minimum width of 18" as well as appropriate clear space as determined by brand guide.

D. One (1) IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge logo on back of transporter with a minimum width of 18" as well as appropriate clear space as determined by brand guide. Please use the IMSA Lockup Logo if Transporter design does not allow for clear space (i.e. a textured background will show through IMSA Logo).

5.7.2. Each Car entry is required to fly the following flags on top of each transporter in the Paddock:

A. One (1) IMSA logo.

B. One (1) IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge logo.

C. Flags flown together must be in the above order from top to bottom.

D. Limited quantities of flags for each Team are supplied by IMSA. Flags must match the design, size and color as supplied by IMSA.

5.8. LOGOS, CAR:

5.8.1. IMSA exclusive areas. Competitors must leave two (2) empty spaces measuring 18" W x 18" H for the Car number panels, detailed below. The upper windshield banner area is reserved for the exclusive use of IMSA.

5.8.2. Class Color Designations. The IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge utilizes a 2-color system. Number plate background and windscreen must be fully covered in the class designation color:

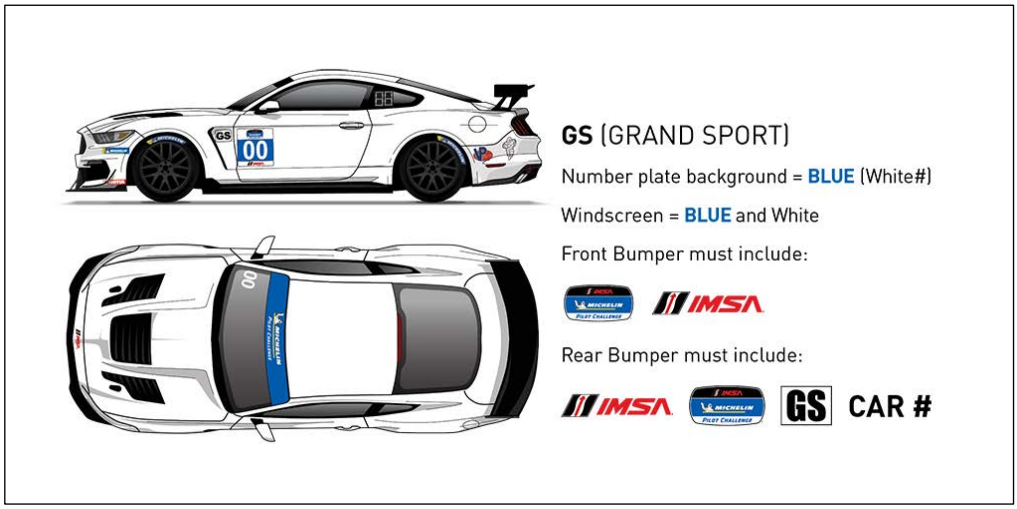
A. GS: PMS Reflex Blue as primary color and White as secondary color.

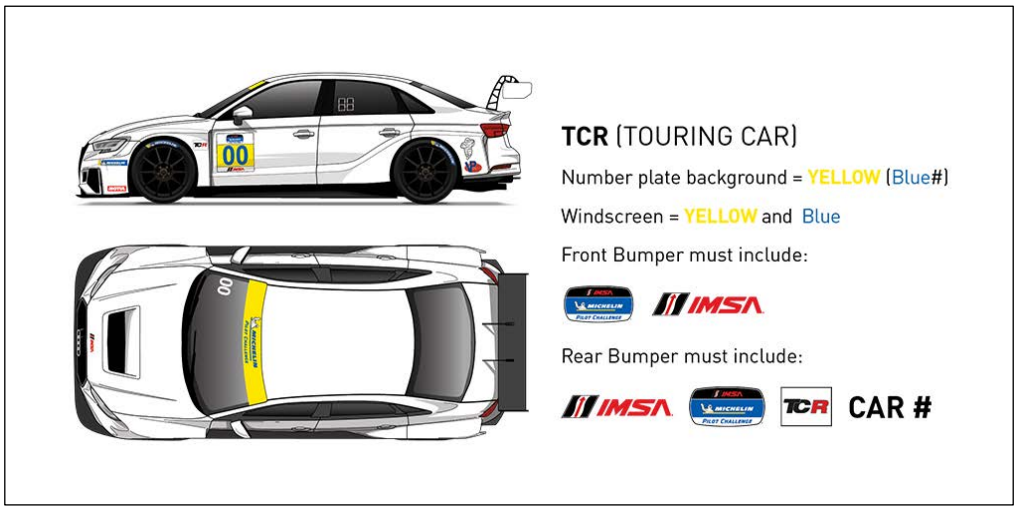
B. TCR: PMS Yellow as primary color and PMS Reflex Blue as the secondary color.

5.8.3. At the sole discretion of IMSA, a request for a special livery for significant cause may be approved for exemption of certain requirements stipulated in the RULES. Such requests must be made in detail, including renderings and supporting materials describing the significance of the livery and other aspects that IMSA may take into consideration. Such request must be submitted in full no later than 30 days prior to the date of desired first use to David Pettit, dpettit@imsa.com. Any IMSA decision regarding such request is Conclusive.

5.9. NUMBER PANELS

5.9.1. **Assigned Number Panels.** Two (2) number panels are required, one (1) on each side of the Car. Side number panels must be clearly visible and affixed on flat and vertical surfaces in class-specific locations. If not possible to read the numbers, the Car may be stopped by Race Control.





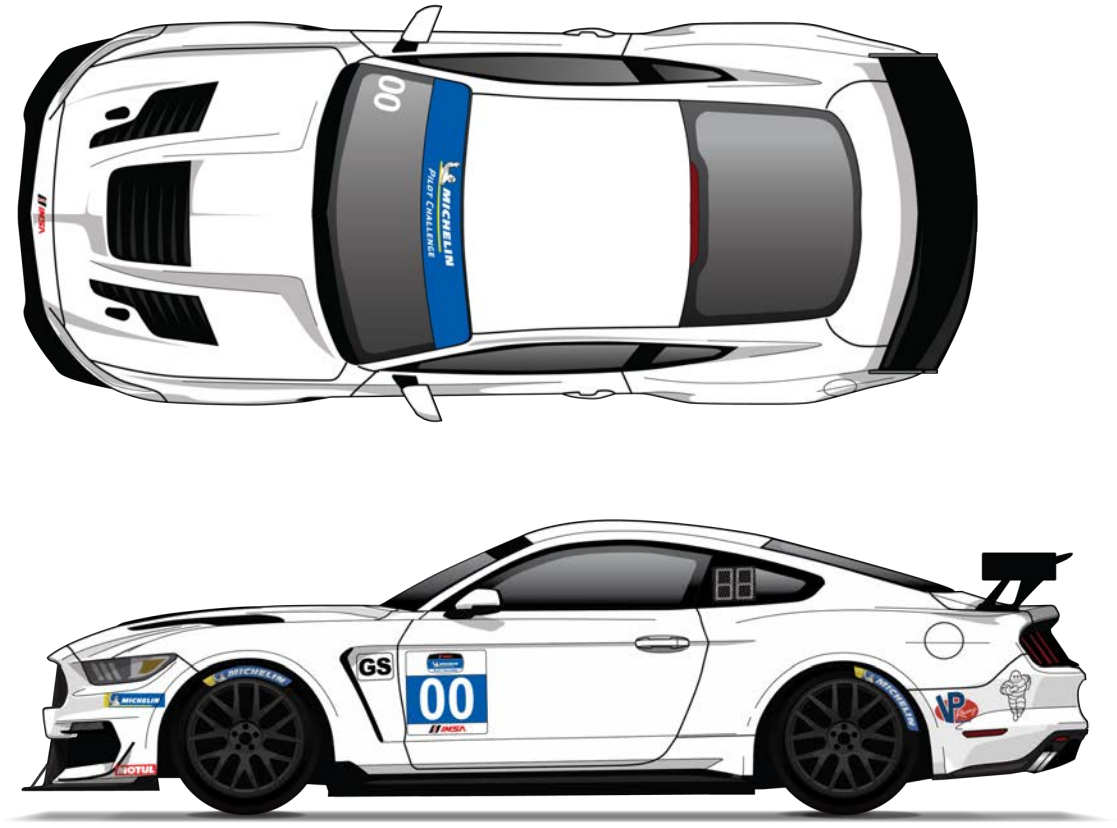
5.10. Driver's National Flags and Names. On each side of Car above door opening, the national flags of the Drivers as well as their names must be displayed. Minimum height of both flags and names must be 1.25".

5.11. DECALS. Cars must follow the requirements below, with specified and preferred locations for Grand Sport (GS) and Touring Car Racing (TCR) per Par. 5.12 and 5.13.

5.11.1. **Exception.** If a Team secures or is working to secure a primary sponsor in the oil category, with appropriate branding presence on the Car, Entrant can apply to IMSA for exemption of requirement to display the IMSA Official Motor Oil partner decals (Par. 5.12.10 and 5.13.10). Request for exemption must be submitted in writing, no later than fourteen (14) days prior to first participation at the applicable Event, to: David Pettit, Vice President of Marketing, IMSA (dpettit@imsa.com) and include depiction(s) of the Car's branding. Should IMSA, at its sole discretion, agree to such display, Entrant shall forfeit any applicable award(s) specific to IMSA's Official Motor Oil partner.

5.11.2. **Tire Branding.** Teams participating in an IMSA Event (including but not limited to pre-race activities, on apparel, or outside entities visible to media at an IMSA Race) must not display or project or otherwise promote a company engaged in the production, manufacturing, selling, or distribution of tires without the prior written consent of IMSA.

5.12. Grand Sport



5.12.1. Number Panels

A. 14" H x 13.5" W

B. Two (2), one (1) number panel on each side.

C. Number panels must match Series design and color. Changes or additional designs prohibited (i.e. stylized numbers).

D. Numbers must be white in color, Arial font, 7" tall with 1.25" stroke.

E. Side number panels must be placed on a flat and vertical surface

5.12.2. Windscreen Number (IMSA Provided)

A. White, Arial font, 4" tall with 0.5" stroke.

B. Car number must be located on the driver's right (passenger) side of the windscreen, at least .5" from A pillar, halfway up the screen, or as directed by IMSA.

5.12.3. **Rear Number (IMSA Provided)**

A. White, Arial font, 7" tall with 1.25" stroke

B. Placed on flat surface of rear bumper.

5.12.4. **IMSA Logo**

A. 1.875"H x 8"W

B. One (1) decal on front, centered.

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat surface.

5.12.5. **IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge Logo (IMSA Provided)**

A. 3.5"H x 6.5"W

B. Two (2), one (1) decal on front and rear bumpers

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat surface

5.12.6. **Windscreen**

A. Minimum height of 6".

B. Windscreens must match Series design and color.

C. Official Automotive Partner OEM logo must be placed on the outer right and left edges but must maintain a 1.5" clear space from marks in center.

5.12.7. **Leader Lights**

A. 9" W x 8" H area must remain clear of any other decals, wrap or graphics.

B. Leader Lights must be clearly visible from side.

5.12.8. **Class Decals (IMSA Provided)**

A. 5" tall x 6.5" wide.

B. Three (3), one (1) decal on each side, one (1) decal on rear

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat and vertical surface

5.12.9. **Tire Decals (IMSA Provided)**

A. Two (2), one (1) 2.5"H x 12"W Michelin Corporate decal, placed on front fender, forward and below of the front axle centerline, each side.

B. Two (2), one (1) 8" H x 4.5" W Michelin Sprinter Man decal on each side along the vertical portion rear bodywork, behind rear wheel opening, clearly visible and on flat surface.

C. Michelin Tire decals must be of contrasting color.

D. must be placed on front fender, forward and below of the front axle centerline, each side.

5.12.10. **Oil Supplier**

A. 7.38" W x 2" H

B. Two (2), one (1) on each side, forward of centerline.

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat and vertical surface.

5.2.5. **Fuel Supplier**

A. 4.25”H x 6.25”W

B. Two (2), one (1) on each side of rear bodywork.

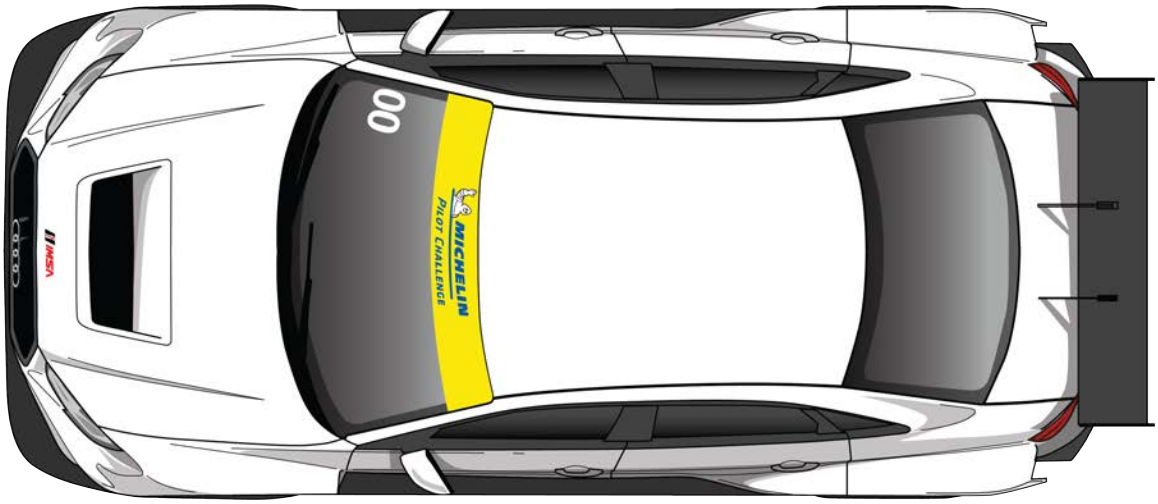
C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat and vertical surface.

5.12.11. **IMSA Technical Conformity**

A. 3” H

B. Left top corner of the windscreen.

5.13. Touring Car Racing



5.13.1. Number Panels

A. 14” H x 13.5” W

B. Two (2), one (1) number panel on each side.

C. Number panels must match Series design and color. Changes or additional designs prohibited (i.e. stylized numbers).

D. Numbers must be white in color, Arial font, 7” tall with 1.25” stroke.

E. Side number panels must be placed on a flat and vertical surface.

5.13.2. **Windscreen Number (IMSA Provided)**

A. White, Arial font, 4" tall with 0.5" stroke.

B. Car number must be located on the driver's right (passenger) side of the windscreen, at least .5" from A pillar, halfway up the screen, or as directed by IMSA.

5.13.3. **Rear Number (IMSA Provided)**

A. White, Arial font, 7" tall with 1.25" stroke

B. Placed on flat surface of rear bumper.

5.13.4. **IMSA Logo**

A. 1.875"H x 8"W

B. One (1) decal on front, centered.

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat surface.

5.13.5. **IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge Logo (IMSA Provided)**

A. 3.5"H x 6.5"W

B. Two (2), one (1) decal on front and rear bumpers

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat surface

5.13.6. **Windscreen**

A. Minimum height of 6".

B. Windscreens must match Series design and color.

C. Official Automotive Partner OEM logo must be placed on the outer right and left edges but must maintain a 1.5" clear space from marks in center.

5.13.7. **Leader Lights**

A. 9" W x 8" H area must remain clear of any other decals, wrap or graphics.

B. Leader Lights must be clearly visible from side.

5.13.8. **Class Decals (IMSA Provided)**

A. 5" tall x 6.5" wide.

B. Three (3), one (1) decal on each side, one (1) decal on rear

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat and vertical surface

5.13.9. **Tire Decals (IMSA Provided)**

A. Two (2), one (1) 2.5"H x 12"W Michelin Corporate decal, placed on front fender, forward and below of the front axle centerline, each side.

B. Two (2), one (1) 8" H x 4.5" W Michelin Sprinter Man decal on each side along the vertical portion rear bodywork, behind rear wheel opening, clearly visible and on flat surface.

C. Michelin Tire decals must be of contrasting color.

D. must be placed on front fender, forward and below of the front axle centerline, each side.

5.13.10. **Oil Supplier**

A. 7.38" W x 2" H

B. Two (2), one (1) on each side, forward of centerline.

C. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat and vertical surface.

5.13.11. **Fuel Supplier**

D. 4.25"H x 6.25"W

E. Two (2), one (1) on each side of rear bodywork.

F. Must be clearly visible and affixed on a flat and vertical surface.

5.13.12. **IMSA Technical Conformity**

A. 3" H

B. Left top corner of the windscreen.

ATTACHMENT 6 – N/A

6. N/A

7. ATTACHMENT 7 – SPECIAL AWARDS (ROOKIE OF THE YEAR / VP FUELS FRONT RUNNER AWARD / MOTUL POLE AWARD)

7.1. N/A.

7.2. ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

7.2.1. A Rookie is a Driver who has in their lifetime competed in fewer than five (5) Races in the Michelin Challenge or predecessor series and/or fewer than three (3) Races in the WeatherTech Championship and/or the TUDOR Championship and/or the IMSA ALMS Series and/or the Grand-Am Rolex Series or similar national or international series.

7.2.2. A Rookie typically would not meet the criteria of a Platinum rated Driver.

7.2.3. If a Driver begins their season as a Rookie, they remain a Rookie until the end of the season.

7.2.4. A Driver is a Rookie in any season of the Michelin Challenge only once in their lifetime.

7.2.5. IMSA, in its sole discretion, shall make any final determination regarding a Driver's eligibility as a Rookie and such determination is Conclusive.

7.2.6. IMSA reserves the right to create a championship for the title of Rookie of the Year. If so awarded at the season-end ceremonies, the Rookie of the Year is determined by the total number of Driver Championship points accumulated per Art. 12, tiebreakers per Art. 53.

7.3. VP FUELS FRONT RUNNER AWARD

7.3.1. The VP Fuels Front Runner Award is awarded twice (2X) during the season as follows:

A. The GS mid-season award is a two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) fuel credit, to be used during the 2021 Michelin Challenge season, awarded to the highest finishing eligible Team (assigned Car number) in the GS class.

B. The GS end of season award is a two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) fuel credit, to be used during the 2022 Michelin Challenge season, awarded to the highest finishing eligible Team (assigned Car number) in the GS class.

C. The TCR mid-season award is a two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) fuel credit, to be used during the 2021 Michelin Challenge season, awarded to the highest finishing eligible Team (assigned Car number) in the TCR class.

D. The TCR end of season award is a two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) fuel credit, to be used during the 2022 Michelin Challenge season, awarded to the highest finishing eligible Team (assigned Car number) in the TCR class.

E. Please contact the IMSA Coordinator, Corporate Partnerships, Max Rosier mrosier@imsa.com for specific details of award payouts.

7.3.2. **Eligibility:**

A. The required VP Fuels decal(s) provided by IMSA must be displayed throughout each Event and maintained in presentable condition in compliance with the VP Fuels Front Runner guidelines, available at imsacompetitors.com. For questions please contact David Pettit, IMSA VP, Marketing at dpettit@imsa.com

7.3.3. **VP Fuels Front Runner Award Points System:**

A. At each Event, the Car from each class (GS, TCR) that leads the most total laps in the Race(s) receives one (1) point.

B. Tiebreakers: In the case of a tie at an Event, the tiebreaker is the Car with the highest finishing position in its class in that Race. Then tiebroken by the Car with the highest total finishing positions in its class in the VP Fuels Front Runner award segment of the season to date. Then tiebroken by the Car that is ranked highest in the current season Michelin Challenge Team points standings. Final tiebreaker is the Car with the most total laps led at the conclusion of the VP Fuels Front Runner award segment of the season to date.

C. In the case of a tie at the end of the award segment of the season to date, the tiebreaker is resolved per Art. 53 for the applicable Races for that award segment.

7.3.4. GS Mid-Year Award segment:

A. The Entrant for the Car in the GS class with the most VP points from the first five (5) Races is awarded the two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) mid-year fuel credit to be used during the 2021 Michelin Challenge season.

B. The mid-year fuel credits are presented at the Canadian Tire Motorsport Park Event.

C. After the mid-year award interval, the VP Fuels Front Runner Award points for each Car are reset to zero and the accumulation of points toward the end of season VP Fuels Front Runner Award are re-started as at the beginning of the season.

7.3.5. End Of Season Award segment:

A. The Entrant for the Car in the GS class with the most VP points from the last five (5) Races is awarded the two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) end of season fuel credit to be used during the 2022 IMSA season.

B. The end of season fuel credits are presented at the season-end awards ceremony.

7.3.4. TCR Mid-Year Award segment:

D. The Entrant for the Car in the TCR class with the most VP points from the first five (5) Races is are awarded the two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) mid-year fuel credit to be used during the 2021 Michelin Challenge season.

E. The mid-year fuel credits are presented at the Canadian Tire Motorsport Park Event.

F. After the mid-year award interval, the VP Fuels Front Runner Award points for each Car are reset to zero and the accumulation of points toward the end of season VP Fuels Front Runner Award are re-started as at the beginning of the season.

7.3.5. TCR End Of Season Award segment:

C. The Entrant for the Car in the TCR class with the most VP points from the last five (5) Races is awarded the two thousand five hundred dollar ($2,500) end of season fuel credit to be used during the 2022 IMSA season.

D. The end of season fuel credits are presented at the season-end awards ceremony.

7.3.6. Additional:

A. Fuel credits are non-transferable.

B. Fuel credits are applicable for use at all IMSA sanctioned Events and tests.

C. Outstanding race fuel account balances must be settled prior to use of the fuel credit.

D. All other 2021 IMSA RULES apply to the VP Fuels Front Runner Award.

7.4. N/A.

7.5. MOTUL POLE AWARD

7.5.1. At each Race Event, Teams in the GS and TCR classes compete for the MOTUL Pole Award.

A. Car must display the MOTUL decal on each side (Att. 5) at each Event.

B. If qualifying is abandoned or the grid for that class set by "other means", the MOTUL Pole Award is not awarded for the affected class(es).

7.5.2. A special award, the MOTUL Year End Pole Award, is presented at the year-end award ceremonies, with a trophy to the Driver winning the most pole positions for the season in each of the GS and TCR classes and a financial award to the Driver's Team.

A. Car must display the MOTUL decal on each side (Att. 5) at each Event.

B. Eligibility. Driver must participate in all MOTUL-specific post-qualifying marketing activities as directed by IMSA Officials.