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Propose Novice Class Rule Changes

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Current wording

5.5.1 The Novice Class shall be open to anyone who has competed in three or fewer San Diego Region championship events. A participant may only enter the Novice Class three times.

Problem:

The current wording is too restrictive as to who can enter in the Novice class. There are many benefits to the new drivers to be allowed to run more than just their first three events.

We should allow drivers to have instructor ride along for as long as the driver feel it will be a benefit.

Proposed new wording

5.5.1 The Novice Class shall be open to all new participants to Solo and to those participants who feel they may benefit from having an instructor to ride along or to demonstrate driving techniques.

Solution:

The new wording removed all restrictions on entry to the Novice Class.

The Novice Class do not award event trophies, class points, or yearend awards (Sec. 5.5.4) so there is no reason for drivers to enter the class just to won trophies or points.

Registration worker should encourage all new drivers to enter in the Novice Class until they feel comfortable running in open classes.

Proposal to specify administrative processes for online event registration

Online registration has gained popularity within all areas of motorsports. Within the motorsports community, this service has become both the accepted and expected means of registering for events. Many within our organization and clubs may love it, and many may hate it- but there has become no doubt that this is the wave of the future. As we evolve our own online registration process, we need a system in place that assures safe and appropriate facilitation of this service.

So far, we as a region have adopted MotorsportReg.com (MSR) as our service provider for online registration. At this point in this evolution, MSR seems to be our provider of choice. MSR is the most widely used and accepted provider of this service within the motorsports community, and has proven to be a safe and cost effective provider of this service.

Until now, though, we have been operating somewhat “off the cuff” with respect to managing how we grant access to the administrative levels of our committee’s MSR account. This has placed Solo Committee funds in a risky position of accessibility to a variety of individuals who were granted full administrative access to our MSR account for purposes of setting up and managing events.

The problem with this level of full administrative access is that it allows individuals to redirect the deposit of event funds. With this ability, it would not be difficult for someone to have all funds from an event deposited directly into their personal bank account.

Our Solo Committee MSR account is as important to properly manage as our Committee checking account- and our checking account is only accessible by two elected Solo Committee officials. This proposal serves to set in place basic precautions to protect Committee and Club funds, as well as Member, Club and Committee secure information. It is not intended to force or require clubs to participate in online registration, but rather provides the guidelines by which this service will be used, whenever we or our clubs elect to do so.

I am proposing the following addition to our Supplementary Regulations, effective at which time as this proposal is successfully voted into place.

My hope and intent are that the following will put in place the basic framework needed to protect our funds, but will still allow the flexibility to adapt as the online registration process evolves. It is written to be non-specific enough so as to be manageable, and specific enough to accomplish the needed goal. Should we elect to switch to a different service provider, the change could be done easily and without considerable rewriting of the Supp Regs.

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3.5.13 Clubs may elect to offer online registration for Championship and Practice events. If a club chooses to offer this service, only the current Solo Committee account, through the specified online registration service provider, may be used for online registration of Committee-sanctioned events.

3.5.14 The current service provider for online registration is MotorsportReg.com. The Solo Committee Executive Board may, by a ^{2/3}majority vote, elect to change the service provider for online registration at any time.

3.5.15 The Solo Committee Chairman will appoint an Online Registration Administrator. The duties of the Online Registration Administrator will be to facilitate the process and assist in any areas a club needs, to manage online registration of their events. The Online Registration Administrator will grant the appropriate administrative level of account access to the necessary club individuals, so that online registration of events may be managed.

3.5.16 Only three individuals will be provided full Administrative access to the Solo Committee's account, and each may perform the duties listed in 3.5.14. These individuals are:

- Solo Committee Chairman
- Solo Committee Treasurer
- Online Registration Administrator

All other administrative access to the account will be at a level which does not allow access to the direction of event funds. No other individuals may be granted any level of administrative access that would allow access to event funds, or the direction of the deposit of these funds.

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PROPOSED RULE CHANGE BY SDAD

REASON FOR CHANGE: CLEARIFICATION OF RULE 3.12

3.12 AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN IN THE SUPP REGS:

3.12 LOT RESTRICTIONS

San Diego Qualcomm Stadium West Lot - the area defined on the eastern edge by the light poles labeled "F4" and "G4" and on the western edge by the movable "K" rail shall be avoided in any course design and layout. This area has been identified by the committee as dangerous and has been the site of multiple incidents.

3.12 PROPOSED CHANGE:

Expand restricted zone up to F4 to K rail

3.12 LOT RESTRICTIONS

San Diego Qualcomm Stadium West Lot - The area defined on the Eastern edge by the light pole labeled "F4" to "one pole South of G4" and on the Western edge by the movable "K" rails directly West of pole "F4" to "one pole South of G4", shall be avoided in any course design and layout. The areas North of pole "F4" and South of "one pole South of G4" are not restricted by this rule. It is permissible to have the starting line between the pole "one pole South of G4" and the "K" rail, but the course must immediately proceed East of pole "G4". It is not permissible to have the finish line or finish run-off in the area defined above, due to high speed safety concerns. This area has been identified by the committee as dangerous and has been the site of multiple incidents.

NOTES: THE LOT WAS PHYSICALLY EXAMINED IN PERSON
PRYOR TO THE DRAFTING OF THIS RULE CHANGE AND
SAFETY CONCERNS WERE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PASSING: THIS A CHANGE IN THE SUPP
REGS AND THEREFORE REQUIRES
AT LEAST 4 CLUBS TO VOTE IN
THE AFFERMITIVE ASSUMING ALL
5 CLUBS ARE PRESENT.