• General

All attendees to the event must abide by the requirements expressed in this document. Competitors in the event and pit crew must acknowledge via email prior to the event that they have read and agree to abide by these requirements.

The requirements outlined in this plan take into account:

- Requirements outlined by Motorsport Australia in motorsport-australia_return-to-race.pdf
- Requirements outlined by Motorsport Australia in Motorsport Australia Officials Return to Race.pdf
- Sport NSW requirements
- ARDC requirements

This COVID-19 plan must be read in conjunction with the Supplementary Regulations for the event.

- General Principles
- A strict limit of a minimum of 4 sqm per person with a separation of 1.5m will be observed at all times during the event.
- Groups larger than 10 persons will not be permitted, with each group required to remain within a designated 40m2 area. Mixing of groups is not permitted.
- The event is limited to 80 attendees (40 competitors plus one pit crew per competitor) plus designated officials.
- Frequent cleaning and disinfection of common touch areas will be undertaken.
- Communal showers and change rooms will be closed.
- Sharing of equipment is to be avoided.
- Sharing of food is to be avoided
- A record of all event attendees will be maintained by the organisers for the purposes of contact tracing.
- Take away food from Café only.
- Appropriate signage will be displayed around the venue encouraging social distancing
- Appropriate signage will be displayed on buildings advising attendees on number limits within the buildings.
- All attendees are encouraged to download the COVID-19 app prior to attending the event.

• Attending the Event

Attendees to the event will be limited to:

- Authorised officials
- Drivers entered in the event
- One (1) pit crew per entrant
- ARDC / SMSP venue staff or contractors as required
- Essential contractors as required Medical Services

Spectators are not permitted, with the exception of the competitor's one designated pit crew.

To ensure compliance with COVID-19 requirements, the event will be split into a morning and an afternoon session, with competitors nominating their preference at the time of submitting their entry. A maximum of 20 competitors will be accepted for each session.

Competitors must only remain on site during their allotted session. Upon completion of the morning session, competitors from that session are to leave the venue. Afternoon session competitors will not be allowed into the skidpan area until all morning competitors have vacated the area.

Dual entries for a vehicle will be permitted. However, the entrants must show how the vehicle will be cleaned between runs. Dual entries where the drivers cohabit are exempt from this requirement.

A passenger will only be permitted for the purpose of instruction of a Junior driver, in which case the passenger must be a parent / guardian who cohabits with the junior driver.

All drivers and pit crew must have agreed to this COVID-19 plan via email prior to the event. Officials and contractors agree to this plan by signing an individual sign-on sheet on the day of the event.

- Attendees to an event must not be showing any signs of cold or flu symptoms
- Attendees must not have been overseas in the last 14 days, had contact with anyone confirmed with COVID-19 without an intervening negative COVID0-19 test result
- If any attendees have previously been confirmed COVID-19 cases, they must supply proof of a negative COIV-19 test result
- If after attending an MX-5 Club motorsport event an attendee is subsequently confirmed as a COVID-19 case up to 14 days after the event, or had contact with a known COVID case up to 14 days prior to the event, they must inform the event organisers

• Entry to the venue

All officials and competitors entering the venue will be recorded at the venue entrance by a designated official. All event attendees must be advised to the organisers prior to the event via email.

The list of attendees will be made available to Motorsport Australia on completion of the event.

Entrants must have completed the following prior to entering the venue:

- Acknowledgement and agreement with this COVID-19 plan via email
- Provision of proof of Motorsport Australia licence currency

- Declaration of having read the Supplementary regulations for the event
- Declaration of having read the driver briefing notes

Entrants should complete the following forms on the day of the event, with the vehicle being used to compete in the condition it will be for the event. These forms should be brought to the event with the above-mentioned forms.

- Self-scrutiny checklist: Autokhana
- Self-scrutiny: Statement of Vehicle Compliance

On entry to the venue, competitors and pit crew will be directed to their assigned group area on the skidpan or dedicated staging area by a designated official.

• Café

Café catering will be takeaway only. Competitors and Pit Crew are free to purchase food, drinks, coffee etc at any time as long as social distancing protocols are observed, and as long as the competitors leave the café as soon as they have received their order. Competitors and Pit Crew are required to return to their designated area within the boundaries of the skidpan area after receiving their order.

• Amenities

Social distancing protocols will be observed when using toilet facilities, including maximum capacity of the amenities themselves. Competitors and Pit Crew are required to return to their designated area within the boundaries of the skidpan area after leaving to use the amenities in the main paddock area.

• Event preparation

• COVID-19 Event Checker

A designated event checker will monitor compliance with the COVID-19 plan and will direct transgressions to be promptly rectified. Non-compliance with these directions will result in the matter being referred to the Clerk of Course. Possible consequences may include suspension of competition or exclusion from the event.

Commencement of competition will only occur when the compliance checker informs the Clerk of Course that the COIV-19 plan is being complied with.

The event checker will provide a completed checklist to the Clerk of Course on COVID-19 compliance on conclusion of the days competition.

• Medical facilities

An isolation facility will be in operation on the day of the event. This will be located in the Wash Bay next to the Medical Centre, opposite the skidpan entrance. Any meeting attendee exhibiting possible COVID-19 symptoms will be required to report to this isolation facility where they will be examined by medical staff. On no account must anyone with possible COVID-19 symptoms present to the main medical facility.

• Unloading/loading of vehicles

Competitors will be requested to unload and load competition vehicles and support vehicles as efficiently as possible whilst maintaining social distancing, and to remove trailers and support vehicles from the skidpan area as soon as possible. Trailers and support vehicles may not be parked within the skidpan area during the event but may be left in the main paddock carpark or the parking area opposite the South Circuit pit complex, depending on availability of parking due to other events being run on the day at SMSP. Social distancing procedures must be maintained whilst attending to tender vehicle parking.

• Registration, Scrutineering and Driver Briefing

Registration requirements must be completed prior to the event. No face to face registration will be undertaken on the day.

Scrutineering will be via self-assessment and self-declaration only. Competitors will be required to perform vehicle assessment on the day and to hand in completed scrutineering vehicle assessment forms on the day, prior to commencement of competition. Spot checks of vehicles may be conducted during the event, but there will be no physical contact by officials with the vehicle or the competitor.

Driver briefing notes will be circulated to competitors via email prior to the event – competitors will be required to acknowledge via email that they have read and understood these notes, and that they agree to comply with the requirements expressed in these briefing notes. Competitors will not be permitted to taken part in the event without this acknowledgement.

• Skidpan Environment

The skidpan area will be divided into suitably sized and marked out areas which can be occupied by a maximum of 10 people. When not competing, competition vehicles must be parked in their designated area with a gap between vehicles of at least one car width.

Competitors will be required to remain either on the skidpan competition surface or in their designed area of the skidpan facility unless they need to use the amenities, go to the café, leave the venue or to access their support vehicle. Mixing of groups within the skidpan facility is not permitted. Pit crew will be allocated an area to spectate and must only leave this area to assist a competitor if required. In his case, social distancing protocols must be followed and if a car is required to be worked on, it must be done so in the designated area and not while the vehicle is lined up to compete.

Setting up of the motorkhana tests, flags and dividing barriers shall be carried out in accordance with social distancing requirements and handling of individual pieces of equipment by multiple people should be avoided.

• Competition

• General

Two separate motorkhana test areas will be set up at opposite ends of the skidpan competition surface. Competitors will be assigned to groups of no more than 10 competitors before the event, and each group will be directed to the appropriate test area upon arrival.

Once both groups of competitors have competed all three planned motorkhana tests at one end of the skidpan, they will be directed to swap to the opposite end of the skidpan area to complete the remaining three tests.

Upon completion of all 6 tests, competitors should leave the venue and not remain on site as a spectator.

• Preparing to Compete

Competitors are to line up in their vehicles in the designated area of each motorkhana test area allowing space of at least two meters between vehicles. After a competitor has completed a test, they are to return to the back of the queue and remain in their vehicle until their turn to attempt a test comes around again.

Competitors should not leave the competition surface of the skidpan unless to use the amenities, visit the cafe, return to the support vehicle or leave the event. If a competitor does leave the competition surface of the skidpan, they must observe social distancing requirements.

Results

Hardcopy results will not be provided during the event. The usual practice of writing times on a timeslip for each run and handing this back to the driver is specifically not permitted. Times will be recorded on a scoresheet by the timekeeper and will only be available in the official results published for the event.

• Sign-on shed

The sign-on shed is only to be used by designated officials, and any competitor who is required to interact with these officials. Only one competitor at a time will be allowed in the sign-on shed and they must maintain a distance of 1.5m between themselves and officials. A queuing area will be marked out to gain access to the sign-on shed, with markings to show the minimum 1.5 meter distance between those in the queue.

To maintain social distancing and meet capacity restrictions in the sign-on shed, a maximum of 6 people, including both officials and competitors, are permitted to occupy this space at any time.

• Timekeeper / Safety official points

To minimise exposure of officials, a maximum of two per test area will be used. The officials will remain at the same test area for the duration of the event and not rotate between the two motorkhana test areas. They should maintain a minimum distance of 1.5m between themselves.

• Officials equipment

Equipment will not be shared by officials. Each official will be provided with their own event folder, scoresheets, pens and stopwatch. All equipment will be sanitised when issued at the start of the day and when returned at the completion of the event

All officials to the event will be requested to complete and sign individual sign-on sheets, which will be collected in a box without being touched and will be disinfected before being collated.

• Viewing area

Competitors will be requested to avoid entering the areas dedicated for pit crew / spectators to avoid exceeding the allowable capacity for these areas.

• Car park and trailer parking

Competitors are permitted to access their support vehicle during the event but will be requested to keep such activities to a minimum. Other areas of the circuit are to be avoided when accessing the carpark, and social distancing is to be observed at all times.

• Judicial Matters

Competitors must follow the requirements in the above paragraph for entering the sign-on shed to raise any judicial matters.

Evidence for judicial matter will be collected on the day. As far as possible, all judicial matters will be dealt with after the event by email or teleconference. Where a judicial matter must be dealt with on the day, the sign-on shed will be used. Social distancing will be observed at all times.