

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

Committee:	Speed Events Committee
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Proposed Regulation

Chapter 16 – Autocross, Rallycross and Off-Road Racing

Part B – Rallycross

Appendix 6 – Organisers Regulations

7. Practice and Starts

7.5 The **Start Grid** shall be notified at least 30 minutes before the start except when the finishing order in one Event affects the starting positions in a subsequent Event scheduled to start less than half an hour later. In such instance the starting positions shall be notified as soon as practicable.

- a. The Start Grid will be displayed on the Official Notice Board
- b. Any appeal concerning starting positions must be lodged within 30 minutes of their notification. Where the exception given in ~~b.~~ **Art. 7.5** above applies any appeal must be lodged not less than 10 minutes before the subsequent start.
- c. Each Vehicle will be allocated its pre-determined position on a starting grid and will be aligned in the correct position by the start marshal.

7.9. A false start occurs when a **Driver while** under Starter's orders **moves forward from the prescribed position. A false start is defined as any of the following either:**

- a. **Being** in an incorrect position on the grid; or
- b. **Moving** forward from the prescribed **starting** position; or
- c. **M**oving at the time that the red lights are extinguished.

Movement of the Vehicle within its designated starting zone before the Start is signalled shall not be considered a false start, unless any part of the Vehicle crosses its starting line, or the false start detection system (where in operation) indicates a false start.

7.9.1. When a false start occurs all **Drivers** must return to their original starting position and the start procedure will be restarted. This includes situations where the

start system has not been affected but a jump-start is reported by the **Judge of Fact**. The following penalties and procedures will apply:

- a) False Start Penalty – First Offence.
 - i. The Driver who caused the false start will be instructed to take the Joker Lap section twice in the session concerned.
 - ii. At circuits where no Joker Lap exists, the driver concerned will be placed on an additional row at the back of the grid for the re-start
- b) False Start Penalty – Second Offence
 - i. Any driver committing a second false start will be removed from the grid, not permitted to start and be classified as Disqualified from the session concerned

7.9.2. The Clerk of the Course may order a complete restart if the nominated Judge of Fact reports that they consider that the electronic equipment has failed and there to have been a faulty start.

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Reason: Clarification and incorporation of procedures and penalties which are currently covered by Championship Regulations.