

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

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Proposed Regulation

Chapter 1 – General Governance and Establishment

Appendix 1 – Definitions and Nomenclature

Decision. depending on the context a Decision in writing made by any of the ASN, an Event Official or the National Court.

Delivery. In relation to a Decision (and for the purpose of calculating any Appeal, Notice of Intention to Appeal, Right of Review, Protest or other judicial time limit arising from it), Delivery means the earliest in time of: (a) the written Decision being transmitted to the Competitor electronically or physically; or (b) the written Decision being published on the Official Noticeboard. It is the responsibility of the Competitor to monitor their digital communications and the Official Noticeboard.

Chapter 2 – Judicial

Appendix 3 – Judicial Procedures at Events

1.16. The Judicial Decision must be notified to the Competitor ~~but~~ **and** the Appeal period (App. 4 of this Chapter) ~~does not~~ **will** commence ~~until~~ **at the time of** ~~the Competitor has been notified in writing either in the hearing, by electronic notification or the time at which the Decision is posted on the Official Noticeboard whichever is the earliest in time the~~ **Delivery to the Competitor.** ~~It is the responsibility of the Competitor to monitor the Official Noticeboard.~~

Appendix 4 – Appeals

1.5. The Notice of Appeal must be received within 30 minutes of ~~the first notification~~ **Delivery** of the Decision to the Competitor.

1.7. ~~Any oral announcement of the Clerk's Decision shall NOT be the relevant time for the start of the 30 minute period. The period of 30 minutes shall commence at the time at which the written Notice of Decision is delivered to the Competitor.~~

1.8. ~~If the Clerk's Decision is delivered by e-mail or other electronic digital means as notified to Competitors in the Official Documents (such as the Official Noticeboard) then it shall be the earlier of the time at which the Decision email is sent or the time at which the Decision is posted on the Official~~

~~Noticeboard. It is the Competitor's responsibility to monitor their email and or to be aware of the Official Noticeboard.~~

1.16. Where permissible a Competitor has 30 minutes from ~~delivery~~ **Delivery** of the Stewards' Decision (~~Arts.1.7 and 1.8 above apply~~) to lodge any Notice of Intention to Appeal to the National Court. The National Court may in its entire discretion extend the time limit for delivery of such a Notice of Intention to Appeal.

1.23.

Nature of Appeal	Time Limit
(a) Appeals against the Refusal of Entry	Within 48 hours of the Competitor receiving notice of refusal in any case no later than 24 hours before the Competition starts unless in accordance with Ch.2 App.7 Art.7.2..
(b) Appeals against handicap, make up of a heat, or qualification for a heat or final	Not less than one hour before the time laid down for the start of the competition, heat, or final
(c) Appeals against a decision of a Scrutineer or Technical Commissioner, by the Competitor directly concerned	Within 30 minutes of Delivery of that Decision being notified to that Competitor
(d) Appeals against any mistake or irregularity occurring whilst the competition is taking place	Within 30 minutes of the Appellant finishing the competition
(e) Appeals concerning the results of a competition	Within 30 minutes of the publication of provisional results or any amendments thereto, or, if results are published in accordance with Ch.3 App.6 Art 1.1.c and 1.1.d
(f) Appeals against a decision of the Clerk of the Course not falling within (a) to (e) inclusive	Within 30 minutes from the time of the decision notified in writing to Delivery of the Decision to the Competitor (Ch.2 App.3 Art.1.16 applies).
(g) Appeals against a decision of the Stewards of the Event	Within 30 minutes from the time of the first communication of Delivery of the Decision to the Competitor (Ch.2 App.7 Art.5).

Appendix 5 – Judicial Proceedings before Championship Stewards

1.16. Any Appeal to the National Court must be brought by the Competitor no later than ~~seven (7) calendar days next following the date on which the written Decision was delivered to the Competitor~~ **30 minutes from Delivery of the Decision, save that where the Decision is provided in writing only after the conclusion of the Event, the Appeal must be brought within ninety-six (96) hours from Delivery of the Decision.**

1.17. ~~Where a Decision is delivered to the Competitor electronically then the date of delivery shall be deemed the date on which the Decision is sent. If it is sent by Signed for First Class post then the date of delivery shall be deemed to be the second (2nd) business day next following the date of posting.~~

1.20. The prescribed Appeal Fee (see Ch.1 App.2) must be paid to the ASN within ~~the same period of~~ seven (7) calendar days **from the date of the Appeal being submitted.**

Appendix 7 – National Court Practice Direction

5.4. Written Notice of Intention to Appeal to the National Court accompanied by an undertaking to pay the correct fee (Ch.1 App.2) must be given to the Event Secretary or Clerk of the Course or, their deputies or in the case of a Decision of Championship Stewards then to the Championship Co-ordinator within 30 minutes of ~~the time of the first communication of~~ **Delivery of** the Decision.

5.6. Where the Decision being appealed is only delivered in writing then:

- a. If delivered at the Event the time limit for submission is 30 minutes after ~~the Decision is transmitted to the Competitor~~ **Delivery.**
- b. If delivered after the conclusion of the Event then the Notice of Intention to Appeal must be ~~delivered~~ **received** within ~~7 days of the time and date at which the Decision was delivered~~ **ninety-six (96) hours from Delivery of the Decision.**

6.4. Written Notice of Intention to Appeal to the National Court must be given to the Event Secretary or, Clerk of the Course or their deputies or, in the case of a Decision of Championship Stewards then to the Championship Co-ordinator within 30 minutes ~~announcement of~~ **Delivery of** the Decision.

6.6. Where the Decision being appealed is only delivered in writing then:

- a. If delivered at the Event the time limit for submission is 30 minutes after ~~the Decision is transmitted to the Competitor~~ **Delivery.**
- b. If delivered after the conclusion of the Event then the Notice of Intention to Appeal must be ~~delivered~~ **received** within ~~7 days of the time and date at which the Decision was delivered~~ **ninety-six (96) hours from Delivery of the Decision.**

Appendix 10 – Right of Review

1.6. The Application for Review must, subject to Art.1.16 below, together with a Fee Undertaking be received no later than ~~7 calendar days next following the date of~~ **ninety-six (96) hours from Delivery of** the Decision.

Date of Implementation: 01 January 2027**Reason:**

The Judicial Committee has identified that the current NCR provisions express the start of appeal, right of review and related judicial time limits in several inconsistent and at times contradictory ways - variously by reference to "first notification", "first communication", "announcement", oral announcement, written notification and electronic posting. This creates uncertainty for Competitors and Officials as to precisely when a time limit begins to run.

A single defined term, "Delivery", is introduced in Chapter 1 to fix one clear trigger - the earliest of a noted electronic or physical transmission of the written Decision, or publication on the Official Noticeboard. All appeal and right of review time limits arising from a Decision are amended to run from Delivery, removing the contradictory formulations.

All post-Event Judicial process windows are also amended for alignment:

- (i) The Right of Review application window (Ch.2 App.10 Art.1.6) is reduced to ninety-six (96) hours from Delivery to match the FIA ISC.
- (ii) Written-only Decisions issued after an Event (Ch.2 App.7 Arts.5.6(b) and 6.6(b)) are amended from 7 days to **ninety-six (96) hours** from Delivery.
- (iii) Championship Stewards' Decisions (Ch.2 App.5) are brought into line with the Event-level scheme: 30 minutes from Delivery, save that where the Decision is provided in writing only after the conclusion of the Event the window is **ninety-six (96) hours** from Delivery.