

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

Committee:	Race Committee
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Closing date for consultation:	3 rd January 2025
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Proposed Regulation

NCR Ch 12, Ap 12, Art 3

3. Driver Personal Safety Equipment

- 3.1. A **Driver** shall throughout the **Competition** wear properly fastened and positioned:
- A crash helmet to a standard specified in the current **Regulations** and bearing an **ASN** approval sticker, which fits properly and is in a serviceable condition (see Ch.9 Art.5 - 9).
 - Goggles or visor of splinter-proof material (unless in a closed **Vehicle** with a full-size windscreen in use) sufficient to protect their eyes.
 - Flame Resistant Overalls** which shall cover arms, legs and the torso up to the neck. The use of flame-resistant ~~balacava~~ socks and underwear is strongly recommended (**mandatory from 1 January 2026**). Flame resistant **balacava**, gloves and shoes are mandatory.
 - For **Events** outside the UK the mandatory minimum standards for **Drivers** in **Circuit Racing** would normally be **FIA** specification personal protection equipment.
 - An **FIA** approved FHR device fitted in accordance with Ch.9 Art.10 is mandatory for **Drivers** in **Circuit Racing** except for **Period Defined Vehicles** for which it is recommended.

Date of Implementation: Immediate

Reason: Following fires resulting in facial burns Race Committee were asked by Safety Committee to consider mandating the use of balaclavas which are currently strongly recommended. During this discussion the recommendation of flame resistant underwear and socks was also reevaluated.

FIA guidance on protective clothing is available here:

https://www.fia.com/sites/default/files/guidelines_safety_clothing_web_0.pdf

The Committee supported the proposal to mandate the use of flame resistant balaclavas for the 2025 season and also that flame resistant underwear and socks should be mandated from 1st January 2026.