



What do Motorsport Officials do?

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Welcome to the exciting world of Motorsport.

A Motorsport event is a speed competition between motor vehicles and their drivers around a designated course (the circuit or track). There are many variations of competition from Racing to Time trials, and many different categories of motor vehicles, from Mini's to Formula One, and numerous types in between.

The often forgotten people of Motorsport are the **Officials and Volunteers**. They ensure that Motorsport events run in a safe and smooth manner, on time, and that the rules of the sport are followed by the teams and competitors. Every single official is part of a large overall team that works together for the benefit of each other, the competitors and that of the event.

Motorsport Officials must hold a Motorsport Australia Official's Licence and a Working with Children (WWC) Card. Should you not have a licence, an application form can be downloaded from the Motorsport Australia website at: <https://motorsport.org.au/>, and a WWC online application can be made at: <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>.

All officials must sign-on, each day when they arrive at the track. Signing-on is a necessary step not just to confirm your attendance at an event, but also to register you for personal accident and indemnity insurances that are in place. Further details are available from Motorsport Australia at: <https://motorsport.org.au/clubs/insurance>, and through the club if required.

As a PIARC official (including members of our partner specialist groups such as TMA, VFRS, VFT MUCC Timing and Timetronics), you are part of a group of Motorsport Australia licenced officials responsible for the conduct of the event.

At the end of this document you will find a PIARC Officials Registration Form. If you are interested in becoming a PIARC Official, please complete the form and return to us either by mail, electronically or by handing it in at the control tower during an event.

This document covers the many roles that officials perform at an event and aims to give you a high-level picture of how an event functions. For more detailed information these and other support roles please refer to the Motorsport Australia handbook.

Non Trackside Teams



Timing Team

It is the timekeepers whose task to record the time of every lap of every car during all practice, qualifying and race sessions, and who produce the printed results of each event for distribution to the teams, media and others.



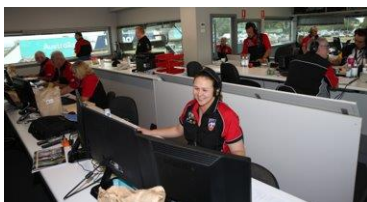
Administration Team

Cover the Secretary of the Event and their staff, and other specifically involved in the administration of all the track activities, and the race organization.



Stewards

Are appointed by Motorsport Australia (Formerly CAMS) to adjudicate on matters of difference between competitors or officials and competitors, accept appeals and to endorse the results.



Race Control Team

Includes the Clerk of Course and their Deputy and Assistant. The CofC must ensure in conjunction with other senior officials that the circuit and Race Control are set up in the most appropriate way possible to allow them to carry out their responsibilities. Also, in Race Control you will find the Emergency Coordinator, Chief of Communications and Judges of Fact.

Pit and Paddock Teams



Scrutiny Team

Made up of scrutineers whose duty is to check all cars for safety and eligibility before they go onto the track at the event, then to examine any cars involved in any incidents.



Paddock Team

Paddock officials have control over the paddock area and are responsible for the safe movement of Race cars, support vehicles and people in the paddock area.



Marshalling Team (Pre Grid)

Marshalling (or Pre Grid) is the area where race cars assemble in the correct order prior to being allowed onto the racetrack.



Pit Lane Team

The Pit Lane Team are responsible for directing traffic and solving issues within the pit lane area, including operation of Pit Exit, supervision of driver penalties, etc. They control vehicles and people in the pit lane. The team is also responsible for the opening and closing of pit lane at the direction of Race Control.



Grid Team

The Grid Marshals ensure the race vehicles start a race in the correct order and the correct position. Along with the Pit Team, they display yellow flags should there be a start line incident, such as a stalled car.



Starter Team

The Starter and their assistants are responsible for the correct starting and ending of trackside events. It is the role of the Starter to have control of the field of cars before race start and is under the direction of Race Control. They are also the ones who get to wave the chequered flag!

Trackside Vehicle Based Teams

Race Control Team

The Race Control Team consists of a number of agencies working under the control of the Clerk of the Course via the Assistant Clerk of the Course (Operations) through the race control radio network.



Course Car Team

The Course Car Team consists of a number of trained personnel (including the Course Marshal) who operate the course car. They open and close the track, carry out track inspections and provide incident control where required.



Safety Car Team

The Safety Car Team consists of a trained driver and observer who operate the safety car which is used to control the field in the case of an incident during a race session.



Boundary Rider Team

The Boundary Rider Team is a team of mobile officials on motorcycles. They assist with the pick-up and delivery of small items and reports between marshal points, race control and other places around the race track.

Emergency Services Team

The Emergency Services Team consists of a number of agencies working under the control of the Clerk of the Course via the Emergency Services Coordinator through the emergency services radio network.



Medical Team

The Medical Team consists of several medical, paramedical and non-medical personnel who operate the medical intervention vehicles, ambulances, medical centre and foot posts. It is their responsibility to provide medical assistance to drivers, crew members and officials involved at an event.



Fire & Rescue Team

The Fire & Rescue Team consists of several trained personnel who operate the fire vehicles and foot posts. It is their responsibility to provide fire-fighting facilities both on track and in the pits/paddock. They also provide rescue facilities and work with the medical team in extricating drivers trapped in their car as a result of an incident.



Recovery Team

The Recovery Team consists of trained personnel who operate the 4WD recovery vehicles and tow trucks. It is their responsibility to recover cars stranded due to mechanical failure or incident. They also provide assistance in track cleaning, debris removal and barrier repairs.



Services Team

The Services Team consists of several trained personnel who operate the service vehicles to aid all officials with drinks, lunches and trackside equipment. They also operate the oil clean-up buggy and aid in track cleaning, debris removal and barrier repairs.

Trackside Marshalling Teams



Sector Marshals Team

The Sector Marshals are a group of Senior Officials who are responsible to race control for the trackside management of individual sectors of the circuit. They are in direct radio contact with race control through the race control radio network and are mobile within their sector.



Flag Marshals Team

The Flag Marshals provide information to drivers on racing conditions in the following sector by the display of appropriate international standard coloured flags. They also indicate closely following, or passing, cars. They are located at nominated trackside marshal points.



Communication Marshals Team

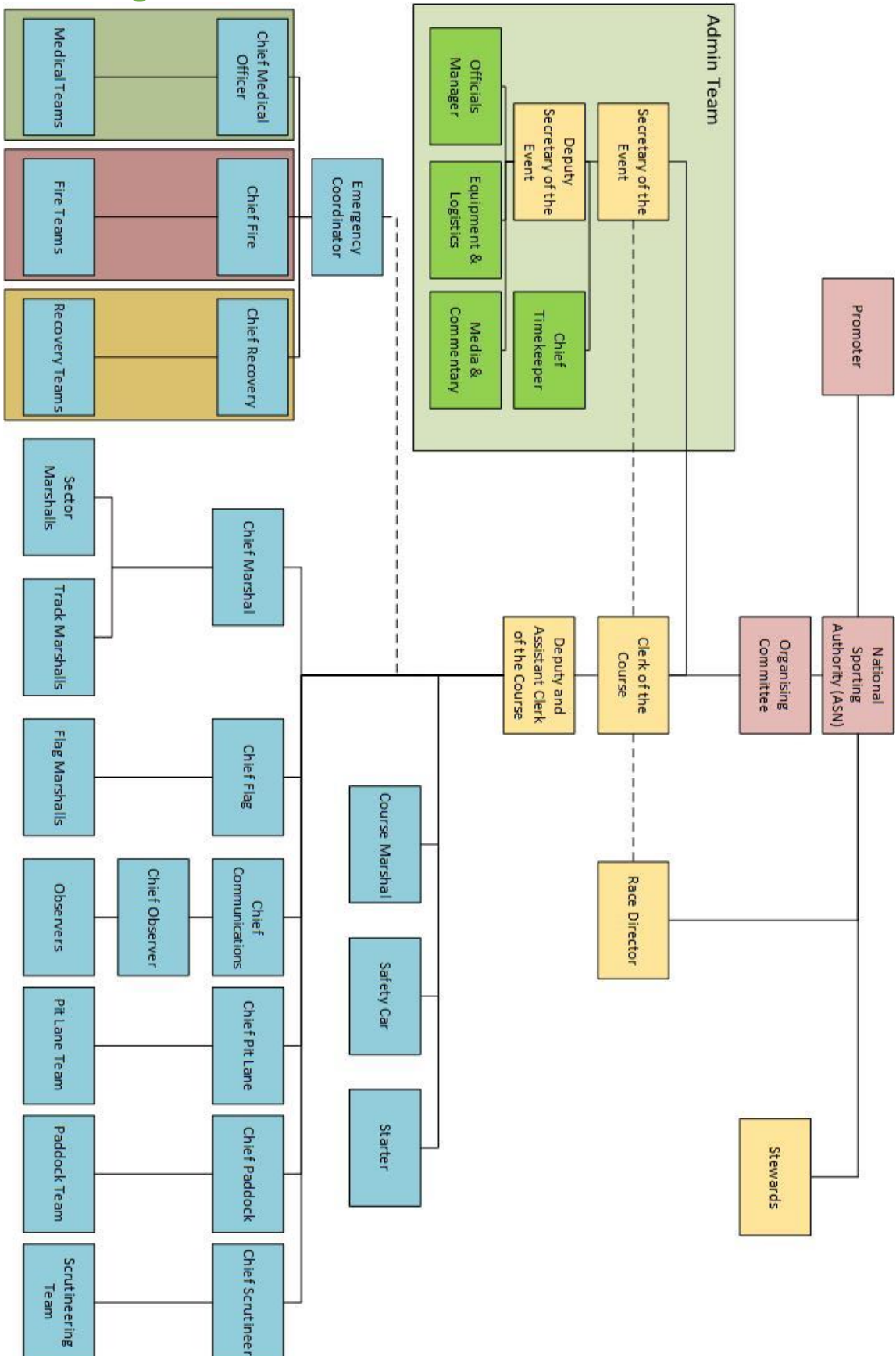
The Communication Marshals are in two way contact with race control, either by radio or land line, and provide information on track conditions, incidents, car mechanical issues and driver behaviour. They are located at nominated trackside marshal points.



Track Marshals Team

The Track Marshals are located at nominated trackside marshal points and assist other marshals in their area with track management such as, cleaning off dirt, gravel or debris, assisting with oil clean-up and assisting with vehicle recovery, if necessary. They may provide a first intervention in the case of a vehicle fire.

Event Organisation Chart





PHILLIP ISLAND AUTO RACING CLUB LTD. OFFICIALS REGISTRATION FORM

Your details will be added to the PIARC Official's Register when this form is completed and returned to: **Phillip Island Auto Racing Club – PO Box 6091, Vermont South VIC 3133**
Or emailed to: officials@piarc.com.au or handed in at the Control Tower.

****Please note that as a result of completing and submitting this form, you consent to being contacted by PIARC to gauge your interest in officiating at one of our events****

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THE FORM AND PRINT CLEARLY

Name: DoB (if under 18).....

Address: Suburb: P/Code:

Home Phone: Work Phone: Mobile Phone:.....

Email address: **(please print carefully)**

I would prefer to have Officiating information emailed to me at the address above (please delete as appropriate) Yes / No

Current team at Phillip Island: Team preferred (if any):

Motorsport clubs: Other motorsport licences or experience:

Motorsport Australia Official's Licence #: Gratings held: Expiry Date:

Do you have a **WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARD?** Yes / No. (If no, you will need to get one to be able to work at a Motorsport Event in Victoria by going to: www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au .and applying online)

Emergency contact: Emergency contact number:

Official's Signature: Date:

PARENT/ GUARDIAN* CONSENT – must be completed for persons under 18 years of age.

I of [Address] am the parent/ guardian* of the above-named ("the minor") who is under 18 years of age. I have read this document and understand its contents, including the exclusion of liability and assumption of risk, and have explained the contents to the minor. I consent to the minor attending/ participating in the event at their own risk.

Signed by Parent/Guardian*(delete as appropriate): Date:

MOTORSPORT IS DANGEROUS

In registering to participate as an official, I acknowledge that there are risks associated with attending or participating in an Event, including the risk that I may suffer harm as a result of:

- motor vehicles (or parts of them) colliding with other motor vehicles, persons or property;
- acts of violence and other harmful acts (whether intentional or inadvertent) committed by persons attending or participating in the Event; and
- the failure or unsuitability of facilities (including grand-stands, fences and guard rails) to ensure the safety of persons or property at the Event, and
- Motorsport is dangerous and that accidents causing harm can and do happen and may happen to me.

RISK WARNING, DISCLAIMER AND INDEMNITY

All officials will be required to sign on at each Event they attend and agree to the Risk Warning, Disclaimer and Indemnity presented at the Event. The most recent revision of this document can be located on the Motorsport Australia website, www.motorsport.org.au.