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GENERAL

- 1.1 All matters pertaining to the conduct of GTC and SupaCup Championship Meetings and the operation and recognition of GTC cars and SupaCup cars will be regulated by these Rules.

- 1.2 The Rules are subject to the general authority of MSA and, in a case where any such provision is in direct conflict with any rule of MSA, the GTC Championship SSRs shall prevail unless clearly stated to the contrary.
- 1.3 Unless expressly authorised by these Rules, no interpretation, modification or change to anything whatsoever referred to in these Rules is permitted. Unless otherwise and implicitly stated, all rules that imply the nomenclature GTC, will also apply to SupaCup as they are envisaged as one series, albeit with different technical regulations.
- 1.4 GCR 226 INTERPRETATION OF REGULATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS
In interpreting motorsport regulations and specifications "what is not specifically permitted is disallowed" is the normal concept in keeping with the French regulations on which all motor sporting regulations are based.

2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 Controllers – defined as the GTC Management Team, the membership of which will be advised by way of an MSA Circular distributed at the start of the 2022 season.
- 2.2 Technical Controllers – the Technical Consultants (GCR167) appointed by GTC and SupaCup to monitor conformance to the regulations, hereinafter TC.
For ease of communication the common meaning of Controller or Technical Controller or TC shall be applied. Refer GTC Sporting Regulations art 23.
- 2.3 Starter: A starter is defined as outlined in GCR 230 and is the applicable definition to be used when reading this regulation.
- 2.4 A driver classified as a starter in terms of GCR 230 shall remain a starter for the duration of the race meeting concerned, regardless of attrition during the individual races.
- 2.5 A “competitor” in terms of GCR 230, for the purpose of the Global Touring Car Championship, is considered to be a car/driver combination, and in the case where two or more drivers are mandatory for any particular race, the car/drivers in combination will constitute only one competitor.
- 2.6 Deviations:
Should a specific model of car not be able to comply with the regulations as published for a technical reason, the entrant may apply for a deviation to the rule, based on sound technical grounds. The application will be considered by the TC’s in consultation with the Controllers, and if approved will be published as a deviation for all cars of the make/model. The TC’s decision will be final.
- 2.7 Dispensations:
Should a specific car not be able to comply with the regulations as published for a temporary technical reason, such as parts unavailability, temporary crash repairs, etc, the entrant may apply for a dispensation, based on sound technical grounds. The application, in writing, fully detailing the dispensation sought, will be considered by the Controllers, and if approved will be published as a dispensation for a specific car for one event only. The TC’s decision will be final.
- 2.8 Technical Passport (TP)
A document prepared for each car which contains all the technical details including deviations and upgrades for the specific car. The document is car specific and remains with the car for the life of the car.

3. AIM OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 3.1 To declare a Global Touring Car Driver National Champion as well as a GTC SupaCup National Driver Champion
- 3.2 To declare a Global Touring Car Manufacturer Champion.
- 3.3 To declare a GTC SupaCup Masters Interprovincial Challenge Winner.
Masters entries will be accepted for drivers from the year of their turning 40 years old.

If a competitor is between the ages of 40 and 50 years old and has previously won a National Championship title in Circuit racing, they will be not classified as a Masters entry until the year of their 50th birthday.

- 3.4 The classification of such competitors into classes shall be at the sole discretion of the controllers.
- 3.5 A separate podium event will be held for the Masters top 3 finishes.
- 3.6 Competitors in GTC shall score points as per these regulations for the Global Touring Car Driver and Manufacturer Championship, as well as the SupaCup Driver Championship.
- 3.7 Both Championships as well as the Masters Interprovincial Challenge, shall score points separately according to a scale of points determined by the controllers as per art 12.5
- 3.8 **MSA shall not declare Champion/s or Challenge Winners should there not have been at least an average of six (6) starters in the applicable classes (GTC, GTC SupaCup and GTC SupaCup Masters individually) across the championship season.**

4. REGULATIONS

- 4.1 All GTC races will be held under the General Competition Rules (GCR's) and Standing Supplementary Regulations (SSR's) of MSA, as well as the Supplementary Regulations (SR's) as issued by the promoters.

5. ELIGIBILITY OF DRIVERS AND CARS

- 5.1 The GTC and SupaCup Championships will be open to cars complying with the Global Touring Car Championship Standing Supplementary Regulations (SSR's).
- 5.2 Organisers may not accept any car which does not comply with the Global Touring Car Championship SSR's, and which has not been accepted for Global Touring Car Racing by the controllers.
- 5.3 No Global Touring Car Championship event may be combined with other events unless specifically permitted by the controllers.
- 5.4 All other prospective new competitors in the series must obtain the prior written approval of the GTC and SupaCup controllers to be issued with the necessary competition licenses by MSA and this will be assessed on a case-by-case basis in consultation with MSA. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The permissible age for SupaCup is 18 years old unless the competitor applying to participate has competed in the National Polo Cup or National F1600 series for a minimum of 1 (one) year in which case they may be 16 years old. Competitors who are younger than 18 years old who have had international experience in circuit racing will be considered. Refer to SSR 1.
- 5.5 The driver/car combination that qualifies must race as such, without any change to that combination.
- 5.6 Entrants must quote on the entry form the competition number of the car he/she will drive when entering for a GTC National Championship race meeting.
- 5.7 It is forbidden for drivers/teams to make use of 'spare' cars during a championship event. The issued chassis/safety cage number allotted to each car will be used as a control measure. Category TCs will be responsible for affixing numbers to the roll cages in an area specified by the controllers.
- 5.8 A car driven in a championship race shall have only one nominated driver whose name shall appear on the entry form, unless the SR's of the event allows a change of driver or car, or requires two or more drivers for a specific race meeting. Refer GCR's 99 (vii), 152 (viii), 238.
- 5.9 Only the entered driver may drive the car in the official qualifying session/sessions and races.

6. COMPETITION NUMBERS

- 6.1 Refer GCR 246, GCR 247(i) and 248. SSR 4.

- 6.2 All GTC cars entered for a national championship race meeting must be fitted with a competition number, which will be supplied by the GTC. All GTC and SupaCup numbers will be allocated by VW Motorsport, contact Desiree Jacoby – desiree.jacoby@vwsa.co.za.
- 6.3 **Competition numbers must be displayed on each side of the vehicle:**
- 6.3.1 On the rear side windows, with the driver's name below the number.
- 6.3.2 The colour of the number must be "Day-Glo Yellow" for GTC and "Day-Glo Orange" for SupaCup cars.
- 6.3.3 The text height must be 200mm.
- 6.3.4 Font must be Helvetica Bold Condensed.
- 6.4 **Front Windscreen:**
- 6.4.1 The competition number must be displayed on the left top corner of the front windscreen.
- 6.4.2 The text height must be 150mm.
- 6.4.3 Font must be Helvetica Bold Condensed.
- 6.5 **Rear window:**
- 6.5.1 The competition number must be displayed on the upper area of the top right hand corner driver's side of the rear window.
- 6.5.2 The text height must be 150mm.
- 6.5.3 Font must be Helvetica Bold Condensed.
- 6.5.4 On-board driver information, must be approved by GTC as per template to be supplied. No variation is permitted to their size, information or placement.

7. SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 7.1 Series sponsorship and advertising material must be affixed in the specified positions as stipulated in these regulations or in an MSA Circular, **from the start of practice session 1 of all events**
- 7.2 Competitors are reminded that, in terms of GCR 246, those who do not display the advertising material and numbers as required will not be allowed to compete, unless they get written approval from the Controllers.
- 7.3 All Advertising material and decals may not be defaced, modified or cut in anyway.
- 7.4 All competitors entered in the GTC or SupaCup Championship have to display all advertising of all series sponsors in the allocated areas for the full duration of the Championship, only on the written approval of the Controllers will a competitor be waived of this ruling.
- 7.5 **The following areas of the race cars remain for the sole use of the Controllers:**
- 7.5.1 Front and rear windscreens (top).
- 7.5.2 Front and rear number plates.
- 7.5.3 Left and right-side sill panel in its entirety.

8. NAMING RIGHTS SPONSORSHIP

- 8.1 Unless a competitor has written approval obtained from the Controllers, which allows the competitor to replace the Naming Rights Sponsorship requirements, the Competitor must:
- 8.1.1 Display the branding on the front and rear top windscreen positions.
- 8.1.2 Use the supplied cloth badge to be affixed on their race overalls on the right breast pocket 100mm x 40mm area.
- 8.1.3 The official series sponsor cap must be worn during interviews and Podium ceremonies.

9. SERIES FUEL SPONSORSHIP

GTC reserves the right to appoint a fuel supplier, currently the supplier is AMTEC with 110 octane fuel. SupaCup cars are mandated to use pump fuel as specified in the event SRs and will be determined by coastal or highveld circuits – refer to the 2022 SupaCup Recognition Form, Article 18.3

10. TYRE SPONSORSHIP

The competitor must:

- 10.1 Use the specified Dunlop race tyres sourced from Automotive Technology Specialists (Pty) Ltd only.
- 10.2 Display the supplied Dunlop branding as determined before race 1 of the series.
- 10.3 Use the supplied Dunlop badge to be affixed on their race overalls on the left sleeve.

11. DRIVERS NAME

- 11.1 Every competitor is to display the surname of the driver on both rear side windows.
- 11.2 A minimum font height of 100mm high is to be used and printed in Helvetica Bold text.
- 11.3 The lettering is to be white only.
- 11.4 The driver's name is to be placed on the bottom of each rear side window.

12. CHAMPIONSHIP DETAILS

- 12.1 The GTC National Driver's Championship shall be open to drivers participating in the GTC Championship and there will be only one GTC National Drivers Champion and one GTC SupaCup National Drivers Champion for the season. There will also be one GTC SupaCup Masters Interprovincial Challenge Winner.
- 12.2 The respective Championship winners shall be the drivers accumulating the greatest number of points during the season in the respective Championships.
- 12.3 The Championship dates and venues are as per the MSA Motorsport Calendar or as stipulated in a MSA Circular.
- 12.4 All races will be taken into account in determining the championship.
- 12.5 Points will be scored in the individual races (not race meetings) on the following basis:

1 st	-	20 points
2 nd	-	17 points
3 rd	-	14 points
4 th	-	12 points
5 th	-	10 points
6 th	-	8 points
7 th	-	6 points
8 th	-	4 points
9 th	-	2 points
10 th	-	1 point
- 12.6 A point will be awarded for pole position of race 1 as well as fastest lap in both heats.
- 12.7 Reserved.
- 12.8 Reserved.
- 12.9 Reserved.
- 12.10 The controllers (GTC) reserve the right to award a cash prize to the winner of the GTC Drivers Championship. In the event that such prize is to be awarded the value thereof will be announced and communicated to competitors by the end of September each year by means of an MSA Circular.

13. MANUFACTURERS CHAMPIONSHIP

- 13.1 Points towards this championship will be scored in the GTC Championship only.
- 13.2 Only the first two (2) cars of any marque will score points in a class.

- 13.3 Points will be scored according to actual finishing position only, i.e. if one marque fills the first six places in a race no points will be allocated for 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th places with the next placed manufacturer scoring 7th place points.
- 13.4 Points will be scored, for the GTC class (not race meetings) on the following basis:
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| 1 st | - | 20 points |
| 2 nd | - | 17 points |
| 3 rd | - | 14 points |
| 4 th | - | 12 points |
| 5 th | - | 10 points |
| 6 th | - | 8 points |
| 7 th | - | 6 points |
| 8 th | - | 4 points |
| 9 th | - | 2 points |
| 10 th | - | 1 point |
- 13.5 Should at least 2 other brands join SupaCup, the Manufacturer's Championship will be scored as above.

14. SEPARATION OF TIES

- 14.1 The competitor with the greater number of first places in all championship races (not race meetings) will be declared the champion.
- 14.2 If this does not resolve the tie then the greater number of second positions, then third positions and so on will be used to resolve the tie.
- 14.3 If a tie still remains, MSA (in consultation with the Controllers) will declare a winner on such basis as it deems fit.

15. TIMING TRANSPONDER

- 15.1 The timing transponder as supplied by the Organisers (Refer GCR 71 & 72) must be used, and fitted in the specified place. All timing transponders to be fitted on the left-hand side of the car to the upright portion of the main roll bar. It must be visible from outside and the height to be in the centre of the side windows. Note: no drilling into or welding onto the main rollbar. Use clamps.

16. SAFETY APPAREL AND EQUIPMENT

- 16.1 Refer to GTC Tech Regs Art 10.

17. QUALIFYING AND RACES

- 17.1 There may be a one, two or 3 race format races at each race meeting, except where force majeure dictates otherwise.
- 17.2 **Races (not events)**
- 17.2.1 In general, race 1 shall not be less than 12 laps or 40 kilometres in length, whichever is the lesser; Race 2 will adopt longer races as determined by the controllers.
- 17.2.2 Will be a rolling start with the exception of the single long-distance race for SupaCup cars, which will be a standing start.
- 17.2.3 However, when, the Controllers and / or TC's, due to tyre degradation and safety concerns deem it fit (in consultation with the CoC) to reduce the length of the individual session or race, they may do so.
- 17.2.4 A Competitor is required to maintain his grid position until such time as the lights have been extinguished failing which, he will be deemed to have jumped the start and shall have a 30 second penalty added to his race time. Should any car not be within 1 car

length of the car in front, he will be deemed to be either baulking or have a technical problem and may be passed.

- 17.2.5 SupaCup front row competitors will keep a reasonable distance behind the GTC field, so that the starting lights may be reset and extinguished to start their race.
- 17.3 The controllers reserve the right to have one long distance race instead of 2 shorter heats. Where one sprint race and 1 long distance race are scheduled, points will remain as per 12.5
- 17.4 The Organisers must allocate at least one hour of practice sessions prior to the commencement of official qualifying.
- 17.5 Any vehicle not displaying the specified decals in the correct positions may be precluded from participation or excluded by the Clerk of the Course, acting on the recommendation of the controllers.
- 17.6 The addition of liquid (be it fuel, water or any such liquid) or mass to a car during qualifying or a race is expressly forbidden and contravention of this regulation will result in the offending competitor's recorded times being disallowed.
- 17.7 All cars must report for weighing before entering the pits during or after qualifying and all races. Refer GTC Tech Regs art 16
- 17.8 Reserved.
- 17.9 Global Touring Car Championship grids will be formulated as follows:
- 17.9.1 **Qualifying.** The fastest car in qualifying shall start from pole position in race 1 for each of their respective classes. Second fastest will start from second position and so forth down to the last car of each class. Each class shall have its own grid positions and other classes will not be in between. If a GTC car fails to establish a qualifying time or establishes a time which will put him in the middle of the SupaCup class he shall be allocated a slot at the rear of his class.
- 17.9.2 **Race 1 grid** will be formed up according to the times established in official qualifying including penalties, and cars shall be grouped according to Class.
- 17.9.3 **Race 2 grid**
GTC: Race 2 grid will be determined by reversing *the top 6* of the finishing order of GTC from Race 1, excluding penalties. If the Race 2 grid has less than 6 starters then the full grid reverses, excluding penalties.
SupaCup: Race 2 grid will be determined by reversing the top 6 of the finishing order of SupaCup from Race 1, excluding penalties. The remainder of the grid (7th down) will be formulated from the finishing order in Race 1.
Competitors who did not finish race 1 or did not start race 1 will start behind the reversed grid in race 2. This rule will apply to GTC and SupaCup in their respective classes. In the event of a longer race being scheduled for race 2, the entire grid will be reversed for GTC only.
- 17.10 Reserved
- 17.11 GTC will qualify in a separate session from SupaCup.

18. SAFETY CAR

- 18.1 In addition to MSA Circuit Racing SSR 45, the CoC has the right to order the intervention of the Safety Car at any time. Should this occur, cars will follow the Safety Car in single file, maintaining their positions until the Safety Car is withdrawn and the lead car has passed the start/finish line.

19. RESERVED

20. PRACTICE/TESTING

- 20.1 Each GTC Team must nominate a home circuit and may only test at the nominated home circuit throughout the 2022 season. The nominated team home circuits will be:

Zwartkops: WCT Engineering.
Fast Developments.

- Universal Motorsport.
Redstar: Volkswagen Motorsport.
- 20.2 A one-hour session will be scheduled at each nominated non-home circuit on the Thursday afternoon of the race weekend for a shakedown session for GTC and Supacup.
The dates and nominated non-home circuits are:
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| 03 Feb 2022 | Killarney Race Track, Cape Town. |
| 26 May 2022 | Aldo Scribante Circuit, Port Elizabeth. |
| 04 Aug 2022 | East London Grand Prix Circuit. To be confirmed pending track availability for the scheduled Thursday practice session. |
- 20.3 SupaCup competitors who utilize their cars in other series are permitted to enter events at circuits other than their nominated circuit but may NOT hire a circuit for testing other than their nominated test circuit.
- 20.4 The Controllers may permit alternative practice arrangements ON WRITTEN APPLICATION.
- 20.5 Infringement of the testing rules (art 20) will carry a 5-grid place drop for the start of race 1 of the next event for each car and driver in the illegal test. The competitor may also be excluded from qualifying for repeated transgressions.
- 20.6 The Fast Development, VW Motorsport and Universal Health Teams have the option of two test days at non-home circuits. The option expires on 31 July 2022.
- 20.7 No circuit may be used for practice / testing in the week prior to the scheduled championship race meeting at the particular circuit, until the start of official practice as detailed in the SR's for the event in question. The three nominated Thursday 1-hour sessions excluded. In clarification, if official practice commences on a Friday morning, the circuit is not available for practice or testing for all GTC and SupaCup teams from midnight on the previous Thursday, a clear seven days beforehand. This "week before" regulation also applies to home circuits.

21. RESERVED

22. DATA LOGGING AND DATA SHARING POLICY

22.1 Data Logging

22.1.1 GTC:

All GTC competitors are required to use the Life data logger as part of the Life ECU system or any other system specified by GTC to record the required data during qualifying and the races. The required data is GPS car speed, engine rpm, throttle position, absolute inlet manifold boost pressure and ignition timing to equalise performance. More channels may be recorded for the competitor's own use. Additional data may be requested by the TC's.

22.1.2 Reserved

22.1.3 The onus is on competitors to ensure that credible, unmanipulated data is available to the TC's. Competitors not ensuring data availability and not complying with the necessary requirements for fitting data loggers as instructed, and ensuring that boost sensor tubes are not in any way blocked, leaking or kinked and that power supply is sufficient and download cables for computer data systems are available, will be considered not to be in compliance with the series technical regulations, such competitors will be penalised accordingly. For not being able to supply complete and correct data when required to do so, 20 seconds will be added to the competitor's race time for the first offence. Additional penalties may be applied, based on the TC's recommendation to the CoC.

22.1.4 Competitors may not remove their race vehicles from parc fermé after the last race of the day until they have completed all checks, including data downloading, and have been cleared by the TC's. Failure to comply with any of the above conditions will result in a penalty as per GCR 177.

22.2 Data Sharing

- 22.2.1 **GTC:** All data from practice 1 to the final heat, collected by or on behalf of GTC including without limitation all data from in-car cameras shall be made available to GTC. The TC's may disclose the data to third parties for any reasonable purpose. All data collected excluding in-car camera footage, is available to all competitors with the permission of the TC's. Data will be made available after the last practice session on Friday or before qualifying if also held on the Friday and at the end of race day. The TC's will request the teams to download data in Parc Fermé after which the TC and the team representatives will inspect the data for transgressions. The teams will collect the data on team memory stick.
- 22.2.2 **SupaCup:** Competitors will be allowed access to the data of the fastest lap set in each practice and qualifying session. Race Data will not be shared. The competitor whose data is shared with fellow competitors may choose the fastest lap data from anybody he or she chooses in that particular session. It is the responsibility of that competitor (Fastest in that session) to come and inform the Data Technician of who's data they request. This must be requested from the Data Technician within 30 minutes after that session. Where competitors are part of a larger team, the data will be supplied on a memory stick once only. This data will only be available at the end of Day 1 and where Qualifying is on Day 2, the data will be available after Qualifying before the start of Race 1.

23. TECHNICAL CONTROLLER (TC)

- 23.1 Technical Consultant/s (TC's) nominated by GTC will attend Global Touring Car Championship races to ensure compliance of all technical aspects. Volkswagen Motorsport will provide SupaCup TCs. These names will be published on an MSA Circular
- 23.2 For the Technical Consultant's duties and powers see GCR 167.
- 23.3 The TC's will manage all the technical aspects.
- 23.4 The TC's will do pre-race scrutineering via a walk around and will document all findings. There will be no requirement for the Global Touring Car Championship competitors to have cars scrutineered by the scrutineer of the day as per the SR's. The TC will be responsible for scrutineering and will have full authority over the Chief Scrutineer, and is declared to have non-protestable powers to determine any safety related matter concerning the cars and associated equipment, including but not limited to driver's apparel.

24. IN-CAR CAMERAS

- 24.1 In-car cameras are mandatory for driver conduct reviews as specified by SSR 25.5.2 and 25.5.3
- 24.2 The only cameras allowed to be used by GTC in events are:
Garmin Dash Cam Tandem.
Garmin Dash Cam Mini 2.
Go-Pro Hero 10 Video System.
VBox HD 2 Video System.
- 24.3 Supacup may use in addition to the above:
Motec V2 Video Kit.
- 24.4 Cameras may only be connected to a direct 12v feed from the car and a direct earth connection, or operate from an internal battery.
No data may be collected/logged by the cameras from the car ECU or data logger or the car wiring harness by any means. No direct connections to the cameras, or by Wi-Fi or by blue tooth or by any other method are allowed.
No camera control systems except the embedded camera systems will be allowed.

25. DRIVING STANDARDS / DRIVER CONDUCT

25.1 DRIVER CONDUCT GUIDELINES

The clear objective is that all racing will take place on the paved circuit. Contact of any nature, including so called rubbing, is highly undesirable during racing in the series. From race meeting to race meeting, any race damage must be repaired to a good standard and the controllers reserve the right to refuse to allow poorly presented cars to compete. The controllers reserve the right to carry out vehicle inspections both pre and post race and are at liberty to request explanations as to the origin of any apparent damage. The aim is to ensure fast, competitive motorsport, where drivers use their skills to win races and championships on the track. The situations dealt with herein, relate to the behaviour of drivers in very competitive situations. The document is aimed at influencing drivers to race competitively but without destroying their own and/or other competitors' vehicles.

This document is not applicable to dealing with issues such as:

The ignoring of flag signals, or the cutting of corners, or other similar contraventions of regulations cited in the MSA Handbook, for which there are clear remedies that will be dealt with by the CoC. Driving behaviour will be strictly monitored by the COC.

25.2 ENTERING THE CORNER (PHASE 1)

Two or more cars entering the zone of a corner together it will be expected that each driver will exit the corner without contact. Neither overly aggressive overtaking nor excessively defensive driving will be tolerated. The lead car may enter the braking area in whichever way he or she wishes (inside, middle or outside) provided he or she does not have a vehicle close behind to the rear, to the left or right, i.e. a vehicle in **"close proximity"**.

"Close proximity" - It is normal for a challenging car to be in close proximity, by being at least one car length behind to the inside or outside of the lead car i.e. front bumper behind centre/B pillar of the lead car, to the left or right or being directly behind. The lead car may choose either left or right of the centre line of the circuit, before entering the braking area when he has a car in close proximity.

The lead car may not change direction to block the challenger while the front bumper of the challenger is ahead of the rear bumper of the lead car in a straight line, particularly before the start of the braking area. The changing of direction by the lead car in the braking area is prohibited as this would lead to "baulking" of the challenger, and any resultant contact between the two vehicles would be deemed the fault of the lead car. If by the end of the braking area at the turning point in a straight line the challenging car is alongside the lead car ('alongside' being nose of challenger next to front door of leader inside or outside) it becomes the duty of both drivers to prevent crowding of each other to the inside or outside of the track throughout the entire corner.

25.3 MIDDLE OF CORNER (PHASE 2)

If the challenger is on the inside line in the braking area at the turning point and his front bumper is behind the centre of the leader (B pillar) he will withdraw and forfeit the corner to the lead driver to take his normal line. It must be remembered that the lead car has to and will, turn with the aim of apexing unless the challenger is alongside in the braking area or at the turning point. If, from the turning point, the lead car stretches the lead to the apex and the challenger's front bumper is behind the centre (B pillar) of the lead car, the challenger will withdraw and allow the lead car a normal racing line, any contact made by the challenger on the lead car behind the B pillar will be deemed to be the challenger's fault.

Any bumping of the lead car from the back on the rear bumper is the fault of the challenger; furthermore the bumping of the lead car behind the B pillar by the challenger is also the fault of the challenger, if the lead car was abiding by the above rules.

The 'Y' or 'T' bone by a challenger on the lead car would be a clear indication of the challenger coming in too fast and stopping against the leader whilst he is turning into a corner. This indicates a clear intention of driving the lead car off the circuit or a seriously over-aggressive move, and will be deemed the fault of the challenger provided the lead car abided by the rules above.

The onus for a clean and clear overtaking manoeuvre lies with the challenger as he/she has a clear view of what is in front and the knowledge of the anticipated line that the lead car should or would take through the corner unless the lead car makes a premature or sudden direction change in the braking area, which would then be the fault of the lead car.

25.4 EXITING THE CORNER (PHASE 3)

From the “apex” out, the inner car will take extra care not to drift wide under power forcing the outer car wide and ultimately off the circuit at the exit. This is exaggerated in front wheel drive cars and those drivers should exercise extra caution. The challenger should exercise extra caution to avoid contact, by applying brakes or taking extreme evasive action. If there is no evidence of evasive action this will certainly count against the challenger.

25.5 THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING INCIDENTS AND APPLYING PENALTIES

25.5.1 Incident reports must be in the hands of the COC within 30 minutes of the finish of the race concerned. However, the COC after consultation with race officials may request further incident reports outside of this time limit.

Driving incidents will only be dealt with in terms of this document if they are the subject of:

- an incident report from one or more competing driver/s; or
- an incident report from an official on the day or appointed observers.

Reports from other sources may be reviewed, but the COC shall not be obliged to consider and treat the subject as an incident in terms of this document.

25.5.2 It is mandatory for all cars (both GTC and SupaCup) to have front and rear facing cameras, safely mounted in their cars. The front facing camera must have at least 1/3rd of the screen showing the position of the steering wheel and thereby, the drivers left hand position. Once the steering wheel has been centered, coloured tape is to placed on the top (12 o'clock position) on order for the COC to observe steering wheel positions and changes. The onus is on each driver/team to ensure that the cameras are working and switched on before each race.

25.5.3 A suitable viewing system must be supplied by drivers who will present their evidence on a laptop at least. No evidence from the camera viewfinder will be considered. If the incident cannot be resolved on the day, a copy of the footage must be supplied to the COC on a memory stick in order for it to be recorded for later viewing. A lack of video evidence will not substantiate any evidence being led.

25.5.4 Prior to the application of penalties, drivers will be given the opportunity to attend a hearing. This hearing will be held in terms of GCR 175. Drivers will make themselves available for the hearing at a time and place nominated by the COC. A hearing will be considered to have properly taken place, and penalties may be imposed, even if the driver/drivers concerned fail to appear, provided that the COC is satisfied that the driver/s were properly notified. The COC will, at his sole discretion, allow some flexibility in the timing of hearings. Findings, and any resultant penalties, will be advised to the competitor/s in writing by the clerk of the course. Competitors involved in incidents are required to remain at the circuit until the incident under review has been dealt with and finalised

25.6 The following driving standards and conduct will apply:

25.6.1 Any competitor found guilty of a first offence will be given at least a three (3) place penalty.

25.6.2 A second offence will carry a penalty of 5 places. Multiple offences (three (3) or more) will receive a penalty of exclusion.

25.6.3 Further breaches may receive a ban, as envisaged in terms of GCR 177, for multiple races.

25.6.4 Blocking and Weaving: any competitor found to have deliberately blocked another competitor shall be subject to the same penalties as prescribed in articles:

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25.2 6.3

25.6.5 The lead driver may make one direction change leading to a corner, if he has another car in close proximity. Any further direction changes will be considered weaving or baulking.

26. GENERAL COMPLIANCE

All competing vehicles must comply with all the Global Touring Car Championship Supplementary Regulations (as published and, where applicable, amended by official MSA Circulars) at all times during official practice, official qualifying sessions and all races for a National Championship race meeting, from the time they leave their pit garages, until the time they stop and turn off their engines in parc fermé.

27. PENALTIES FOR TECHNICAL INFRINGEMENTS (NON-CONFORMANCE)

Where any car, or the data recorded by that car, is found not to comply with the applicable Specifications and/or Regulations, the following penalties will apply: The driver concerned shall be penalised as per GCR 177 (qualifying, or race). If there is concern that the contravention existed for more than one session, or the entire race meeting, details of such a penalty must be stipulated by the Technical Consultant to the Clerk of the Course. Refer GCR 176.

28. AMENDMENTS AND ALTERATIONS TO THESE REGULATIONS

- 28.1 MSA, in consultation with the Controllers, reserves the right to amend, alter or introduce additional regulations and/or specifications if deemed necessary.
- 28.2 Such amendment, alteration or additional regulations and/or specifications shall only be in force following publication in an official MSA circular or bulletin.
- 28.3 All technical regulations shall remain the same for a duration of five (5) years unless the changes are for Safety, Reliability, Lowering of Costs and or all stakeholders agree to the technical changes to these Regulations.
- 28.4 The Controllers or the TC's may undertake balance of performance reviews from time to time and should a perceived imbalance arise then such imbalance may be referred to the Technical Working Group for review and any subsequent recommendation. This balance of performance review will only use data collected during race weekends from onboard car data loggers (which is available to all competitors).

29. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

All official notices shall be placed on the official notice board as per the GCR's and SSR's. Notices issued on the GTC official WhatsApp group, will be accepted as having been placed on an official notice board.