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Although the regulations surrounding fire extinguishers in race cars – with specific reference to GCR 257 and SSR 2 A iii) – have for a number of years required extinguishers to be serviced every six months, MSA is aware of the financial pressures facing competitors in the current economic environment. Taking this into account, and having researched the matter, MSA is comfortable to increase the maximum time permitted between the servicing of extinguishers to twelve months. Accordingly, the relevant regulations are hereby amended as follows:

GCR 257. PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE

In all automobiles taking part in competitions, there must be some form of protection between the engine and the driver's compartment, and the driver's compartment and the fuel tank, suitable and sufficient in the case of fire for preventing the passage of flame. Any vehicle competing in a competition shall be fitted with a **dry powder** fire-extinguisher **(minimum capacity of 1.5kg unless a higher capacity is stipulated in the relevant category/event regulations)** in a place accessible to the driver, when strapped in, and officials. The fire extinguisher shall be in good working order, and evidence must be furnished to prove that the extinguisher was purchased new or serviced within the <u>six twelve</u> months prior. The aforementioned servicing requirement does not apply to Fire Stryker extinguishers, which are also acceptable **as an additional safety measure.** Extinguishers containing carbon tetrachloride are prohibited.

SSR

2. ELIGIBILITY OF VEHICLES (See GCR's 245, 247, 249, 253, 254, 259)

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iii) Unless the regulations for a particular form of racing specify a larger capacity, the fire extinguisher shall have a minimum capacity of 1.5 kg and proof shall be furnished of purchase or service within the previous six twelve months.

Equivalent Fire Stryker extinguishers are also permitted **as an additional safety measure** and the servicing requirements do not apply in this instance. Extinguishers containing carbon tetrachloride are prohibited.

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