Motorsport Australia Standards Handout Version 2.0



Preamble.

Listed below is a guide compiled by South Australian Motor Sport Scrutineers Association to assist competitors in locating the various labels and tags containing the relevant Standards in relation to Seat Harnesses, Apparel, helmets and Frontal Head Restraints.

Competitors will need to establish the minimum Standards for this equipment relating to them based on the event type and the vehicle. **Not every event requires all the listed items.** The applicability information is contained within the listed Schedules.

It should be noted submission of the Self-Scrutiny Checklist is an acknowledgement by the competitor of the true status of both his vehicle and apparel. When in doubt competitors are encouraged to contact SAMSSA if clarification is required on any item on the Self-Scrutiny Checklist. Contact numbers are available from the event Organiser.

1. Helmets.

All authorized helmet Standards and brands are listed in Schedule D of the Motorsport manual. These Standards can be found affixed to the items in any the following locations:

- a. Inside the helmet normally under the first inner lining,
- b. On the outside of the Helmet normally on the back.
- c. In some instances, the Standard is printed on the chinstrap where it is attached to the helmet. These will normally be an E Standard. It should be noted the number print alongside the E in the circle is a country of origin designator only. It can be any number and still be valid.

To assist you with identifying the correct Standard for your event Schedule D, contains a table listing minimum requirements for your event level and type, IE Club, State, National or International Event and whether it is a Race, or Speed. Event information is be available from the Organiser. Included in each schedule is a description of what each Standard looks like.

2. Drivers Apparel.

All authorized Drivers Apparel Standards is listed in Schedule D of the Motorsport manual. These Standards can be found affixed to the items in any the following locations:

- a. On the back of the driving suit collar or alternatively under the zip.
- b. Underwear has a tag sown on each piece. Socks have a tag on each of the socks.
- c. Gloves have individual tags on each glove.
- d. Balaclavas have a tag attached.
- e. Shoes have a label on each shoe generally on the tongue.

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3. Seatbelt Harness.

All authorized Seatbelt Harness Standards are listed in Schedule I of the Motorsport Manual. These Standards can be found affixed to the items in any the following locations:

- a. A tag or a tag/FIA Hologram on all parts of the seatbelt harness normally in an easily visible location. FIA tagged seatbelt harnesses have a five-year expiry date from manufacture and this is listed on the tag. However, if you are not competing at international level, Motor sport Australia has granted an addition 5 years of use after the FIA period has expired.
- b. A SFI Seatbelt Harness normally has a tag on each major element. Be aware SFI Seatbelt harnesses have only a Two-Year life from manufacture unless it has an FIA tag as well.

NOTE: Some harnesses are certified as both SFI and FIA compliant. If you identify yours as one of these the FIA expiry date takes precedence

- c. An E Standard Seatbelt Harness may only have a single marking on the buckle, however generally all parts are marked.
- d. A Standard lap sash seat belt generally does not have a Standard on it that is accessible. The use of the items is allowed for Speed Events where a Frontal Head Restraint is not required.
- e. Note: All parts of the Seat Harness should be the same FIA / SFI Standard but in the case of the Crutch strap they may have a different expiry date. All parts must be in life. To assist you with identifying the correct Standard for your event Schedule I, contains a table listing minimum requirements for your event level and type, i.e. Club, State, National or International Event and whether it is a Race, or Speed. Event information is available from the Organiser. Included in Schedule I is a description of what each Standard looks like.

4. Frontal Head Restraints and Attaching Parts.

All authorized Frontal Head Restraint Standards (FHR) and brands are listed in Schedule D of the Motorsport manual. These Standards can be found affixed to the items in any the following locations:

- a. The collar will have the relevant FIA Standard/Hologram on either the front or back of the item.
- b. The tethers will have the relevant FIA Standard listed on each item.
- c. The FHR helmet posts will have the FIA Standard embossed around each post support ring.

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