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Subject:
Stewards Role Changes

Overview:

This Bulletin changes the roles of stewards at Rally America events.

First, National events will have three stewards. Two will be assigned by Rally America and the third will be assigned by the event. The steward selected by the event will either come from a list Rally America provides or approved by the Rally America Competition Director and Managing Director.

Second, Regional C3 and C2 events will have two stewards. One will be assigned by Rally America and the other will be selected by the event and either come from a list Rally America provides or approved by the Rally America Competition Director and Managing Director.

Third, in the case of National and Regional C3 and C2 events, the Rally America Competition Director and Managing Director will determine which of the stewards is the "Event Steward".

As a result of this, effective immediately, the following changes to the Performance Rally Rules go into effect:

1. The Competition Director will act as the Steward Coordinator. This change is not being codified at this time, but is being noted here for general information.
2. Replace the descriptions of the roles of the Medical Advisor and the Steward Coordinator in Article 1.2.A with the following:

Medical Advisor: Rally America's liaison with other motorsports sanctioning bodies as well as appropriate experts on medical and safety issues. The Medical Advisor uses this knowledge to help shape the rules, ~~Safety Steward's training,~~ and expectations for event safety plans.

Steward Coordinator: Maintains the list of eligible stewards. Assigns the Rally America-selected steward(s) ~~Event Steward and Safety Steward~~ to each event. (Each event's organizing committee selects its ~~Operations~~ steward from the list of eligible stewards.)

3. Replace the two opening paragraphs of Article 1.2.B.1 with the following:

1. Each national event shall be overseen by a committee of three Stewards: ~~the Event Steward, the Operations Steward and the Safety Steward~~. These stewards shall be appointed from a list of candidates approved by Rally America.

Standalone regional events of Coefficient 2 or 3 shall be overseen by two stewards, ~~one of whom shall have the responsibilities of a Safety Steward~~. Standalone coefficient 1 events shall have only one steward. Rally America may, at its discretion, appoint one or more additional stewards to any regional event.

4. Replace Article 1.2.B.1.a with the following:
 - a. The Event Steward will act as the Chairman of the Stewards and is selected by Rally America. This steward is responsible for the fair and sporting conduct of the event, entrants and competition vehicles.
5. Remove Articles 1.2.B.1.b and 1.2.B.1.c.
6. Remove Articles 1.2.B.5.a, 1.2.B.5.b, and 1.2.B.5.c.
7. Replace Article 1.6.D with the following:

D. Incident Reporting

The driver (or owner) of a vehicle participating in an event, which is involved in an incident resulting in personal injury or property damage of any kind, must report the incident by submitting a completed Incident Report Form to the event's Event Safety Steward or designated representative. This form must be submitted prior to the end of the event or as soon as practical thereafter (refer to Article 8 for penalties). The event's Event Safety Steward or a designated representative is charged with the submission of the completed Incident Report and should file the report within ten days of the incident with Rally America.

8. Replace Article 2.1.B.6 with the following:
 6. While it is the intent of Rally America to make the sport of rallying accessible to everyone, each competitor must meet minimum mobility requirements. In order to demonstrate this, each competitor needs to be able to extract himself/herself from the vehicle quickly. Starting from a seated, belted position, the competitor is allowed 15 seconds to completely exit the vehicle. At any event, ~~the Safety~~ any Steward may test any driver or co-driver to confirm that he/she can do this.
9. Replace Article 2.1.C.1.b with the following:
 - b. Any driver with significant previous automobile racing experience may, at this point, apply for an unrestricted rally license by attaching a complete race experience resume to the license application. The application will require ~~the endorsement of a steward~~ and the approval of Rally America.

10. Replace Article 2.1.C.5.a with the following:
 - a. Any driver with significant previous automobile racing experience may, at this point, apply for an unrestricted rally license by sending a complete race experience resume to Rally America. The application will require ~~the endorsement of a steward~~ and the approval of Rally America.

11. Replace Article 8.5.A with the following:
 - A. **Required Conduct**

Every contestant shall conduct himself in a sportsmanlike manner at all times during a national or regional event in his dealings with the public, with other contestants, and with members of the rally committee.

Any person connected with the event (worker, competitor, official, etc.) using alcoholic beverages or controlled substances during the competition portions of the event will be severely disciplined and immediately removed from the event by the Event Chairperson or ~~the~~ Safety any Steward.

Questions regarding this bulletin received by Rally America from licensed Drivers and Co-Drivers will be answered in writing.