



STANDING ARTICLES GOVERNING THE 2017 Targa NZ Tour



Preamble

Club Targa Inc. hereby declares that the following Articles to be those governing Participants in the 2016 Targa NZ Tour which is organised and held in accordance with the Supplementary Regulations issued by the Organisers.

These articles are at all times to be read in conjunction with:

- The National Sporting Code (NSC) and its appropriate Appendices and Schedules,
- The Event Supplementary Regulations issued by the inviting Club.

Note: *All text changes from the previous issue of these Articles are highlighted. Text changes for grammatical and/or formatting reasons are not highlighted.*

1. INTERPRETATION:

In these Articles, the definition of terms used within shall be referenced from the National Sporting Code, and as detailed below:

“Charity” means Kids In Cars; and

“Closed Road” means a road legally closed to other traffic under the 10th Schedule of the Local Government Act 1974; and

“Co-Driver” means the occupant of the Tour vehicle who is not the Principal Driver; and

“Crew” or **“Participants”** means the Principal Driver and the Co-Driver of each Tour vehicle; and

“MSNZ” means MotorSport New Zealand Inc; and

“Organiser” or **“The Club”** or **“Targa NZ”** means the Club Targa Inc.

“The Targa Tour” or **“The Tour”** means the Event to be held in conjunction with, but separate to the Seria Campione Rally Series Rounds.

2. SPIRIT OF TARGA TOUR - PRINCIPLES & INTENT:

This is a Private Tour event not a Race that currently operates alongside the Targa NZ Competition event with a Special Permit from MSNZ.

It is a privilege not a right to do the Tour, follow our Guidelines and you will enjoy the Tour.

There is no timing of Tour Vehicles.

The Tour is designed for people who have a special road legal car they do not want to fit with full MSNZ safety equipment but want to experience driving their car following a predetermined route in an exciting non-competitive atmosphere, this is what we call the "Spirit of Targa".

Cars with MSNZ approved roll cages are only accepted at the discretion of the Organisers.

All cars travel in convoy on the route and their pace is governed by an experienced Tour Leader, with a Tour Follower car. Additional Tour Official cars may be included as required.

3. LICENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- 3.1 The Crew are required to hold a full civil NZ Driving Licence, or equivalent to allow the participant to legally drive on New Zealand roads, and an M Grade or higher MSNZ issued Competition Licence, or equivalent from the participant's home National Sporting Association (ASN).
- 3.2 Crew members under the age of sixteen(16) years may only be a Co-Driver, and are not permitted to participate without approval from the Organisers.
- 3.3 All Crew shall be financial members of The Club or any other ASN affiliated Club.

4. TOUR ITINERARY:

- 4.1 The Tour will held in conjunction with, but separately to, the Targa NZ Seria Campione Series and comprise the following Events:

| Event | Date |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Targa Rotorua | 18-19 March 2017 |
| Targa Hawkes Bay | 20-21 May 2017 |
| Targa NZ | 24-28 October 2017 |
| Targa 2 Day Regional | 27-28 October 2017 |

The Organiser reserves the right to either cancel or amend any Events due to force majeure without affecting in any way its power to award any awards.

- 4.2 Tour participants will enter each Event separately.

5. TOUR CATEGORIES:

- 5.1 There are two Tour Categories as follows;

- (a) **Open Class Tour:** being for Participants who wish to travel up to a **maximum speed** of **160km/h** and **must** wear a helmet compliant with current MSNZ regulations (Appendix Two Schedule A).
- (b) **Limited Class Tour:** being for Participants who wish to travel up to a **maximum speed** of **130km/h** and **may** wear a helmet compliant with current MSNZ regulations (Appendix Two Schedule A).

- 5.2 Participants who are entering a Tour Event for the first time must enter the **Limited Class** Tour category.

5.3 Organisers reserve the right to transfer the Participant between Tour categories subject to experience and competency.

6. VEHICLE COMPLIANCE:

6.1 All vehicles shall at all times comply with, and display, the NZ NZTA Warrant of Fitness and registration requirements.

6.2 Registration plates must be fitted on both front and rear of the vehicle for the duration of the event. Dealer plates are not permitted.

6.3 No vehicle in full race/rally preparation may run in the Tour without the express permission of the Organiser.

6.4 The Crew of any vehicle fitted with a roll cage **must** wear helmets that comply with current MSNZ regulations (Appendix Two Schedule A) regardless of the Category that they enter.

6.5 Only the Crew are permitted in a vehicle while on a Closed Road.

7. SAFETY AUDIT & EQUIPMENT:

7.1 Participants **must** present their vehicle for a Safety Audit Inspection to a location and time as specified in the Supplementary Regulations.

7.2 All Tour vehicles shall have the following Safety Equipment on-board at all times:

- Fire extinguisher (min 1kg dry powder BE/ABE) secured in accordance with the MSNZ National Sporting Code Appendix Two Schedule A or secured to the Safety Auditors satisfaction.
- Warning triangle.
- First Aid Kit to the Organisers approval.
- Tow Rope

7.3 **TrackIt GPS Unit:** All Tour vehicles must be fitted with an operational TrackIt GPS unit that is either hardwired or plugged into an accessory outlet. This unit must be switched on from Safety Audit through to the end of the event. Only TrackIt GPS is authorised. No other GPS guidance or tracking system is permitted.

8. DRIVERS BRIEFING:

8.1 A roll-call will be held and a compulsory pre-event Crew Briefing will take place before each event. Refer to Supplementary Regulations for the location and time. Failure to attend this briefing will result in the Participant being prevented from starting the event.

8.2 **Daily Briefings:** Will also be held as detailed in the Supplementary Regulations. Failure to attend these briefings will result in exclusion from the event.

9. CLOSED ROAD RUNNING ORDER:

9.1 Closed Roads will operate in the following order:

- **Open Class Tour** - Fastest to Slowest, followed by
- **Limited Class Tour** - Fastest to Slowest

- 9.2 The Organiser will “seed” Participants based on driver experience and vehicle capability in accordance with Article 5.1.
- 9.3 Participants **must** participate in the Category that they have been allocated. Should a Participant move from one Category to another without permission of the Tour Leader then they may be excluded from the Tour, or may be subject to a penalty via a donation of up to \$1,000 to The Charity.
- 9.4 Participants wishing to move from one Category to another must apply to the Organiser for permission.

10. CLOSED ROADS:

10.1 **Maximum Speed:** The maximum speed in all Closed Roads is as follows:

- (a) **Open Class Tour: 160km/h**
(b) **Limited Class Tour: 130km/h**

Failure by a Participant to observe these limits will incur the following penalties:

- 1st Offence: \$250 donation to the Charity.
- 2nd Offence: \$500 donation to the Charity.
- 3rd Offence: Immediate exclusion from the event. No refunds or other compensation will be payable.
- Exceeding the Category maximum speed limit by 20kph or more: Immediate exclusion.

Speed limit penalties shall be determined by the Clerk of the Course, who shall be Judge of Fact in this matter, using information provided from the Trackit GPS system.

These penalties must be paid to The Charity prior to the start of the next Leg.

10.2 **Headlamps/Driving Lights:** must be constantly illuminated on low beam on all Closed Roads.

10.3 **Overtaking:** Is **not** permitted on Closed Roads.

Note: This clause shall not apply to any Tour Vehicles on a permanent circuit.

10.4 The use of stage notes, pace notes or safety notes is prohibited. Only the route instructions issued by the Organiser shall be permitted.

10.5 **Unsafe Driving and Poor Driving Behaviour:** Any occurrence or series of occurrences or any actions by any Participant which has a detrimental effect on any Participant or the event is not permitted and will be penalised via a donation of up to \$1,000 to the Charity, or relegation to a lower starting position for the next Leg, or in repeat cases exclusion. These occurrences include, but are not limited to:

- Baulking/Foxing
- Cutting corners
- Bringing debris onto the Closed Road surface
- Damaging any chicanes or cones in the Closed Road.
- Tailgating
- Overtaking
- Driving in the wrong, or opposite direction on the Closed Road.

- 10.6 Accidents:** As this is a tour the road rules must be respected while on the transit sections. On closed roads any accidents or property damage will not be tolerated and may result in exclusion or a donation of up to \$1,000 to the Charity, which will be additional to any insurance excess as detailed in Article 13.4.
- 10.7** Exclusion will also apply, and a donation of up to \$1,000 to the Charity maybe payable, to any Participant that the Organiser considers to not be complying with these Standing Articles or the Supplementary Regulations or in accordance with the “Spirit of the Targa Tour”.
- 10.8 Official Vehicles:** Will be dispersed throughout the Tour, with a ratio of not more than ten(10) Tour vehicles per official vehicle.
- 10.9 Start Procedure:** All Participants will proceed through the start area at a maximum of **30km/h**. The safety of the start line crews is paramount and a penalty via a donation of up to \$500 to the Charity will be imposed for anyone deemed to be exceeding the start line speed limit.
- 11. LIVERY:**
- 11.1** All participating vehicles shall reserve spaces for the sponsors' decals in the locations and to the dimensions set out in Appendix 1 to these Articles.
- 11.2** The Organiser will provide Participants with livery which must be displayed in the prescribed positions for the entire duration of the Event. Any Participant who fails to properly display the livery will be prevented from continuing on the event and may be excluded from further participation in future events.
- 11.3** If Participants travel to the event with Targa Livery affixed to their vehicle they must adhere to the road rules. Any competitor breaching these road rules or bringing the Event into disrepute will be penalised by a donation of up to \$1,000 to the Charity.
- 12. TYRES:**
- 12.1** There are no restrictions as to the make and model or number of tyres used by Participants. However any tyre must comply with current NZ NZTA warrant of fitness regulations.
- 13. GENERAL:**
- 13.1 Passage Controls:** All participating vehicles must stop at all passage controls. There may be a donation required to be paid at each passage control.
- 13.2 End of Leg Car Wash:** Prior to the End of Day Stop for the Leg, there may be a compulsory car wash for all Tour vehicles. There will be a charge for this service.
- 13.3 Insurance:** Each participating vehicle is required to hold a minimum of 3rd party insurance for the duration of the Event.
- 13.4 Public Liability Insurance:** Participants are liable for all damage they cause during the event. However, a MSNZ Public Liability Insurance Policy is provided as part of the Event Permit for damage caused during a Closed Road to third party property. Participants under this policy are subject to a \$3,500.00 excess for each accident where damage is caused to third party property subject to the Terms and Conditions of the insurance policy. Refer to MSNZ for a copy of the Policy Schedule.

13.5 Traffic Infringements: Any traffic infringement, offence notice or warning incurred by the Crew must be reported to the Clerk of the Course at the end of the Leg. The Organisers have the right to warn and/or exclude any Participant for any traffic infringement notice.

14. AWARDS:

14.1 Finishing Plates shall be awarded to every finishing Crew as they cross the Finish Line.

14.2 At each event the following Trophies will be awarded and presented at the Prizegiving:

(a) Spirit of the Tour: Awarded to the Crew displaying the best spirit of the Tour.

(b) Jealous Pride: Awarded to the best presented Tour vehicle.

(c) Recognition award: Awarded to the crew displaying the required skills to enter the Targa competition.

(d) TBC:

(e) TBC:

15. BREAKDOWN & ACCIDENT PROCEDURE:

15.1 Should a Tour Participant breakdown or stop in a Closed Road then the following procedure should be followed:

- Safety Triangle or a Safety Triangle and Slippery Surface sign whichever is appropriate to be displayed 50m–200m back up the road to provide following vehicles with sufficient warning.
- Display the “OK” sign to following drivers.
- In the case of an accident or breakdown the following Participant cars **must not stop**. The Tour Follower vehicle will stop. He has radio contact with Targa Base and Medical Personnel onboard and he will deal with the incident.
- If the immobilised car remains in view of the following Tour participants and competitors then the OK sign needs to be displayed to all Targa competition vehicles until the 999 car passes through.
- All Tour Official Cars are radio equipped and in the case of a serious incident will stop to assist. The following Participant cars **DO NOT STOP**. They are to continue until the end of the Closed Road and follow the Route Book.
- If it is not possible to recover the vehicle before the Targa Competition field starts the vehicle will be recovered at the next opportunity after the competing field has completed their stage.

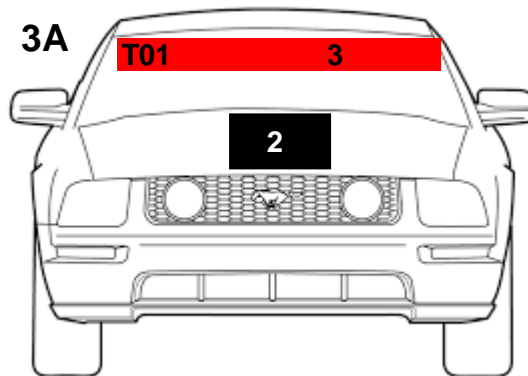
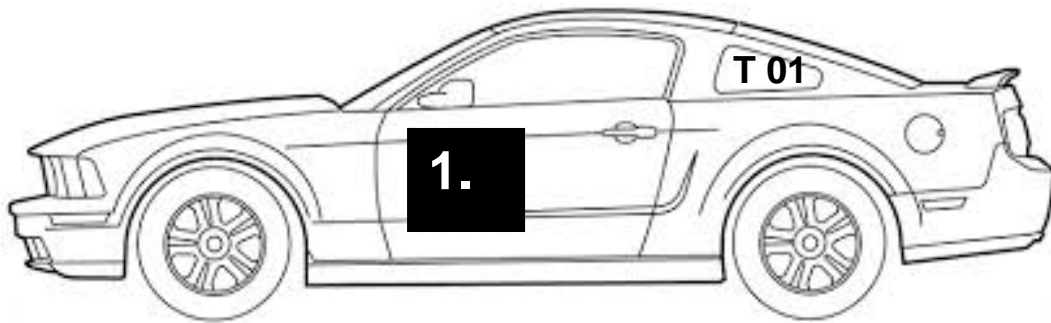
16. REJOINING:

16.1 Tour Participants who miss a Closed Road may rejoin at the next convenient Closed Road Start.

16.2 Tour Participants who arrive at the Start of a Closed Road after the Category Tour Follower vehicle has entered the Closed Road will not be permitted to start that Closed Road.

16.3 A Targa competitor permanently withdrawing from the Targa Competition may then, upon approval from the Clerk of the Course, enter the Tour at no additional cost, with another vehicle for the remainder of that Round, provided the competitor and vehicle comply with the Tour regulations.

APPENDIX ONE - DECALS



| Location | Size (mm) H x W | Comment |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Left Rear Side window | 140mm | TrackIt ID Number. |
| 1 | 600 x 450 | Targa New Zealand Door Banner. To be located on the foremost part of each front door, or in the case of vehicles without doors, to the side of the vehicle and adjacent to the location of the Crew and the bonnet. |
| 2 | | Reserved for Organisers use, located on the centre front of the bonnet. |
| 3 | Full Screen Width and 100mm deep | Targa New Zealand windscreen banner. To be located on the top position of the windscreen. No other signage to be located in this area. If a windscreen is not fitted the forward position of the vehicle may be acceptable on application to the Organiser. |
| 3A | 100mm | TrackIt ID number. To be located on the top of the windscreen on the Right side of the vehicle. |