



**AUSTRALIA'S GREATEST DESERT RACE**  
**QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND 11 – 14 JUNE 2021**

## **2021 TATTS FINKE DESERT RACE | SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

11 -14 JUNE 2021

**MOTORSPORT AUSTRALIA PERMIT # 821/1406/01**

### **1. TITLE AND EVENT**

The event will be known as 2021 Tatts Finke Desert Race and will be a **National Championship Long Course Off Road Event** conducted between Alice Springs and Finke (Aputula Community) in the state of Northern Territory on Friday 11, Saturday 12, Sunday 13 and Monday 14 June, 2021. The event will be Round 2 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship.

### **2. AUTHORITY AND PERMIT**

The event will be held under the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices, the National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport Australia, General Conditions for All Titles, the Off Road Standing Regulations (ORSR), the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations, these Supplementary Regulations and any Further Regulations, Instructions or Bulletins which may be issued by the Organiser or the Stewards

This Event will be conducted under and in accordance with Motorsport Australia OH&S, Motorsport Australia Safety 1st and Risk Management Policies, which can be found on the Motorsport Australia website at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au).

Certain public, property, professional indemnity and personal accident insurance is provided by Motorsport Australia in relation to the Event. Further details can be found in the Motorsport Australia Insurance Handbook, available at [www.motorsport.org.au](http://www.motorsport.org.au). It is strongly recommended that Competitors give consideration to taking out additional insurance, including income protection insurance.

The Motorsport Australia permit number for the event is # [821/1406/01](#)

### **3. SPONSOR**

The major sponsor of the event will be The Lott by Tatts.

### **4. PROMOTER**

The event will be promoted by the Finke Desert Race Incorporated ABN 29 226 543 617, which has appointed the Organising Committee listed below.

The official event address, to which all correspondence must be sent, will be:

The Event Secretary, Finke Desert Race Incorporated via email: [admin@finkedesertrace.com.au](mailto:admin@finkedesertrace.com.au).



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**5. ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

The Organising Committee of the event will be:

Antony Yoffa	Kelsey Branford	Leanne Southam	Daniel Sawyer
Glen Auricht	Josh Clarke	Tammy Fitzgerald	Sally Preece

**Official Contact Details:**

Finke Desert Race Incorporated  
 PO Box 283, Alice Springs, NT, 0871  
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 E-mail: [admin@finkedesertrace.com.au](mailto:admin@finkedesertrace.com.au)

**6. STEWARDS OF THE MEETING**

1. Alan Evans 1062487
2. Keith Sharman 1093858
3. Phillip Gray 1033215

**7. PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS**

Position	Official	Licence No.	Contact Phone Number
Clerk of the Course	Marilyn Emmins	9884640	0418 301 512
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Steven Chopping Kelsey Branford	9551290 1032294	0408 087 504
Secretary of the Meeting	Kelsey Branford	1032294	
Chief Time Keeper / Scorer	TBA		
Chief Scrutineer	Fred Severin	9656642	0418 850 826
Medical Response Coordinator	Craig Garraway	1146809	08 8959 6600
Competitor Relations Officer (CRO)	Ben Erceg	9023988	
Event Checker	Morrie Williams		
Technical Delegate	Daniel Rogers	1504039	
Spectator Safety Officer	TBA		
AORC Sporting Director	Ben Erceg		

**8. ENTRY DETAILS**

Entries open on Tuesday 9 March 2021 and close at 5.00pm on Friday 21 May 2021.

The fee for entries received by 5.00pm on Sunday 25 April 2021 will be \$1245.00 for all Competitors. The breakdown of the amount is as follows:

- Entry Fee – \$950.00
- + \$95.00 Australian Off Road Championship promotional fee that is collected by the Organisers and remitted to Motorsport Australia.
- + \$40 Aputula Camping Levy (\$10 per competitor x2 and \$10 per crew x2)
- + \$10 COVID Levy
- + \$150 GPS Tracker



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The fee for entries received after Sunday 25 April 2021 until the closing date will be \$1360 for all Competitors. This fee includes Australian Off Road Championship promotional fee that is collected by the Organisers and remitted to Motorsport Australia.

No entries will be received after 5.00 pm (CST), Friday 21 May 2021 (see note above about closing date). Second Navigators may compete, providing they are properly nominated on the Entry Form and an additional fee of \$70.00 is paid – this includes the camping levy.

**ADDITIONAL ENTRY LEVIES - EXPLANATION  
COVID-19**

The Finke Desert Race Committee needs to have a COVID safety plan approved by the NT's Chief Health Officer to conduct the event in 2021. With this bring additional costs that we will need to recover from competitors and other parties. There is a levy included in the entry fee to offset some of these costs.

**CAMPING**

Finke Campground – In conjunction with the Central Land Council acting on behalf of the traditional owners at Aputula, the Finke Desert Race Committee is to introduce a fee for camping within the overnight Finke Race Camp which is located on the Aputula Aboriginal Land Trust. The proceeds will be used both for the protection of sacred sites and to benefit the land owners. This is no different to paying a fee when camping on private property. Crew passes will also have a camping levy included. We appreciate the understanding of competitors.

**GPS TRACKERS**

Following the successful trial in 2019, as a safety precaution, all vehicles will be fitted with a GPS tracker in 2021. Each GPS tracker will be supplied by the club and do not require hard-wiring into race vehicles. Log books will be returned when the GPS tracker is returned to the club.

Entries are limited to **165** and acceptance will be determined in order of receipt. All entries must be made via the official on-line entry available at [www.finkedesertrace.com.au](http://www.finkedesertrace.com.au) and must be accompanied by the requisite Entry Fee.

Entries will not be accepted unless accompanied by the relevant payment.

Competitors and their crew must adhere to the events COVID Safety Plan which will be emailed to all competitors by 31 March 2021 or as soon as possible after that date, pending approval from NT Health. Failure to adhere to the plan may result in instant disqualification.

Refunds of entry fee after Sunday 25 April 2021 will be at the discretion of the committee. Any refunds granted up to Friday 21 May 2021 will incur an administration fee of \$200. There will be no refunds of entry fee or part thereof after Friday 21 May 2021.

All payments are to be made via the online entry system at [www.finkedesertrace.com.au](http://www.finkedesertrace.com.au).

The Organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry in accordance with the provisions of The National Competition Rules of the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual.



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The Organises reserve the right to postpone, abandon or cancel the event as may be decided by the Clerk of the Course in conjunction with the Stewards of the competition. In the event of a cancellation a \$200 administration fee will be deducted from any refund given.

The Organisers reserve the right to abandon, cancel or postpone the event in accordance with the NCR's of the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual (or to cancel the event if less than 70 entries are received by close of entries). The organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason - refer to the NCR's.

Classes recognised by Tatts Finke Desert Race for the purpose of awards are:

Class	Class Name	Class Description
Pro	Pro Buggy	Buggies with engines not exceeding 6000cc (P) / 7200cc (D)
Prolite	Prolite Buggy	Buggies with engines up to 3500 naturally aspirated
SportsL	Sportslite	Buggy or Extreme 2WD with production car based petrol engines, with engine capacity for naturally aspirated engines to a maximum of 2500cc or four (4) cylinder forced induction engines to a maximum capacity (swept volume) of 1600cc
S1650	Super 1650 Buggy	Buggies with engines not exceeding 1650cc
Sport	Sportsman Buggy	Buggies with engines not exceeding 1330cc
P2WD	Performance 2WD	Modified 2WD not exceeding 6000cc (P) / 7200cc (D)
X2WD	Extreme 2WD	Highly modified 2WD not exceeding 6000cc (P) / 7200cc (D)
P4WD	Production 4WD	Production 4WD not exceeding 6000cc (P) / 7200cc (D)
X4WD	Extreme 4WD	Highly modified 4WD not exceeding 6000cc (P) / 7200cc (D)
SXS T	SXS Turbo	Off Road recreational vehicles (e.g., Polaris, Can-Am) with a supercharged/turbocharged engine capacity not exceeding 2050cc.
SXS S	SXS Sport	Off Road recreational vehicles (e.g., Polaris, Can-Am) with a naturally aspirated engine of a capacity not exceeding 1200cc.



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## 9. SCRUTINY

### 9.1 TIMES AND VENUES

Refer Article 12 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations.

Scrutiny commences at 4.00pm Friday 11 June 2021 and concludes at 9.00pm. Scrutiny venue is located at the Finke Desert Race Start Finish Line Precinct, South Stuart Highway, Alice Springs. The following items **MUST** be produced at Scrutineering – competition vehicles, competition apparel, footwear, helmet and Competitors ID tags.

Once examined, all vehicles will be impounded until the conclusion of Pre-Event Scrutiny for media and public display purposes. The Clerk of the Course will advise when vehicles may be moved, after 9pm only. There shall be no exceptions.

### 9.2 DOCUMENTATION

The following Documentation will be checked prior to Scrutiny: Motorsport Australia Off Road Competition licences (minimum of Off Road or Off Road Navigator), Motorsport Australia Pass Books, Motorsport Australia vehicle log books, current Motorsport Australia affiliated club membership cards, and Competitor (if not the Driver) licences (if applicable).

Mandatory written proof of current ambulance cover is required at Registration, this applies to all competing Crew and nominated Pit Crew. Those interstate Competitors who do not have or cannot prove such cover; will be able to purchase a 30-day cover from St. John Ambulance on Telegraph Terrace Alice Springs. It is mandatory for a Crew Member involved in an accident to report to the nearest event Medical Officer for examination, notwithstanding the severity of the incident.

Motorsport Australia vehicle log books will be collected at registration and held until the event transponders are returned by the conclusion of the event.

## 10. CREW BRIEFINGS

All briefings will be conducted in line with current AORC Sporting Regulation and COVID 19 guidelines

Refer Article 10 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations.

A briefing for competing Crew will be conducted one hour and fifteen minutes prior to the first vehicle's start time on Race Day 1 – Sunday 13 June 2021 commencing at 6.45am.

### **Each entry is only allowed to have ONE crew member in attendance due to COVID-19.**

There will be no briefings on Prologue Day (Saturday 12 June 2021) or Race Day 2 (Monday 14 June 2021) unless it deemed necessary due to a change in event proceedings or conditions at which time a bulletin will be issued.

The briefing will take place at Start/Finish Line – Alice Springs (Race Day 1 and if required on Prologue Day). If required on Race Day 2, Briefing will be at the Start/Finish Line Finke.

Sign on is compulsory and will be at the following times:

- 6.25am to 6.45am – Saturday 12 June 2021 (Prologue)
- 6.45am to 7.05am – Sunday 13 June 2021 (Race Day 1)
- 6.25am to 6.45am – Monday 14 June 2021 (Race Day 2)

Cases of non-attendance are to be referred to the Stewards by way of a formal charge, which may result in a penalty.



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## **11. RUNNING DETAILS**

### **11.1 REGISTRATION**

All Competitors must register at the Finke Desert Race Registration Centre; Finke Start/Finish Venue, South Stuart Highway, Alice Springs, between Tuesday 8 and Thursday 10 June 2021, 11.00am and 6.00pm. Competitors must produce their current Motorsport Australia Off Road Competition Licence, current Motorsport Australia affiliated car club membership card and Motorsport Australia vehicle log book. All Crew listed on the entry must sign on and produce proof of ambulance cover through presentation of relevant insurance.

### **11.2 GENERAL**

The venue for the event will be from Alice Springs to Aputula Community (Finke). The event will consist of Competition from Alice Springs to Aputula Community (Finke), which is approximately 225 kilometres in length, and return. This occurs on a prominently marked course of various types of terrain, including sand, clay, river/creek crossing, stony sections and dirt tracks. There are also numerous large trees and other obstacles close to the edge of the track. Competitors should also note that Spectators Camp the entire length of the track and their presence should be considered. Due to the nature of the track, the dust hazard needs to be considered.

The track used for the Finke Desert Race is a public road, and therefore it may be driven in road registered vehicles any time prior to the official closing of the road at 6:00am on Sunday 13 June 2021. All Territory and Federal Road Regulations apply.

The Start/Finish Line is located approximately 1.5 kilometres from the airport turn off on the South Stuart Highway, Alice Springs, NT. The return leg is over the same course in reverse. Competitors may camp overnight at Finke and are responsible for their own camping equipment. Amenities at Finke are extremely limited and Competitors should be prepared for extreme weather conditions. There is also **no mobile service/coverage in Finke**. Toilet facilities are provided but no shower facilities are available. Limited catering is available to Competitors and nominated Crew and Entry Form should be checked if this service is required.

The event will be conducted in two (2) sections of approximately 225 kilometres in length. The total competitive distance will be approximately 450 kilometres. The competition will start at 7.30am on Sunday 13 June 2021 and will be preceded by a prologue to determine starting positions.

### **11.3 RECONNAISSANCE**

The 2021 Tatts Finke Desert Race track is a public road and closed for the event proper. The course may be driven in road registered cars **only** and licensed Drivers at any time. State and Federal road rules apply.

### **11.4 PROLOGUE**

The prologue will be held on Saturday 12 June 2021 starting at 8.00am. Vehicles will depart one at a time at one minute intervals. The length of the prologue will be approx. 8 kilometres. Competitors will start the prologue in an order advised by the SD on the basis of anticipated speeds within class, and prologue start times will be issued as per 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations. Competitors who do not complete the prologue may apply to the Organisers to be seeded. The closing time for applications for seeding will be 11.15am.



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A sighting lap for prologue will commence at 7.10am **SHARP**. Competitors are to make their way to the prologue start line in either race vehicles (in full racing attire) or in a private suitable 4WD. Race vehicles will leave before private 4WD vehicles.

### **11.5 START TIMES**

Race Day 1 – Vehicles will start in order as determined by prologue. First vehicle will depart at 7:30am. The first ten vehicles, as determined by prologue, will start one at a time at two minute intervals. Vehicles in positions 11 to 20 will start one at a time at 1 minute and 30 second intervals. 21 to 76 will start one at a time at 30 second intervals. The remainder of the field will start two at a time at thirty second intervals.

Race Day 2 – Vehicles will start in order as determined by corrected time from Race Day 1. First vehicle will depart at 7:15am. Vehicles finishing within twenty minutes of the leader will start on corrected time. The remainder of the field will start one at a time at one minute intervals.

### **11.6 PASSAGE CONTROLS**

Competitors will not be required to stop at any passage control unless instructed by an Official, or unless stopping to report an incident. It is the Competitors' responsibility to notify officials of any assistance they may require from their Crew. This information will be available at the Competitors Information Centre at the Start/Finish line and at Race Control, Finke. In addition to notifying the nearest Official (be it, checkpoint, fuel stop or sweep vehicle, all Competitors must sign off with an Official at Finke or Alice Springs Checkpoints upon their return. The only exception to this is where a Competitor is in the care of Medical Personnel. Failure to notify Officials may result in a fine or penalty, as determined by the Steward).

### **11.7 REFUELING**

Refer Article 5.10 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations and Article 4.6 (c) of the Off Road Standing Regulations.

No fuel is available at the Start/Finish Line – Alice Springs.

Only Opal and diesel fuel is available at Finke (Aputula Community).

Race fuel package may be purchased from the Club for the cost of \$50.00 per fuel stop, per day. This cost includes fuel and transportation. Refuelling stops will be manned by volunteers and whilst every effort will be made to complete refuelling in a timely manner, the Club takes no responsibility for delays. Competitors will be refuelled on a first come, first served basis. Fuel will be provided at the following points:

- Fuel Stop 1 (68 kms from Alice Springs Start/Finish Line) – both days
- Fuel Stop 2 (116 kms from Alice Springs Start/Finish Line) – both days
- Fuel Stop 3 (172 kms from Alice Springs Start/Finish Line) – both days

No personal fuel containers will be carried to Fuel Stops 1, 2 and 3. Fee is set at a standard rate and will not be adjusted. No refund will be given if Competitor fails to make refuelling points.

Fuel must be 'Commercial Fuel' or 'Diesel Fuel' in accordance with General Requirements Schedule G and Off Road General Requirements GR27 of the 2020 Motorsport Australia Manual.

Attire for Crew shall comply with Article 4.6 (c) of the Off Road Standing Regulations of the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual.

### **11.8 GEAR (NOT FUEL) TRANSPORT COSTS - \$55.00**

A gear package is available at a fee of \$55.00. Goods will be transported to:

1. Fuel Stop 1 – minimal spares e.g. tyres.
2. Fuel Stop 2 – minimal spares e.g. tyres.



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3. Fuel Stop 3 – minimal spares e.g. tyres.

4. Finke checkpoint – Minimal (at the discretion of the transporters), fuel, swag/tent, spares and personal effects.

The location and times of gear drop off and collection will be confirmed closer to the event and listed in the official Competitor Information Guide. Competition numbers must be marked on all items. Although every care is taken to secure Competitor's goods, no responsibility is taken, and no compensation shall be paid for items lost or stolen.

### **11.9 RESTARTING**

Competitors not completing any section may make application to the Clerk of the Course to start a subsequent section. If allowed to start a subsequent section, they will be required to report to the starter at their allocated time. Cut-off times for receipt of such applications will 4.00pm, Sunday 13 June 2021.

### **11.10 ALLOWED TIME**

To be classified as a finisher, a Crew shall complete a section within the time allowed as follows:

Section 1 (Race Day 1): The course will be closed at Bundooma 2 hours 15 minutes after the allocated departure time of the last Competitor from the Start/Finish line.

Section 2 (Race Day 2): The course will be closed at Bundooma 2 hours after the allocated departure time of the last Competitor from the start line at Finke.

Total Elapsed Time: The total elapsed time for each day will be 4 hours from the Competitors start time. Should time exceed this, the Competitor will be deemed Out of Time (OOT).

## **12. PENALTIES**

12.1 In addition to the penalties provided for in Article 20 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations, the following penalties may be applied by the Stewards of the Event for the actions indicated.

- Non-attendance at Crew Briefing – penalty will be at Stewards' discretion.
- Driving an unregistered vehicle or permitted vehicle on the race track outside of the organised Reconnaissance – penalty at the Stewards' discretion.

## **13. PROTESTS**

Protests, if any, shall be lodged in accordance with the NCR in the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual.

Crews are reminded that, in accordance with the NCR's, there is no right of protest or appeal against the decision of a Judge of Fact.

## **14. PIT AREA, PADDOCK AREA**

Refer to Article 15 (b) and (c) of the Off Road Standing Regulations in the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual.

- Pit and competing Crews must display their passes on the outside of garments at all times whilst in the Pit Area.
- Smoking and the consumption of alcohol are not permitted in the Pit or welding area.
- No unauthorised persons, including persons under the age of 16, are permitted in the Pit Area.
- Crew Members are reminded of their responsibility regarding the wearing of passes at all times and of the entry of unauthorised persons into their Pit Area.
- Welding may only occur in the area designated for this purpose.



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- The Pit and Paddock Areas will be clearly signed and fenced.
- Entry in and out of the Pit Area must be via the designated entry point/s.

Breaches of these Regulations may be referred to the Stewards by way of a formal charge, which may result in a penalty.

**LAND OWNERS**

LAND OWNERS HAVE GIVEN THEIR PERMISSION FOR THE EVENT TO PROCEED AND YOU DRIVE ON THEIR PROPERTY THANKS TO THEIR GOODWILL. PLEASE DO NOT ABUSE THE PRIVILEGE. It is expected that Competitors will instruct their Crew to remove all litter, including fuel, oils, carpet, etc. from their camps and extinguish all fires.

**APUTULA TOWNSHIP AND CAMP GROUND**

All relevant road rules apply at Aputula Community, including the camping area. Helmets and seat belts (as applicable) must be worn at all times. Competitors and Crew are asked to respect Sacred Site areas at Aputula.

These areas will be marked.

Campers found within these areas will be required to move. No competing vehicles are permitted to be ridden in any spectator area. This applies to the Finke and Alice Springs Start/Finish venues. There is currently no mobile phone service at Aputula community or the Finke campground.

**ALCOHOL**

The Finke Desert Race Committee has decided to no longer apply for a permit for alcohol consumption within the Finke Race Camp. Finke Township (Aputula Community) is a dry community and alcohol is prohibited. The Committee no longer considers it appropriate to have an exclusive area for alcohol consumption. This will mean there will be no alcohol permitted at the Finke end during 2021. Further details will be broadcast to prospective campers and visitors to the community ahead of the event. This decision has been supported by the NT Police, St John Ambulance, NT Licensing and the Central Land Council

**NO ALOCHOL IS TO BE CONSUMED WITHIN THE APUTULA COMMUNITY INCLUDING THE CAMPING AREA**

**15. GENERAL**

**15.1 RECOVERY**

Where a vehicle breaks down during an event, Competitors may recover the vehicle only after the official road closure expires at 6.00pm (until 6.00am) on both race days. At no time may any part of the course be used to recover the vehicle, nor may any part of the course be traversed to access the vehicle for recovery outside of these times. Finke Desert Race Track utilises a public road which is officially closed to all but race vehicles and official vehicles. Vehicles other than these are not, by law, permitted on the track and Drivers may be prosecuted by Northern Territory Police should they not adhere to this ruling.

**15.2 SWEEP VEHICLES**

Sweep vehicles will traverse the course prior to and following competition. These vehicles are identifiable by signage e.g. OSV1, OSV2 etc.

**15.3 INCIDENT REPORTS**



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Incident Reports are to be completed on the prescribed form and handed to the Checkpoint Official at Finke (Aputula) on Race Day 1 or the Clerk of the Course on Race Day 2. Vehicles which are involved in an accident involving damage shall be re-examined by the Chief Scrutineer or his delegate before being permitted to take further part in the competition.

All Competitors must make every possible effort to allow faster vehicles to overtake, pulling to the side and stopping if necessary. Competitors are to make clear their intentions to overtake, by both sounding their horn and flashing headlights when approaching slower vehicles. For Regulations relating to lighting, refer to the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual, General Requirements for Off Road Vehicles. It is the Competitors' responsibility to notify officials of any assistance they may require from their Crew. This information will be available at the Start/Finish Line Alice Springs and at Finke Checkpoint. It is the responsibility of Crew to check with Officials at Finke or the Start Finish Line Alice Springs for any information regarding Competitors. Officials are not responsible for finding Crew.

### **15.3 COMPETITOR SIGN OFF**

It is compulsory for any Competitor who withdraws during the event to register their withdrawal at either the Alice Springs Start/Finish Line or Finke Checkpoint at the first available opportunity, stating the reason for withdrawal. Any Competitor failing to do so may be charged and referred to the Stewards.

The only exception to this is where a Competitor is in the care of medical personnel. Please note that the Organisers are under no obligation to recover machinery that has failed to finish the event. Whilst volunteers will endeavour to assist Competitors by recovering machinery, they are under no obligation nor have any responsibility to do so nor are they accountable for the safety/condition of said machinery.

Competitors who break down along the course are to notify the nearest checkpoint or official sweep vehicle if they require a message to get to their Crew either in Alice Springs or Finke. It is the Competitors' responsibility to notify Officials of any assistance they may require from their Crew. This information will be available at the Start/Finish Line Alice Springs and at Finke Checkpoint. It is the responsibility of Crew to check with Officials at Finke or the Start Finish Line Alice Springs for any information regarding Competitors. Officials are not responsible for finding Crew.

### **15.4 JUDGES OF FACT**

Control Officials, Starter and Timekeepers will be deemed Judges of Fact with regard to whether or not a vehicle follows the prescribed course, relative order, time of arrival, and direction of travel, direction of entry into controls, start procedure and jumping the start.

### **15.5 SAFETY**

Refer to Article 13 and 14 of the Off Road Standing Regulations in the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual in relation to:

- Fire extinguishers
- Hot Work Area
- Emergency Procedures
- Procedures in Case of Injury
- Warning Triangles
- Flags

In addition all vehicles must comply with the following:

- a) All vehicles are required to carry a minimum of one (1) litre of potable water per person.



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- b) Fitted and fully functional UHF Citizen Band radios are mandatory in all vehicles. 5-watt hand held radios will be accepted. Nominated channels will be advised.
- c) Competitors/Crew must not ride on vehicles, other than in seats provided.
- d) No vehicle shall drive against the prescribed direction of travel on the course.
- e) Competitors are reminded that in the event of an accident, the Off Road Long Course Emergency Procedure applies. Refer to the Off Road Standing Regulations in the 2021 Motorsport Australia Manual.

**15.6 ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES**

Any holder of a Motorsport Australia Competitor or Officials licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may be tested for the presence of drugs (or other banned substances) and subject to a penalty (ies) for a breach in accordance with the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy and/or the Motorsport Australia Illicit Drugs in Sport (Safety Testing) Policy as published on the Motorsport Australia website. Consumption of alcohol in the paddock, pits or any section of the Competition venue/course under the control of the Officials is forbidden until all Competition is concluded each day. Accordingly, any holder of a Motorsport Australia Competitor or Officials licence (or equivalent licence issued by another ASN) may also be tested for the presence of alcohol by a Motorsport Australia Accredited Testing Official (CATO) in accordance with the Motorsport Australia Alcohol Policy.

**16. COMMERCIAL RIGHTS AND MEDIA**

**16.1 MERCHANDISE**

With the awarding of merchandising for 2021 to a Contractor, Competitors are not permitted to sell clothing or other items to the public. Failure to adhere to this instruction will result in the withdrawal of entry or other penalty as deemed appropriate by the committee. Entry into this event constitutes acceptance of this condition.

**16.2 IMAGE RIGHTS**

All persons participating in the Tatts Finke Desert Race acknowledges that by participating in the events, they authorise the Organiser (Finke Desert Race Incorporated) and its legal agents to reproduce and represent, without any form of remuneration whatsoever, their names, voices, pictures, biography, and more generally their sporting participation in the context of the Tatts Finke Desert Race, and likewise the brand(s) of their bike/car parts and bike/car manufacturers and sponsors, in any form, on any existing or future medium, in any format, for any publicity to the public worldwide, for any use, including for advertising and/or commercial purposes.

**16.3 IMAGE AND VISION RIGHTS AND IN-CAR CAMERAS**

Any video or digital footage taken by Competitors (in-car or otherwise), shall not be aired on television (free to air or cable) or made available for sale, without the prior written consent of Finke Desert Race Incorporated. Please refer to Article 16 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australian Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations.

**16.4 USE OF THE 'FINKE DESERT RACE' LOGO BY COMPETITORS AND THEIR SPONSORS.**

Finke Desert Race Incorporated holds the exclusive rights to use the 'Finke' branding.

It is expressly forbidden to use the logo:

- On any submission to seek financial and/or institutional partners.
- On any press presentation material featuring the Competitor or sponsor.
- On any video medium.



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- It may not at any time be associated directly or indirectly with any commercial or institutional branding.
- It is strictly prohibited to sell or distribute products partly or wholly bearing the Finke branding.
- On the Driver's/rider's apparel, helmet, and race vehicle.

**16.5 MEDIA OBLIGATIONS**

All Drivers/crews participating in the 2021 Tatts Finke Desert Race undertake to make themselves available to participate upon request in:

- Any press conference during the Event,
- Any other media-related event prior to, during, and after the Event.

**16.5.1** In entering a round of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship, Competitors agree to assist the Australia Off Road Championship in the promotion of the Championship and in particular, the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship television broadcast and social media production.

**16.5.2** By entering a round of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship, the Competitor agrees to relinquish any claim or right to any images or vision recorded for the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship broadcast or social media production, or any other material related to that broadcast or social media production.

**16.5.3** Any filming or any other means of recording images or vision for commercial purposes at a round of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australian Off Road Championship by any Competitor is strictly forbidden unless they have the prior written permission of Motorsport Australian and Finke Desert Race Incorporated.

**16.5.4** Motorsport Australia/ and Finke Desert Race Incorporated may provide In-Car camera's to be fitted to selected cars during an event. Competitors must provide access to any Motorsport Australia or Finke Desert Race Incorporated appointed technician, to install and service the camera and associated equipment.

**17. SPONSOR'S ADVERTISING**

An area 300mm wide x 300mm high must be reserved unencumbered on the bottom of the front bonnet and on each side of 'front door' area for major sponsor's advertising or for promotion of the 2021 Tatts Finke Desert Race.

**18. PASSES**

Passes will be issued to all nominated Competitors and officials. Passes will allow admittance to: the Scrutineering, venue, the event venue, Presentation and access to the Pit Area. Passes will be issued to all Competitors at Registration. In addition to Competitor passes two (2) passes will be available for Crew. Two (2) additional Crew passes are available for purchase, at a cost of \$75 each – see online entry for details. The maximum number of Crew per car is four (4) people.

**19. GST**

The Goods and Services Tax affects the payments of prize money. If you do not provide an ABN or declare the sport is a hobby, the Promoter must withhold 49% of prize money over \$75.00 which is otherwise payable to you. Please select one of the boxes on the entry and if appropriate, provide your ABN to ensure the full amount of prize money is paid to you.

**20. AWARDS**



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Only vehicles on/in the original starting configuration (i.e. frame and engine number shall be the original as scrutineered) which complete the prescribed course in the time allotted will be eligible for event awards. Results will be determined by elapsed time to the one hundredth of a second.

**20.1 AUSTRALIAN OFF ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS**

Points for the Australian Off Road Championship will be awarded as per Article 14 of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australian Off Road Championship Sporting Regulations.

Refer Article 6 (b) of the 2021 BFGoodrich Motorsport Australian AORC Sporting Regulations with reference to eligibility to receive AORC Points.

**19.2 PRIZE MONEY**

Five entries constitute a class. For the purpose of event awards, if less than five entries in a class, Competitors will compete for outright honours only.

	<b>Outright Cars</b>		<b>Class</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$10,000 plus trophy	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$1,000 plus trophy
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$5,000 plus trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$700 plus trophy
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$2,500 plus trophy	3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$500 plus trophy

**20. GUIDE TO COMPETITORS**

A Guide to Competitors may be issued to each Competitor with Further Information. This guide will contain information which does not form part of the regulations of the event, but will be of assistance to Competitors. It should be noted that the contents of the Guide for Competitors are of no regulatory value and may not be used as the basis of a protest.

**21. MOTORCYCLES**

Motorcycles will be competing at this event in accordance with Motorcycling Australia Permit Number 3/20/C/10328 and Supplementary Regulations.

This part of the Event is ran in accordance with the Motorsport Australia 2+4 Competition Event Guidelines, under Motorcycling Australia Regulations, which a Permit has been approved. As per Motorsport Australia Regulations, there is a separated area for the Motorcycle Pit Area and any area that may come close to a car area is cordoned off by bollards ensuring they remain separate. The Motorcycle part of the event has separate Key Officials including the Clerk of the Course and Steward.

- Clerk of the Course – Janice Campbell
- Steward – Jeff Klein



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