

Welcome to edition 43 of Speedway Australia's Speed eNews, your weekly update on the sport, tips and points to remember. It is our intention to continue this weekly form of communication and we look forward to providing you this support in the weeks to come. Just a quick reminder that if any of the information in here needs to find its way to social media, we will do so via our Speedway Australia channels only.

With the suspension list attached to the document, this is not information every licence holder or club member should be receiving. However, please make sure that if you are the contact receiving this information for your organisation that you pass the information on to the rest of your committee to make sure your team can also be kept aware. Feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or require a copy of one of the previous editions.

WA PRESENCE FOR SPEEDWAY AUSTRALIA

Hot on the heels of the opening of a Sydney Office, Speedway Australia is delighted to advise that we will soon have a presence on the ground in Western Australia. The second Sport Development role has been filled by experienced speedway administrator Ross Kirby, who will be continuing his work in the sport out of a Perth base.

Formerly with the WA Speedway Commission, Ross will complement Adam Brook who is based out of Sydney. Adam and Ross will work closely together, with each having a portfolio of tracks and divisions they will be responsible for. They will also be tasked with putting together our national training programmes, social media, assisting with track inspections and co-ordinating our various events and initiatives. This will also enable an orderly handover from James Hadley so the Youth Development programmes can continue at pace.



We'll have more details soon including Ross' contact details and how the roles will be organised so that affiliated clubs, tracks and divisions have an advocate within Speedway Australia.

In summary, this is a big step for the organisation that illustrates just how serious we are about delivering value and services for the sport across the country. We have a big year planned, and there will be plenty more exciting initiatives to come.

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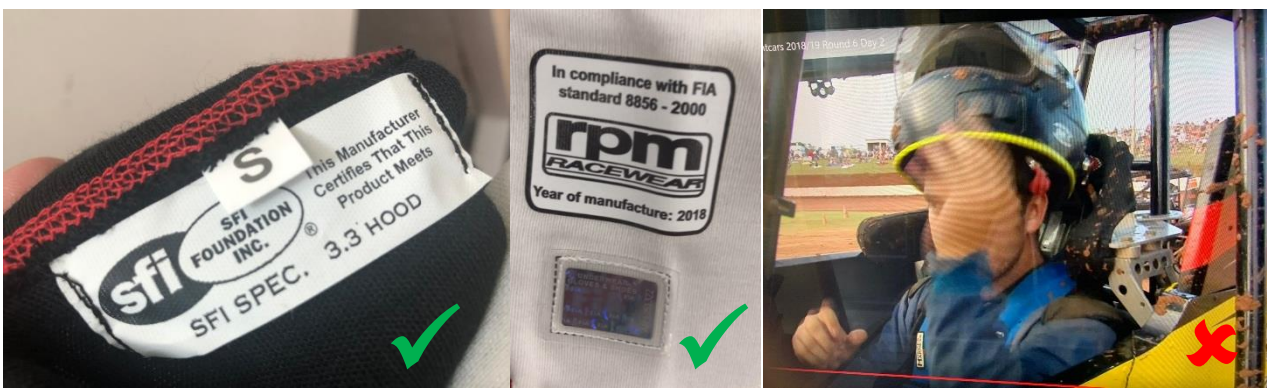
BALACLAVAS ARE COMPULSORY: ALL CAR CLASSES

We know that this is the hottest time of year, but in the last week we've had our attention drawn to issues in at least three states where competitors have been spotted without balaclavas. If drivers are on the podium, being interviewed or getting in or out of their car, chances are someone will notice if they're not wearing all the appropriate safety gear.

Please ensure your Scrutineers and Stewards are on the lookout for drivers who are unwittingly or otherwise exposing themselves and the sport to greater risk by not wearing a balaclava.

The only classes where balaclavas are not compulsory are SKAA Karts. In all other circumstances the Speedway Australia rule reads as follows, with the SCCA having similar wording in their rulebook for Sprintcars and Wingless Sprints:-

Balaclavas: Comply with SFI 3.3 or FIA 8856-2000 and must be worn.



WINDOW NETS OR ARM RESTRAINTS ARE ALSO COMPULSORY

Along similar lines to the above, window nets or arm restraints are also compulsory across the board. It's irrelevant what a similar division may do elsewhere, in Australia they must be used at all Speedway Australia tracks. Similarly there are no dispensations for overseas competitors, the rules apply to everyone! Again, SKAA Karts are the only exception. The rule reads as follows:-

15.3 or 16.9: Arm Restraints

Arm restraints must be worn in all classes where a window net is not fitted. Must comply with SFI 3.3 or FIA. (Enforced from 1 July 2018).

