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## EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF RADIO OPERATED MODEL AUTOMOBILES

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To All Competitors & Team Managers attending :-

### **2014 -- EFRA - 1/10<sup>TH</sup>. OFF-ROAD EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP** **TRELLEBORG, SWEDEN -- July 14th -- 19th.**

Within the last week, there has been an International Race taken place at the venue for the the above EFRA European Championship event. This event served as a "Warm-Up" race for the EC and I believe this event also counted towards the Nordic Championship.  
The track surface at the indoor venue is Clay (dirt).

I have been informed that some competitors at the event last week were using tyre additives to gain extra traction and thereby gaining a false result. Effectively, these persons were cheating.  
I find it disappointing that competitors in this Section of Model Car Racing have such low ethics that they resort to this practice in order to gain a result which is false.

**At the European Championship event in July -- TYRE ADDITIVES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.**  
EFRA rule App.3. rule 3.6 is **VERY** clear. **No additives other than water are allowed.**

As it seems we cannot rely on the honesty of some competitors, I have therefore instructed the Organisers that a 'Tyre Impound' procedure will be used.  
Competitors tyres will be kept in bags/boxes identified by competitor number in a Tyre Impound.  
Competitors will be required to present the tyres in the Original Sealed Plastic Bag as supplied by the manufacturer.  
Any tyre inserts to be used will also have to be presented in original sealed bags.  
All tyres will be mounted onto wheels in a controlled area under supervision. The only cleaning fluid/spray allowed will be supplied by the organisers.  
Wheels with tyres mounted will then be returned to the Impound.  
Competitors will fit wheels to the car, immediately prior to going through the normal Tech. Checks before each race, and they will have to be returned to the Impound after each race.  
This procedure will be mandatory for all tyres used in: Controlled Practice, Qualifying and Finals. It will not apply to the Free Practice days.  
We will make random checks of tyres in the bags to check for anything not allowed and may even swap sealed bags of un-opened tyres.

**ANY COMPETITOR FOUND USING TYRE ADDITIVES WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO LEAVE THE VENUE.**

It is disturbing that we have found it necessary to resort to this procedure, but a few persons have forced us in this direction.

To clarify:--- The controlled tyres are :-

Rear (2WD and 4WD) -- Jconcepts Bar Code # 3033  
Front (4WD) -- Jconcepts Bar Code # 3020.  
(2WD Front tyres are not controlled).

There is no restriction on the tyre compound used, but the organisers have informed me that the Green compound gives the best performance and this was the compound used at the event last week.  
The organisers have advised that the wear rate of the Green compound is low and tyres will last for three runs and maybe more.  
The organisers have extended the date by which you can order tyres from them. It is now Sunday 15th. June.



**THE TRACK:**

At the event last week the lap-times were not as expected, so the organisers have agreed to extend the track area and use a totally different design of track to that used at the IR event last week. This will then be fair to all competitors.

The grip levels are typical of a 'dirt' surface, but there is no intention to use sugar-water on the track, unless we find on the first Practice day that the track is too difficult for drivers. With the number of competitors entered, we expect the grip level to improve quickly on the first day (Practice only) and we sincerely hope it is not needed to treat the track surface.

I hope the above procedures that have been agreed with the organisers will satisfy you that the EC event will be a fair event and the winner will be the best driver.

Paul Worsley. (EFRA Section Chairman - 1/10th. Off-Road).

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