



EFRA ANNUAL SECTION MEETING

5th of November 2022

Van der Valk Hotel, Brussels, Belgium
&
Zoom meeting tool

MINUTES 1:8 Buggy

SATURDAY 5th of November 2022.

1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Mr. Carlos Gomez

Meeting is opened at 14:07 with a warm welcome by the Section Chairman to the friendly section.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies have been received from: Estonia, Greece, Croatia & Germany.

Member Countries presents, section subscription, allocations etc:

COUNTRY	PRESENT	ZOOM MEETING	EC A	EC B	EC ELECTR	EC +40	RE1
AUSTRIA	Gerhard Steinbock		8	8	30	30	3
BELGIUM	Kevin Vandalen		0	5	0	0	
BULGARIA		-					
CROATIA		-					
CZECH REP.		-					
DENMARK		Christian Poulsen	3	5	5	5	
ESTONIA		-	4	0	4	0	
FINLAND		Jukka Hakkamies	10	0	4	0	
FRANCE	William Morbin & JS		12	16	10	12	1
GERMANY			22	22	30	22	2
GREAT BRITAIN		Kevin Griffin & MR	12	16	10	12	
GREECE		-	0	1	0	1	
HUNGARY		-					
IRELAND		Colin Wheelan	1	3	0	8	
ITALY	Vito Geraci		10	10	4	4	
MONACO		-					
NETHERLANDS	Raymond Houtman		5	5	5	0	
NORWAY	Hans Magne Berg		5	0	5	5	
POLAND		Maciej Orlowski	4	6	5	0	
PORTUGAL	Joao Duraes		10	1	2	0	
SLOVAK REP.		Matus Mydia					
SPAIN	Alfonso Pineda		30	5	10	2	
SWEDEN		-	12	0	6	13	
SWITZERLAND		Erwin Degros	5	10	5	15	
TOTAL	8	7	153	117	144	129	

Allocations can be changed till January 21th 2023.

Other persons present:
representatives.

Frank from EFRA Media, Alex Fellner Vice Section Chairman & Sax Club

3. MINUTES OF 2021 SECTION MEETING

November 2021— Virtual AGM

Matters arising from the minutes:

The minutes were checked and accepted as written at the AGM 2021.

The following person has been elected to check the minutes of this year: Mr. Alfonso Pineda AECAR

4. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Any correspondences from the 2022 season,

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A full report of the Season is presented by Section Chairman.

6. EC'S AND GP'S 2023 & successive

The section has received the following applications to host coming EFRA events. These proposals have reached us in time, not other proposal will be accepted after distribution of the agenda.

Year/Date	Alt. Date	Status	Country	Venue
2024		EC A	France	La Motte Servolex
2024		EC A	Italy	Sacile
2024		EC A	Sweden	Furulund
2024		EC B	Spain	Sax (Alicante)
2024		EC 40+	Germany	Fuchstal
2024		EC Electric	France	Gap
2024		EC Electric	Austria	Fehring
2024		EC Electric	Germany	Landshut
2024		EC Electric	Spain	Valladolid
2024		EC Electric	Portugal	Guarda - Maçainhas

Final Race calendar 2023 1/8th Off Road

Date	Status	Country	Venue
29Aug-2Sept 2023	EC A	Spain	Redovan
7-9 July 2023	EC B	France	Longvic
15-17 Sept 2023	EC 40+	Austria	Salsach (Styria)
9-11 June 2023	EC Electric	Germany	Landshut

Future Race calendar Championships 2024

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July 2024		EC A	Italy	Sacile
June 2024		EC B	Spain	Sax (Alicante)
Sept. 2024		EC 40+	Germany	Fuchstal
EndJune 2024		EC Electric	Netherlands	Utrecht

As rule says, adjustments at allocations can be made without financial implications up to 21 January 2023. Allocations will be made to each country as it was previously decided past AGM unless otherwise stated at the next EFRA AGM with the obvious adjustment still possible to be made until 21th January as the rule mandates.

7. RULE PROPOSALS

Note: The EFRA Committee has studied all received proposals and has come to an opinion over each one, The EFRA Section Chairman will inform the floor of such positions.

Current Rule

2.2.

QUALIFICATION HEATS:

- a) If the host country wants to, and the facilities can accommodate 180 drivers, qualifying rounds can be up to 15 cars. This decision will be made by the Section Chairman, the Referee and the Race Director.
- b) Each driver should be entitled to a maximum of 5 attempts at qualification, weather permitting.
- c) Starting for qualifying will be with "Flying start". The track will be opened normally with a 3 minute warning to the start, this will be announced through the sound system, you will also get the time "2 minutes to start", "1 minute to start", "30 seconds to start" and "10 seconds to start". Deliberate stops waiting for the signal at the track and cutting the track to find a better position in it are infringements to be penalized unless otherwise authorized by common decision of the Race Director and the Referees communicated at the Team Manager Meeting
The announcement: "Clock is running" will indicate that the heat has started.
All qualifying runs and finals are ran by "time plus next lap" system.
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Remarks

Such choice is for classes where the alternative selection among the 2 systems is possible, at 1/8 Buggy there is NO CHOICE, it is ALWAYS a Flying Start.

Proposed by: EFRA, Gomez Ambrosio Carlos

Seconded by: ...FEPRA

The proposal: o
X Passed Unanimously

Current Rule

3.

TRACK

Minimum Width: 4 metres

Minimum Length: 250 metres

Proposal

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Minimum **recommended** Width: 4 metres

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Remarks

At certain countries were they use the EFRA handbook as "the bible" this measurement is causing problems with drivers trying to find if at certain chicane it measures only 3,95 and not 4,00 meters

Proposed by: EFRA, Gomez Ambrosio Carlos

Seconded by: ..NOMAC

amended : AECAR seconded FEPA

TRACK

Minimum Width: 4 metres **with 25 cm tolerance, and a possible exception for 10-12 meters chicane with a minimum there of 3 meters wide.**

Minimum Length: 250 metres

The proposal amended: Xo Passed Unanimously

Current Rule

4.

RACE PROCEDURES

Race procedures shall be as follows with the addition of the non contradictory rules of section 4 of Appendix 1 up to 4.9, basically part of 4.1 (mechanics position), rule 4.3 , rule 4.7.7 to 4.7.11 and rule 4.9 . It is forbidden to cut the track during the warm-up minutes unless otherwise advised and it is forbidden to overtake while the formation lap is on progress (if existing). It is not allowed to the mechanics go to or to come back from the starting grid when count down has started, penalty for that is a 10 seconds stop & go.

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For all finals & qualifying, drivers with the lowest starting numbers may choose their position on the rostrum (at qualifying to be chosen only 1 time previously to its start) and the mechanics must stand under the driver where this is possible or in the same order. In case a race cannot be completed for whatever reason the final ranking will be made as follow:

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Remarks

The choosing of driving positions on the rostrum was already clear for finals, but for qualifying after have been able to practice at different rostrum positions the drivers should be able to decide, in order, their preference to drive at Qualifying as well

Proposed by: EFRA, Gomez Ambrosio Carlos

Proposal Status:

Secoded by: ..NMF

The proposal: o Passed with ..9.. for, .3... against and 0 abstentions.

Current Rule

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Remarks

The other electronics present on the electric Brushless cars where not mentioned, omission to be solved

Proposed by: EFRA, Gomez Ambrosio Carlos

Proposal Status:

Secoded by: .NBF

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h) Measuring

Remarks

Now several manufacturers bring a lot of tires to races. Not all drivers have access to these tires. Drivers travelling to races need to bring a lot of tires to the race venue. This raises the price for participating in the race. Even if drivers attend warm-up race, the track might be prepared differently for the main race. Having a designated tire would bring racing closer as the pro drivers would not benefit from getting tires that are not available to others.

Proposed by: AKK, Hakkamies Jukka

Proposal Status: Withdraw

Current Rule

5.3.1.

Each motor must be equipped with an exhaust system and an inlet silencer to reduce the amount of noise generated by the car.
The maximum noise level for a muffler with INS box is 83 dB's, measured at ten (10) metres distance and one (1) metre high for a single car.
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Remarks

Nowadays laser marked is the standard in the industry

Proposed by: EFRA, Gomez Ambrosio Carlos

Proposal Status:

Seconded by:NOMAC

amended AECAR seconded FEPRA

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The amended proposal: 0 X Passed Unanimously

Current Rule

5.4.

TYRES

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Remarks

This is required if earlier tire ruling is passed.

Proposed by: AKK, Hakkamies Jukka

Proposal Status:

Seconded by: ..FBA

The proposal:

0 Rejected with for, ..9.. against and 2 in favour & .1... abstentions.

8. ELECTION OF SECTION CHAIRMAN

Position up for election: Chairman Carlos Gomez Is willing to re-stand.

Carlos Gomez is re-elected

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting keep with an open discussion about the tyre situation and possibilities, manufacturers availability track side. Questionary to the tyre industry.

Recommended tyre for each event before the end of the year.

To limit the number of sets of tyres can be a way of partial solution

To make a separate classification for the ones running a designated tyre.

To keep the cost reasonable.

Redovan & fuel: ID or Passport number MUST be given soon to get the permit to use 25 % nitro.

10. ITEMS FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION.

The Section Chairman thanked all participants for a constructive meeting, and being no further business the meeting was closed at 17:29