

COMPETITORS AND TEAMS **HEALTH AND SAFETY OBLIGATIONS**

Motor racing facilities (including paddock areas) are regularly inspected by State and local authorities to make sure that all activities are conducted as required under the relevant Health and Safety Regulations. The aim is to minimise the risk of accident and injury to everyone involved - participants, volunteers and members of the public. Competitors/team/category management must, **‘so far as it is practicable, provide a working environment that is safe and without risks to health’**.

Under the Regulations, temporary garage facilities at race meetings are a workplace and must comply with the Regulations. Everyone involved with any team, including drivers, personnel, family and friends must also be aware of the location of key services – e.g. medical assistance.

Government Health and Safety Officers have the authority to close down an area should identified problems not be resolved. The effect of such an action would obviously affect your ongoing competition and would also prevent other competitors from racing - it would be impossible to simply close down one section of a shared facility.

REMEMBER—SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT.

ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

EXTENSION LEADS AND POWER TOOLS

- Power leads, boards and tools must be tested, inspected and tagged every 12 months, by a licensed tester.

ELECTRICAL POWER LEADS MUST NOT BE RUN ALONG THE GROUND

- If you are taking power from a distribution point to your truck or trailer, you must suspend the cable above the ground, at a minimum of 2m high in a pedestrian only area, **OR** high enough to clear the largest vehicle accessing the area, (if there is vehicle access between your truck and your garage area).
- If you are running a power lead from your garage area to a distribution point, the cable must be suspended at least 2m above the ground.
- Power leads to setup pad scales **MUST** be secured to the floor with race tape or similar **OR** covered with rubber matting to avoid tripping accidents.

FIRE SAFETY

AT LEAST ONE, OPERABLE, 4.5KG POWDER FIRE EXTINGUISHER, PER COMPETING CAR, EASILY ACCESSIBLE AND VISIBLE AT THE REAR OF YOUR PADDOCK AREA. THE EXTINGUISHER MUST HAVE A CURRENT CERTIFICATION

- Refuelling of cars should be carried out by two people, both wearing long trousers and long sleeved tops. One person should have the fire extinguisher ready for immediate use if required, whilst the second refuels the car. Every care must be taken to avoid spillage.
- Fuel must not be stored in the garage area, keep it in the truck until needed.

WORK SAFELY

- Avoid placing any objects in a position that could create a tripping accident.
- Buy an overhead light, ready for late nights in the paddock.

ACCIDENTS

- Any injury received in the Formula Ford workplace must be reported to the H & S Supervisor. The workplace extends to the pitlane, form up areas and general Paddock Area.
- This applies to employees, volunteers and visitors in the workplace. Spectators and participants are considered 'visitors'. (So if you witness an injury or become aware of an injury to a spectator you must also advise the H & S Supervisor).
- Accident reporting will provide information to help prevent future incidents.

Our H & S Supervisor holds a current Senior First Aid (Level 2) certificate.

THE FUTURE

EXHAUST FUMES

- Ultimately we will be asked to consider fumes generated within the garage area when warming up an engine. Consider if you can either do the warm-up outside the garage, or run a hose from the car's exhaust to the open air.

All participants are required to understand and comply with CAMS Health and Safety policy.

**For more information check the Risk Management section of CAMS Website
www.cams.com.au**

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