

CARS National Scrutineer role description



The CARS National Scrutineer reports to the CARS Technical Director and will be expected to attend all CRC events to represent the CARS technical position and support consistent interpretation and application of the technical rules.

The event is responsible for assigning an event chief scrutineer along with adequate scrutineering staff to conduct the technical inspections of all entrants' competition vehicles. The CARS National Scrutineer will support the event Chief Scrutineer and his team by providing guidance and assistance with the scrutineering process, technical rules interpretation, class interpretation and compliance.

The National Scrutineer is a CARS official at events and is required to work with a high degree of professionalism, respect competitors privacy, confidentiality of issues under investigation and findings.

Prior to the event the CARS National Scrutineer will:

- With the Organizer and Event Chief Scrutineer, ensure sufficient time and resources to complete technical inspection.
- Ensure a suitable location for technical inspection.
- With the Technical Director develop a plan for the specific technical items to be checked during the event scrutineering.
- Review reports from previous events to ensure re-inspection and compliance.

The CARS National Scrutineer is at the event to:

- Monitor the scrutineering process and ensure that the technical inspection is thorough and complete.
- Manage the CARS technical equipment and ensure its availability to the scrutineering team.
- Manage the log books
 - Document technical and class deficiencies.
 - Document items to be addressed before next event.
 - On returning logbooks, complete finishing position and reasons for DNF; work required, re-inspection requirements, etc.
- Support the Chief Scrutineer with re-inspection of vehicles re-starting the rally after repairs or a major crash.
- Provide technical rulebook interpretations.
- Rule on technical rule and class compliance.
- Assist the organizer or stewards with technical questions arising out of an inquiry or protest.
- Conduct CARS specific technical checks at the events.

- Immediately following completion of technical inspection provide a written summary of technical inspection findings to the stewards for inclusion in their proceedings.
- Watch for emerging issues for discussion with the CARS Technical Director.

After the event, the CARS National Scrutineer will write a report providing feedback to the event's Chief Scrutineer and the CARS Technical Director.

- Provide feedback to the event scrutineering team.
- Identify areas for improvement at this event.
- Identify vehicle re-inspection requirements for subsequent events.
- Identify topics or potential rule changes that should be discussed by the TRC and/or the CARS board.

On an ongoing basis the National Scrutineer in conjunction with the CARS Technical Director

- Manage a National logbook registry
- Be part of the Technical Rules Committee (TRC)

The CARS National Scrutineer with input from the Technical Director should establish a list of CARS specific technical items to be reviewed, monitored or inspected while at each of the events. The objective should be to have a plan to review during the events, cycling through as many topics as possible during the season. This is intended to increase consistent application of and compliance with the rules across the series.

The National Scrutineer will be appointed by the CARS board with input from the Technical Director. The appointment is for a 2-year term. Selection for the position may include a call for expression of interest.