



Subject: Rule Changes – Novice and Ladies’ Championship Eligibility

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Rationale

Under 24.1.4 six events are counted for the various championships except for the marque, novice and ladies where all 8 events are counted.

Under 24.1.11 we currently require 50% of counted events to be entered and started to be eligible for the championship. This means that 3 events entered and started allows the competitor to be eligible for all of our championships except Marque, Novice and Ladies where, because they count all 8 events, need to have entered & started 4 events.

This an issue for the Novice and Ladies as it has two fairly significant negative impacts on Novice and Lady competitors.

1. For the groups that we need to be encouraging, to help grow the sport, we impose stiffer requirements on them than everyone else. This occurred inadvertently over time as we increased the total events from 6 to 8
2. With 5 events in Eastern Canada and 3 in Western Canada it puts an extra burden on Western teams to even make eligibility.

This will reduce the likelihood of having a novice or ladies’ championship not be awarded at the end of a season.

This has no impact on the Marque championship

The rule change words are as follows:

24.1.11 Eligibility:

The Canadian Rally Championship is an open championship and all CRC competitors are eligible to score points with the exception of competitors who are excluded from scoring in the CRC by 12.4.7, ~~and 12.5.1.1 (d)~~ and 12.6.1.1 (c) In the case of scoring exclusion, any championship points that would be earned will be awarded to the next eligible competitor and so on until all points are awarded. In order for a championship to be awarded, the winner must have entered and started a minimum of 3 ~~50% of the counted events (as per 24.1.4)~~ in the championship ~~(rounded up if an uneven number of events in the championship year).~~