

## BULLETIN 2023-02



### **Subject: Update to Clause 20.13 Clarifying Intent**

**Issue Date: January 30, 2023**

**Implementation: Immediate**

Rationale:

The attached clause 20.13 was added to the rules via bulletin 2022-06 as a way to allow for the correction of administrative errors in the assembled scoring data. (Administrative errors being typos, slipped decimal places, inadvertent data entry error, etc. that occurred during the assembly of the scoring data prior to uploading to the CARS database)

The clause as written has been interpreted by some, that CARS are now responsible to check all aspects of the rally that could impact scoring and correct any errors found. This is clearly in contradiction of Section 20 as a whole. Once the results are posted as final, they are final and no further changes can be requested by a competitor, organizer or steward.

It is the responsibility of the competitors to satisfy themselves that the provisional and ultimately final results are acceptable, this includes not only stage times, but class assignments, technical rules compliance, penalties, organizer decisions, etc. There are clearly defined mechanisms to make inquiries, protests and appeals through until the results are made final. 20.13 is not intended to give CARS any right to question the performance, actions or decisions that made up the final results.

Once the scoring data is assembled, it is uploaded to the CARS database for posting and calculation of points, standings and speed factors. It is during this upload process that any administrative errors in the assembly of the scoring data used for the upload may be identified, then clause 20.13 allows CARS to correct those administrative errors.

### **20.13 ADMINISTRATIVE TYPE SCORING ERRORS**

If in the process of reviewing the scoring ~~data, up to and including when the data~~ until the data is uploaded to the CARS database for points and standings calculations, an administrative error in the scoring data is identified, then CARS reserves the right to correct such administrative errors. If in doing so it changes the points, standings or position shown in the final results

published at the event, the impacted competitors will be notified by either the event scorer or the National series Manager.

These administrative errors are limited to errors in the assembly of the scoring data. It does not include any errors in the actual scores received, the decisions made or the rules compliance during the rally and prior to the results being made final.

New final results will be reflected on the CARS website and in the point standings.