

BULLETIN 2026-03



Subject: Baulking plus Two Housekeeping Rule Changes

Issue Date: May 14, 2026

Implementation: Immediate

Rule Change 1. - Title of section 15

Propose changing from “TIMING AND SCORING” TO “TIMING, SCORING AND CONTROL PROCEDURES”

Rule Change 2. - 17.9 Use of Safety Warning Devices

Propose moving this clause out of section 17 and to section 15 as it is much more aligned with Section 15 “Timing, scoring and Control Procedures” than it is to do with Section 17 “assessment of performance”

Rule Change 3 - Baulking.

With current technology there is no good reason to disallow a claim of baulking. RallySafe is able to show car locations, timing, use of push to pass, etc. The ARA updated the words associated with this topic and we are proposing using the same words.

17.5 Baulking

~~No claim is allowable for baulking. However, an entry found to have unreasonably delayed another entry is subject to possible assessment of an improper procedure penalty by the organizers.~~

Any crew caught by another while on stage must make the necessary move to allow overtaking. This applies notably if one has lost time due to a technical failure or has gone off the road before restarting. If the cars are equipped with a car-to-car communication device, a request for overtaking may be received. The readiness to be overtaken should be shown by appropriate flashing indicators (e.g. left indicator means that the car being overtaken will stay to the left side of the road). The crew being overtaken shall make every effort to facilitate the overtaking maneuver, such as stopping in a safe place. The crews are responsible for ensuring that no danger is caused by overtaking.

Failure to allow overtaking may be subject to penalty under CARS NRR 17.3

The Clerk of the Course, upon inquiry and only with the concurrence of the Steward(s), shall have the right to grant a time allowance to a competitor who has been prevented from overtaking