



To : All manufacturers, test houses and ASNs

From : FIA Safety Department

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Subject : Update of FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment

Dear Sir or Madam,

We hereby inform you that the FIA has updated the FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment and the FIA Regulations for Approval of Test Houses.

New requirements are introduced under Articles 3 and 6, of the FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment targeting better communication between the manufacturer and the FIA.

For the FIA Regulations for Approval of Test Houses, a new requirement is also introduced a new article to the regulation.

FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment

The articles state the following:

“3. EXTENSION TO HOMOLOGATION PROCEDURE:

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If, during a test intended to request an extension to the homologation, the manufacturer becomes aware of any non-compliance with the standard to which the sample is homologated, the manufacturer shall inform the FIA without any delay of such non-compliance. The manufacturer accepts and acknowledges that the test house has the same disclosure obligation to the FIA.”

AND

“6. HOMOLOGATION VALIDITY

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If, during a test performed: i) for the continuous quality control, or ii) at an FIA-approved test house in relation to re-homologation, the manufacturer becomes aware of any non-compliance with the standard to which the sample is homologated, the manufacturer shall inform the FIA without any delay of such non-compliance. The manufacturer accepts and acknowledges that the test house has the same disclosure obligation to the FIA.”



A similar approach is also taken in consideration for the FIA Regulations for Approval of Test Houses.

These articles ensure that manufacturers will inform the FIA without delay of any safety concerns.

All manufacturers will need to follow this new requirement.

FIA Regulations for Approval of Test Houses

The article states the following:

“11. DISCLOSURE OBLIGATION

Test houses shall inform the FIA without delay if they become aware of any non-compliance with the standard to which the sample is homologated and such non-compliance occurs during one of the following cases:

- ❖ **Test performed in relation to the extension to the homologation as described in Article 3 “Extension to Homologation Procedure” of the FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment;**
- ❖ **Test performed in relation to re-homologation as described in Article 6 “Homologation Validity” of the FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment.**

With respect to the FIA, test houses shall not assert or seek to rely on any confidentiality obligations to prevent the disclosure of such information to the FIA.”

A similar approach is also taken into consideration for the FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment.

This article ensures that manufacturers will inform the FIA without delay of any safety concerns.

All approved test houses will need to follow this new requirement.

We remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Yours faithfully,

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