

## Officials Newsletter - July

Hi everyone

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#### Restricted Rider List

Please ensure you're vigilant about checking the Restricted Rider List at sign-on. This is a crucial part of exercising your Duty of Care. Having a rider who is on the list competing at your event could be considered negligent if something were to happen. The office is currently auditing the list to make it less arduous to wade through and an updated version will be sent to the host club on the Friday before any permitted event. The MNZ Mobile App will make this process a breeze, but for now it's essential that you check riders against the list manually.

#### Helmet Checks

This is not negotiable. It keeps cropping up and was a hotly debated subject at the AGM. **Helmet checks are essential and required by the MoMS at every event or meeting** - it forms part of the Duty of Care owed to riders and is significant in ensuring their safety. Ideally you would check the general condition of the helmet, but at a minimum, you must:

- ensure the helmet presented is that recorded in the rider's logbook; and
- ensure the helmet carries one of the competition helmet standards required by the MoMS (8.2a).

#### Training Seminars

Here's a reminder of upcoming training seminars around the North Island. Please register on the website if you're interested in attending:

<https://www.mnz.co.nz/officials/training-seminars>

- 21 July - Wellington @ Upper Hutt Bridge Club, 98 Pine Avenue, Upper Hutt
- 29 July - Wairarapa @ Post Office Hotel, Pahiatua
- 4 August - Auckland @ Northern Sports Car Clubrooms, Mt Richmond Domain, Mt Wellington
- 11 August - South Waikato @ Taupo MX Clubrooms, Miro Street, Taupo
- 25 August - Bay of Plenty, Tauranga (TBA)

- 15 September - Taranaki
- 29 September - Hawkes Bay

### Warrants & New Grading Structure

Please check the expiration date of your warrant and keep it current. The new Officials Grading Structure comes into effect on 1 August, with new warrants issued at the next training seminar you attend. Your current warrant remains valid until your new one is issued. Grading will change from the generic numbered levels (1-4) to three discipline-specific levels: Trainee, Club and National Grades:

- Trainee is the equivalent of Grade 1
- Club will combine Grades 2 and 3
- National is the equivalent of Grade 4.

The change will apply to both Clerks of the Course (CoC) and Stewards. A future warrant will look something like this: **CoC Warrant. Club. MX, E, XC** (Club grade CoC warrant for Motocross, Enduro and Cross Country).

### Hamilton Coroner's Report

We have received the full report from Coroner Gordon Matenga into the fatal accident at Cambridge Motorcycle Club in 2016. Coroner Matenga has requested that this be distributed to all member Clubs and officials, so the full report, including recommendations, can be found [here](#).

Cheers  
Andrew Presant  
Officials Commissioner