



Motorcycling New Zealand - Rule Change 6.21 (Road)

MNZ would like to advise of the following Safety Rule Change effective immediately:

6.21 Stopping and Re-starting a Race:

Should it be necessary to stop a race due to an accident, climatic or other conditions that make it hazardous to continue, a Red flag will be displayed at the finish line under the direction of the Steward or Clerk of the Course. Once instructed, all flag points are to display waved Red flags.

- a. Upon sighting the Red flag riders are to cease racing immediately and ride at touring pace and return to the pit lane, or the safest point on the track at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course (this point must be announced at riders briefing), where they will stop and await further instructions.
- b. The decision to stop a race for whatever the reason can only come from the Steward or Clerk of the Course.
- c. Any red flagged race may only be re-started or continued once.
- d. Points can only be awarded to riders that were racing at the time of the red flag.
- e. The number of full laps completed by the lead rider prior to the race stoppage shall define the determinations below:

A. If no more than two laps of the stopped race were completed:

- a. The stopped race will be declared null and void and a new start will take place,
- b. The re-start will take place as soon as possible and must occur no more than 30 minutes after the race has been stopped. If it cannot be re-run within this time it shall be null and void and no points will be awarded.

For clarity:

- The re-started race will be for the full original race distance,
- The original grid positions will be used,
- The place of any machine unable to take part in the re-started race will be left vacant,
- Machines can be repaired or replaced. However, they must meet the requirements of being on the track in terms of class eligibility and any machine checks etc.
- Only those riders that took place in the original start can take part in the re-start.

B. If more than two laps, but less than 65% of the original race distance, have been completed:

- a. The second part must occur no more than 30 minutes after the race has been stopped. If it cannot be continued within this time it shall be null and void. This shall cause all parts to be null and void and no points will be awarded.
- b. The second part race distance will be the remainder of the original race distance,
- c. The original grid positions will be used,
- d. The place of any machine unable to take part in the second part of the race will be left vacant,
- e. Only competitors who have completed at least 65% of the laps completed by the lead rider, and were racing at the time of the red flag will be allowed to participate in the continued race,
- f. Machines may be repaired, but not replaced, provided they have been approved by the Machine Examiner or the Technical Steward (whichever is applicable) before rejoining,
- g. The final race classification will be established according to the finishing order of the last part of the race only,
- i. If 65% or more of the original scheduled race distance (in total) is completed full points will be awarded,
- ii. If less than 65% of the original scheduled race distance (in total), but more than two laps, is completed half points will be awarded.

C. If 65% or more of the race distance is completed:

- a. This shall be declared a full race,
- b. The finishing order shall be at end of the last full lap completed by the lead rider before the stopping of the race,
- c. Full points will be awarded.

Please update your Manual of Motorcycle Sport to reflect this change