

## Motor Vehicle Registry Information Bulletin

# V61 – Speed Trials and Races

### Introduction

The Northern Territory (NT) *Traffic Regulations* (Regulation 37) prohibits a person from organising, taking part in, or attending a speed trial, race or event which is to be conducted on a public road unless a permit has been granted by the Director of Transport (Director).

Events exempt from this requirement include:

- 1) Events that are authorised under Section 43A of the *Traffic Act*, or
- 2)
  - (a) the World Solar Challenge;
  - (b) the Finke Desert Race;
  - (c) the Australian Safari; and
  - (d) the London to Sydney Marathon.

### Requirements

A person or an organisation wishing to organise a speed trial, race or event must apply to the Director of Transport for a permit. The Competent Authority and NT Police must also approve the event.

**Note:** Application Form VS14 – “Permit Application for Road Event” - is attached to this Bulletin for your convenience.

#### Competent Authority

The Competent Authority is the body or authority having the care, control and management of the public road on which the event is to be conducted.

Examples of Competent Authorities include: city councils, town councils, shire councils, community councils and the Northern Territory Government (NTG).

More than one Competent Authority may need to grant their approval for an event.

#### Public Liability

The organiser may be required to have adequate liability insurance.

#### Traffic Management Plan

If an event is likely to cause significant disruption to normal traffic flow, the organiser may be required to provide evidence of a Traffic Management Plan.

#### Advisory Signs and Warning Signs

Certain events may require advisory or warning signs. Where applicable, signs will need to comply with relevant standards – such as Australian Standards – for signage.

**Medical Facility**

The organiser may be required to provide appropriate aid, comfort or medical facility to anyone involved in an event.

**Litter and Refuse**

The organiser may be required to remove litter and refuse as a result of an event.

**Application Time Frames**

Generally, applications will not be accepted more than 3 months or less than seven (7) days prior to an event date.

**Public Notice Requirement**

Public notice of the application must be made not less than seven (7) days prior to an event taking place. This is not a notice of approval for the event.

**Permit**

The Director of Transport may grant a permit if satisfied that:

1. Approval has been granted from the Competent Authority;
2. Written consent has been granted from the NT Police;
3. Public notice of the application has been made not less than 7 days prior to the event taking place; and
4. The event will not endanger or unduly inconvenience persons in the vicinity of the event.

**Note:** Various conditions may be imposed on a permit.

Applications for a speed trial, race or event may be lodged with Road Transport Division and faxed to (08) 8924 7324. Alternatively, applications may be lodged at any Motor Vehicle Registry (MVR) Office.

For more information, contact Road Transport Division on telephone (08) 8924 7041.

**Note:** Form VS14 – “Permit Application for Road Event” - is to be read in conjunction with this Bulletin.

Application Form VS14 is attached to this bulletin and is also available at all MVR Offices.

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Date Received  
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## Permit Application for a Road Event

### Applicant Details

Organisation

### Contact Person

Surname

Given Name

Postal Address

  
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Contact Details - Please tick (✓) preferred method of contact

Phone:

Fax:

Email Address:

### Event Details

Event Name

### Event Type

Parade

Trial

Race

Procession

Speed Trial

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Event Dates

Start	Finish
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Assembly Area \_\_\_\_\_

Event Times

Finish Area \_\_\_\_\_

Route of Travel (i.e. include details of all roads)

  
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Will any person involved in this event be riding in any open load space on a vehicle, trailer or float?

Yes (provide details below)  No

  
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