

1. Purpose

The Historic Motorsport Committee Group N Working Group (GNWG) is established from suitably accredited Motorsport Australia officials interested in Group N Historic Touring Car racing and Australian Historic Touring Car Association (AHTCA) activities and is to advise the Historic Motorsport Committee (HMC) on:

- the development and review of Technical Regulations;
- Review of Group N Specification Sheets; and
- Collation, review and research relating to component substitutions for Motorsport Australia Historic Group N Competition.

2. Scope

The GNWG will undertake to:

- (a) review Group N Technical Regulations in conjunction with AHTCA and Motorsport Australia;
- (b) review Group N Specification Sheets in conjunction with AHTCA and Motorsport Australia;
- (c) review and provide recommendations to the HMC and Motorsport Australia for the approval of proposals/applications regarding technical matters related to the construction and compliance of Group N Vehicles for Historic Motorsport;
- (d) In conjunction with AHTCA, review, research and provide recommendations to the HMC and Motorsport Australia on component substitution applications including verification of the eligibility and suitability of the application.

3. Authority

At the commencement of every year, the AHTCA will be required to confirm to Motorsport Australia, that the Constitution of the AHTCA will contain the following principles:

“That the AHTCA will

- Maintain the basic principles and spirit of Historic Touring Cars as stated in the Motorsport Australia Manual:
“that automobiles in the various groups compete in a condition, mechanically and visually, compatible with the period of racing being portrayed”;
- Work with Motorsport Australia and GNWG in the determination of technical and component substitution matters as follows:
 - By establishing a GNWG, the membership of which is to include:
 - one technical delegate per State, that delegate to be elected for a two-year term, which shall rotate between states (NSW, WA, SA elected in odd years and VIC, QLD TAS elected in even years);

- one Historic Touring Car member from the Historic Production Based Eligibility Committee (HPBEC);
- the MA Motorsport Technical Executive - Historics;
- By conducting meetings of the GNWG at least quarterly, but more frequently as determined by a majority vote of the GNWG members:
- The Chair of the GNWG will be the MA Motorsport Technical Executive – Historics, or a person who is voted by a majority vote of the GNWG members and that nominee is approved by MA;
- Where any matter discussed by the GNWG, it will be determined by a majority vote of all log booked Group N car owners;
- MA and the HMC will have final arbitration on any decision reached by the GNWG.
- Help officials such as Technical Delegates, Eligibility Officers and Scrutineers to know the current specifications and to apply those rules uniformly across all Group N race events, regardless of their location. In doing so, AHTCA and GNWG contributes to the success of race events and the well-being of competitors by having eligibility matters discussed and resolved in forums away from actual race events.”

The GNWG, through the appointed Chair, will have the authority on behalf of the HMC and Motorsport Australia to:

- (a) obtain information, as necessary, from sources specific to the subject matter;
- (b) engage persons/entities on a voluntary basis as Subject Matter Experts (SME) as required and specific to the subject matter.

Any other actions or engagements must be undertaken with the direct approval of the HMC, Motorsport Australia and the AHTCA.

4. Membership

The GNWG will consist of the following:

- (a) Chair: Executive Officer (EO): Frank Adamson
- (b) Secretariat: Nic van den Berg (as approved by the AHTCA and the HMC);
- (c) Delegates: One member of the Historic Production Based Eligibility Committee (HPBEC);
No more than six technical delegates, comprising one technical delegate from each State (as arranged by the AHTCA in an open voting method, and that each technical delegate is to be elected for a two-year term, which shall rotate between states (NSW, WA, SA elected in odd years and VIC, QLD TAS elected in even years), representatives appointed and approved by AHTCA requiring the following:
 - The necessary technical skills and knowledge across the various Group N Categories;

- Specific expertise in particular Makes/Models of Vehicles as required

5. Meeting arrangements

The Chairman will be responsible for calling the meetings

A quorum for each meeting is required.

The quorum will be achieved if at least four technical delegates are present.

Secretariat services are to be provided by the AHTCA, who will be responsible for:

- Arranging the meetings;
- The preparation and distribution of the minutes within 7 calendar days of each meeting;
- Reporting to MA and the HMC at least quarterly.
- Other interested MA officials may attend meetings as observers.

Proponents of any technical and/or component substitution matter shall be allowed to present their matters to a GNWG meeting but shall leave the meeting before voting takes place.

6. Voting

Each member (apart from the AHTCA Secretariat, who has no vote) has one vote.

Voting will be by a show of hands.

Proxy votes can be given in writing to the AHTCA Secretariat.

Decisions will be determined in the first instance, by a majority vote, including any proxy vote.

Where there is a tie in voting, the Chair will have the casting vote.

Where deemed necessary, and where agreed by the GNWG, a poll may be conducted on any matter. The poll audience will be AHTCA members who are current owners of approved (Log Booked) vehicles

7. Conflict of Interest

A GNWG member shall declare his/her interest in any matter in which a conflict of interest arises or may arise. S/he may, unless otherwise determined by the Committee, include her/himself in discussions of such matters but shall not be entitled to vote in respect of such matters.

8. Meeting occurrences

Meetings will be held at least three monthly, or more frequently as determined by the Chair.

9. Reporting

The GNWG will be required to report to the HMC.

The GNWG Secretary will be responsible for the distribution of all reporting to the HMC.

10. Resources and budget

The GNWG will have access to teleconference and video conference facilities through Motorsport Australia. These will be managed by the EO.

11. Review

This document is to be reviewed following the first full meeting of the GNWG to ensure that the objectives are both understood and achievable.

Subsequent review will be undertaken on a 6 monthly basis following the initial objectives review.