

ACTION SHEET – For Consultation

Committee:	Technical Committee
Date of meeting:	28 th March 2018
Closing date for consultation:	27 th July 2018
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Section (J) Competitors: Vehicles

Existing Regulation

5.20.12. Not carry or pass any liquids in or through any tubes comprising part of the chassis structure, or safety roll-over bar.

Proposed Regulation

5.20.12. Not carry or pass any liquids **or gases, other than air at atmospheric pressure,** in or through any tubes comprising part of the chassis structure, ~~or safety roll-over bar.~~

Section (K) Competitors: Safety

Existing Regulation

1.2.2. The ROPS must not unduly impede Driver and Co-Driver access to the vehicle. Members may intrude into the interior space by passing through the dashboard, front side trim, rear side trim, and rear seats which may be folded down. ROPS must not extend beyond the front upper or rear suspension mounting points of the vehicle, with the exception of backstays which may extend beyond the rear suspension mounting points if necessary to achieve the required 30° angle. Any modification to a homologated ROPS (other than fitment of Roof Reinforcement, Windscreen Pillar Reinforcement, Doorbars and Harness Bars) is prohibited. Tubes must not carry any fluids.

Proposed Regulation

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Reason:

There is concern over Cross Country Vehicles using ROPS and chassis tubes as compressed air reservoirs. This proposal prohibits this activity whilst tidying up a duplication in regulations, leaving J5.20.12 to cover the chassis and K1.2.2 to cover the ROPS.

The term “or any other item” is included in K1.2.2 but not J5.20.12 as chassis tubes are often used to route cabling which is not an issue.

Implementation date: 1st January 2020