

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

Committee:	Race Committee
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Section Q Racing

Existing Regulation

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Proposed Regulation

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b) The following configuration is strongly recommended:

Vehicles to be equipped with two front and two rear towing eyes positioned equally either side of the longitudinal center line.

The towing eyes must be made of at least 6mm diameter steel wire rope with a 6x19 wire core. Each towing eye must have a breaking-strain of at least 2 tons and must allow the passage of a cylinder with a diameter of 60mm, situated 25mm forward of the adjacent bodywork - 100 mm above and below this hole must retain clearance to enable the recovery crews to attach straps and shackles.

They must be clearly visible, marked with an arrow and the word "tow" and the wire painted in yellow, red or orange to contrast with the vehicle colour scheme.

The towing eye must be fixed to a structural part of the chassis with a minimum of M10 (Grade 8.8) fixings, the inner part must be flexible in order for the towing eye to be retracted inside the bodywork profile.

A “pull-cord” must be attached to the towing eye to enable the marshals to access the wire loop. The end attached to the chassis may be either ‘thimble’ or ‘open-loop’ style.

Reason: *At the request of Race Committee, to provide a recommendation for additional towing points. This recommendation is available for clubs to specify in their championship regulations and is included in the 2016 Championship Regulation Master Format for Clubs to utilise.*

Implementation: 01 January 2017