31.5. MARSHALS' INSTRUCTIONS

- **31.5.1.** Crews are obliged to follow the instructions of the control officials of any control. Failure to do so will be reported to the Stewards.
- 31.5.2. All control officials must be identifiable. At each control, the chief official must wear a distinctive tabard.

31.6. MEDIA ZONES (WHEN APPLICABLE)

A taped off media zone may be established:

- after the STOP control zone of a selective section;
- before entering the regroup;
- prior to the yellow time control board at all service parks/bivouacs;
- within the holding park before the podium procedure at the finish.

Access to this media zone shall be limited to personnel holding the appropriate pass. Organizers may plan the itinerary and time schedule such that crews are expected to spend a minimum of 15 minutes in the media zone. The media zones must also be clearly marked in the Road Book.

32. PASSAGE CONTROLS (PC)

32.1. LOCATION

In order to check that the crews are respecting the itinerary in the Road Book, hidden passage controls and/or extreme passage controls (PC, ExCP) may be set up on the route of the itinerary coinciding with boxes in the Road Book. These controls will be identified by the signs shown in Appendix I.

32.2. OPERATION

- **32.2.1.** The marshals must simply stamp and/or sign the Timecard as soon as it is handed in by the crew, without mentioning the time of passage.
- **32.2.2.** The time of passage will be noted to the second and may be used in the case of interruption of the Selective Section. In case of an interruption, the time recorded by the GPS system may be taken into account.
- **32.2.3.** If a PC stamp on the Timecard is absent and electronic proof of the passage is missing, the competitor will be penalized for a missing PC.

32.3. SAFETY ZONES

32.3.1. With the aim of ensuring safety in the PC zone, a "Safety Zone" will be installed at each PC. The speed in this zone will be limited to 40 kph maximum and controlled by the Safety Tracking System.



- **32.3.2.** The entrance of a PC control zone is indicated by means of standardized signs complying with the drawings and distances in Appendix I.
- **32.3.3.** Speeding in safety zones will be penalized according to the penalties for speeding in speed control zones.

32.4. Extreme Passage Control (ExCP) - valid for Extreme category only

In order to check that the crews are respecting the extreme sections of the itinerary in the Road Book, Extreme Passage Controls (ExCP) may be set up at the exit of these sections. The crew must pass following the direction of the itinerary and respecting the markings and orders of the marshals. The passage will be validated by a stamp/puncture in the time card. The time of passage will be noted in the written protocol of the control zone personnel. The penalty for not passing a ExCP is 2 hours. These controls will be identified by the signs shown in Appendix I but will not be mentioned in the road book.

32.5. ASSISTANCE TO PASS THROUGH PASSAGE CONTROL

In case, where the concerned crew is unable to pass through by his own means or by help from another competitor still in the rally and is being recovered by the Organization or receive outside assistance to pass through the control, the crew concerned will be considered to have missed that passage control.

© RBI - SPORT Page 17 of 38