



Technical Rule Interpretation – Unless The Rules Say That You Can Then You Cannot No. TRI – 16-01

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Background

This TRI has been issued to clarify the issue of modification of components within the minimum and maximum dimensions that are specified in the Rules and/or the engine homologation and/or technical specification documents.

Technical Rules Chapter 1 Rule 1 a) (ii) prescribes the following:

“Unless in these Rules and/or the Homologation / Technical Specifications documents it says that you can do something, then you cannot.”

Interpretation

This means that unless the Rules, and/or the Homologation Papers and/or the Technical Specification documents related a chassis, an engine or any other component or item used in karting competition state that you are able to make a modification or an adjustment to it, then you are not permitted to make a modification. If you do so and/or if you or any other person are found to have done so it will be considered to be a breach of the rules. The Competitor is responsible at all times for their compliance with the Rules. I.e. if a component is on your kart, you are responsible for ensuring that it complies with the Rules.

If the rules are silent, do not assume that you can make a change because you cannot.

With specific reference to the IAME KA100, Vortex Min Rok, Vortex DVS Senior and Vortex DVS Junior Engines

The intent of the classes that use these engines is to use the engine as it has been produced. The specifications are available to determine any modifications, not to allow blueprinting. No deviation from the “as produced” Australian engine is allowed. All components must remain OEM.

Some have felt that where minimum or maximum dimensions are given, that it is permissible to modify the component to meet the posted minimum dimension. To be clear, those tolerances are present to accommodate production variances - not to allow additional machining by engine builders. Comparison to known unmodified components, as well as measurement, will be employed to determine conformity or whether or not any modification has been made.

If it is determined that any additional machining or modification is present, the component will be deemed non-compliant. Penalties apply.

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