

Chief Steward

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Re: Underage Driver Dispensations.

At the recent ORANZ Executive meeting on 18/01/2020 the Executive were informed of issues relating to the Insurance policy and the ORANZ rule book not aligning with this.

These changes must be made urgently to meet the requirements of the ORANZ Insurer and must be effective immediately and will be in the 2020 ORANZ rule book.

They apply to any new or existing Under Age Dispensations.

NO Exceptions and all previously granted dispensations are no longer valid from 28/01/2020.

The following rules will apply to any ORANZ Junior drivers.

Any Under Age Dispensation granted from 28/01/2020 is for "Short Course Racing" only.

No Junior driver will be permitted to compete in any "Adult Enduros".

There will now be NO dispensations granted by the C.S. for adult Enduros.

Age changes:

- 1. "P Class" drivers are to be a minimum age of 6 yrs old.
- 2. "J and K Class" drivers are to be a minimum age of 6 yrs old to a maximum of 15 yrs old.
- 3. "M Class" drivers are to be a minimum age of 10 yrs old to a maximum of 15 yrs old.

A Junior driver who has reached the age of 8 yrs old may APPLY for an "Under Age Dispensation to race in "M Class".

A Junior driver who has reached the age of 12 yrs old may APPLY for a "Under Age Dispensation" to race in "Class 7, 5 or C" only.

A Junior driver who has reached the age of 14 yrs old may APPLY for a "Under Age Dispensation" to race in 'Class U or 3" only.

Before any "Under Age Driver Dispensation" can be considered the new "ORANZ Under Age Driver Dispensation Application Forms" must be completed.

These documents are available from the C.S. and require the following:

- 1. A Birth Certificate.
- 2. Parent/Guardian consent.
- 3. Club Member's Presidents approval.
- 4. An ORANZ members approval.
- 5. A documented racing history/experience of at least 10 previous events they have competed in.

The ORANZ Chief Steward is happy to discuss these new requirements with the applicants when they apply.

Please be aware that these dispensations will take some time to process and it will be on a first come basis. The sooner they are received, the sooner I can begin.

To avoid disappointment, DO NOT leave it until close to a race day.

ORANZ must take all reasonable steps to be sure that only experienced capable junior drivers who have completed the required new paperwork and comply with the 2020 rule book can be considered for a dispensation.

Yours,

ORANZ Chief Steward Kerry Thomason