# CHARTER OF MOTORSPORT SOUTH AFRICA ("MSA") ETHICS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

#### 1. Purpose & Commitment

- a. The MSA Board of Directors ("Board") commits to upholding the highest standards of ethical leadership, transparency, and accountability.
- b. This charter serves as a guiding framework for responsible governance and decision making in the interest of motorsport development in South Africa.

# 2. Core Ethical Principles

- a. Integrity: Conduct all activities with honesty and transparency.
- b. Accountability: Accept responsibility for decisions and their outcomes.
- c. Fairness: Ensure equitable treatment of all stakeholders.
- d. Respect: Promote a culture of dignity, inclusion, and mutual respect.
- e. Compliance: Adhere to all applicable laws, regulations, and internal policies.

# 3. Board Conduct & Responsibilities

- a. Avoid conflicts of interest and disclose any potential personal interests.
- b. Maintain confidentiality of Board discussions and sensitive information.
- c. Support collective decisions and act in the best interest of MSA.
- d. Demonstrate professionalism and ethical behavior in all interactions.
- e. Always act as an ambassador of MSA

# 4. Ethical Decision-Making

- a. Apply a structured approach to evaluate ethical dilemmas.
- b. Consider the impact on stakeholders, legal compliance, and reputational risk
- c. Encourage open dialogue and consultation when facing ethical challenges.

# 5. Oversight & Culture

- a. Foster an ethical culture throughout MSA and its affiliated bodies.
- b. Ensure regular ethics training and awareness initiatives.

c. Monitor ethical risks and respond promptly to misconduct.

#### 6. Whistleblower Protection

- a. Support safe and confidential reporting of unethical behavior.
- b. Protect whistleblowers from retaliation and ensure fair investigation processes.

# 7. Review & Accountability

- a. Review this charter annually to ensure relevance and effectiveness.
- b. Evaluate Board performance against ethical standards and implement improvements.

#### 8. Composition and Appointment

- a. The Board shall appoint members to the Ethics and Governance Committee through a process of nomination and voting.
- the Committee shall consist of no fewer than three (3) and no more than five
   members, selected on the basis of their independence, ethical standing,
   governance experience, and professional suitability.
- c. Members must demonstrate sound judgment, integrity, and the capacity to fulfil the functions of the Committee in a fair and impartial manner.
- d. The roles and responsibilities of the Committee shall be as set out in this Charter, but may be expanded or refined by resolution of the Board, as circumstances require.

#### 9. Scope Limitation

- a. The Ethics and Governance Committee operates as a focused disputeresolution and oversight body, with a mandate limited to specific internal governance and ethical matters referred to it by the Board or the CEO of MSA.
- b. It is not responsible for general corporate governance, organisational ethics strategy, executive oversight, or routine compliance functions.

- c. The Committee shall not initiate investigations independently, nor does it possess disciplinary powers; its role is strictly advisory and investigative, with findings and recommendations submitted to the Board or the CEO of MSA for final decision.
- d. This limited scope reflects the current resources and composition of the Committee, and may be reviewed or expanded by the Board in future if required.

# 10. Confidentiality and Reporting

- a. All proceedings and documents before the Committee shall be treated as confidential and used only for the purpose of fulfilling its mandate.
- b. Committee members shall not disclose any matter under consideration to any third party, except as required to fulfil their duties.
- c. The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Board and/ or the CEO of MSA, unless otherwise directed by resolution of the Board.
- d. All reports, findings document and all other relevant supporting documentation to be handed over to the CEO of MSA or the Chairman of the Board for recording keeping purposes.

#### 11. Administrative Support

- a. The Ethics and Governance Committee shall be supported by MSA Management in an administrative capacity. Management shall, upon request:
  - i. Obtain and collate relevant documents or records for the Committee;
  - ii. Arrange meetings or interviews with affected parties;
  - iii. Provide logistical or communication support as directed by the Committee.
- b. MSA Management shall not alter or interpret material provided unless expressly authorised to do so by the Committee.
- c. The Committee retains full control over the scope, timing, and use of all investigations and engagements.

#### 12. Indemnity and Protection

- a. Members of the Ethics and Governance Committee act in an advisory capacity under delegation from the Board in terms of section 72 of the Companies Act.
- b. MSA shall indemnify committee members against any loss, damage, claim, or legal action arising from the performance of their duties on the Committee, provided such duties were performed:
  - i. In good faith;
  - ii. Without gross negligence or wilful misconduct;
  - iii. Within the scope of the Committee's authorised mandate.
- c. This indemnity includes protection from claims arising out of recommendations made in good faith, even where such recommendations are later disputed or criticised.

#### 13. Resources and Limitations

- a. MSA shall, subject to budgetary approval, bear the reasonable travel and related direct costs incurred by members of the Committee while performing their duties.
- b. If the Committee is denied access to relevant documents, persons, or locations, or if necessary travel or support is withheld, the Committee may reflect such limitations in its report.
- c. In such circumstances, Committee members shall not be held liable for any resulting limitations in their findings, provided they acted in good faith and within the scope of their mandate.

# 14. Reporting Format

a. The Committee shall ordinarily provide its findings and recommendations in writing to the Board.

- b. In limited circumstances, where the matter is minor or does not warrant the cost or formality of a full report, the Committee may report verbally to the Board, provided the Board agrees to this approach.
- c. In such cases, a brief written record may be retained by the Committee Chair to ensure continuity and transparency.

# 15. Applicable Standards

- a. In fulfilling its mandate, the Committee shall apply relevant principles and requirements derived from:
  - i. The Companies Act, 2008;
  - ii. The King IV Report on Corporate Governance for South Africa (2016);
  - iii. MSA's Memorandum of Incorporation, rules, codes, and internal policies;
  - iv. The principles of South African common law and natural justice;
  - v. Any applicable statutory or regulatory frameworks relevant to a particular matter.
- b. The Committee shall strive to act with impartiality, transparency, and due care in all deliberations and findings.

#### 16. Appointment of Chairperson

- a. The Board shall appoint a Chairperson of the Ethics and Governance Committee from among the committee members.
- b. The Chairperson shall lead the Committee's proceedings, coordinate its meetings and reporting, and serve as its primary liaison with the Board.
- c. In the Chairperson's absence, the remaining members may designate an acting Chairperson for a specific meeting or task.
- d. The term of the Chairperson shall be aligned with their committee appointment or as otherwise determined by the Board.

#### 17. Vacancies

- a. If a vacancy arises on the Committee, the Board shall appoint a replacement member as soon as reasonably practicable.
- b. If the Chairperson's position becomes vacant, the Board shall appoint a new Chairperson from among the current members or simultaneously with any new appointment.
- c. The Committee may continue to function and make decisions if at least three members remain in office.
- d. Any temporary or acting appointments may be made by resolution of the remaining members, pending Board confirmation.
- e. The Committee shall retain the authority to continue its functions, including investigations and issuing findings, provided that at least three members remain in office.
- f. If membership falls below this threshold, the Committee shall suspend active investigations and notify the Board to make the necessary appointments.
- g. Any decisions made without the required minimum membership may be deemed procedurally invalid unless subsequently ratified by the Board.

#### 18. Referral of Uncertainties to the Board

- the Committee is uncertain about the extent of its authority or process, the Committee shall refer the matter to the Board for direction.
- b. Until such direction is received, the Committee shall refrain from taking further steps on the matter in question, except where necessary to preserve confidentiality, evidence, or procedural fairness.