

STATEMENT REGARDING

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

After careful consideration and investigation, Willowbank Raceway has decided that we can no longer allow **road registered** Fully Electric Vehicles to race or test at Willowbank Raceway. We have been reviewing the regulations from Motorsport Australia, NEDRA as well as the emergency response procedures for specific vehicles and after information provided from these departments, we have determined that the risks associated with racing and testing Electric Vehicles are too high. These risks include:

- The battery may release toxic and flammable gas after a collision.
- First Responders may not be able to confirm that the car is "off".
- Doors may not unlock from the outside after a collision.
- If the driver is unconscious after an incident (including a medical incident), there is a chance that the chassis is live and removing the driver would put the responders at risk.
- The car may not roll with the power disconnected and towing the car with our current equipment would be impossible.
- Electric Vehicles require specific fire suppression systems such as water baths

This will take effect immediately and will only apply to Full Electric Vehicles at all events at Willowbank Raceway. We will continue to allow Hybrid Vehicles to run.