

Note to PCRA riders from Chief Scrutineer Marcus De Caux

All riders are advised that Scrutineering from Round 1 will continue to impose strict standards of compliance with MOMs. Two issues warrant particular attention.

Coolant

Members will have noted MA has changed the rule on coolant, now allowing non-glycol additives. Glycol remains prohibited. There is some evidence that even non-glycol coolants reduce adhesion, including a residue dried on the track or on tyres. But, under MOMs, Scrutineering enforces "compliance" not "safety". Riders are advised that new testing equipment will be used from Round 1 to test coolant for Glycol and any bike testing positive will be removed from racing until it tests negative. Non-glycol coolant mixed above manufacturer's specifications, usually 5%, may also test positive and result in a direction to remove or dilute it before being allowed on track. All water-cooled bikes must present to scrutineering with access to the radiator for testing.

MOMs allows the Clerk to "Exclude from any event any machine which the Clerk of Course considers to be dangerous," (Section 2, 4, 6, 1(h)). Scrutineering advice that a machine may have Glycol in the coolant would be grounds for exclusion. Obviously, continuing to use only water avoids this risk completely.

Pre Modern extended to 1997.

As previously announced, PM has been extended to 31 December 1997. Yamaha R1 is specifically prohibited, as are some components, and an eligibility list has been created. All this can be seen at <https://www.pcra.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/PCRA-RaceClasses.pdf>.

All PM machines will be strictly assessed at Round 1 Scrutineering to enforce this rule change. Riders are advised that non-compliance will result in a machine being excluded from the meeting until a non-compliant part is replaced, or completely if not on the approved list.