



## **SAFETY RED FLAG PROCEDURE**

Please be aware that we are using RED FLAGS rather than the previous YELLOW.

On passing a RED FLAG displayed by a marshal wearing a marshal's tabard the driver **MUST** immediately and significantly reduce speed as well as being prepared to stop at any time, at no time must they overtake any safety vehicle they encounter on the special stage route. The driver must then follow the instructions of any marshal and/or stage safety personal and maintain this reduced speed until leaving the special stage.

Red flags are normally deployed to indicate to competitors that there are Safety Vehicles moving ahead of them further down the stage. No stages have a midpoint Medical, Rescue or Recovery services but Red flags may still be used to allow Medical, Rescue or Recovery vehicles to short cut through stages or if a significant incident has occurred to prevent the situation worsening by the arrival of rally cars at speed.

Each mandatory radio point will have a Red flag. Following a specific instruction from the Stage Commander, Red flags will be displayed throughout the stage. A particular radio point may be asked to stop the competitors.

**Note that Red flags must be held, not waved, by a marshal who must be wearing a tabard. They must be displayed prominently to all oncoming competitors.**

Upon seeing a Red flag, competitors must slow down significantly and be prepared to stop, at no time must they overtake any safety vehicle they encounter on the special stage. The driver must follow the instructions of any marshals and/or safety personnel and maintain this reduced speed until leaving the stage. Competitors failing to respond to a Red Flag should be reported to Rally HQ.

Flags will continue to be displayed until their withdrawal has been instructed by the Stage Commander or Rally HQ.

## **INCIDENT PROCEDURE FOR COMPETING CREWS**

If you are the first car following an accident and the RED SOS board has been displayed, then you must stop and give assistance. The next car must go to the next RADIO POINT and inform the marshal.

There may be occasions when the accident has occurred and there is no board and no marshal around.

If no one is seen and the driver and navigator are still in the car, you should also stop and follow the same procedure as if the SOS board is displayed. Any competing vehicle will receive a notational time for that stage if they are affected by this SAFETY PROCEDURE.