

Major Events (Motor Racing Events) (Gold Coast 500) Amendment Regulation 2024

Explanatory notes for SL 2024 No. 155

made under the

Major Events Act 2014

General Outline

Short title

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Authorising law

Sections 12, 13 and 84(1) of the *Major Events Act 2014*

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The 2024 Boost Mobile Gold Coast 500 motor racing event will be held from 25 to 27 October 2024.

The policy objective of the *Major Events (Motor Racing Events) (Gold Coast 500) Amendment Regulation 2024* (the Amendment Regulation) is to facilitate the 2024 Boost Mobile Gold Coast 500 being held.

Achievement of policy objectives

The policy objective will be achieved by prescribing the 2024 Boost Mobile Gold Coast 500 as a major event under the *Major Events Act 2014* (the Act). The Amendment Regulation also prescribes the major event area, major event period and periods for carrying out temporary works for the event, and the official title of the event. The major event organiser, V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd, is the same as for the 2023 event, and the prescribed major event area for the 2024 Boost Mobile Gold Coast 500 (the area surrounding MacIntosh Island Park in Surfers Paradise, the areas in the Southport Broadwater Parklands, and 3332 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise) is the substantially the same as the 2023 event. Schedule 2 of the *Major Events (Motor Racing Events) Regulation 2015* includes the updated major event area

map. Part 4 of the *Major Events (Motor Racing Events) Regulation 2015* details other provisions from the Act that apply to the event.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The Amendment Regulation is consistent with the objectives of the Act, which are to provide for the holding of major events and for the safety of visitors and spectators at major events.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

There is no inconsistency between the Amendment Regulation and the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The Amendment Regulation is necessary to enable the major event organiser (V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd) to stage the 2024 Boost Mobile Gold Coast 500.

The Gold Coast 500 event delivers tourism and economic benefits for the Gold Coast and the State of Queensland. This includes generating local jobs and showcasing the Gold Coast and Queensland to a significant television audience around Australia and overseas. It receives live coverage on the Seven Network, Foxtel and Kayo, with international coverage in New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia, United Arab Emirates, Hong Kong, India, South Africa and the United Kingdom. V8 Supercars Australia has advised that the 2024 Boost Mobile Gold Coast 500 is expected to deliver similar outcomes to 2023 racing event, which included more than 201,971 total attendances across the event and world feed broadcast to over 91 countries via 24 different international broadcast partners. A total of 20,000+ unique interstate and international visitors attended the 2023 event.

The Amendment Regulation is machinery in nature with only minor administrative costs associated with implementation. Costs incurred for the publication of public notices on the periods of temporary works for the event will be met through existing internal department resources. The economic benefits of the event to the local and state economy significantly outweigh the implementation costs.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The Amendment Regulation is machinery in nature and does not depart from the fundamental legislative principle safeguards established under the *Major Events Act 2014*.

The provisions prescribed under the *Major Events (Motor Racing Events) Regulation 2015* will not be ongoing, will only be in force for limited periods and in clearly defined major event areas. These limitations will minimise undue impacts on individuals' rights and liberties, ensuring there are no unnecessary limitations on public enjoyment of the event or restrictions on nearby businesses and residents going about their ordinary activities. The specific time limitations help ensure sufficient regard for the rights and liberties of individuals who may be inconvenienced by altered access to roads and paths and the carrying out of temporary works.

The Regulation is consistent with the objectives of the *Major Events Act 2014* and is necessary in order to ensure public safety for the duration of the event.

Consultation

The Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services; the Minister for Police and Community Safety, and the Mayor, City of Gold Coast have been consulted, as required under section 13 of the Act.

Consultation has also occurred with V8 Supercars Australia Pty Ltd.

All consulted parties that provided representations support the Amendment Regulation.

An Impact Analysis Statement (IAS) was undertaken under the Better Regulation Policy. The Regulation was assessed as machinery in nature as the regulatory proposal does not result in a substantive change to regulatory policy or new impacts on business, government or the community.