

March 25, 2008.

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Adjudication Branch  
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission  
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**ATT: MONICA BOURKE**  
**PROJECT OFFICER**

**REFERENCE NOTIFICATION OF EXCLUSIVE DEALING**  
**REFERENCE NUMBER N93302**  
**AUSTRALIAN SALOON CAR FEDERATION INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 14 329 758 680 ("ASCF")**

Dear Monica

The following are my concerns and objections regarding the above application by the ASCF.

Item B on Form G states that the ASCF is responsible for the administration of the saloon car sport nationally, including registration, inspection and licensing of saloon cars, conduct of saloon car racing and competitions and setting technical and safety specifications for vehicles.

Saloon car ("**Saloon Car**") is a category of speedway racing.

I would like to state that other than Saloon car is a category of speedway racing being correct in their statement, **the rest of their statement is totally incorrect.**

The ASCF does not control all Saloon/Sedan divisions, they only control the registered divisions within their organisation which consist of ASCF Super Sedans, ASCF Modified Production Sedans, ASCF Street Stock, ASCF Production Sedans and ASCF Junior Sedans, and (ASCF Street Stock is a Sedan).

Please note there are other major organisations that run and control Street Stock divisions, Junior Sedan divisions and Production Sedan divisions that are racing with considerable numbers and are not part of the ASCF.

The ASCF is also a registered incorporation of ASCF/SSA, the SSA standing for Speedway Sedans Australia.

There are around 100 odd State classes that NASR accept as recognized classes that are licensed under their umbrella, of these there are approximately 57 other Sedan classes that are not part of the ASCF, I believe that there are at least 25 sedan track based classes Australia wide that have no ASCF affiliation.

I would like to state that I understand why the ASCF has made this application and I support the ASCF in what they are applying for with their application; it is just the manner in which the application has been made.

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One of my objections is the need to define **Saloon Car**, if the ASCF application was to be successful in the manner it has been submitted it could mean that NASR at any time in the near future could deem all Sedan cars as Saloon cars, this being the case all Sedan classes Australia wide could then be forced to come under the ASCF banner, adopt their specifications and rules with no other avenues to compete as they have been, it is my understanding that the vast majority of the NASR membership is made up of Sedan car divisions other than the ASCF or open wheel divisions. I believe that the majority of the general speedway Sedan membership would suffer considerable hardship if they were forced to change their car specifications to the ASCF or any other organisations specifications due to the costs involved in carrying this out.

If the ASCF was to take control of all Sedan/Saloon car racing I am sure this would be a restriction of trade and again it would in no way be beneficial to the speedway Sedan membership.

It is interesting to note that the ASCF refer to Saloon Cars in their application and 4 of their 5 divisions are registered and called Sedan divisions, no where do they have a saloon car division registered as a racing division.

I checked the Webster's dictionary for the meaning of Saloon Car and Sedan Car and the following results were found.

Saloon Car is a British English Version and Sedan Car is an American English Version, both these names have the exact same meaning.

**As I Stated earlier I don't have a problem with the ASCF being granted this notification other then it be granted only to their organisation for their cars and their divisions that they control and run under their organisation and banner, it should in no way reflect on or effect any of the other speedway Sedan organisations or divisions currently operating and competing, nor should it leave the door open for all the other Sedan/Saloon car divisions in the future to be possibly forced in any way to have to join the ASCF or any other organisation to compete in speedway Sedan/Saloon car racing.**

I firmly believe that if the ASCF application should be accepted as suggested in the above paragraph it would address the concerns and requirements of the ASCF, the rest of the speedway Sedan membership would then be able to continue to compete as is unimpeded.

Yours Sincerely

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PUBLIC REGISTER**