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Updated Specification for Extractable Seats in Open Cockpit Cars

Dear Sir or Madam,

We would like to inform you of the updated Specification for Extractable Seats in Open Cockpit Cars which can be found on the FIA website at the following link (http://www.fia.com/sites/default/files/extractable_seat_spec_v2-02.12.15.pdf).

The extractable seat specification provides the design requirements for extractable seats for use in open cockpit cars. This specification defines the design requirements for the head stabilisation device, seat slot, and for the straps used to stabilise and lift the driver from the car.

In the event of an accident in an open cockpit car and in order to prevent spinal injuries, it is important to be able to immobilise the driver in his/her seat, under medical supervision, and remove him/her from the car in that seat with the aid of the contents of the FIA Extrication Bag. It is therefore necessary that open cockpit cars be fitted with extractable seats.

Most open cockpit cars already have extractable seats, but in some cases the seats do not meet the requirements of the FIA specification. It is important that teams ensure that the extractable seats meet the requirements of the newly published FIA specification.

We remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Yours faithfully,

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