**To**: Seat manufacturers and ASNs

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## FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment

Dear Sir or Madam,

We hereby inform you that the FIA has updated the FIA Homologation Regulations for Safety Equipment, introducing a clarification and an exception under Article 6, with the aim of giving some flexibility to the consumable parts of specific safety equipment.

The article states the following:

"6. HOMOLOGATION VALIDITY

.../...

Once the homologation validity has expired, the manufacturer shall immediately cease placing the FIA label on the product.

For circuit and rally seat brackets for 8862-2009 Advanced Racing Seats and 8855-2021 Competition Seats, manufacturers can request new extensions for alternative seat brackets, and are authorised to produce seat brackets for the full lifespan of the seats (10 years), on condition that the seat bracket's validity is the same as the corresponding seat."

The approach is to clarify that manufacturers cannot produce FIA homologated seats after the homologation validity period.

However, the seat owner may need to change the seat brackets during the useful life of the seat. This may be due to the need to replace the seat bracket, or even change the seating position. Therefore, it is proposed to allow seat manufacturers to produce these brackets and/or do homologation extensions during the full validity period of the seat.

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

Yours faithfully,

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