

Bulletin 2021-4 Update to OK/SOS Procedures

2/11/2021

These changes modify the 2021 ARA Rally Competition Regulations and are effective immediately.

Changes to 5.14.4 and Additional OK/SOS Displays

5.14.4 Display of OK

If a crew is stopped in a stage, unable to continue, but do not need medical attention, they must display the "OK" sign found on the reverse of the SOS, to following competing vehicles. The sign must be visible to allow sufficient time to safely slow down and avoid the stopped car.

5.14.8 Approved Alternative Displays

The OK/SOS sign must be the primary display in the case of a stopped vehicle. Should it not be possible to display the sign in any of the above situations, this may be replaced by an evident and clearly understandable hand and arm signal shown by the crew outside of the car, specifically:

- an arm and thumb up to indicate "OK"
- crossed arms above the head to indicate "SOS".

Rationale: An OK should be used anytime a vehicle is stopped. Added the option of using an alternative display for the SOS/OK, which can be acceptable in justifiable situations.

Preston Osborn

ARA Competition Director