

# *Flag Marshal's Duties*

As a marshal you are a most important member of any racing organisation - without your valuable time and knowledge there would be no racing.

**The Job** It is your job to warn oncoming riders and this must be carried out first. Clearing the track or helping injured or trapped riders is a secondary task and should only be performed if it is safe to do so and still warn oncoming riders. Be careful to not put yourself in a dangerous position.

**Territory & Position** The flag marshal will be instructed by the **Chief Marshal** to cover a particular part of the course (ie usually a jump or a corner). The area you will be responsible for is from your flag point to the next point. Try to mainly watch the riders after they have passed your flag point. If a **waved yellow flag** is displayed at the next point after yours, display your flag as a stationary yellow to warn of the waved yellow flag. This is the only time you should display your flag when the obstruction is not in your territory.

**Method** The signal to riders to show that an obstruction exists is performed by displaying the yellow flag by the following two methods.

1. Stationary                      2. Waved

Colour of Flag	Manner of use	Rule as written	Interpretation
Yellow	Held Stationary	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Danger,</li> <li>2. drive slowly,</li> <li>3. overtaking forbidden.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The track is partly blocked or a rider is just off the track in a dangerous position.</li> <li>2. Back off the throttle don't accelerate hard (do not leave a roost).</li> <li>3. Do not overtake riders ahead including lapped riders.</li> <li>4. Look ahead for a waved yellow flag.</li> </ol>
Yellow	Waved	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Immediate danger,</li> <li>2. slow down,</li> <li>3. prepare to stop,</li> <li>4. overtaking forbidden.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The track is almost blocked, if you continue at racing speed and on the racing line you may hit another rider, official or Ambulance bearer.</li> <li>2. Back right off less than 1/8 throttle.</li> <li>3. Be prepared to stop immediately. ie (roll the jumps, table-tops, whoops etc, you can not stop if you are in the air)</li> <li>4. Do not overtake any riders.</li> </ol>

**Please be aware that you must have a blood alcohol level of "0" to participate as an official.**

**Please exercise appropriate sun smart precautions.**