

# Officials Policy

## *In the event of a Serious or Fatal Accident*

It is unfortunate at some MNZ permitted events a serious (Status One) or fatal accident occurs. There is no doubt that this is a very stressful and difficult time for Officials, it is important the Officials follow the MNZ Guide in the event of a Serious or Fatal Accident set in place and provide all the paperwork around the incident. Through the Officials 0800 number (0800 669 245) we will provide as much assistance and guidance as necessary.

MNZ organise counselling for any Official or competitor that requires it, often we have people turning down counselling but they find in weeks and/or months to come they need some assistance. There is no time limit on when we can organise counselling, equally whilst someone says they do not need counselling you may consider from the outside that they do, so do not hesitate to contact MNZ to organise this for one of your peers.

To assist with this MNZ has put in place a guide to a serious or fatal accident which should be followed at all times.

### **Procedure:**

If you are a Steward or Clerk of Course at a serious or fatal accident you may be stood down from officiating at any MNZ events.

### **Reason:**

This is for peace of mind and to ensure that officials have time to collate all documentation without having to think about the next event, and to ensure we can provide counselling services as required.

This process is being undertaken with the best interest of our Officials and competitors.

