Terms of Use

The following User Agreement ("Agreement") governs the use of the NASCAR Fan Council ("Website"), including, without limitation, participation in its bulletin boards, forums, chats, and all other areas (except to the extent stated otherwise on a specific page) as provided by Vision Critical Communications Inc. ("Service Provider," "we," or "our"), on behalf of National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing, Inc. ("NASCAR").

THIS WEBSITE IS INTENDED FOR U.S. RESIDENTS ONLY.

Please read the terms contained in this Agreement carefully. You can access this Agreement any time at www.nascarfancouncil.com. Your use of and/or registration on any aspect of the Website will constitute your agreement to comply with these terms. If you do not agree with these terms, please do not use the Website.

In addition to reviewing this Agreement, please read our Privacy Policy. Your use of the Website constitutes agreement to its terms and conditions as well.

The Agreement may be modified from time to time; the date of the most recent revisions will appear on this page, so check back often. Continued access of the Website by you will constitute your acceptance of any changes or revisions to the Agreement.

Service Provider and NASCAR shall have the right at any time to change or discontinue any aspect or feature of the Website, including, but not limited to, content, hours of availability, and equipment needed for access or use.

Your failure to follow these terms, whether listed below or in bulletins posted at various points in the Website, may result in suspension or termination of your access to the Website, without notice, in addition to the Service Provider's other remedies.

YOU ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT ALL INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS ARISING PURSUANT TO THIS WEBSITE DURING ANY AND ALL DISCUSSIONS, QUESTIONNAIRES, SURVEYS, BULLETIN BOARDS, FORUMS, CHATS, ETC. SHALL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL AND SHALL NOT BE DISCLOSED TO ANY THIRD PARTY OR USED FOR ANY PURPOSE EXCEPT FOR THE PURPOSES STATED HEREIN.

I. Registration and Account Creation

1. REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

The Service Provider may at times require that you register and/or set up an account to use certain portions of the Website, or the Website as a whole. In order to do so, you may be provided, or required to choose, a password, User Id, and/or other registration information
(collectively, “Registration Information”). You agree and represent that all Registration Information provided by you is accurate and up-to-date. If any of your Registration Information changes, you must update it by using the appropriate update mechanism on the Website, if available. Otherwise, contact our Privacy Policy Coordinator as described in our Privacy Policy.

2. USE OF USER ID/PASSWORD:

A. If you register and/or set up an account on the Website, you will be solely responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of your Registration Information. You may not authorize others to use your Registration Information. The right to use the Website is personal to you, and you may not sub-license, transfer, sell or assign your Registration Information and/or this Agreement to any third party without our written approval. Any attempt to do so will be null and void and shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement.

B. You are solely responsible for all usage or activity on your account including, but not limited to, ensuring that all use of your Registration Information complies fully with the provisions of this Agreement and the use of the account by any person who uses your Registration Information, with or without authorization, or who has access to any computer on which your account resides or is accessible.

C. If you have reason to believe that your account is no longer secure (for example, in the event of a loss, theft or unauthorized disclosure or use of your Registration Information or any credit, debit or charge card number stored on the Website), you must promptly change the affected Registration Information by using the appropriate update mechanism on the Website, if available, or notify our Privacy Policy Coordinator as described in our Privacy Policy.

II. Terms of Usage:

1. USE OF THE WEBSITE BY YOU:

A. Unless otherwise specified, the Website is intended for your personal use only. You may not authorize others to use the Website, and you are responsible for all use of the Website by you and by those you allow to use, or provide access to, the Website.

B. The Website contains material that is protected by local, state, and federal copyright, trademark and other intellectual property laws. You may not modify, copy, reproduce, republish, upload, post, transmit, download or distribute in any way any material, including code and software and all intellectual property, from the Website. You may download material from the Website and may use the Website for your personal use only, provided you keep intact all copyright and other proprietary notices.

C. The Website is not intended for users under the age of 13, and the Service Provider does not knowingly collect personally identifiable information from users under the age of 13. Such users
are expressly prohibited from submitting their personally identifiable information to us, and from using our forums and chat areas; any information submitted by such users will not knowingly be used, posted, or retained by us.

D. You shall not post, use, and/or transmit through the Website any material which violates or infringes in any way upon the rights of others, which is unlawful, threatening, abusive, defamatory, invasive of privacy or publicity rights, vulgar, obscene, indecent, offensive, abusive, harassing, racist, hateful, profane, or otherwise objectionable, which encourages conduct that would constitute a criminal offense, give rise to civil liability, or that otherwise violates any municipal or local, county, state, or federal law, statute, ordinance or regulation or, which, without Service Provider’s express prior approval, contains advertising or any solicitation with respect to products or services which deemed by our and/or NASCAR’s sole discretion, is determined to be detrimental to other users’ ability to use the Website. Any conduct by you that in Service Provider’s discretion restricts or inhibits any other user from using or enjoying the Website will not be permitted. You shall not use the Website to advertise or perform any commercial solicitation, including, but not limited to, the solicitation of users to become subscribers of other on-line information services competitive with the Website. You agree to use the Website only for lawful purposes and you acknowledge that your failure to do so may subject you to civil and criminal liability.

E. You shall not upload, post, or otherwise make available on the Website any material protected by copyright, trademark, or other proprietary right without the express permission of the owner of the copyright, trademark, or other proprietary right and the burden of determining that any material is not protected by copyright rests with you. You shall be solely liable for any damage resulting from any infringement of copyrights, proprietary rights, or any other harm resulting from such a submission. By submitting material to any public area of the Website, you automatically grant, or warrant that the owner of such material has expressly granted Service Provider and NASCAR the royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive right and license to use, reproduce, modify, adapt, publish, translate, and distribute such material (in whole or in part) worldwide and/or to incorporate it in other works in any form, media, or technology now known or hereafter developed for the full term of any copyright that may exist in such material. You also permit any other user to access, view, store, or reproduce the material for that user’s personal use. You hereby grant Service Provider and NASCAR the right to edit, copy, publish, and distribute any material made available on the Website by you.

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G. You agree not to disrupt, overwhelm, attack, modify, or interfere with the Website or its associated software, hardware, and/or servers in any way, and you agree not to impede or interfere with others’ use of the Website. You agree that you will not post any software, files, or links to other sites, and that you will not post any content that contains viruses, corrupted files, or any other similar software or programs that may adversely affect the operation of the Website, or feature of the Website. You further agree not to alter or tamper with any information or materials on or associated with the Website.

H. Other than connecting to the Service Provider's servers by http requests using a Web browser, you may not attempt to gain access to the Service Provider's servers by any means, including, without limitation, by using administrator passwords or by masquerading as an administrator while using the Website.

I. You acknowledge that neither the Service Provider nor NASCAR has reviewed and endorsed the content of any sites linked to from this Website and are not responsible for the content or actions of any other sites linked to from this Website. Your linking to any service or site is at your sole risk.

J. The nature of this Website is interactive and public. By posting content, you understand and acknowledge that any materials, ideas, or other communications you transmit in any manner and for any reason will not be treated as confidential or proprietary. Furthermore, you acknowledge and agree that any ideas, concepts, techniques, procedures, methods, systems, video, scripts, music, photographs, designs, plans, charts, or other materials (“Materials”) you transmit in connection with this Website may be used by the Service Provider or NASCAR, including all rights therein, without limitation, all rights of copyright and patent rights, trademark and trade dress rights, renewal rights, rights to use, exploitation, licensing and sale, to, right now and forever, use, copy, publish, display, perform, edit, modify, alter, adopt, record or re-record, distort, make derivative works from, make composites containing, or seek any available legal protection in such Materials and resulting works or materials, or any portion thereof, in any manner and for any purpose (including without limitation advertising, trade, merchandising, or promotional activities) whatsoever, alone or in connection with any other materials, in any forms or media known now or hereafter, and without any inspection or pre- or post-approval by you.

K. The foregoing provisions of Section II (1) are for the benefit of Service Provider, NASCAR, and each of their respective subsidiaries, parent companies, affiliates, and third party content
providers and licensors and each shall have the right to assert and enforce such provisions directly or on its own behalf.

2. COMMENTS BY OTHERS ARE NOT ENDORSED BY SERVICE PROVIDER OR NASCAR:

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3. USE OF MATERIAL SUPPLIED BY YOU:

For information regarding use of personal information you supply or communicate to the Website, please see our Privacy Policy. Except as expressly provided otherwise in the Privacy Policy, you agree that by posting messages, uploading files, inputting data, or engaging in any other form of communication with or through the Website, you grant us and NASCAR a royalty-free, perpetual, non-exclusive, unrestricted, worldwide license to use, copy, publish, edit, reproduce, modify, alter, adopt, record or re-record, distort, adapt, translate, enhance, transmit, distribute, publicly perform, display, make derivative works from, make composites containing or sublicense any and all Material and any such communication (including your identity and information about you) in any medium (now in existence or hereinafter developed) and for any purpose, including commercial purposes, and to authorize others to do so without your approval. In addition, please be aware that any Materials you disclose in publicly accessible portions of the Website will be available to all users of the Website, so you should be mindful of personal information and other content you may wish to post. THE SERVICE PROVIDER AND NASCAR HEREBY DISCLAIM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY THAT MAY ARISE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY AND ALL MATERIALS POSTED, UPLOADED, OR SUPPLIED BY YOU ON THE WEBSITE.
4. COPYRIGHTS:

The Service Provider and NASCAR respect the rights of all copyright holders and in this regard, Service Provider and NASCAR have adopted and implemented a policy that provides for the termination in appropriate circumstances of users, subscribers, registrants, and account holders who infringe the rights of copyright holders. If you believe that your work has been copied in a way that constitutes copyright infringement, please provide Service Provider’s Copyright Agent the following information required by the Online Copyright Infringement Liability Limitation Act of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. 512:

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- A statement that the complaining party has a good-faith belief that use of the material in the manner complained of is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or the law; and
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Vancouver, BC V6B 1C1  
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Fax:  
Email: copyrightagent@visioncritical.com

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6. EDITING AND DELETIONS:

The Service Provider and NASCAR reserve the right, but undertake no duty, to review, edit, move or delete any material provided for display or placed on the Website or its bulletin boards, in its sole discretion, without notice.

7. ADDITIONAL TERMS:

The Service Provider reserves the right to change and/or post, from time to time, additional terms of usage that apply to specific parts of the Website. Such additional terms will be posted in the relevant parts of the Website. Your continued use of the Website constitutes your agreement to comply with these additional terms.

8. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTY AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:

YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU ARE USING THE WEBSITE AT YOUR OWN RISK. THE WEBSITE IS PROVIDED "AS IS", AND THE SERVICE PROVIDER, NASCAR, THEIR AFFILIATES OR PARENT COMPANIES OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, THIRD PARTY CONTENT PROVIDERS OR LICENSORS HEREBY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIM ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES, EXPRESS AND IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY WARRANTIES OF ACCURACY, RELIABILITY, TITLE, MERCHANTABILITY, NON-INFRINGEMENT, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR ANY OTHER WARRANTY, CONDITION, GUARANTEE OR REPRESENTATION, WHETHER ORAL, IN WRITING, OR IN ELECTRONIC FORM, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE ACCURACY, CONTENT, OR COMPLETENESS OF ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN OR PROVIDED BY THE WEBSITE, OTHER THAN THOSE WARRANTIES WHICH ARE IMPLIED BY AND INCAPABLE OF EXCLUSION, RESTRICTION, OR MODIFICATION UNDER THE LAWS APPLICABLE TO THIS AGREEMENT. NEITHER SERVICE PROVIDER, NASCAR, THEIR AFFILIATES OR PARENT COMPANIES NOR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, THIRD PARTY CONTENT PROVIDERS OR LICENSORS REPRESENT OR WARRANT THAT ACCESS TO THE WEBSITE WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED OR THAT THERE WILL BE NO FAILURES, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS OR LOSS OF
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IN NO EVENT WILL SERVICE PROVIDER, NASCAR AND THEIR AFFILIATES BE LIABLE TO YOU OR ANY THIRD PARTIES FOR ANY DAMAGES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DIRECT, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH: THIS AGREEMENT; THE PROVIDING OF THE WEBSITE HEREUNDER; THE SALE OR PURCHASE OF ANY GOODS OR MERCHANDISE; YOUR ACCESS TO OR INABILITY TO ACCESS THE WEBSITE, INCLUDING FOR VIRUSES ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE WEBSITE; AND YOUR USE OF OR RELIANCE ON THE WEBSITE OR ANY OF THE MERCHANDISE, INFORMATION, OR MATERIALS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE, REGARDLESS OF THE TYPE OF CLAIM OR THE NATURE OF THE CAUSE OF ACTION, EVEN IF ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

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9. TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF ACCESS TO THE WEBSITE:

Either Service Provider or NASCAR may terminate this Agreement at any time. Without limiting the foregoing, the Service Provider shall have the right to immediately terminate and/or suspend your account and/or your ability to access the Website or any portion thereof, for any or no reason whatsoever, or may prevent your use of this Website with or without notice to you. You agree that you do not have any rights in this Website and that neither the Service Provider nor NASCAR will have any liability to you if this Website is discontinued or your ability to access it is terminated.

10. MONITORING:

The Service Provider and NASCAR shall have the right, but not the obligation, to monitor the content of the Website, including chat rooms and forums, to determine compliance with this Agreement and any operating rules established by Service Provider and NASCAR and to satisfy any law, regulation, or authorized government request. The Service Provider and NASCAR shall have the right in their sole discretion to edit, refuse to post, or remove any Material submitted to or posted on the Website. Without limiting the foregoing, Service Provider and NASCAR shall have the right to remove any material that Service Provider and NASCAR, in their sole discretion, finds to be in violation of the provisions hereof or otherwise objectionable.

11. JURISDICTION:

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YOU AGREE THAT THIS AGREEMENT, FOR ALL PURPOSES, SHALL BE GOVERNED AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY CONFLICT OF LAWS PROVISIONS. YOU AGREE THAT THE FEDERAL COURT OF THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA OR, AT THE OPTION OF THE SERVICE PROVIDER AND/OR NASCAR, ANY STATE COURT LOCATED IN VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, SHALL HAVE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION TO HEAR AND DETERMINE ANY CLAIMS OR DISPUTES BETWEEN YOU AND US AND/OR NASCAR, PERTAINING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR TO ANY MATTER ARISING THEREFROM, OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT EXECUTED AND DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HEREWITH OR THEREWITH.

12. MISCELLANEOUS:
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