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Torbay Motor Club
Spring Autocross
Saturday & Sunday, 15th & 16th April 2023

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

FOREWORD

Welcome to Torbay Motor Club's annual Spring Autocross, the opening round of the 1st Choice Finishes 2023 ASWMC Autocross Championship.

Our on-line website entry process has been further simplified for 2023, and we hope that you will help the event's volunteer officials by having all your documentation (MOTORSPORT UK competition licence and Club membership card) ready for uploading before starting your entry - thank you.

We would like to thank Mr Bob Dare and his family for their continuing support in providing venues and safety bales.

To enter the event, download additional sets of Supplementary Regulations and more information, please go online to:

www.torbaymotorclub.co.uk/events



TORBAY MOTOR CLUB SPRING AUTOCROSS

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1. Announcement:

Torbay Motor Club will organise & promote a two-day, dual-permit RS Interclub and RS Clubman Grade Autocross on Saturday and Sunday 15th and 16th April 2023 at Seaton Junction, East Devon, MR 193/251961; the nearest postcode is EX13 7PW.

2. Jurisdiction:

The event will be governed by the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions the organisers may issue for the event.

3. Championships & Permits:

Motorsport UK Interclub	Permit No:	130735.
Motorsport UK Clubman	Permit No:	130734.
2023 1 st Choice Finishes ASWMC Autocross Championship	Permit No:	CH2023/S089 (E).

4. Eligibility:

4.1 The Interclub event is open to registered contenders in the 2023 1st Choice Finishes ASWMC Autocross Championship, members of Torbay Motor Club, and members of member clubs of the Association of South Western Motor Clubs (ASWMC) and the Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs (ACSMC).

An RS Interclub licence is required for ASWMC Championship contenders.

4.2 An RS Clubman grade licence may be used for the Clubman event for which only Torbay Motor Club members are eligible.

5. Entries open at 8.00 p.m. on Thursday 9th March and close at midnight on Wednesday 5th April (10 days before the event).

5.1 The Entries Secretary is Jenny Coxon, Tel: 07980 061772.

E-Mail: autocross@torbaymotorclub.co.uk.

5.2 The maximum entry for the event is 70 (including reserves); the minimum is 25. The minimum for each class is 3. No car may be (i) entered in more than one class except when classes are determined by the eligibility of the driver or (ii) driven by more than two drivers.

5.3 Should any of the above minimum figures not be reached the organisers have the right to either cancel the meeting or sub-divide, add, delete, or amalgamate classes, as necessary. Class amalgamations will be notified by e-mail or a Clerk of the Course Bulletin posted at the conclusion of documentation and will be final.

5.4 Entries will be accepted on first received basis until the maximum entry number is reached; this will also apply to any reserves. Enquiries relating to vehicle eligibility should be directed to the Motorsport UK Scrutineer and all other enquiries to the Event Secretary.

5.6 **Entries will only be accepted online at www.torbaymotorclub.co.uk. Please log-in to your account on the website, enter and save all your entry details, submit your documentation, and pay by Faster Payment Transfer (FPT).**

- 5.6.1 Separate entry forms and full entry fees are required for each driver of double-driven cars.
- 5.6.2 Entries will be accepted in order of receipt and remain provisional (reserve list) until all in-date documentation and full payment of the appropriate entry fee is received. Receipt of entries will be acknowledged by email; this should not be construed as acceptance of entry unless specifically stated. Telephone entries will not be accepted.
- 5.6.3 Entries will be acknowledged and accepted by notification of Final Instructions, which will be sent by e-mail on the Tuesday prior to the event.
- 5.7 The entry fee for the event is **£140** (one hundred and forty pounds) and **£65** (sixty-five pounds) for (a) Junior drivers (as per GR N 3.2.4) and (b) drivers aged 18 or under on April 15th 2023. A refund may be issued at the club's discretion should a competitor be unable to compete on one day of the event.
- 5.7.1 The non-refundable fee for entries submitted and accepted after the closing date and time is **£145** (one hundred and forty-five pounds).
- 5.7.2. Payment will be on-line by Bank Transfer (FPT); if you have difficulty in entering online, and/or do not have access to internet banking, please email the Event Secretary, David Arnold, (vicechair@torbaymotorclub.co.uk) with your 'phone number and he will call you back.
- 5.8 'Signing-on' will be by on-line self-certification. The Motorsport UK digital Signing-on and Scrutineering Declarations will be accessible within the on-line entry process. Please note that ticking the 'Acceptance' box and completing the relevant fields of the on-line entry form are BOTH required to comply with this requirement. You are NOT required to complete any information fields that may be in the declaration itself.**
- Competition Licence details may be validated with Motorsport UK.**
- 5.8.1 **All competitors except those aged 16 or under on April 15th 2023 will be required to complete a mandatory tick box in the on-line entry form to confirm that they are not disqualified from holding or obtaining a Road Traffic Act driving licence.**
- 5.8.2 **Images of Competition Licences (both sides for Interclub or higher), Championship Registration cards and Club Membership cards, and a Motorsport UK Logbook (if appropriate), will need to be submitted either as attachments to the on-line entry process or by e-mail to the Entries Secretary at the time of entry.**
- Guidelines for compiling these images into one document are available in a downloadable pdf file on the Torbay MC website, here: <https://www.torbaymotorclub.co.uk/events/>)**

6. Scrutineering:

- 6.1 Vehicles and drivers' safety equipment will be inspected. Competitors requiring guidance and clarification of a vehicle's compliance are encouraged to bring this to the attention of the scrutineer. Vehicles may be inspected either in the paddock and/or whilst queuing for the start line. Cars in classes A1, A2 and Junior may be checked for torque biasing differentials.
- 6.1 SR 5.8.2 does not preclude the additional inspection of documentation at the event; all the usual requisite documentation for signing-on and scrutineering (e.g., vehicle logbook or passport) must be available for inspection on the day of the event by officials on request.
- 6.2 If a false declaration has been found to have been made on the online entry system, the driver's entry may be withdrawn, and a report sent to Motorsport UK.

7. Withdrawal of entry:

- 7.1 Withdrawals are to be sent by e-mail to the Entries Secretary named in the event SRs or the Event Secretary (if different) only, (copy to fd@torbaymotorclub.co.uk), giving the reason for withdrawal.

- 7.2 Entries withdrawn before midnight on the closing date will receive a full refund of the entry fee.
- 7.3 Entries withdrawn after the closing deadline but before 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 13th April will be considered for a refund but may be subject to an administration fee of 10% of the entry fee.
- 7.4 Entries withdrawn after 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 13th April will not be refunded.
- 7.5 Cancellation:

The organisers reserve the right to cancel or abandon all or part of the meeting if weather or other conditions make it impracticable or unsafe to continue. If such a decision is taken prior to the event, entrants will be notified as soon as possible; entry fees will be refunded in full. If weather, ground condition or other reasons force cancellation or abandonment during the meeting, the organisers reserve the right to issue refunds proportional to the runs not completed. The level of refund will be at the discretion of the organising club's committee; a maximum of £30 per entry may be retained to cover administrative costs. The organisers reserve the right to postpone the meeting in circumstances where realistic alternative dates are feasible; in this instance competitors have the right to withdraw entry without penalty.

8. Insurance:

Event insurance covering Third Party damage whilst on private land currently carries an excess of **£450** per incident (see Appendix 2, paragraph 3, sub-paragraph three, of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook). The organising Club reserves the right to recover the cost of repair of any third-party damage, up to a maximum of **£450** per incident, from the entrant of any vehicle which causes such damage.

9. Classes: The event will run with the following class structure:

- 9.1 Vehicle classes are modified from section N4.9 – 4.9.4 of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook which are replaced as follows:

A1 Standard Production up to 1600 cc. Cars MUST comply with the current version of N4.9.3, except for the following which are modified:

Petrol tank is free for modification or relocation. Wheel sizes are free. Shock absorbers may be uprated but must be of a fixed rate and not adjustable. Roll-over bars to K1.6.1 to K1.6.2, drawing 1 or 2 are mandatory for entrants in the Interclub event.

A2 As Class A1, but over 1600cc.

B Modified Production Based Cars up to 1400cc.

C As per Class B, over 1400cc up to 1650cc.

D As per Class B, over 1650cc.

Cars in classes B, C and D MUST comply with the current version of N4.10.5, except for the following which are modified: Lightening and space frame construction is allowed; engine must remain in the original engine compartment.

E1 Specials

E2 All Four-Wheel Drive Vehicles

F Junior Autocross (Age 14 to 17) - see GR N4.1 to 4.8 & 4.21. Shock absorbers may be uprated but must be of a fixed rate and not adjustable.

G1 Stage Rally Cars – 2wd - up to 1600cc – See N4.9.4.

G2 Stage Rally Cars – 2wd - over 1600cc – See N4.9.4.

- 9.2 All motorcycle-engined vehicles are eligible but will be classified as Specials (E1) and must comply with Motorsport UK General Regulations.
- 9.3 Competitors in Classes G1 & G2 may request to practice and compete on timed runs alongside cars within these classes, or singularly.
- 9.4 Single seat 'buggies' and non-centre seated saloons with no windows must be fitted with window nets or arm restraints.
- 9.5 Diesel-engined cars are eligible to compete in all classes but will not be subject to a 40% capacity loading if fitted with forced induction. Petrol-engined cars fitted with forced induction will have a 40% capacity loading applied.
- 9.6 Cars powered by hybrid or full electric engines are not eligible for entry into this event.

10. Technical Regulations

- 10.1 All vehicles MUST comply with Technical Regulations J, N4.1 to N4.19 and N4.21 to N4.21.14.
- 10.2 Vehicles considered by the Clerk of the Course not to be within the spirit of the regulations for Classes A1 & A2 will not be accepted for entry in these classes.
- 10.3 Tyres are free, to include M&S, but NOT block pattern and NOT Motocross type pattern. If in doubt, contact the Clerk of the Course.
- 10.4 Seats and harnesses of ALL cars need NOT be in date but MUST be of a good condition.
- 10.4.1 EXCEPTION: for Junior classes, harnesses must be in date and homologated.
- 10.5 All fire extinguishers must either be less than 2 years old or have been serviced within the previous 2 years and carry a label stating such a service has been carried out.

11. Numbering:

- 11.1 Competitors will be identified by competition numbers which will be allocated by the organisers. Competitors are responsible for providing their own numbers as per GR J4.1 and S9.2.5.
- 11.2 The whole of the number must be clearly displayed on both sides of the car and can be either black or white to contrast with the background colour.
- 11.3 Drivers of double-driven cars must ensure that the correct number is displayed for all practice and event runs. Failure to do so may result in the Motorsport UK Timekeeper not allocating a run time; a re-run will not be given.

12. Provisional Time Schedule: The format on Saturday 24th September will be as follows:

Signing-on: Marshals	08.00 a.m. to 09.30 a.m.
Scrutineering: See SR 12.1	08.00 a.m. to 09.30 a.m.
Drivers' Briefing:	09.30 a.m. (attendance mandatory; GR H33.1.3).
Practice (Saturday):	10.00 a.m.
Practice (Sunday):	09.30 a.m.
First timed Run:	On completion of practice

The Event Secretary will be available at the Secretary's Tent from 8.00 a.m. on Saturday and 8.30 a.m. on Sunday.

- 12.1 Drivers of vehicles awaiting scrutineering inspection must leave another person, with their helmet, overalls & gloves, with the car, whilst walking the course.
- 12.2 A mandatory drivers' briefing will be held on the day; the time and location will be advised in the Final Instructions. Briefing notes may also be appended to the Final Instructions.

- 12.3 Any competitor not signed on by 09.30 a.m. may be excluded.
- 12.4 Competitors are reminded that applications to change their car for sole use before or during the event must do so in writing to the Event Secretary or another named Official of the Organising Team at least half-an-hour before the start of practice (GR D 25.1.12) of either day. A form to this effect will be available from the Event Secretary.
- 13. The Course** will be approximately 1400 metres per lap and will consist of right- and left-hand bends on a grass field.
- 13.1 On the eastern border of the paddock, competitors and any associated others must park so as to leave a 10-metre gap between their vehicle and the hedge or bank adjacent to the course area (GR 2.4.5).
- 14. Practice & Event Runs:**
- 14.1 Competitors entered in their first-ever Autocross will be offered one solo 'sighting' lap before practice; a sighting lap is mandatory for Junior drivers who have not previously competed at a Motorsport UK permitted event.
- 14.2 Practice will consist of 3 laps; all competitors must complete one lap to be eligible for timed runs.
- 14.3 Competitors may run in free order provided (i) safety is not compromised and (ii) the risk of baulking is minimised. The Clerk and/or Deputy Clerk of the Course may vary the running order as they deem necessary at any time during the event.
- 14.4 Junior drivers, who will run first, and Clubman competitors, will run with competitors in the same respective class and event..
- 14.5 Competitors may NOT queue for their run beyond a marker board, 30m before the field entry gate, until indicated by an official. There will be separate queuing lanes for double-driven cars and those undertaking re-runs.
- 14.6 A course car will complete one lap between runs whenever feasible.
- 14.7 Cars will start in groups of up to 4 cars, this being the maximum number of cars on the course at any one time. The start signal will be by lights or the union flag.
- 14.7.1 Stage Rally cars (classes G1 and G2) and road-going cars with an in-date MOT certificate may run separately, '1 & 1', on request, ½ a lap apart, provided the driver informs the Clerk of the Course before the start of practice.
- 14.7.2 All practice and timed runs will be conducted as per GR 2.13 to 2.13.5 inclusive and may vary according to track conditions at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course and/or his deputy. The run format in operation may be advised by a A4-sized sign at the 30m queue start board (see SR 14.5).
- 14.8 The method of timing will be electronic, commencing on the start signal.
- 14.9 Course marking and penalties will be as printed in the Motorsport UK General Regulations. N 3.7 to N 3.7.7; penalties will remain 'live' until the competitor has left the course field.
- 14.10 Course limit posts will be white/clear on the left and yellow/black on the right. Penalty posts will be white.
- 14.11 Penalties from a competitor's original run are carried over to a re-run and are NOT deleted.
- 14.12 Competitors are not required to run in class order. Double driven cars are encouraged to come to the start early in each run to allow time for driver changeover: please use the 'double drive' (left-hand) lane.
- 14.13 Competitors who leave the course ('all 4-wheels off') during practice may re-join the track and complete the run provided they do safely.

- 14.14 Competitors who leave the course ('all 4-wheels off') during a timed run will incur a 'Fail' penalty; competitors MUST park as far as possible from the track and wait for the run to finish before returning to the paddock.
- 14.15 Competitors will be shown a 'Last Lap' board and a finish Chequered Flag or Board.
- 14.16 Timed runs will consist of a maximum of 4 laps; the number of laps to be completed will be notified to competitors after practice has concluded and will apply to both Saturday and Sunday's timed runs.
- 14.17 A maximum of 4 timed runs will take place on both Saturday and Sunday; a competitor's best time on each day will be used to calculate their aggregate time to count for awards.
- 14.18 A competitor who is unable to take a timed run due mechanical breakdown may only take that run out of order with the permission of the Clerk of the Course.
- 14.19 In the event of a car being unserviceable to continue in the event, the entered driver may revert to double-driving another competitor's car with (i) the permission of the Clerk of the Course and (ii) the consent of all other competitors in the same class.
- 14.20 The venue is 'noise-sensitive'. Any vehicle deemed to be jeopardising future use of the venue due to excessive noise will be required to effect adjustments; failure to take reasonable action may incur exclusion from the event.**

15. Red Flags and Baulking:

- 15.1 Red flags will be used to stop a run in the event of an incident; competitors must stop and await instructions from a marshal or official. Competitors ignoring this flag may be excluded.
- 15.2 The onus is on competitors to avoid baulking other cars. If a competitor is caught by a faster car, he/she must make room for the faster car to pass. A faster car must take advantage of such space left by a slower car to pass. A failure to comply, observed by, and/or reported to, the Clerks of the Course by officials and/or marshals only, will preclude a re-run for the guilty party. Persistent offences may incur a further penalty.

16. Results:

- 16.1 Results will be calculated by adding competitors' best times from Saturday and Sunday. Results will be sent by e-mail on or before Monday 17th April.
- 16.2 Provisional Results will be published as soon as possible after the event in accordance with GR D26.1.1. Any protest or appeal must be lodged in accordance with C5.1 to C6.6.
- 16.3 Competitors must remain on the venue until their run times have been verified; any competitor wishing to leave the venue earlier than 10 minutes after the last competitive run on each day must obtain verbal permission from the Event Secretary. Failure to do so may incur a penalty.

17. Judicial Procedures:

- 17.1 Any variation of the published 2022 General Regulations affected by Motorsport UK's guidance on Judicial Matters shall be considered to be an Exemption pursuant to GR A.2.4.
- 17.2 Competitors are required to provide a contact mobile phone number to the Event Secretary by 1800 hrs on Thursday 13th April; this will be used to make contact.
- 17.3 Appeal and Protest fees must be submitted by card payment to Motorsport UK within 48 hours of the meeting. Fines must be submitted by card payment to Motorsport UK within 7 days of the meeting.

18. Awards:

- 18.1 Class awards will be determined by the entries received by the close of entries date in SR 5, NOT the number of class entries on the day of the event. Awards will be made as soon as possible after the results are made Final. Competitors may only win one award.
- 18.2 Awards will be presented as follows:
1st in Class; 2nd in Class (subject to 5 starters); 3rd in Class (subject to 7 starters)
Best Torbay Club Member (of the Weekend) (subject to 3 starters)
Best Lady Driver (of the Weekend) (subject to 3 starters)
Best Helper (Selected by the Officials)
Marshals' Choice (Voted for by the Marshals)
- 18.3 FTD and class Awards will be decided by amalgamating the best times on Saturday and Sunday.
- 18.4 No competitor may win more than one award (except the 'Marshal's Choice').
- 18.5 Awards must be collected in person or by a representative; they will not be posted.

19. Officials:

Motorsport UK Steward	t.b.c.	
Motorsport UK Scrutineer	Andy Collard	01278 451465
Motorsport UK Timekeeper	Tony Parker	07785 534384
Event Stewards	Phil Harris & tba	
Clerk of the Course	Nick Fielding	
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Rupert Barker	07594 584129
Course Design	Colin Anderson	
Chief Marshal	Mr John Manser	01392 874861
Chief Medical Officer	t.b.c.	
Race Rescue	West Country Rescue	
Event Secretary	David Arnold	07876 643638
Entries & Results Secretary	Jenny Coxon	07980 061772

20. Judges of Fact:

- (i) Marshals, Clerks of the Course and Driving Standards Observer.
- (ii) False start - the Motorsport UK timekeeper.
- (iii) The names of all Judges of Fact will be listed in a Clerk of the Course Bulletin and displayed on the Event notice-board.

21. Safety:

All competitors and entrants must ensure that all persons connected with their entry have been shown and read the following statement:

“Every person participating in the event, whether employed or voluntary, shall take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and/or other people who may be affected by his/her acts or omissions during the operation of the event”.

22. All other General Regulations of Motorsport UK apply as written.

- 23. Any and all requirements of Motorsport UK and H.M Government in relation to the Coronavirus pandemic that may be current on the day of the event must be maintained.**

24. All Competitors, their associates, Officials and Marshals must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and any abusive language or harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any incidents must be reported to the Event Officials or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report to Motorsport UK (GR D10.1.29).

APPENDIX 1



A socially-minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code:

Motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect
#RaceWithRespect

The Values

- Respect
- Integrity
- Self-Control
- Fair play
- Good Manners

I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play your part in keeping the sport safe through your actions
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.

- Please note:**
- (i) Petrol will not be available at the venue.
 - (ii) Refreshments will be available from our caterer in the paddock throughout the weekend; please support this facility.
 - (iii) Overnight camping is permitted on Friday and Saturday evenings; toilets will be available on-site..
 - (vi) Please keep your pets on a lead and take your litter home with you!

Acknowledgments:

The landowner, the ASWMC Autocross Championship sponsor, all the club's officials, marshals, and helpers who have enabled the event to run, Motorsport UK and you, our loyal competitors.

