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# Mercia Summer Series Evening Autotests 2025 Additional Supplementary Regulations





In memory of Bob Budd 1949 – 2023

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- 1. Mercia Motor Sports (MMS) will organise a Clubman status Evening Autotest series at Buckwell Lodge Farm, Near Walcote, Leicestershire. LE17 4LA
- 2. The meeting will be held under the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK, (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these regulations, in addition to any further written instructions that the club may issue for the purposes of the event.
  - Full details can be found in the Motorsport UK (MSUK) National Competition Rules 2025 (NCR). https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/
- 3. The events are being run under *Evening Autotest* permit. The permits for each event will be found on the on-line registration pages and/or the Final Instructions. The Evening Autotest permit will allow the running of an Autotest and a Production Car Autotest (PCA).

#### a. Production Car Autotest

- a.i. Open to standard production cars only.
- a.ii. Driver must be accompanied by a passenger;
- a.iii. Open to Junior competitors (Over 14 years)

#### b. Autotest

- b.i. Open to production cars, competition cars and autotest specials
- b.ii. No passengers are allowed
- b.iii. Not available to Junior competitors
- 4. The events are open to all elected members of Mercia Motor Sports (Coalville Car Club & Rugby Motor Club) plus the following invited clubs; Loughborough CC; Owen MC; Redditch MC; Cannock DCC; South Oxon MC; Blackbird AC; HRCR; Club Triumph; Carlton DMC; Quinton MC; Wolverhampton & South Staffordshire Car Club; Boundless Motorsports by CSMA; Oxford MC; F1000 Rally Club.
- 5. Drivers and Passengers must hold a valid club membership card, RS Clubman Licence & driving licence as required. Use the following link to order your free RS Clubman licence: <a href="https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/">https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/</a>
- 6. Championships: The events will be rounds of the following championships:
  - a. Mercia Summer Series championship.
  - b. Mercia Summer Series Junior championship.

Championship points are only applicable to members of Mercia Motor Sports clubs. The times of both events count towards the championship. Points are allocated as follows: 1=15, 2=13, 3=12, 4=11, 5=10, 6=9, 7=8, 8=7, 9=6, 10=5, 11=4, 12=3, 13=2, 14=1 Plus 2 points for overall fastest time of day (FTD).

All starters earn 1 point. Marshals earn 8 points per event.

7. Programme: 18.00 Scrutineering, competitor and marshal checks opens

18:30 Tests Start 21.00 Tests Close

- 8. Entries will open at least two weeks before an event and close at 19:00 on the Monday prior to the event. Entries will be made via Sapphire Solutions on-line registration page using the following link: <a href="https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?sitename=mms">https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?sitename=mms</a>
  - The minimum number of entries for each meeting is 5
  - The maximum number of entries for each meeting is 30
  - Entries will be £20 per driver
  - Cars may be double driven

Please ensure you select the type of event you are entering:

- Autotest Autotest modifications are allowed. No passenger can be carried.
- Production Car Autotest (PCA) Unmodified production cars only. A passenger holding an MSUK licence is mandatory. **Juniors must enter the PCA event.**

Payment is via BACS only, account details are below and also at the top of the Sapphire Solutions on-line registration page.

Bank: Lloyds Bank Plc Account name: Mercia Motor Sports

Sort code: 30-98-97 Account No.: 42382662

Your Reference: Your initials, surname and date

e.g. for 30th June event FBloggs30-6

In the event that maximum entries are received and there are reserve entries, priority will be given to paid competitors.

The entry list for all the events in the series can be found by using the following link. To list entries for an individual event, select the required event from the *Event* selector: <a href="https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/entry.php?sitename=mms">https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/entry.php?sitename=mms</a>

In the event that a particular date is cancelled, a refund can be given or monies can be rolled over to the next event.

A Pre-Event Declaration form can be found at the top of the Sapphire Solutions on-line registration page. Registering for the event is agreement to the Pre-Event Declaration.

#### 9. Classes

Both the Autotest and the PCA will consists of four classes as follows:

- A Front Wheel Drive cars under 4m (13ft) overall length
- B Front Wheel Drive cars over 4m (13ft) overall length
- C Rear Wheel Drive Cars
- D Four Wheel Drive Cars (with 8% handicap for overall results)
  - Overall Lengths as stated in the Autocar Buyers Guide;
  - · Classes may be amalgamated if less than four entries;

- Electric & Hybrid vehicles are allowed and will run in the standard classes;
- The minimum number of class entries for class awards is 5.

#### 10. Officials

Secretary of the meeting - Nigel Tuckey
Clerk of the Course - Chris Valentine (secretary@RugbyMotorClub.co.uk)
Entries Secretary - Nigel Tuckey (nigel.tuckey@gmail.com)
Safeguarding Officer - Paul Darch (paul.darch@ntlworld.com)
Club Stewards - Dave Barratt, Rob Walter & Dave Oliver

## 11. General

- a. PCA passengers must hold a valid Club membership card, a minimum of an RS Clubman licence and comply with the following:
  - a.i. Be over 12 years of age and be at least 1.35m in height in a saloon car
  - a.ii. Be over 16 years of age and be at least 1.35m in height in an open car
  - a.iii. Be over 18 years & carrying an RTA licence if the driver is classified under 11.f.ii
- b. PCA passengers and junior drivers must wear seat belts on timed tests at all times. It is recommended that all other drivers wear seat belts on timed tests.
- c. A copy of club membership cards, MSUK licences and completed Pre-Event Declaration forms for the under 18s, must be emailed to the Entries Secretary by close of entries. These are required for both driver and passenger.
- d. Test diagrams will be provided in the Final Instructions. It is the competitors responsibility to print the diagrams.
- e. Depending on the event, there may be three or six tests which will be confirmed in the Final Instructions. Each driver will either have:
  - e.i. Three test event: 3 runs at each test layout with the best two counting.
  - e.ii. Six test event: 2 runs at each test layout, with the best time counting.
- f. Drivers must be over 14 years of age and comply with one of the following:
  - f.i. Adult Over 17 years with a full RTA licence in any car. (PCA & Autotest)
  - f.ii. Junior Over 14 years in a saloon car limited to 2000cc and accompanied by a passenger as defined in 11.a.iii

**Note**, Junior drivers must be accompanied by their passenger **AT ALL TIMES** whilst driving within the venue.

- g. Cars will be identified by a number in the RHS rear window (or equivalent position). Numbers are to be printed out by the competitors. The entries secretary will endeavour to maintain the same numbers all season.
- h. Cars will start in their own time once instructed to do so by the marshal.

- i. Practising of tests will not be allowed. Juniors may practice around the edge of the field prior to the start of the event.
- j. All cars must carry an environmental small spill kit as defined in MSUK NCR C1-A1 (Available from most motorsport outlets; See example in P18)
- k. Live results will be available to competitors via TimingAppLive
- I. Final results and championship points will be published on the championship website <a href="http://www.autotest.merciamotorsport.uk/">http://www.autotest.merciamotorsport.uk/</a> as soon as possible after the event.

## 12. Marking and Penalties

Further to C19-A1-4.2; times and penalties will be recorded by the marshal on TimingAppLive. The App can be downloaded from the relevant App Stores. Although competitors **do not** need to have the App, it can be used to view the live results.

Timing will start as the front wheels pass the start line and will be stopped when the front wheels pass the finish line which marks the entrance to the finish garage. To avoid penalties, the car must stop with the front and rear wheels wholly contained within the finish garage.

Penalties will be in accordance with MSUK NCR C19-A9:

- Striking a cone (Cone penalty) = 10 Seconds.
- Failing to stop astride the indicated cones (Line penalty) = 10 Seconds.
- Failing to stop with all four wheels within a garage (Garage penalty) = 10 Seconds.
- Incorrect test or failing to complete the test (Wrong Test) = Test maximum.

## 13. General Regulations

The MSUK NCR C19 apply as written except for the following amendments:

- Only STD road pattern tyres are allowed to protect the venue, (No M&S or Rally type patterns).
- · Markers or cones may be less than one metre high.
- Vehicles need not be taxed for the road as the event is on private property.
- Light Commercial vehicles may be permitted, please check with the Clerk of Course.

## 14. Code of Conduct

Further to MSUK NCR C2-A1-1; all competitors, their associates, officials and marshals must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times. **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.

## 15. Regulations regarding parental / guardian liabilities

Parents, guardians or guarantors of junior (under 18) navigators are now required to sign on at the start of events to enable their child to participate.

By signing on, those parents, guardians or guarantors confirm that they have acquainted themselves with and agree to be bound by MSUK NCR and MSUK NCR C3-A4.4. They also agree to accept the consequences and any associated penalties imposed for not adhering to the NCR.

## 16. COVID-19

Following the relaxation of COVID-19 restrictions, all Competitors, Marshals and Officials should refer to the local Government Guidance.

Do not attend an event if you suspect you have any COVID-19 symptoms.

## 17. Event Dates - 2025

Round 1	14th May	Round 5	9th July
Round 2	28th May	Round 6	23rd July
Round 3	11th June	Round 7	13th August
Round 4	25th June	Round 8	27th August

## 18. Useful links

Competitor and Marshal Registration and documentation: (Select required event) <a href="https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?sitename=mms">https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?sitename=mms</a>

Entry List: (Select required event)

https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/entry.php?sitename=mms

Live Results: (Select required event)

https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/Leaderboard?sitename=mms

Free RS Clubman licence application:

Note: Personal Injury insurance is no longer included with the free 2025 RS Clubman licence, it is now a paid for option. Please bear that in mind when ordering. <a href="https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/">https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/</a>

Motorsport UK National Competition Rules: (Previously known as Bluebook or Yearbook) See Chapter 19 for Autotest specific regulations

https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre (Listed under Important Documents)

Small Spills Kit for Motorsport: <a href="https://www.competitionsupplies.com/paddock-workshop/workshop-consumables/spill-kit-for-motorsport-vehicles">https://www.competitionsupplies.com/paddock-workshop/workshop-consumables/spill-kit-for-motorsport-vehicles</a>