



Darlington & District Motor Club

Rallycross, featuring the final round of the 2017 Autosport International BTRDA Clubmans Rallycross Championship in partnership with Toyo Tires

Croft Racing Circuit – 5th November 2017

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

This meeting is organised by the Darlington & District Motor Club governed by the general competition rules of the MSA, incorporating the provision of the FIA, additional supplementary regulations and any written instructions the organisers issue for the event.

A schedule of time and instructions are laid out below detailing pre-race and competing procedures for a rallycross meeting at Croft and should a driver/entrant fail to comply with the requirements of the Final Instructions he/she may forfeit their position on the starting grid or may be excluded from the meeting.

All competitors' attention is drawn to the General Competition Regulations regarding responsibility for eligibility throughout the meeting. All competitors must comply with the Motor Sports Association regulations N 6 Technical Regulations (Rallycross Vehicles). Competitors are required to ensure their extinguishers are armed and operable throughout the meeting. **All vehicles will comply with the Circuit noise levels and will be tested prior to Practice. Competitors will be given an opportunity to repair systems over the limit but will not be allowed to compete unless a permanent solution can be proved.**

These final instructions should be read in conjunction with any further instructions or bulletins issued by the organisers.

Section 1 - Permits

This event will be held under the following MSA Permit Number(s): NAT B 103620

Section 2 - Officials

➤ MSA Steward	D Swinton
➤ DDMC Stewards	T Curran, H S Tinkler
➤ BTRDA Steward	B Skermer
➤ Clerk of The Course	S Hill
➤ Deputy Clerk of the Course	S Gibson, B Wright
➤ Secretary of the Meeting	K Dartnall
➤ Chief Timekeeper	I Sharp
➤ Chief Scrutineer	N Armstrong
➤ Championship Eligibility Scrutineer	T Watson
➤ Chief Medical Officer	S Robertshaw
➤ Chief Marshal	D Busby
➤ BTRDA Driver Liaison	J Rook
➤ BTRDA Championship Coordinator	A Stevens

Section 3 - Passes

Tickets and passes will be distributed to competitors via DDMC. Competitors will be issued with 4 wristbands for circuit entry and 1 vehicle pass. Passes cannot be left on the gate for collection. Wristbands must be worn on entry to the circuit.

It is important that you park within your allocated area within the paddock as indicated on the attached plan. Failure to do so may result in you being asked to leave the venue.

Section 4 – Venue Access

Access to the Circuit and garages will be from **12pm until 11pm** on Saturday 4th November. Security will be present overnight. Vehicles may be off loaded quietly.

Section 5 – Pits, Paddock and Garages

- 5.1. The first 16 entries received have been allocated a garage and are indicated in the entry list. All other entries will be parked in Paddock A . Only one vehicle should be taken to Paddock A (garages and road-side area) the other should be parked in the designated area. Consideration, and space, must be allowed for other competitors arriving later. Competitors incorrectly parked will be instructed to move their vehicles.
- 5.2. Any competitor/Team who may have stationed themselves in the incorrect place in the paddocks and has refused to move when asked by a DDMC official or co-ordinator will be reported to the Clerk of the Course.
- 5.3. Under no circumstances may competition vehicles be driven around any part of the circuit premises until the commencement of scrutineering.
- 5.4. Any reports of undue noise, antisocial behaviour or failing to comply with instructions issued by the circuit security may result in exclusion from the meeting.
- 5.5. Competitors, Marshals/Officials bringing Transporters, Motor homes, caravans or tents to the site are reminded that no waste, water, oil or effluent of any description can be deposited anywhere. At some meetings oil containers and/or effluent tanks may be provided and used of which could incur a charge.
- 5.6. Teams are responsible for ensuring that members of the public do not wonder through their pit garages and into the pit lane.
- 5.7. There is a speed limit of 10mph on access roads and paddock areas. No racing engines may be run before 09.00am and after 18.00pm. Paddock bikes scooters etc, except those towing tyres or tools, are not allowed at any time. Generators should not be run between 23.00pm and 06.00am.
- 5.8. No- one under the age of 16 is allowed in the Pit Lane. There must be absolutely no smoking in the Pit Lane. The Pit Wall forward of the Grid is Out of Bounds at all times.

Section 6 – Signing on for Competitors

Drivers must sign on in the Administration Office in the Race Control building prior to Scrutineering and Practice. Signing On times on the enclosed time-table should be strictly observed likewise scrutineering times. The Scrutineers will not inspect the car of any driver who has not signed on.

- 6.1. All Competitors/Entrants must provide at Signing on:
 - Competition Race Licence / Entrants Licence where applicable
Non Presentation of a valid licence carries an MSA fee of £67
 - A Valid club membership card.
Drivers are reminded that licences, medicals and upgrade cards must be valid, bearing a recent photograph and be signed by the driver before presentation to the officials at signing on.
- 6.2. Competitors under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by his / her guarantor or guardian who must also sign on.

Section 7 – Scrutineering

All Cars will be scrutineered in the Scrutineering Bay. The competitor or their representative must be present with the car along with the signing on slip, overalls and helmet. **Competitors must be aware that Mud Flaps must comply with N6.9 and that Seat Belts must be FIA homologated carrying the appropriate FIA label on each strap. Vehicles which do not comply with the foregoing will result in a 'fail' at scrutineering. Any competitor intending to use a head restraint must be present, with their car, at the time of Scrutineering. No windscreen is allowed to have apertures. Unless a polycarbonate screen is fitted, competitors must wear approved goggles or visors at all times**

Section 8 – Transponders

Only AMB ChronX 260, or in exceptional cases, AMB ChronX 160 transponders will be accepted for use. Although a limited number of transponders are available for hire at the event to one-off entries and to competitors who have omitted to fit their own, or replaced a damaged unit. Competitors with a defective transponder will still be given a free loan when the fault occurs or until their transponder is repaired or replaced.

Section 9 – Drivers Briefing

All drivers must attend a drivers briefing in the media centre prior to practising. **Attendance is mandatory.** Please refer to the timetable in section 17

Drivers must come to the correct briefing as a signing in system will be in use and there will only be sheets for the classes as listed. These are mandatory briefings so all drivers must attend.

Section 10 – Competition Numbers / Decals

The responsibility of numbering cars rests solely on the competitor and great attention should be paid to the position of the front facing numbers which must comply with the Regulations and must be placed on a white background, the roof number must be placed on the forward most part at an angle of 45 degrees to the left. Numbering may also comply with the current British Rallycross Championship regulations. We have a limited amount of numbers for sale.

This event will be televised therefore all competitors are reminded that they must carry championship decals and be fully washed at all times otherwise start may be refused. Please note that washing down facilities will be available on exiting the circuit at Clervaux. Any washing of vehicles should be done in an area that can be cleared of mud and debris by the competitor prior to leaving the circuit.

Section 11 – Programme

The formation of the races will be as specified in the regulations for the event unless circumstances dictate otherwise. Any alterations will be posted in the Administration Office on the day. However, the organisers reserve the right to amend or amalgamate races and/or classes at their discretion. The Clerk of the Courses' decision is final.

Section 12 – Practice Sessions

All competitors will join the circuit from the top of A Paddock via The Hairpin. The finish line will be defined on the loose circuit. A last lap board and the chequered flag will be shown at Post 1 and cars should slow down and leave the circuit as directed by the marshals. Competitors allocated garages must turn left in to the Pit Lane and exit at the end of the garages to travel behind the garages to the top of A Paddock. Return to the garages will be via the rear of the garage or by entry in to the pit lane adjacent to the commentary box.

Section 13 – Start Procedures

Please note the revving of engines and spinning of wheels prior to being instructed by officials to proceed from dummy grid to grid is forbidden

During practice, cars will be set off by flag at intervals determined by the Start Marshal. Once cars have formed on the Grid no car may leave the grid without specific permission from the Clerk of the Course. A car may leave the grid, however, if instructed to so do by the MSA Scrutineer. On indication by the Grid Marshal, the 5 second board will be displayed. The red lights going out will be the start of the race. Should a vehicle move before the lights go out, a jumped start will be indicated and the race will be aborted. The offending driver(s) will be moved to the rear of the grid. Start Line named officials will be appointed as Start Line Judges.

Section 14 – Finish of Heats / Finals

Drivers are reminded that after passing the chequered flag, they must cease racing and return to the Paddock as directed by the marshals. Competitors must ensure that the Paddock Area is kept clean. Drivers should not remove their helmets until the car is stationary at the end of the race or practice. Should it be required to Scrutineer selected vehicles at the completion of the practice session or race, the Competitors selected will be directed to Parc Ferme.

Section 15 – Withdrawing from a Race or the Event

At any time during the event should any competitor find that they are withdrawing from any session would they please advise Race Administration as soon as possible.

Section 16 – Judges of Fact

These will be judges to determine false starts, MSA Timekeepers, Eligibility Scrutineers, Technical Commissioners, Noise Inspectors, and any other named officials

Section 17 – Timetable

Sign-on & Scrutineering :-	
Saturday - <i>(sign on will be in scrutineering bay)</i>	13.00pm to 16.00pm
Sunday - <i>(sign on will be in the administration building)</i>	From 07.05am
Drivers Briefing :- <i>In Media Room (under commentators tower)</i>	
Juniors, Production & Super Modified	08.30am
Production 4x4, Clubmans 4x4, Historic & Autocross	09.00am
Free Practice :-	9.30am
Heats and finals :- will follow on with a lunch break at an appropriate point.	10.30am
Awards Presentation :-	30mins after last final

Section 18 – Circuit Map

