# ISLE OF WIGHT CAR CLUB LTD

### ISLE OF WIGHT AUTOTEST CHAMPIONSHIPS REGULATIONS

#### 1. General

- 1.1 The Isle of Wight Car Club Ltd will organise the Isle of Wight Autotest Championships.
- 1.2 All events will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Championship Regulations and the event Supplementary Regulations.
- 1.3 The Autotest Championship is subdivided into "Sealed Surface Events" and "Unsealed Surface Events". Both contribute towards the overall Autotest Championship but also constitute individual Championships in their own right.
- 1.4 Tests are normally in all-forward directions. However the Committee may decide to arrange Non-Championship events which include reversing manoeuvres. This will be made clear in the Club Calendar and event notifications.
- 1.5 There is a further subdivision at all events into "Autotest" and "Production Car Autotest" with individual MSA Permits for each. This allows the option of a passenger being carried to assist with the training of new drivers.

### 2. Contacts

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# 3. Qualifying Rounds

- 3.1 There will be [7] Sealed Surface Championship Events and [7] Unsealed Championship Events
- 3.2 The Championship Year will run from 1 January to 31 December (inclusive).
- 3.3 Dates and venues can be found on the club website: www.iowcc.co.uk

### 4. Entrant Eligibility

- 4.1 For Autotests entrants must comply with Clauses 10,11,12 &13 within Section M (Autotests) of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook.
- 4.2 For Production Car Autotests entrants must comply with Clauses 10,11,16 & 17.
- 4.3 For the Youth Championship drivers must be under 18 at the start of the season, enter under the PCA permit and compete in a car compliant with Section M clause 17.
- 4.4 All drivers must drive in a manner that will not bring the Isle of Wight Car Club nor Motorsport UK into disrepute.

# 5. Vehicle Eligibility (Technical)

- 5.1 All competing cars must comply with Clauses 4 & 5 within Section M (Autotests) of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook. Additionally entrants in the Production Car Autotest must comply with Clause 19.
- 5.2 Entrants are particularly reminded of Clause 4.5 within Section M (Autotests) of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook with which they must comply. This refers them to certain parts of Section J (Competitors: Vehicles) of the Yearbook. Namely "Chassis: Seating: Suspension: Brakes: Steering: Tyres: Cooling: Oil Systems: Fuel Systems: Electrical Systems: Wight/Ballast: Exhausts: Silencing".
- 5.3 Clause 4.7 of the Yearbook "Tyres from List 1b or 1c are not permitted" must be complied with.
- 5.4 Entries will be accepted for vehicles which are not taxed or currently registered as a private car. Competitors are urged to liaise with the Scrutineer prior to an event if unsure as to the legality of their vehicle.

### 6. Classes

6.1 Vehicles shall be classified as follows:

Class 1 - Production cars up to 1400cc

Class 2 - Production cars 1401cc upwards

Class 3 - Modified cars up to 1400cc

Class 4 - Modified cars 1401cc upwards

Class 5 - Specials and kit cars.

- 6.2 A production car is considered to be one unmodified from the manufacturer's original specification, with the exception of safety changes that would not result in a performance improvement. For example, the addition of a roll cage or seam welding would add torsional rigidity to a car and hence improve handling, so this would be considered as a 'modified' car. The removal of seats and carpets would be considered a weight reduction and hence also a modification. Re-laying brake or petrol lines from under the car to inside the car would be considered nothing more than a safety improvement and would not on their own lead to a 'modified' classification. Kit cars and component cars, provided they are designed for road use, will be considered as modified, otherwise being considered 'Specials'.
- 6.3 Special: Any car not originally designed for road use or a production vehicle modified to such an extent that in the opinion of the Clerk of the Course, taking advice as he/she deems appropriate, it could no longer be considered to resemble the vehicle which left the factory.
- 6.4 Forced Induction Handicap for Autotests =  $cc \times 1.3$ .
- 6.5 Diesel cars will have an engine capacity deemed to be reduced by 30%.
- 6.6 Four wheel drive vehicles are not prohibited from competing in events.
- 6.7 The allocation of class shall be the decision of the Clerk of the Course, taking advice from the Scrutineer and others as they may deem appropriate. Any dispute over class allocation, whether by a car owner or another competitor, shall take the form of a protest regarding the results as per the current Motorsport UK Yearbook, presupposing that the car under question competed in the event.
- 6.8 Class points will be assigned to the class for which the competitor's car is eligible. If the vehicle breaks down after commencing the test, i.e. passing over the start line, then with the Clerk of the Course's agreement a concession will be allowed to enable the competitor to earn class points using a different car. This vehicle must be eligible for the same or lesser class.
- 6.9 Competitors are permitted to drive a vehicle from a different class, as one of their runs, as long as they request that the time for this run is not to be counted.

### 7. Penalties

7.1 The following penalties will apply:

Touching Bollard = +5 Seconds

Line Fault (not stopping in box) = +10 Seconds

Wrong Test = Fastest time in class + 30 Seconds

7.2 If, in the opinion of the Clerk of the Course, having taken advice from marshals etc. as example, a failure to attempt a chicane, or stop in a stop box etc, the run will be marked as a wrong test. A competitor wishing to protest against such a decision would do so as per the current Motorsport UK Yearbook.

### 8. Scoring

Scoring will be as follows: Autotests whether on sealed or unsealed surfaces.

1st in Class 50 Points

2nd in Class 49 Points

3rd in Class 48 Points

4th in Class 47 Points

Then descending order down to 1 point for 50th position.

#### 9. Awards

- 9.1 Trophies will be awarded at the Annual Awards meeting for each event (Sealed & Unsealed Championships) to the driver of the fastest car in each Class (1 to 5). Class winner decals will also be awarded at the end of each event.
- 9.2 In addition Trophies will be awarded at the Annual Awards meeting for the overall fastest drivers in the 3 Annual Championships (Sealed, Unsealed and Overall). At the end of the event 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall plus fastest junior and fastest lady will receive an appropriate small gift provided by the Club sponsors.