



## MAIDSTONE & MID KENT MOTOR CLUB Ltd.

## **GRASS AUTOTEST TRAINING DAY & TASTER DAY**

## SUNDAY 4TH MAY 2025

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

- 1. Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club Ltd (MMKMC) will organise a combined Grass Autotest Training Day & Taster Day to be held at Headcorn Aerodrome TN27 9HX on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025.
- 2. The purpose of the **Even**t is to encourage newcomers by providing an opportunity to learn about **Autotests** and have the chance of trying the sport. Experts will be on hand to give advice, answer any questions and to give guidance about test procedures, car preparation, driving techniques, etc.
- 3. Both **Drivers** and **Passengers under the age of 18** must be accompanied by a **Parent** or **Guardian**, at all times during the Event. A separate pre-event declaration form must be completed prior to the Event.
- 4. The Event will be held under the National Competition Rules (NCR's) of the Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the Event.
- 5. The **Event** will be open to all fully elected **Members of Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club Ltd** as well as any **Non-Members** as first-time participants **new to Motorsport**.
- 6. All **Drivers** and any **Passengers**, must be in possession of a valid **2025 MSUK RS Clubman Licence**. These are available **FREE** from the **MSUK Website** via the following link:

https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/

Once the application is completed the Licence will be downloaded immediately.

**7.** Event officials are:

Clerk of the Course Richard Olsen - 07811970649

Secretary of the Meeting
Event Steward
Chief Scrutineer
Chief Marshal
Safeguarding Officer
Sustainability Officer
Emma Olsen
Bruce Jenkins
Andy Jenner
Si Kellow
Janet Barlow
Emma Olsen

### 8. The Programme of the Event will be as follows:

10:30 - 13:30	Brief Talk followed by Tuition and Practice - for first-time
	Participants new to Motorsport, and MMKMC members.
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch Break
14:30 - 17:00	Timed Competition for all Competitors.
17:00	Event Closes.

## 9. Morning Session

Will be run under a **Training Day Certificate of Exemption No. 203196** issued by **Motorsport UK** which will be on display at the Event.

Introduction – A brief talk to outline the following aspects of **Motorsport** and **Autotests:**-

- Governance of Motorsport MSUK, Regional Associations, Registered Clubs and NCR's;
- What is an Autotest A timed test, with the emphasis on manoeuvring skill rather than outright speed, difference between Autotest and PCA;
- **Event Procedure** Event Regulations, Entering an Event, Signing-on, Vehicles & Scrutineering, Safety, Drivers Briefing;
- Test Diagrams Learning the tests, forward and reverse travel, penalties, Start/Finish procedure, Results;
- Basic Manoeuvres Handbrake Turns, J-Turns, Nose-throw.

#### **Tuition and Practice**

- All drivers must carry one Passenger, occupying the front seat next to the driver.
- The Passenger must (If the Driver does not) hold a Full RTA Licence, and be experienced in Autotesting.
- Experienced Club Members and Signed-On Officials will be available as
   Passengers who will also be able to give tuition regarding following the correct
   route and mastering Basic Manoeuvres.
- All Drivers must be aged 14 or over.
- Any Driver who does not hold a Full RTA Licence is restricted to a Touring car of no more than 2000cc including forced induction

**Practice Tests** will be Live until **13:30.** - Drivers will be allowed a number of goes at the simple Practice Tests. Times will not be recorded, as no results will be produced, and only used to enable Drivers to assess their improvement.

## 10. Afternoon Session

Will be an Autotest Competition Event, in the same style as our regular Evening Autotests.

The **Event** will be run under the following **Permits** issued by **Motorsport UK**:

Taster Day Clubman Autotest Permit No. 203197
Taster Day Clubman PCA Permit No. 203198

Which will be on display at the Event.

11. The Afternoon competitive Event will consist of eight classes as follows:

## <u>Autotest</u> (No Passengers Allowed)

- **A.** Front wheel drive Touring Cars up to and including 3.66m (12ft) overall length.
- **B.** Front wheel drive Touring Cars over 3.66m (12ft) and under 4.1m (13' 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>") overall length
- **C.** Front wheel drive Touring Cars 4.1m (13'-5¾") and over.
- **D.** Rear wheel drive Touring Cars.
- **E.** Sports Cars.
- **F.** Specials and Four-wheel drive Production Touring cars.

Entries will be accepted in **Classes A to D** from Drivers who are aged **16 years** and over who do not have a valid, full RTA licence, subject to the following **(NCR19.4.2)**:

- The vehicle must be by definition, a "Touring Car".
- The vehicle engine capacity must not exceed 1400cc.
- Forced induction is not permitted.

#### Note:

Cabriolet Touring Cars must run in appropriate Touring Car class with the hood up, or in Class E, Sports Cars with the hood down .

## <u>Production Car Autotest</u> (One Passenger Must be Carried)

- J. Junior Drivers. Aged 14 to 17 who do not hold a valid full RTA Licence. (NCR 19.5.3.1)
  - The vehicle must by definition be a 'Touring Car' (NCR 1. app.1).
  - The vehicle engine capacity must not exceed 2000cc including forced induction. (NCR 19.5.3.1a)
  - A passenger must be carried who holds a valid, full RTA Licence, a
    Motorsport UK RS Clubman licence, and be experienced in Autotesting or
    Autosolos. (NCR 19.5.3.1c)
  - Whilst competing the passenger must occupy the seat alongside the driver and wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt. No other passenger is allowed. (NCR 19.5. 2.2)
- P. Any Other Competitor who wants to run with a Passenger. (including the passengers of Class J) subject to the following:
  - All vehicles must be series production cars (NCR. 19.5.1.2)
  - Whilst competing, one passenger must be carried in each car. The passenger must hold a valid Motorsport UK RS Clubman licence.
  - In any Touring car or cabriolet/sports car with the hood erected, the passenger must be aged 12 years or over and be at least 135cm in height (NCR 19.5.2.4), or with the hood down must be aged 16 years or over and at least 135cm in height (NCR 19.5.2.5);
  - Whilst competing the passenger must occupy the seat alongside the driver and wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt. No other passenger is allowed. (NCR 19.5.2.2)
- **12.** Vehicle length to be determined from Parkers Car Price Guide for the car concerned, or if not quoted, the manufacturers specification.
- 13. All vehicles must comply with **Motorsport UK** Technical Regulations. (NCR 7.2)
- **14.** All vehicles must be fitted with road pattern tyres only. Any vehicle fitted with tyres which the organisers deem unsuitable will not be allowed to complete. **THIS MEANS NO KNOBBLIES!**

- 15. The entry list opens on publication of these regulations and closes at 13:00 on the day of the Event.
- 16. Entries must be made online using the Sapphire Solutions system, via the Club Website <a href="www.mmkmc.co.uk">www.mmkmc.co.uk</a> and will only be accepted once the appropriate fee (where applicable) has been paid. Payment can be made by PayPal using the link on the entry list

#### The entry fees are as follows:

#### Classes A-F & P

- **Free** For all those new to Autotesting and any drivers aged 18 or under as at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025
- £15 For all other entries in Classes A-F &P

#### Class J

- **Free** For all Juniors (funded from the prize money received by the club as Motorsport UK 'Club of the Year 2023')
- 17. The maximum entry for the Event is 40, and the minimum is 10. The maximum for each class is unlimited, and the minimum is 1. Should any of the above minimum figures not be reached, the field be too wet or the field not be available, the organisers have the right to cancel the meeting. Entries will be selected in order of receipt.
- **18.** Entry fees may be refunded if notification of withdrawal is given to the Secretary of the Meeting not less than 24 hours before the event.
- **19.** Provisional results will be published, as soon as possible following the end of the event.
- 20. As this Is only a **Training Day**, there will be **no Awards** for performance.
- 21. Any protest must be lodged in accordance with the Motorsport UK Protests. (NCR 2.9.1)
- 22. Details of tests will be included with Final Instructions. (NCR 19.1.1.4)
  Each driver will have Two runs at each of Six tests, with their worst time at each test discounted for results. (NCR 19.1.1.4b and 1.4i)
  Timing will be via Timing App Live and mobile phones operated by the start marshals The starting signal will be oral.
  Order of attempting the tests will be optional.
- 23. All marshals will be appointed as judges to adjudicate on penalties (NCR 19 1.4.1).
- **24.** Practising will **NOT** be allowed **(NCR 19.1.2.4)**, any competitor, in the opinion of the organisers, speeding, or performing handbrake turns or the like, in the paddock or surrounding area may be **disqualified.**
- 25. Competitors will be identified by name and number as per the entry list on Timing App Live. (NCR 19.1.1.4c)
- 26. Marking and penalties will be as printed in **Penalty Table (NCR 19.9)**.
  - (a) "Not performing a test correctly, etc" +20 seconds
  - (b) "Striking any marker, etc per mistake" + 5 seconds
  - (c) "Failing to cross or stop at any line, etc" + 5 seconds A Wrong Test will be as defined in (NCR 19.1.3.1).
- **27.** A Novice will be defined as a driver who has not previously won a class or overall award in an Autotest or Autosolo competition of **Clubman**, equivalent or higher status.
- 28. Pylons may be less than 1 metre in height (NCR 19.1.2.7).

- 29. As the whole event takes place on private property vehicles need not be Registered or Taxed (NCR 19.3.1.2.)
- **30.** Hybrid, Electric and Light Goods Vehicles may compete in the appropriate class. **(NCR 19.3.1.4)**
- **31.** A vehicle may be entered up to twice, for each category (Autotest and PCA) at the Event, but in all cases must be driven by different drivers. **(NCR 19.1.1.4k).** The maximum numbers of drivers for each car is three.
- **32.** All other General Regulations of **the Motorsport UK** apply as written.
- 33. Please make sure your Vehicle is in good mechanical condition. In particular, please make sure that your vehicle complies with **Motorsport UK** Vehicle Regulations for Autotests (**NCR** 19.3.1.8). Also, please ensure your engine is properly silenced and complies with the noise requirements of (**NCR** 7.8.2) and note tyre regulations (**NCR** 7.2.13).
- **34.** In accordance with latest General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) the information you give us will be used only for the purpose of running MMKMC events and its activities. You will only receive communications from us that are relevant to the events you enter. Photographs may be taken at this event (and others in the programme) and shared, including on social media. Please advise the organiser if you do not wish to have your photograph taken.
- 35. By entering this Event you agree that we may wish to publish your personal data as part of the results of the event. We may pass such information to the Motorsport UK, national governing body and/or the FIA or any affiliated organisation for the purpose of insurance, safety, licences or combined with other events. Results include (but are not limited to) name, age, club affiliation, and competition times. We may also use your email address to contact you about other M&MKMC events.

# COMPETITORS ARE REMINDED THAT THE USE OF LIST 1B AND 1C TYRES IS NOT PERMITTED (NCR 19.3.1.8g)

The MAIDSTONE & MID KENT MOTOR CLUB would like to thank the Mr Jamie Freeman for allowing the use of the venue.

WOULD YOU PLEASE HELP US TO LOOK AFTER THIS SITE AND KEEP IT CLEAN AND TIDY BY TAKING YOUR LITTER HOME.

**THANK YOU** 

The Organising Team