



MGCC AutoSOLO

Saturday 9th October 2021

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

Issue 1

[1] Announcement

The MG Car Club will organise a Clubman status AutoSOLO for road-going cars on Saturday 9th October 2021 in a nominated external area at the British Motor Museum, Gaydon, CV35 0BJ.

[2] Jurisdiction

This meeting will be held under the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Supplementary Regulations.

[3] Permits

Motorsport UK Clubman's AutoSOLO permit **122954** applies to this event.

[4] Eligibility

The event is open to members of the MG Car Club (MGCC) Ltd. Competitors will be required to present a valid (in date) MGCC Membership card at signing on.

MAJOR CHANGES TO COMPETING ON AUTOSOLOs.

* The governing body Motorsport UK have introduced a requirement that all drivers and navigators need to have a competition licence for 2021, to compete on any event. Although the entry grade licence (**RS Clubman**) is free, anyone planning to compete in this AutoSOLO must make sure they obtain one in advance. It is very straightforward to do online...follow the link below.

This licence requirement also applies to anyone taking part as a passenger in this event.

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

- Optionally, one nominated passenger may be carried on the timed tests to assist in giving directions to the driver once the test has started. * See above for licence requirement
- The passenger, if carried, must occupy the seat adjacent to the driver, and wear a properly fastened and approved seatbelt at all times during the tests, unless the age of the car does not require or allow for seatbelts.
- The passenger, if carried in a saloon car, or sports car with a hardtop fitted, must be aged at least 12 years or older and at least 135cm in height.
- The passenger, if carried in a sports car or cabriolet, with a hood lowered or erect, must be aged at least 16 years or older.

All cars must comply with Motorsport UK Technical Regulations, noting the requirements of Section M Para. 21-24 of the Motorsport UK Blue Book 2021 (Specific Regulations for AutoSOLOs). <https://www.motorsportuk.org/news-publications/publications/yearbook/>

All vehicles must have been driven to the event.

The scrutineer will carry out visual checks on general roadworthiness and shall pay particular attention to the following summarised requirements in Section J of the Motorsport UK Bluebook 2021:

J 5.3.2 the seat must be rigidly located.

- J 5.4.2 vehicles must be equipped with a positive method of closing by means of external spring(s) so that in the event of failure of any part of the throttle linkage, the throttle(s) are sprung closed.
- J 5.9.2 tyres must be road legal at the start of the event (1.6mm tread depth across the central $\frac{3}{4}$ of the tread around the complete circumference of the tyre).
- J 5.14.5 the battery earth lead must be identified by a yellow marking **if not readily distinguishable**.
- J 5.17.2 silencing to 100dB(A) at 0.5m measured at 75% of engine rpm limit. **May be noise checked by scrutineer if deemed necessary**.

Cars must be presented for scrutineering in a clean and tidy condition, and particularly free from “clutter”. The acceptance, or otherwise, of any car shall be at the sole discretion of the Chief Scrutineer.

[5] Championships

This event has not been declared as a round of any championship.

[6] Scrutineering / Programme

Signing on will start at 9:00am within the holding area, at the designated Event Control.

Scrutineering and noise testing will start from 9:00am on Saturday 9th October in the designated holding / service area for the AutoSOLO.

Following signing-on, drivers are required to remain with their car until it has been scrutineered.

There will be a drivers briefing at 10:00am. It is imperative that all drivers attend.

Important information, including clarification of test procedures and marshalling duties, shall be provided by the Clerk of the Course at the Drivers briefing.

[7] Event Start

The event will start at 10:10am

Nature of Start: competitors self-start when ready, after the Timing Marshal has given the “All Clear”. Timing starts when the leading wheel of the front axle crosses the start line.

Any competitor not signed on by 10:00am may be excluded.

[8] Description of Event

This is a Clubman AutoSOLO with a course layout designed for forward direction only, comprising a series of numbered gates, slaloms and turns, laid out on a smooth tarmac surface. The intention is to have two test layouts, with at least three runs at each, the aim being to complete the event within three hours of the start time. The number of entries will have a bearing on the total number of test runs. Timing will be by stopwatches, accurate to at least a 1/10th of a second.

Given that this is an event to encourage young and novice (to AutoSOLO) drivers, the worst timed run (if three or more are completed on any one test) will be excluded from the results totals. (This is fairly standard practice for AutoSOLOs)

Entrants will be split into three groups, with one group marshalling, one group competing and the third group watching or navigating (pool of volunteers).

This order will rotate throughout the event, so everyone has maximum involvement.

Marshalling is an integral part of the event and non-compliance may lead to exclusion.

Course length: The approximate maximum size for the test site is 90m x 45m

All general regulations of the MSA apply as written except:

M11.3 Without exception a single car may be entered by no more than two drivers.

M 6.6 Pylons (cones) may be less than 1 metre high.

All vehicles must be taxed and insured for the public road. A current MOT certificate (where applicable – cars over 3 years old) must be produced at scrutineering.

Penalties on this event:

M 7.c Maximum penalty is fastest clear time in class plus 20 seconds

M 7.c Fastest clear time in class plus 20 seconds for a Wrong Direction (W.D.)

M7.d & e Penalties are 5 seconds per fault for pylons, lines and boundaries.

The following classes will apply:

- Class A: MG Cars manufactured from 1924-1980
- Class B: MG Cars manufactured from 1982 - current models.

[9] Vehicle Starting Positions

Cars will start from behind the start line. The timing marshal may ask the drivers to adjust their car's position before starting.

[10] Practice Requirements

Practicing will not be permitted. Drivers (and any assigned passenger) will be given time to walk the course layout before each test. Printed copies of the test layout(s) will be issued at event sign-on.

[11] Identification

Identification numbers will be issued to drivers at sign-on.

[12] Pits Area

The holding / service area and perimeter barriers will separate the public from the tests. limit of 5 MPH is imposed within the holding / service area. Extreme care must be taken when moving cars in this area.

[13] Judges of Fact

All Marshals are Judges of Fact and will be identified by wearing hi-viz clothing.

[14] Television Coverage

Is not expected.

[15] Awards

Individual Awards:

Awards will be presented according to the number of entries in each class.

Full details of all awards will be shown in the Final Instructions.

Team Competitions:

There will be no team competitions in this event.

[16] Entries

The maximum entry for the meeting is 30 and the minimum entry is 15. If the minimum entry is not reached by the closing date for entries, the MG Car Club Ltd. reserves the right to cancel the event.

[17] Entry List

The entry list opens on publication of these Supplementary Regulations and closes on Wednesday 6th October at noon. Late entries may be accepted up to and including Saturday 9th October, at the discretion of the Secretary of the Meeting, if the maximum entry number has not been reached.

Individual entries (only) must be made on the relevant official entry form and sent to the Entries Secretary by email to: noel.lindford@btinternet.com

Or by post to: Noel Lindford, 3 Springbank, Peterlee, Co. Durham SR8 1FA

[18] Entry Fee

The entry fee for this Clubman's AutoSOLO is just **£10.00** to MGCC members.

Payment should be made by BACS to THE MG CAR CLUB LIMITED

(note: this is a business bank account):

Sort code: 40-08-10 Account No. 40586838

Please show a reference as MG AutoSOLO + <your name>

There is no additional fee for any passenger in a competing car.

[19] Refusal of Entries

Entries may be refused, once the entry list is full. Those seeking entry at that point can opt to be put on a reserve list. The Secretary of the Meeting has the final decision on entries.

[20] Additional Entry Information

Remember to supply an Emergency Contact on the entry form. Please take the time to read the small print on the entry form, before signing the declaration at the bottom of the form.

[21] Nomination of Drivers (and a passenger)

Identified by the entry form(s)

[22] Postponement / Cancellation

In the event of cancellation, competitors will be informed, by email, social media and or telephone.

[23] Officials

Official	Name
Secretary of the Meeting	Noel Lindford
Entries Secretary	As above
Clerk of the Course	As above
Chief Scrutineer	Ken Armstrong
Club Steward	TBC
Chief Timekeeper	TBC

All queries prior to the event should be addressed to the Secretary of the Meeting, Noel Lindford at noel.lindford@btinternet.com

[24] Provisional Results

Provisional results will be posted by 3:00pm on Saturday 9th October at a location, which may be on-line, to be advised at the Driver Briefing.

[25] Results

Final results will be announced, Awards made and presented, between 3:00pm and 4:00pm on Saturday 9th October. The location and timing for the awards ceremony will be announced at the Drivers Briefing.

[26] Protests

Any protests must be lodged, and will be dealt with, as per Section C of the MSA Rules.

[27] Parc Ferme

Security cannot be guaranteed in the service area. Competitors should be aware that any tools and equipment should be securely stored when not in use.
The MG Car Club does not accept responsibility for any losses incurred.

[28] Other Requirements / Information

Please take care driving into and out of the service area, at the start and end of the event.

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