



Border Rally Championship
2024
Regulations
A Motorsport Ireland approved Championship

ARTICLE 1.

The Championship, known as The Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship, is being promoted by Mayo and District Motorsport Club Ltd., Co. Cavan Motor Club Ltd., Connacht Motor Club (Sligo) Ltd., Donegal Motor Club Ltd., Galway Motor Club Ltd., Midland MC Ltd., and Monaghan Motor Club Ltd. The above seven clubs will be hereafter referred to as the Promoters of the Championship.

The following are the Five (5) events in this year's Championship:

- 1.) Mayo March 3rd
- 2.) Monaghan April 7th
- 3.) Birr April 21st
- 4.) Galway Summer September 1st
- 5.) Donegal Harvest October 12th

Prize giving will be November 2nd 2024

Points will be awarded to all registered finishers in each event as per Article 5.

BEST FOUR OUT OF FIVE EVENTS TO COUNT.

ARTICLE 2.

Competitors must make an area on the vertical bodywork of the car available for

- A. Designated Border Rally Championship decals and/or
- B. Advertising supplied by Championship Event Organisers.
- C. **Sponsors stickers must be on the vertical bodywork of the car on exit from Parc Ferme. Failure to do so will result in the loss of Border championship points. The decals must be inside the area of the bodywork outlined below on both sides of the car.**



ARTICLE 3.

If through Force Majeure any of the above dates are altered or any event is cancelled, the promoters of the Championship reserve the right to either accept a change of date, substitute a nominated event, cancel a particular round, or alter the number of events on which scores will be counted.

If an event, or part thereof, is cancelled due to Force Majeure, Championship Points will only be eligible to be awarded once SS1 has been completed by all competing crews, and subsequent completed stages up to, and including, the stage prior to the cancellation.

Any amendment to these Regulations will be by numbered bulletins, which will be an extension of, and have the same force as these Regulations.

Rally 2 will be accommodated at each event, and, in order to be classified as a finisher, must comply with Appx. 29, Art 13 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

The Championship will, at all times, be run under these Regulations, the current Yearbook of Motorsport Ireland, and the supplementary regulations for each event in the series.

The Championship will run a 3 X 3 OR 2 X 3 format.

CLASSES

AS PER APPENDIX 29.1 OF MOTORSPORT IRELAND YEARBOOK 2022

Note: * Class 16, Class 18, and Class 19 will not be classified for overall results.

NOTE: Competitors are eligible to register in more than one class during the year. However, points are not transferable, and cannot be added together either for class or overall positions. If a competitor is already registered in a Class, he/she must complete a separate registration form for the class he/she proposes to enter and/or notify the registrar.

ARTICLE 4.

The awards for the Championship will be as follows:

- (a) 1st overall - Perpetual Trophy
- (b) 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall awards.
The overall winner will be the driver and navigator who have scored the highest points at the end of the Championship on a Class basis, (Except in the case of a tie, See Article 6 (b).)
- (c) The **BRIAN Mc GRATH MEMORIAL TROPHY.**
This award will be presented to the winner of Class 12 as defined by these regulations.
- (d) Classes 1st in each class
 2nd in each class
 3rd in each class
- (e) **TEAM AWARD.** A team will consist of 3 competing crews, both drivers and navigators being registered competitors for the Border Championship 2023. No extra fee will be payable for Team entries. The Registrar of the Championship must be informed in writing prior to the close of Documentation Scrutiny on the relevant event. No substitute of crew members allowed. Team points will be calculated as follows:

3 finishers 30pts
2 finishers 20pts

Any 2 crews in a team must finish for the team to score. The team with the highest total over the counting rounds will be deemed the Team Award winners.

- (f) **DRIVE OF THE DAY**

Will be awarded to the fastest crew in a class on a Stage selected by the Championship Registrar on the day, and said crew must be classified as a finisher in the event. The class in which the award is being presented, and the selected stage, will be advised at Drivers briefing and/or Sportivity App. If the preselected Stage is cancelled the Registrar can use their own discretion to move either to the previous stage or the following stage.

EXAMPLE:

The Championship Registrar selects “The fastest crew in class 9 on Stage 6”. However some class 9 competitors receive a stage interruption time. The Championship Registrar can revert to “The fastest crew in class 9 on Stage 5”.

For the purpose of this award, times for Stages between 2 and 6 only will be selected.

In the case of a tie between competitors on the selected stage, or if the stage is cancelled, the following criteria will be applied to break the tie.

Selected Stage 2 Tie-break Stage 3

Selected Stage 3 Tie-break Stage 4

Selected Stage 4 Tie-break Stage 5

Selected Stage 5 Tie-break Stage 6

Selected Stage 6 Tie-break Stage 2

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NOTE: Additional awards may be presented at the Promoters discretion.

ARTICLE 5.

Points will be awarded to competitors in the position in which they finish within the class as follows:

1st placed competitor	10 points
2nd placed competitor	9 points
3rd placed competitor	8 points
4th placed competitor	7 points
5th placed competitor	6 points
6th placed competitor	5 points
7th placed competitor	4 points
8th placed competitor	3 points
9th placed competitor	2 points
10th placed competitor	1 points

Each starter 1 point

Each Rally 2 finisher 1 point for starting, plus 1 point only, for finishing.

Where in any event, there are less than five starters for each class, the points will be allocated subject to these Regulations for each Championship class, whether or not the Class has been amalgamated on the event and points will be reduced as follows:

	STARTERS IN THE CLASS			
	4	3	2	1
1st placed competitor	9	8	7	6
2 nd placed competitor	8	7	6	
3 rd placed competitor	7	6		
4 th placed competitor	6			

ARTICLE 6.

(a) OVERALL AWARDS

In the case of ties between overall winners, the competitor, having the greater number of firsts in class finishes over the counting rounds will be deemed the winner. Should this not resolve the tie, their class position from their best non-counting round will be considered and if this fails to resolve the tie, their class position in their final non-counting round will be considered. Should this procedure not resolve the tie, the overall placing of the competitors involved, will be added for the 4 counting rounds on a points to position basis e.g., 2nd overall = 2 points, 30th overall = 30 points. The competitor with the best overall performance, i.e. lowest points total, will be deemed the winner.

(b) CLASS AWARDS

In the event of ties within a class, the competitor having the greater number of firsts in the class over the counting rounds will be deemed the winner. Should this not resolve the tie, the class seconds from the competitors will be similarly considered and so on. Should this procedure not resolve the tie, the overall placing of the competitors involved will be added for the four counting rounds on a points to position basis e.g. 2nd overall = 2 points, 30th overall = 30 points. The competitor with the best overall performance, i.e. the lowest points total will be deemed the winner.

(c) TEAM AWARD

In the event of a tie, the team with a crew finishing highest place overall in their first counting round, will be deemed the winner. If the tie continues, this will be applied to the 2nd and 3rd member of the team.

(d) MINIMUM

In order to qualify for an award, a competitor must score points in at least 4 out of the 5 events in the same class.

ARTICLE 7.

Complaints and queries in relation to the Championship, must be made in writing to the Championship Registrar who shall publish a decision on the matter/s within seven days of receipt.

Protests may be made in relation to matters which have been the subject of a decision by the Registrar of the Championship. Such protests shall be subject to a time limit of 14 days after the publication of the decision of the Registrar. Such protests shall be addressed to the Championship Stewards c/o/ Motorsport Ireland and must be in writing and accompanied by the appropriate fee.

ARTICLE 8. - REGISTRATION

Competitors are required to register for the Championship **before the start of the first qualifying round that they enter.** Drivers and navigators may register and score points on an individual basis. In applying for registration, competitors agree to be bound by these Regulations and any amendments subsequently issued. **Registration is FREE.**

REGISTRAR:- Brenda Reilly, Oak View House, Ballapousta, Smarmore, Ardee, County Louth.
brendaborderchamp@gmail.com
087 6563416 (6pm to 9pm only)

ARTICLE 9-CHAMPIONSHIP PRIORITY

Priority will be given to the first 3 drivers in each class, provided they are eligible for a class award and a valid entry is received within one week of opening of entries, in accordance with the event regulations.

For the purpose of priority, drivers will be put back into their respective classes.

Joint positions 1st, 2nd, 3rd will also get priority.

In the event of the registered driver entitled to priority in each of the classes not having a valid entry in by the closing date, the priority will pass to the next registered driver in that class who has a valid entry submitted.

ARTICLE 10. - CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZEGIVING

If a competitor is unable to collect his award on the night of the Prize giving, he / she must advise the Registrar of the name of the person, who will collect his award on his behalf.

Awards not collected on the night will be deemed forfeit.

Prizegiving - Saturday 02nd November 2024.

Award winners will get 2 complementary tickets each.

Registered Competitors, competing in all 5/6 rounds will receive one (1) complementary ticket

Complementary tickets, (2), to each Clerk of the Course.

Complementary tickets, (4), to each club.

Additional tickets must be paid for.