

## Stage Rally Tyre Limit – Guidance for Organisers, Competitors & Scrutineers

Sustainability plays a huge role in shaping the future of our Sport and is something Motorsport UK is taking very seriously. The introduction of the tyre limit is critical to ensuring the Sport has a future and is indeed now a requirement of many of our stakeholders if we are to retain access to many of the venues our Sport utilises.

This guidance must be read in conjunction with R48.5.11 of the 2024 Yearbook / NCR's in its entirety.

The process is designed to be as simple as possible and is **not** designed to be an additional burden to Event Organisers or to exclude Competitors from the Sport they enjoy so regularly. Motorsport UK have designed a self-declaration scheme, which requires the Competitors to declare the tyres used on **leaving the Service Area**. Competitors must use the form provided (also available via the Club Toolkit).

Scrutineers are requested to undertake spot checks at an appropriate time to ensure that Competitors remain compliant with R48.5.11. Any Competitors who are found to be in breach of this Regulation must be reported to the Clerk of the Course in accordance with C2.1

Below is additional information for Organisers, Competitors and Scrutineers; please take the time to read this guidance. Any queries can be sent to [rally@motorsportuk.org](mailto:rally@motorsportuk.org)

### Event Organisers

As stated above, the introduction of the Tyre Limit is designed to be as simple as possible and is not designed to be an additional burden on events.

A Tyre Declaration form, available in both A4 and A5 sizes is available in the Club Toolkit section of the Motorsport UK website. This is designed to be included in the Competitors Road Book, for Multi Venue events, and Map Books for Single Venue events – please place this document in the Competitor Road Book/Map Book.

Should a Competitor be found to be in breach of the R48.5.11, the Event Scrutineers will refer this matter to the Clerk of the Course under C2.1. The Clerk of the Course is then responsible for following the correct judicial procedures.

Event organisers are reminded of the mechanisms available under R48.5.11 with regards to suspending the tyre limit.

On conclusion of the event, Competitors are required to submit their Tyre Declaration forms with the Damage Declaration throughout the 2024 season. These are to then be sent – either by post or digitally - to Motorsport UK to allow us to gather data on tyre usage.

### Scrutineers

As this is a self-declaration scheme by the Competitors, Scrutineers are not required to scan, or log, a Competitor's tyre usage.



Scrutineers are requested to undertake spot checks during the course of the event. These can be undertaken at, but not restricted to, the following locations:

- Service In / Service Out controls
- Regroups
- Exit of Special Stages
- Final Main Controls (prior to handing in with the Damage Declaration)

In order to undertake the spot-checks, Scrutineers are to take the Road Book from the Competitor and undertake a visual check of the tyres on the vehicle at that particular time. The Road Book is to then be passed back to the Competitor.

Should a Scrutineer find a Competitor in contravention of R48.5.11, they are to report the Competitor in question to the Clerk of the Course as per C2.1.

Please ensure that any spot-checks are undertaken in a way so as not to delay the Competitor at any Time Control.

## Competitors

So as to ensure no Competitors are excluded from competing by the application of a Tyre Limit, this system is designed to be an all encompassing and as simple as possible. **However**, the onus is on the Competitor to ensure that their Tyre Declaration form is completed **at all times**.

The form will be available within your Competitor Road / Map and must be an accurate representation of what is on your vehicle. Below is some scenario-based logic to assist with completing this process:

- At the beginning of the event, record what tyres you have placed on the vehicle, including any spares.
- At the next Service, record any changes in the correct columns, paying close attention to the quantity of tyres you have used.
- Should you not change the tyres and proceed onto the next loop without changing your tyres, you do not have to fill anything in.
- If the Clerk of the Course, together with the Event Stewards, declare that the tyre allowance has been suspended in accordance with R48.5.11, you no longer have to fill in the form.

If, at any time, the Scrutineers request to see your Tyre Declaration form, please surrender your form to them in order to facilitate a spot check.

At the conclusion of the Event, please hand in your Tyre Declaration form with your damage declaration.

## Conclusion

Motorsport UK appreciates that this process presents a new challenge to many Competitors who have not previously dealt with such a process. At present, this is as easy as it can be made whilst ensuring that the



Sport remains as fantastically inclusive as it always has been. The implementation of this has not been taken lightly but we appreciate it will encounter some growing pains. Please help each other whilst this becomes 'Business as Usual'.

