

# MOTORSPORT IRELAND NATIONAL ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

## Regulations

### ART. 1 FORMAT: COUNTING EVENTS IN THE 2024 CHAMPIONSHIP

<b>ALMC Winter Trial</b>	<b>Jan 27</b>
<b>Galway Motor Club</b>	<b>April 14</b>
<b>Monaghan Motor Club</b>	<b>June 9</b>
<b>Killarney &amp; District Motor Club</b>	<b>June 30</b>
<b>Westmeath Motor Club</b>	<b>Aug 18</b>
<b>Birr Motor Club</b>	<b>Sept 22</b>

### ART. 2 REGULATIONS

1. Motorsport Ireland will host an Endurance Championship in 2024, based on the result of the 6 events classified as Endurance Trials, as defined in Appendix 35 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook. At least **FOUR** such events must be held before a Championship is declared.
2. The Championship winners will only be open to drivers and navigators of cars which conform to **Class A1 (up to 1000cc)** and **Class A2 (1001cc-1400cc)** cars which conform to Appendix 35 Art. 27 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook regarding technical regulations for Endurance specification cars.
3. The Championship will also be open to supporting classes: -B Navigation Trial Cars up to 1400cc ; C –Navigation Trial Cars from 1401 up to 2000cc incl 4WD; D-FWD Retro Cars ; E-RWD Retro Cars and F-Sports Cars incl MX5
4. The competition is open to all holders of Motorsport Ireland competition licences and holders of MUK competition licences.
5. The interpretation of these rules in case of any doubt shall rest with the Registrar of the Championship in consultation with the National Navigation Sub Committee, subject to the overriding right of protest under the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland.
6. If a query regarding the championship raises the possibility of a conflict of interest involving the Registrar, the matter will be considered by the full committee.
7. A competitor may drop their worst score. For clarity, this means that the maximum number of events that a competitor can count will be one less than the number of Endurance Trials held. i.e. Best of 5 ( if 6 held) or Best of 4 ( if 5 held) etc.
8. Competitors will be registered once they have entered the event. There is **a registration form** that must be completed by each participant. **See 13 below.**

9. **(a)** Scoring will be as follows –subject to Art 8 above. (for both a driver and navigator):

- **5 Additional Points for starting an event – not added to class points.**

**Overall**

15 Points for first overall

12 Points for second overall

10 Points for third overall

9 Points for fourth overall, 8 points for fifth overall and so on down to one point for twelfth overall.

**Class**

10 Points for first place

9 Points for second place

8 Points for third place

7 Points for fourth place, 6 points for fifth place and so on down to one point for tenth place.

Overall and class points are separate and cannot be combined.

**(b) In addition, a competitor starting a minimum of FIVE counting rounds of the Championship will be awarded an additional FIVE (5) bonus points both in class and overall positions.**

**(c) If you are a registered competitor and choose to marshal on any event, you will receive FIVE points each time, subject to a maximum of THREE (NOT FOLLOWING RETIREMENT) events.**

**(Verification from "marshal sign-on sheets" and CoC)**

10. Should there be a tie for any place; the crew with the highest points on the first event (excluding start bonus points) will be awarded the place. Should this fail to break the tie (for example if both crews scored same points), then the points on the second, third and subsequent events will be considered until the tie is broken. If these measures fail to resolve the tie, the Registrar may award equal points to both crews.

11. If a registered competitor takes a prominent role in the running of a Championship event, he/she will receive **18 points (overall)** and **10 points (class)** as his/her score for this event, subject to a maximum of one event per Championship. Bonus points (Art. 9(b)) will also be awarded provided that the competitor starts a minimum of **five** other counting rounds. A "prominent role" has been defined as that of Clerk of the Course or Assistant Clerk of the Course as per the Regulations. ( Must be nominated in advance to the Registrar and be registered for the Championship)

12. Championship points will be awarded on the basis of the finishing order of Competitors. Class points will be awarded on the same basis.

13. **REGISTRATION.**

All drivers and navigators competing in any event will be automatically registered for the Championship (Registration forms will be available at all events and must be completed and returned to the Registrar to gain points in the event.), provided the registration fee of **€5.00** per competitor per event is paid. This registration fee will be collected by the organising club at sign on.

## 14. **AWARDS**

### **Main Overall:**

**The OVERALL Endurance Champion Driver and Navigator will be the crew with the highest points from the combined registered crews in Class A1 and A2.**

- First Overall Driver/ First Overall Navigator – 2 trophies.
- Second Overall Driver/ Second Overall Navigator – 2 trophies.
- Third Overall Driver/ Third Overall Navigator – 2 trophies.

**In addition, there will be a supporting Award for the following Endurance Class:**

### **A1-up to 1000cc**

- First Overall Driver/ First Overall Navigator – 2 trophies.
- Second Overall Driver/ Second Overall Navigator – 2 trophies.
- Third Overall Driver/ Third Overall Navigator – 2 trophies.

***A competitor winning an overall award will not be eligible for class awards.***

### **Class Awards:**

Class A1 – No sub divisions apply

Class A2 – Will be divided into \* Master / Expert / Semi Expert / Novice /Beginner

Class B & C – No sub divisions apply

Class D /E /F – No sub divisions apply

The organisers reserve the right to re-classify a competitor considered ineligible for a class, and/or amalgamate as required. Classification will be based on the performance of the Driver.

**Navigators in Class A2 will assume the sub -classification of the Driver they compete alongside on an event.**

### **Driver Sub Classifications in A2 Class only. (Class A1 is excluded)**

* Master	This class qualification is: Finishing in the first three overall in an Endurance Trial or Targa Rally in the previous 12 months, or winning any event, except a Navigation Trial or Rally, promoted under an MUK or MI Permit.
Expert	This class qualification is: Finishing in the first six overall in an Endurance Trial or Targa Rally in the previous 12 months, or winning any event, except a Navigation Trial or Rally, promoted under an MUK or MI Permit
Semi Expert	This class qualification is: Finishing in the first fifteen overall in an Endurance Trial or Targa Rally in the previous 12 months, promoted under an MUK or MI Permit
Novice	This class qualification is: No class wins in an Endurance Trial or Targa Rally in the previous 12 months, or any event promoted under an MUK or MI Permit
Beginner	First year of Endurance Trials or Targa Rallies

15. Any competitor whose retirement (in the opinion of the Stewards of the event) is due to an incorrect route instruction by the organisers shall, at the end of the championship, be awarded points based on their average points over the other rounds of the championship, excluding the event in question.
16. Entry fees will be set by each organising clubs, with the objective of attracting younger drivers into the sport.
17. Complaints and queries in relation to the championship must be made in writing to the Championship Registrar, who will publish a decision on the matter(s) within seven days of receiving the complaint/query.
18. Protests will be heard by the Championship Stewards in matters which have been the subject of a decision by the Registrar. Such protests must be in accordance with the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland and be addressed to the Championship Stewards C/o Motorsport Ireland and must be in writing and accompanied by the appropriate fee.
19. To assist with the smooth running of each championship round, it is strongly recommended that each organising club appoint a Competitor Liaison Officer. Ideally, this person should be someone who is known to competitors, is respected by them and who has a very good knowledge of the rules.

**20. The National Registrar for the Championship is: Noel Devlin**

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