

McGrady Insurance

Forest Rally
Challenge

 motorsport UK
2023 Northern Ireland
Rally Championship

REGULATIONS

ARTICLE 1- CHALLENGE EVENTS

Events:

25 th February	Fivemiletown Rally – Omagh MC
2 nd September	Lakeland Stages – Enniskillen MC
16 th September	Bushwhacker Rally – Omagh MC
21 st October	Magherafelt & District MC

1.1 If any of the above events fail to run on the date(s) listed above it shall cease to be a round of this Challenge. Unless, in any case of Force Majeure due to national or global issues (e.g. pandemic), alternative dates or events may be exceptionally approved by the Council of ANICC to enable us to complete the Challenge.

1.2 The official title of the Challenge is:

McGrady Insurance Northern Ireland Forest Rally Challenge

ARTICLE 2 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

2.1 The McGrady Insurance Northern Ireland Forest Rally Challenge is promoted and organised by the Association of Northern Ireland Car Clubs (ANICC). The Challenge shall be administered by the Challenge Co-ordinator acting in consort with the current ANICC Rallies Specialist Committee on behalf of ANICC as promoter. This Challenge and these regulations have been registered with Motorsport UK; the Challenge Permit Number is: CH2023/RALLY051 (E)

2.2 Organisers of qualifying events retain the sole right to select and accept entries for the event. The Challenge organisers cannot be held responsible for any competitor not getting an entry, for any reason. It is a competitor's responsibility to obtain Event Regulations and make his/her entries.

2.3 For event award purposes the organisers of each qualifying event must provide classes for each Challenge class (Except as provided for in Article 5.3). Organisers may sub-divide classes if they wish or include additional classes.

2.4 In the case of any dispute relating to the Challenge it will be referred to a panel of three Challenge Stewards drawn from a panel of five appointed by the ANICC: Robert Harkness (Chair),

Michael Riddick, Clayton Lackenby, Andy Millns and Gordon Noble, or any other appointed by the Association.

2.5 From time to time the Challenge Co-ordinator may, via the ANICC web site, www.anicc.org.uk and/or the Challenge website, www.nirallychampionship.com issue a Competitors' Bulletin to all competitors. Bulletins will be notified to all registered competitors by email. Bulletins will have the same force as these regulations.

2.6 The Challenge is governed in accordance with the Motorsport UK Regulations incorporating the provisions of the FIA 2023 International Sporting Code and these Challenge regulations and any bulletins which may be issued

ARTICLE 3 – ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Challenges and Categories are open to registered Drivers and Co-drivers who hold a suitable Competition Licence issued by the Motorsport UK Ltd or Motorsport Ireland or Non Motorsport UK / Motorsport Ireland licence holders who hold a current eligible grade licence with permission from their ASN and who are fully elected members of Motor Clubs which are affiliated to any of the following:

1. Association of Northern Ireland Car Clubs
2. Scottish Association of Motor Sports Clubs
3. Association of North East & Cumbria Car Clubs
4. The Motorsport Commission of Motorsport Ireland

3.2 NOT USED.

ARTICLE 4 – REGISTRATION

4.1 In order to score points in the Challenge, competitors MUST register. Registration for the Challenge is £10 and must be paid online along with completion of an application via www.rallyscore.net no later than the published start time of the first car on the first event they wish to count as a scoring round. Once registered, competitors may not de-register.

Please note that points will not be awarded retrospectively under any circumstances.

4.2 Competitors (Drivers and Co-Drivers) names and email addresses will be made available to organising Clubs for the purpose of sending Event Regulations. Challenge updates will be featured on the ANICC web site, www.anicc.org.uk and/or the Challenge website, www.nirallychampionship.com. Challenge updates will be notified to all registered competitors by email.

4.3 Competitors must display McGrady Insurance Challenge decals clearly on bonnet and boot of their rally car in the locations shown in Appendix 1.

Failure to display Challenge decals as directed may result in Challenge points being withheld. This will be a decision by the Challenge Stewards, based on circumstances and evidence. See appendix 1.

4.4 SPECIFIC CHALLENGE REGULATIONS

4.4.1 By registering for the Challenge all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (Appendix 3).

4.4.2 Where any reports of disrespectful conduct are judged to be well founded the Challenge organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the Challenge Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of Challenge points and/or race bans through to Challenge Expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.

4.4.3 It is imperative that we promote the safety and wellbeing of young people and adults at risk. In addition to this all participants must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and abusive language and harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any such incidents must be reported to the Challenge Coordinator and/or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report Motorsport UK. Details of the Motorsport UK Policies and Guidelines are available at www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre by selecting Policies and Guidelines.

ARTICLE 5 - VEHICLE CATEGORIES AND CLASSES

5.1 The Challenge will be divided into Vehicle Categories as follows: -

5.2 (a) Overall (b) Two Wheel Drive overall

5.3 The Challenge will be divided into twelve Classes (listed in Appendix 1). Note that in Class 2, competitors should enter 2A or 2B as appropriate, however based on the number of entries events may decide to run only a single Class (Class 2). Points will be awarded in both 2A and 2B. Eligibility for 2A and 2B shall be confirmed at scrutineering if not specified on the event entry form.

5.4 The Overall Category is open to competitors in classes 1 to 10 only.

5.5 NOT USED.

5.6 The Two Wheel Drive category is open to classes 1, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

5.7 NOT USED.

5.8 All cars must comply with the current Motorsport UK vehicle regulations (including the requirement for all vehicles to produce a logbook) appropriate to the individual event entered.

5.9 Competitors are reminded of requirements under 2023 Motorsport UK Yearbook - Competitors: Vehicles; Regulation J5.13.7 where all cars must be equipped with the facility to enable a fuel sample to be taken.

Except as provided for in J5.13.7 cars issued with a current CCLB prior to 1 January 2009 are not required to have a self-seal connector.

5.10 All cars must have Mud Flaps fitted behind each wheel. See 2023 Motorsport UK Yearbook R 48.1.12

5.11 See 2023 Motorsport UK Yearbook R 18.6.5/R 19.8.1/R 46.1.5: All competitors must carry within their vehicle a self-contained Spill Kit complying with J 5.20.13 capable of effectively absorbing minor spillages of up to 1.25 litres of all vehicle fluids – oils, fuels, coolants, battery acid. Used Spill Kits are to be disposed of in accordance with local or National guidelines.

5.12 Turbo engined cars, class determined by capacity x1.7; Rotary engined cars, class determined by capacity x1.7.

5.13 Vehicle Regulations for homologated and previously homologated cars in classes 1, 2 (2A and 2B), 8, 9, 10 and 11: The relevant FIA Homologation Papers must be produced at each event and cars must comply fully with FIA technical eligibility regulations (FIA Appendix J). Previously homologated cars are defined as cars whose homologation has expired and they are permitted to compete in a previously homologated specification.

5.13.1 Group N Cars eligible for Class 2 (2A and 2B) and Class 8 are those, which are, or have at any time been, homologated in Group N as defined in FIA Appendix J.

5.13.2 The standard specification of any model shall be determined by FIA Homologation papers in the case of current and former Group N cars and all other FIA homologated or previously homologated cars.

5.13.3 In all cases the degree of modification from standard shall be as provided for under FIA technical eligibility regulations (Appendix J).

5.13.4 The onus of proving eligibility for any homologated car rests solely with the competitor who should ensure that homologation papers are available at events.

5.13.5 Regulation 5.12 applies.

5.14 Vehicle Regulations for Classes 1 and 8 (Appendix K) (Note: ALL competitors take note of Article 5.16). In order to run under Appendix K, Historic Rally Cars must have been issued with a valid FIA Historic Technical Passport (HTP), be in compliance with this document and the current FIA Appendix K at all times. Vehicles are exempt from R 46.1.3.

5.15 The onus is on every competitor to ensure that they are entered each Challenge event in the correct class.

5.16 The ANICC Rallies Committee have appointed the following Motorsport UK Licensed Scrutineer to act as Eligibility Scrutineer for the 2023 McGrady Insurance Northern Ireland Forest Rally Challenge: Siobhann Deery.

5.17 Competitors by registering for this Challenge accept that their competing vehicle(s) may be checked throughout the course of this Challenge for compliance with the regulations for the class in which it is entered.

ARTICLE 6 - PENALTIES

6.1 Should any car be found to be ineligible for the class entered on any Challenge event, or if any competitor is excluded from the Challenge or a Challenge event for fraudulent or un-sportsmanlike behaviour, or bringing the sport into disrepute, all points scored by both crew members to date may be forfeited. Additionally, any registered competitor who brings the sport into disrepute through the unauthorised use of private and/or Forest Service lands will result in the forfeiture of any points awarded (to date) and the annulment of their registration for this Challenge.

ARTICLE 7 - SCORING

The marking system shall be as follows: -

7.1 Overall Classification and Overall Categories (Art 5.2)

Points will be allocated as follows:

- 1 point to each registered Driver that starts an event.
- 1 additional point to each registered Driver that finishes an event.
- To registered Drivers according to their position relative to other registered drivers in the final overall classification and overall categories of each event the following additional points: 28, 26, 25, 24, 23, etc. down to 3, 2 and 1.
- Points will be allocated to registered Co-Drivers in the same way.

Class Awards

Each class will be marked separately with the leading registered Drivers in the final classification of each class being allocated class points as detailed above. Class points will be allocated to registered Co-Drivers in the same way.

7.2 In the event of the penalty in Article 6.1 being applied, there will be no adjustment to the scores of other competitors.

7.3 Points awarded in one class cannot be transferred to any other class. Likewise, points gained as a driver or co-driver are not transferable if the competitor changes 'discipline' during this Challenge.

7.4 Tie-break procedure: Overall, Category, and Class ties will be decided in favour of the Competitor with the greatest number of maximum point scores considering all scoring events; failing this, the greatest number of second points finishes, and so on down until the tie is resolved. If any further ties remain, they will ultimately be decided based on performance in the sequential order of events. (Scoring events are all events listed in the Challenge calendar, Counting events are those defined in Article 7.7)

7.5 Class ties shall be decided in a similar fashion, by considering points scored down to final registered Competitor in class.

7.6 Competitors will be notified of the Final Challenge results by way of a Competitors Bulletin via e-mail or the ANICC web site, www.anicc.org.uk and the Challenge website www.nirallychampionship.com via e-mail or Web Site, issued by the Challenge Co-ordinator.

7.7 For the purposes of Challenge, Overall and Class Challenge points, the following definition of Counting Events shall apply (except in the case of ties – see Article 7.4):

- 4 or 3 events run – All to count
- If less than 3 rounds run, there shall not be a Challenge

ARTICLE 8 - AWARDS

8.1 To be Eligible for an award, competitors must start in at least 3 rounds of the Challenge in any Class, Category or Overall.

	Driver	Co Driver
1st Overall	Trophy	Trophy

APPENDIX 1: VEHICLE CLASSES

Event Class	Class Short Name	Champ Class	Definition
1	HISTORIC 2WD		2WD Historic rally cars homologated before 31/12/90 (Motorsport UK Cat 1, 2, 3, 4a and 4b. Ref: R49 - 2023 Motorsport UK Blue book.) and 2WD historic rally cars complying with FIA Appendix K. (Ref: R49.2 of 2023 Motorsport UK Blue book.) (See Article 5.14). 2WD only.
2	FIA 2WD	Class 2A	FIA Rally4 FIA R2. FIA Group N cars up to and including 2000cc (see Article 5.13 for Group N definition).
		Class 2B	FIA Rally5 FIA R1 FIA Group N cars up to and including 1600cc (see Article 5.13 for Group N definition).
3	CLUBMAN 2WD up to 1450cc		Cars up to and including 1450cc - Two-wheel drive cars only cars from 1451cc up to and including 1650cc; having not more than 2 valves per cylinder. - Two-wheel drive cars only
4	CLUBMAN 2WD up to 1650cc		Cars from 1451cc up to and including 1650cc, having more than 2 valves per cylinder. - Two-wheel drive cars only.
5	CLUBMAN 2WD up to 2100cc (2 valve)		Cars from 1651cc up to and including 2100cc, having not more than 2 valves per cylinder. - Two-wheel drive cars only.
6	CLUBMAN 2WD up to 2100cc (multivalve)		Cars from 1651cc up to and including 2100cc, having more than 2 valves per cylinder - Two-wheel drive cars only
7	CLUBMAN 2WD over 2100cc		Cars over 2100cc - Two-Wheel drive only.
8	CLUBMAN 4WD		Any 4wd cars not classified in class 9 or 10, without a sequential gearbox (including previously FIA Homologated GpN 4WD cars)
			4WD Historic rally cars homologated before 31/12/90 (Motorsport UK Cat 1, 2, 3, 4a and 4b. Ref: R49 - 2023 Motorsport UK Blue book.) 4WD Historic rally cars complying with FIA Appendix K. (Ref: R49.2 of 2023 Motorsport UK Blue book.) (See Article 5.14).
9	NATIONAL 4WD		FIA Rally3 FIA Homologated GpA 4wd cars....and any cars previously homologated as such, providing these run as per their FIA homologation papers.
			FIA Homologated Super 2000 cars.... and any cars previously homologated as such, providing these run as per their FIA homologation papers.
			FIA Homologated R4 cars, and any cars previously homologated as such, providing these run as per their FIA homologation papers.
10	INTERNATIONAL 4WD		FIA Homologated Rally2 (R5) cars providing these are run as per their FIA Homologation Papers and FIA Homologated WRC cars and cars previously homologated as such providing these are run as per their FIA Homologation Papers. Including any derivative of FIA Rally2 (R5) car converted to RHD whose conversion has been supported with photographic evidence and original LHD homologation papers for that vehicle. Championship organisers reserve the right to reclassify a car to Class 11 if pre-event scrutineering reveals changes to the vehicle specification that are considered to improve the vehicle's performance.
11	OPEN CLASS		Motorsport UK GT Cars
			Rally2+ (R5+) (being Group Rally2 (R5) cars modified beyond their homologated specification)
			All Metro 6R4's and any derivative therefrom.
			Any other 4wd car not classified in class 9 or 10 with a sequential gearbox. any other car not classified in Classes 1-10.

APPENDIX 2: GRAPHICS PLACEMENT



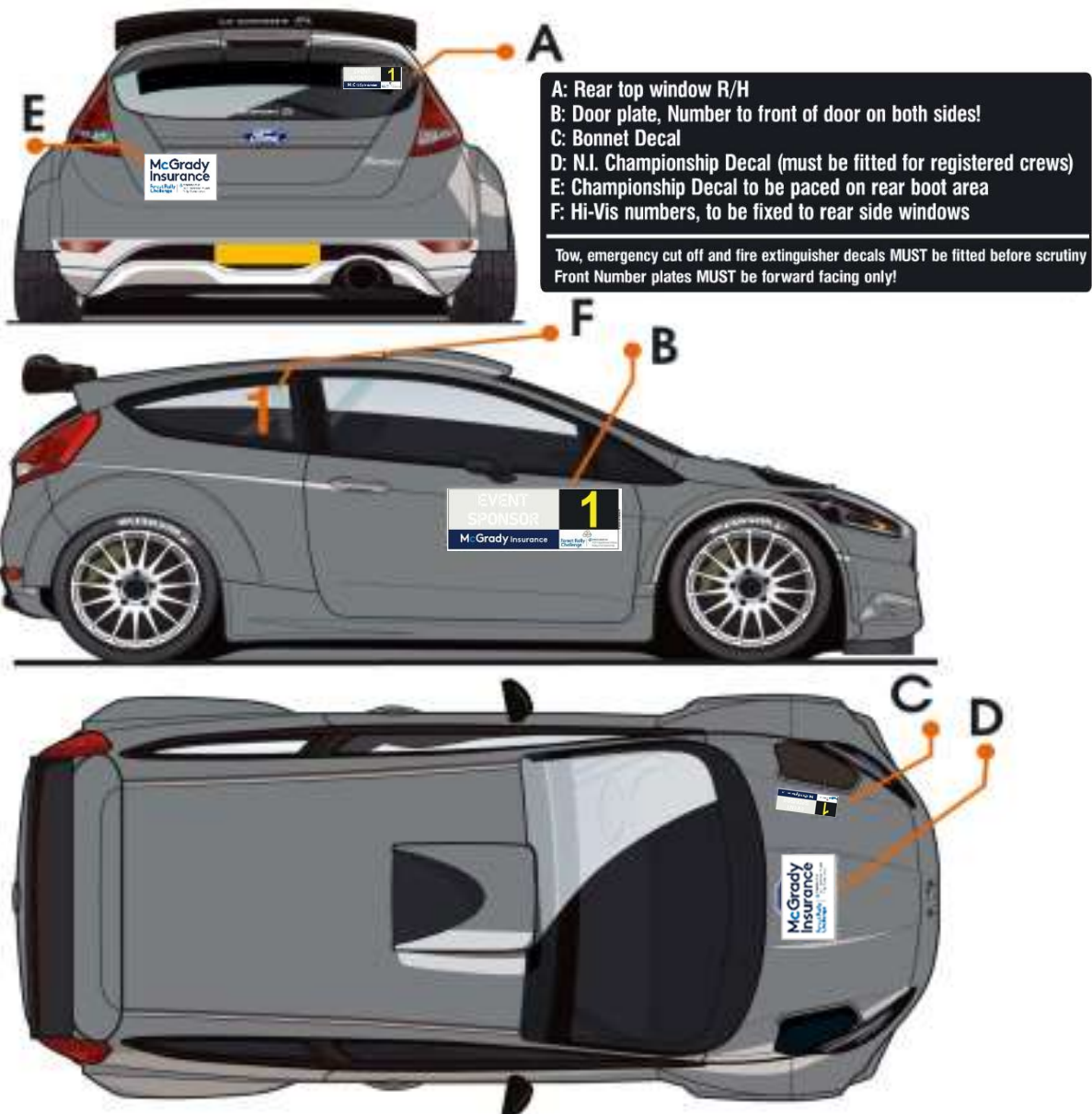
D&E: Championship decal.



A: Rear top window R/H

B: Door plate.

C: Bonnet decal



APPENDIX 3: RACE WITH RESPECT



A socially minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code:

Motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect
#RaceWithRespect

The Values

- Respect
- Fair play
- Integrity
- Good Manners
- Self-Control

I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play your part in keeping the sport safe through your actions
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.