

Alcohol and Illicit Substance Use

Motorsport UK is very concerned about reports of the use of illicit substances by Competitors participating in Road Rally events. Motorsport UK reminds all Competitors of the zero-tolerance policy to the use of alcohol and illicit substances and any Competitor suspected to have taken and / or being under the influence of alcohol or illicit substances may be tested, and if found to be positive, disqualified from the event and referred to National Court. Under **s.4(1) RTA 1988**, it is an offence if a person drives or attempts to drive a motor vehicle on a road or other public place whilst unfit through drink or drugs. Similarly, **s.4(2) RTA 1988** makes it an offence if the person is in charge of a motor vehicle when under the influence of drink or drugs and any competitor stopped by the police and found to be unfit to drive due to the above may also face further action or prosecution.

Motorsport UK **NCRs** regarding alcohol and illicit substances are listed below: -

2.0.2.1. Any Person who fails prescribed limits or evades or refuses to comply with testing procedures for Anti-Alcohol Testing, Anti-Doping Testing or Illicit Drugs testing will have their Licence and/or all activities within Motorsport UK Permitted Events suspended pending further investigation and will be required to leave the Permitted Event Venue.

2.0.2.3. Motorsport UK has adopted the UK Anti-Doping rules published by UK Anti-Doping (or its successor) as amended from time to time. Such rules shall take effect and be construed as Regulations of Motorsport UK. The UK Anti-Doping Rules are available at www.ukad.org.uk and the WADA Prohibited List is available at www.wadaama.org or from Motorsport UK on request. It is the responsibility of each Licence Holder to ensure that they are fully familiar with the UK Anti-Doping Rules and the WADA Prohibited List. The FIA Anti-Doping Regulations will apply in respect of any International Event.

2.0.2.5. Entrants must respect that Motorsport UK have the right to require alcohol and illicit drugs testing on any Person howsoever connected with any Entry operating within a Motorsport UK Permitted Event and who shall at all times cooperate fully with the relevant procedures. These procedures are in addition to and not in substitution for any procedure undertaken by or at the instance of UK Anti-Doping.

3.11.1 The Organisers may at their discretion:

3.11.1.1(n) Disqualify at any time during an Event any Licence holder or other Person connected with the Entrant considered as possibly unfit by reason of health, consumption of alcohol or prohibited substances, and with the exception of road sections of Rallies or Trials, disqualify any competitor found smoking whilst participating in the event.

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5.11.1.6. The Anti-Doping Control Official, in conjunction with the Clerk of the Course and the Stewards, may carry out spot checks on Competitors or Officials, to ascertain whether they are using drugs or alcohol.

2025 Competition Licence Application Form Section 6 – Declaration.

‘Motorsport UK operates a zero tolerance policy to the use of drugs and alcohol and I therefore confirm that I will not take part in any practice or competition while under the influence of drugs or alcohol and understand that if I do so, Motorsport UK will take disciplinary action against me and my licence is likely to be permanently withdrawn. I agree to submit to all testing protocols required’.