



MGCC SE Centre – Filching Manor AutoSOLO Saturday 23rd March 2024 Taster Event

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

[1] Announcement

The MG Car Club SE Centre will organise a Clubman status AutoSOLO Taster Event for road-going cars on 23rd March 2024 in a nominated external area at Filching Manor, Jevington Road, Nr Polegate, East Sussex, BN26 5QA.

[2] Jurisdiction

This meeting will be held under the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Supplementary Regulations.

[3] Permits

Motorsport UK Clubman's AutoSOLO permit No **TBC** applies to this event.

[4] Eligibility

The event is open to members of the MG Car Club (MGCC) Ltd., other Motorsport UK Affiliated Clubs, or non-Club members of the public.

Competitors and passengers will be required to present at signing-on:

- Valid (in date) MGCC or Motorsport UK Affiliated Club Membership card at signing on.
- Non-affiliated Club members or members of the public to present a current MSUK RS Clubmans licence.

The entry grade RS Clubmans licence is free, anyone planning to compete in this AutoSOLO should preferably obtain one before entering the event. It is very straight forward to do online, follow the link below. The entrant licence application can be made online via Smart Phone at the event signing-on with the licence received via email. This licence requirement also applies to anyone taking part as a passenger in this event.

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence>

- Optionally, one nominated passenger may be carried on the timed tests to assist in giving directions to the driver once the test has started.
- The passenger, if carried, must occupy the seat adjacent to the driver, and wear a properly fastened and approved seatbelt at all times during the tests, unless the age of the car does not require or allow for seatbelts.
- The passenger, if carried in a saloon car, or sports car with a hardtop fitted, must be aged at least 12 years or older and at least 135cm in height.
- The passenger, if carried in a sports car or cabriolet, with a hood lowered or erect, must be aged at least 16 years or older.
- The passenger must complete an event entry form.

Entries may be accepted from Drivers who are aged 14 years and over who do not have a valid, full RTA Licence, subject to

- (a) The vehicle must by definition be a "Touring Car"; i.e. saloon or hatchback.
- (b) The vehicle engine capacity must not exceed 2000cc including forced induction;

(c) A passenger must be carried who holds a valid, full RTA licence and be experienced in Autotests/AutoSOLOs. Passenger and junior must have Motorsport UK Clubmans licence.

Junior drivers must not drive at anytime without being accompanied by their nominated supervisor any infringement of this rule will result in immediate disqualification from the event for both driver and supervisor and further disciplinary action may be taken in accordance with the Motorsport UK current yearbook

All cars must comply with Motorsport UK Technical Regulations, noting the requirements of Section M Para. 21-24 of the Motorsport UK Blue Book 2023 (Specific Regulations for AutoSOLOs).

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/news-publications/publications/yearbook/>

All vehicles must have been driven to the event and be RTA legal including exhaust silencing.

Entrants will self-scrutineer with the Chief Scrutineer carrying out spot visual checks on general roadworthiness. Particular attention to the following summarised requirements in Section J of the Motorsport UK Bluebook:

- J 5.3.2 With the occupant seated, the seat must be correctly located and securely anchored within the compartment and must not tilt, hinge or fold unless it is a production seat fitted with a serviceable locking mechanism preventing independent operation.
- J 5.4.2 vehicles must be equipped with a positive method of throttle closing by means of external spring(s) so that in the event of failure of any part of the throttle linkage, the throttle(s) are sprung closed. (vehicles fitted with electronic throttle control as standard are exempted)
- J 5.9.2 tyres must be road legal at the start of the event (1.6mm tread depth across the central ¾ of the tread around the complete circumference of the tyre).
- J 5.14.5 if auxiliary battery fitted, the battery earth lead must be identified by a yellow marking **if** not readily distinguishable.
- J 5.17.2 All competing vehicles are subject to mandatory silencing, unless a specific waiver for that Class, or Formula is granted. Where specified as mandatory, a silencer must be used, irrespective of the exhaust sound generated without it.

If any tyre being used is damaged at any time during the event (i.e. has damage to the sidewall, layers under the tread compound showing or other signs of excessive wear) it must be replaced with a suitable tyre before continuing in the event. Failure to comply with this instruction will result in exclusion with officials deemed to be judges of fact. Tyres in the 2024 MSUK Yearbook showing in list 1B and 1C, or any Road legal semi-slick, or tyres marked 'competition use only' or manufactured without a full tread pattern, may not be used in this AutoSolo event. Tyres changed during the event must comply with all the above instructions.

Cars must be presented for the event in a clean and tidy condition, and particularly free from "clutter" for event participation. The acceptance, or otherwise, of any car shall be at the sole discretion of the Chief Scrutineer. Entrants must ensure the cars tyres have sufficient tread depth to drive home after the event.

[5] Championships

This event has not been declared as a round of any championship.

[6] Scrutineering / Programme

Signing on will start at 9.15am at the designated Event Control. Scrutineering spot checks will start from 9.15am in the designated holding / service area for the AutoSOLO.

There will be a drivers' briefing at 10.15am. It is imperative that all drivers attend. Important information, including clarification of test procedures and marshalling duties, shall be provided by the Clerk of the Course at the Drivers briefing.

[7] Event Start

The event will start at 10.30am and finish at 4.30pm with a lunch break between 12.30 and 1.30pm. Provisional results should be available from 4.30pm.

Nature of Start: competitors self-start when ready, after the Timing Marshal has given the "All Clear".
Timing starts when the leading wheel of the front axle crosses the start line.

Any competitor not signed on by 10.15am may be excluded.

[8] Description of Event

This is a Clubman AutoSOLO Taster Event with a course layout designed for forward direction only, comprising a series of numbered gates, slaloms and turns, laid out on a smooth tarmac surface. The intention is to have 3 test layouts, with at least three runs at each, the aim being to complete the event within 5 hours of the start time. The number of entries will be limited to 40 drivers.

Timing will be by the TimingAppLive web-based real-time system, which manages entries, timing the runs using the App on a mobile phone (i-Phone or Android) and collating the results. In the event of App failure (mobile phone signals, etc.) timing will revert to stopwatches, accurate to 1/100th of a second.

The best two of the three timed run for each route will be used for the results totals. In the event of the event over running on time, the third layout may be reduced to two runs with the besttime counting. Entrants will be split into two groups, with one group marshalling (or navigating) and one group competing. This order will rotate throughout the event, so everyone has maximum involvement. Marshalling is an integral part of the event and non-compliance may lead to exclusion.

Course length: The approximate maximum size for the test site is 130m x 75m.

The venue has toilet facilities but no formal catering or refreshments. There is a possibility that a catering facility for charity may be present and this will be confirmed in the pre-event entrant briefing.

All general regulations of the Motorsport UK apply as written except:

- M11.3 Without exception a single car may be entered by no more than two drivers.
- M 6.6 Pylons (cones) may be less than 1 metre high.

The STOP signal (Red Flag) may be displayed because of an obstruction on the course, whether this is an object or a person. A competitor must stop immediately on the deployment of the STOP signal, and a re-run will be allowed.

Penalties on this event:

- Table M 7.c Maximum penalty for a Wrong Direction (W.D.) is fastest clear time in class plus 20 seconds.
- Table M 7.d & e Penalties are 5 seconds per fault for pylons, lines and boundaries.
- Table M7.f Test time based on every second and fraction taken to complete test.

The following classes will apply:

- A. Pre-1955 MG and Historic cars
- B. 1955 to 1980 MG and Historic cars
- C. Post 1981 MG
- D. Production Saloons/Hatchbacks/Estates/4 seat Coupes/Convertibles up to 1400cc
- E. Production Saloons/Hatchbacks/Estates/4 seat Coupes/Convertibles over 1400cc
- F. Production 2 seat Sports Cars (open and fixed roof)
- G. Invitational Class for Specialist Sports Cars, Lower Volume production cars including Lotus, Westfield, Caterham, Clan, Ginetta and similar. This class also includes Kit Cars if suitable for road use and all other cars not eligible for classes A to F.
- H. Juniors up to and including 17 years old.

Additional eligibility requirements:

- CLASS G (INVITATIONAL) MUST COMPLY WITH THE TYRE REGULATIONS
- Classes A to H - Cars must retain the original body panels and window materials, although accessories such as spoilers and wheel arch extensions may be added. Vehicles must have full

interior trim and original number of seats, although the type of seat may be changed. The engine must be of the original manufacturer and of the original basic type and fitted in the original position but may be of a different version. The engine can be modified and may be of a different capacity, provided the car is entered in the class corresponding to its actual capacity. The transmission must be of the original manufacture, but ratios and differential type may be changed, including the fitting of a Limited Slip Differential (LSD). Suspension may be modified within its original configuration.

- Diesel cars, with or without forced induction, will run in the class corresponding to their engine capacity.
- A petrol engine with forced induction, in Class J and B to F, is subject to an engine capacity increase factor of 40% and should be subsequently entered into the corresponding class.
- A rotary engine will be classed at twice the stated capacity on the vehicle's V5 document.

The event is for road-going cars. Any car with "significant" modifications should be entered in the "modified" class. For the avoidance of doubt, the following modifications are considered to be "significant":

- Four-Wheel Drive or change of gearbox type.
- Change of engine type (e.g. V8 in an MGB, K series in a Midget).

For the avoidance of doubt, the following modifications are NOT considered "significant":

- Forced induction
- Fly-off or hydraulic handbrakes.
- Power steering and / or ancillary devices fitted to the steering wheel to reduce effort or otherwise assist steering.

Bodywork, suspension and brake upgrades are free.

All vehicles must be taxed and insured for the public road. A current MOT certificate (where applicable – cars over 3 years old) and RTA insurance certificate must be available if required for scrutineering. You are not allowed to bring your vehicle on a trailer.

[9] Vehicle Starting Positions

Cars will start from behind the start line. The timing marshal may ask the drivers to adjust their car's position before starting.

[10] Practice Requirements

Practicing will not be permitted. Drivers (and any assigned passenger) will be given time to walk the course layout before each test. Printed copies of the test layout(s) will be issued at event sign-on.

[11] Identification

Identification numbers will be issued to drivers at sign-on.

[12] Pits Area

The holding / service area and perimeter barriers will separate the public from the tests. A limit of 5 MPH is imposed within the holding / service area. Extreme care must be taken when moving cars in this area. The service area is adjacent to the museum sheds and the holding area is on the edge of the AutoSOLO course. One entrant group will be in the holding area and the other in the service area.

[13] Judges of Fact

All Marshals are Judges of Fact and will be identified by wearing hi-viz clothing.

[14] Television Coverage

Is not expected.

[15] Awards

Individual Awards:

Awards will be presented according to the number of entries in each class.

- Fastest Time of the Day (FTD) (Class 'G' is not eligible for this award)
- Best time in each class
- Second best time in each class (Subject to 4 starters)
- Third best time in each class (Subject to 7 starters)
- Best MGCC member
- Best Lady

Awards on the day will be rosettes with trophies being available from the MGCC SE Centre Annual Awards Lunch in October 2024.

Team Competitions:

There will be no team competitions in this event.

[16] Entries

The maximum entry for the meeting is 40 and the minimum entry is 20. If the minimum entry is not reached by the closing date for entries, the MG Car Club Ltd SE Centre reserves the right to cancel the event.

COVID-19 Summary:

With COVID still present, MGCC SE Centre will continue to take advice from the UK Government, Motor Sport UK and Public Health England.

[17] Entry List

The entry list opens on publication of these Supplementary Regulations and closes on midnight Wednesday 20th March. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Secretary of the Meeting, if the maximum entry number has not been reached.

Individual entries (only) must be made on the relevant official entry form and sent to the Entries Secretary by email to competitions@mgccse.co.uk .

As the TimingLiveApp is being used for event timing, vehicle change after entry should be avoided if possible. Please provide as much notice as possible if it cannot be avoided.

[18] Entry Fee

The entry fee for this Clubman's AutoSOLO is £45.00. Entry for Juniors in Class H is £20.00

Event fee payments by electronic bank transfer payments can be made to:

Account name:	SOUTH EAST CENTRE
Account No:	40906913
Sort Code:	20-24-61

Payment reference: Entrant initials and name plus suffix Autosolo e.g. JB Smith-Autosolo There is no additional fee for any passenger in a competing car.

[19] Refusal of Entries

Entries may be refused, once the entry list is full. Those seeking entry at that point can opt to be put on a reserve list. The Secretary of the Meeting has the final decision on entries.

[20] Additional Entry Information

Remember to supply an Emergency Contact on the entry form. Please take the time to read the small print on the entry form, before signing the declaration at the bottom of the form.

[21] Nomination of Drivers (and a passenger)

Identified by the entry form(s)

[22] Postponement / Cancellation

In the event of cancellation, competitors will be informed, by email, social media and or telephone.

[23] Officials

Official	Name
Secretary of the Meeting & Entries Secretary	John Morgan
Clerk of the Course	John Morgan
Chief Scrutineer	John Davies
Club Steward	TBC
Chief Timekeeper	Austin Banner

All queries prior to the event should be addressed to the Secretary of the Meeting, John Morgan
competitions@mgccse.co.uk or phone 07802 770025

[24] Provisional Results

Provisional results will be posted between 4.00 and 4.30am at the event control.

[25] Results

Final results will be circulated to entrants by email.

[26] Protests

Any protests must be lodged, and will be dealt with, as per Section C of the Motorsport UK Rules.

[27] Holding/Service Area

Security cannot be guaranteed in the holding/ service area. Competitors should be aware that any tools and equipment should be securely stored when not in use. The MG Car Club SE Centre does not accept responsibility for any losses incurred.

[28] Other Requirements / Information

Please take care driving into and out of the service area, at the start and end of the event.

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