



# 2023 National Formula Ford 1600 Championship Sporting & Technical Regulations

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## **1. SPORTING REGULATIONS – GENERAL**

### **1.1 TITLE & JURISDICTION**

The 2023 National Formula Ford 1600 Championship is organised and administrated by the British Racing and Sports Car Club (BRSCC) in accordance with the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations.

Motorsport UK Championship Permit No: CH2023/R061

Race Status: Interclub

Motorsport UK Championship Grade: C

The BRSCC reserves the right to amend or vary the Sporting Regulations in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulation [D 11.2] at any time before or during the Championship and further issue additional statements concerning the Regulations from time to time, subject to Motorsport UK approval, and all such statements will be issued by Championship Bulletin to the Motorsport UK and to all registered competitors by email or by post to the address detailed on the Registration Form, or by delivery to the competitor by hand. It is a condition of entry into the championship that all competitors, teams, team members and persons associated with any of the above agree to be bound by the Regulations including any amendments, variations or statements relating thereto.

### **1.2 OFFICIALS**

#### **1.2.1 Championship Co-ordinator**

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#### **1.2.2 Licenced Eligibility Scrutineer**

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#### **1.2.3. Championship Stewards**

D Scott, S Stringwell, S Roach, A Green

Any three Championship Stewards will constitute a quorum. In the event of any of the Championship Stewards listed above being unavailable or being unable to consider any particular matter due to a perceived conflict of interest, the organisers reserve the right to appoint an alternative Championship Steward or, if deemed to be necessary, more than one alternative Championship Steward.

**(G) 2.7** Championship Stewards may only adjudicate on any disputes, irregularities or appeals arising from the approved Championship regulations.

**(G) 2.7.1** Championship Stewards are also empowered to consider any request from the Championship co-ordinator to penalise any Competitor for any breach of Championship regulations after holding a formal hearing to impose a penalty in accordance with C.2.1.1 (subject to the rights of appeal provided for in Section C).

**(W) 2.2.1** The Championship Stewards can only adjudicate upon any disputes, irregularities or appeals arising from the approved Championship Regulations. They are also empowered to consider any request from the Championship Co-ordinator to penalise any Competitor for breach of Championship Regulations and, after holding a formal hearing, to impose a penalty in accordance with C.2.1, subject to the rights of appeal to the MSC provided in Section C.

### **1.3 COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY**

#### **1.3.1 Entrants must:**

- (a) Be fully paid up valid membership card holding members of the BRSCC and
- (b) be registered for the Championship and
- (c) be in possession of a valid Motorsport UK Entrants Licence.

#### **1.3.2 Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must:**

- (a) Be current Members of the BRSCC and
- (b) be Registered for the Championship and
- (c) be in possession of a valid Motorsport UK Competition Race Club status licence\*, as a minimum or be in possession of the highest grade of National Race Licence or valid FIA International Licence, together with their ASN's written consent ((H)26.2 and FIA ISC Article 2.3.7b applies).
- (d) If participation in the Championship requires absence from education a driver, in full time school education is required to have the approval of their head teacher and a letter stating such approval from the school in order to fulfil registration for the Championship. A competitor shall not take time out of their education to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their education establishment.

\* Any driver competing in a Single Seat Racing Car, 0.5bhp/kg or greater (excluding driver weight), must be the holder of a Race National licence, as a minimum, with the exception of a Championship which has been authorised by Motorsport UK to set an alternative qualification. Motorsport UK Regulation 9.1.1.

#### **Independents Cup**

Drivers running as a private entry without the support of a team will qualify to compete for the independents cup. Support of a team includes but is not limited to transportation of the competing car to and from the event, professional race weekend race/mechanical support, professional driver coaching.

#### **Rookie Cup**

Drivers who wish to compete for the 2023 Rookie Cup must meet the following criteria:

Have no FF1600 racing experience prior to 01/01/2023. Drivers must register for the Rookie Cup before their first round.

Previous experience in single seaters (non FF1600), junior racing (F4, Ginetta, Fiesta Junior, JSCC, etc.), saloon cars, prototypes, karting etc. would allow the driver to enter the Rookie Cup.

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## 1.3.3.1 Deleted

1.3.4 All necessary documentation must be presented for checking at all rounds when signing-on.

1.3.5 Competitors must ensure that their cars comply with the conditions of eligibility and safety throughout qualifying and racing.

**1.4 REGISTRATION**

1.4.1 All competitors must register for the championship by returning the Registration Form with the Registration Fee to the BRSCC prior to the Final Closing date for the first round being entered. 1.4.2 The Registration fee is £295.00. Made payable to BRSCC

1.4.3 Registration numbers will be the permanent Competition numbers for the Championship.

1.4.4 Registration will be accepted from 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 until the closing date for entries to the last round.

1.4.5 Acceptance or rejection of registration is entirely at the discretion of the organisers and promoters.

**1.5 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

1.5.1 The 2023 National Formula Ford 1600 Championship will be contested over the following rounds:

ROUNDS	DATE	VENUE	ORGANISING CLUB
1 & 2	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2023	Oulton Park International	BRSCC
3, 4 & 5	27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Snetterton 300	BRSCC
6, 7 & 8	17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Donington Park GP	BRSCC
9, 10 & 11	28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Kirkistown	500MRCI
12, 13 & 14	19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Brands Hatch Indy	BRSCC
15 & 16	9 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Knockhill	KMSC
17 & 18	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Silverstone National	BRSCC

**1.5.2 Tourist Trophy & Triple Crown**

Qualifying rounds will be:

- Tourist Trophy – Rounds 3, 4 & 5 (Snetterton), 9, 10 & 11 (Kirkistown), and 15 & 16 (Knockhill).
- Triple Crown – Rounds 6, 7 & 8 (Donington Park), 12, 13 & 14 (Brands Hatch), and 17 & 18 (Silverstone).

Separate races will not be run for the Tourist Trophy or Triple Crown awards.

## 1.6 SCORING

- 1.6.1 Points will be awarded to competitors listed as classified finishers in the Final Results of each race, as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
32 points	27 points	24 points	22 points	20 points	18 points	15 points	12 points	10 points	8 points

All other finishers 3. Non finishers and qualified nonstarters 2 points. Fastest lap 2 points.

Overall Pole (having been set in the correct qualifying session) 2 points.

In double and triple header races - Pole position bonus points will only be awarded for pole positions set in a designated qualifying session. Pole positions in grids set by previous race results, or second quickest qualifying times, or any other format, will not gain bonus points.

### 1.6.1.1 Tourist Trophy & Triple Crown

Points awarded will be as per the championship race points, in accordance with 1.6.1 of these regulations.

### 1.6.1.2 Rookie Class

Points will be awarded for finishing positions in Rookie Class. **18** races per season, 4 drop scores. Exclusion from a race must count as a points scoring round of 0 points, and cannot be used as one of the four dropped scores.

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
32 points	27 points	24 points	22 points	20 points	18 points	15 points	12 points	10 points	8 points
11 <sup>th</sup> to last place		DNF							
3 points		2 points							

- 1.6.2 The final position and points for the **Overall Championship** will be decided from the totals from all qualifying rounds less four, unless subject to the application of any Motorsport UK regulation C3.5 penalties. Drivers disqualified from results for sporting or technical infringements may not use that (those) round(s) as discarded rounds for the purpose of overall championship placing. The dropped score must also include any points for fastest qualifying and/or race lap accrued in respect of the dropped round. If any rounds are not completed, the dropped scores numbers will not be reduced. Competitors will not be able to drop scores from the final event.
- 1.6.3 Ties will be resolved according to Motorsport UK Regulation [W 1.3.4] of the Motorsport UK Yearbook.
- 1.6.4 Where the race distance has been reduced (2.6) it shall still count as a full points scoring round.
- 1.6.5 Competitors not registered for the Championship may be permitted on an individual round basis and will:
- Be deemed "Guest Competitors"
  - Not score points and for the purpose of points scoring will be ignored
  - Qualify for Event awards

(d) Comply with the eligibility as prescribed in Article 1.3 above, with the exception of 1.3.1(b) and 1.3.2. (b), as appropriate.

(e) Pay a £45.00 Guest Competitors Administration Fee for each round as a guest. Priority of entry will be given to fully registered drivers.

1.6.6 All qualifying rounds in Triple Crown and Tourist Trophy will be counted, i.e. no dropped scores.

1.6.7 All year end results are provisional until announced as official by the organisers, that includes tables published on all BRSCC official websites.

## 1.7 AWARDS

1.7.1 All awards are to be provided by the Organising Club unless agreed otherwise.

### 1.7.2 Per Event

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Overall. Plus 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Independents Cup.

### 1.7.3 Championship

Overall Championship	Trophies to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
Triple Crown	<u>A Winners Trophy to the driver with the most points</u>
Tourist Trophy	<u>A Winners Trophy to the driver with the most points</u>
Rookie Class	<u>A Winners Trophy to the driver with the most points</u>
<u>Independents Cup</u>	<u>A Winners Trophy to the driver with the most points</u>

Other available trophies & prizes:

### MotorSport Vision GB4 Championship Prize Fund

MotorSport Vision (MSV) has announced a £20,000 GB4 Championship partnered by the BRDC prize fund for the 202<sup>3</sup> National Formula Ford 1600 Championship, to assist young drivers in making the transition to slicks-and-wings racing.

The prize will go to one of the top-three teenage National Formula Ford drivers in the championship's Pro Class final standings. The successful trio will be invited to take part in a three-way GB4 shoot-out, with the winner scooping £20,000 towards a 202<sup>4</sup> campaign in the GB4 Championship.

Any registered Avon Tyres National Formula Ford driver who will remain 19 years of age or under on 31<sup>st</sup> December 202<sup>3</sup> is eligible to compete for the package. Other Terms & Conditions will apply subject to MSV.

### 1.7.4 Presentations

Awards will be presented at the end of each round, or at the subsequent meeting. End of season awards will be presented at a designated end of season presentation ceremony.

#### **1.7.5 Entertainment Tax Liability**

Prize money and bonuses, if applicable, shall be posted to the Entrants within 7 days of the results being declared final after each round.

In accordance with current Government Legislation, the Organisers of every round are legally obliged to withhold tax at the basic rate on all payments to non-UK resident sportsmen/sportswomen and account to HMRC using form FEU1, the quarterly return of payments made to non-resident entertainers and sportsmen/women.

That is, those persons who do not have a normal permanent residence in the UK. The UK does not include the Isle of Man, Channel Isles or Eire. This means that as the organiser, the BRSCC is required to deduct tax at the current rate applicable from such payments they may make to non-UK residents.

Under certain circumstances, it is possible for competitors to enter into an agreement with HMRC to limit tax withheld. Any application for such an arrangement must be made in writing and not later than 30 days before their payment is due.

For further information contact: - HMRC Personal Tax International, Foreign Entertainers Unit, St Johns House, Merton Road, Liverpool L75 1BB. Tel: (0151) 472 6488 Fax: (0151) 472 6483

#### **1.7.6 Title to all Trophies**

If Provisional Results or Championship Tables are revised after any presentations and these revisions affect the distribution of any awards, the competitors concerned must return such awards to the organisers in good condition within 7 days.

#### **1.7.7 Bonuses**

The organisers/sponsors/promoters reserve the right to provide additional awards for and during the Championship. Prize money may be paid subject to sponsorship.



## **2. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT MEETINGS & RACE PROCEDURES**

### **2.1 ENTRIES**

- 2.1.1 Competitors are responsible for sending in correct and complete entries with the correct entry fee prior to the closing date for entries before each event.
- 2.1.2 Incorrect or incomplete entries (including driver to be nominated entries) are to be held in abeyance until they are complete and correct. The date of receipt for acceptance of entry purposes shall be the date on which the Meeting Organiser receives the missing or corrected information or fee.
- 2.1.3 Any withdrawal of Entry or Driver/Car changes made after the acceptance of any entry must be notified to the Meeting Organisers in writing. D25.1.12 applies.
- 2.1.4 The Entry Fee for each event shall be specified in the SRs and on the entry form.
- 2.1.5 Reserves will be listed in the Final List of Entries published with Final Instructions or in a Bulletin.

### **2.2 BRIEFINGS**

Organisers will notify competitors of the times and locations for all briefings in the Final Instructions for all meetings. Competitors must attend all briefings.

### **2.3 QUALIFICATION PRACTICE**

- 2.3.1 Should any practice session be disrupted the Clerk of the Course shall not be obliged to resume or re-run the session; the decision of the Clerk of the Course shall be final.
- 2.3.2 Each driver should complete a minimum of 3 laps in the car to be raced and in the correct session in order to qualify (Motorsport UK Regulations [Q 12.4]).
- 2.3.3 For all double header events, the grid for the first race will be set by fastest qualifying times, and the grid for the second race will be set by the results of the first race, with all non-finishers placed at the rear of the grid. For all triple header events the same will apply, and the grid for the third race will be based on the finishing positions of the second race with the front part of the grid reversed. There will be a draw of balls from positions 6, 7 & 8, and whichever number is drawn shall be pole position. The remainder of the top 6/7/8, as appropriate, will be in in reverse position behind, with the rest of the field in the finishing order of the second race – all non-finishers placed at the rear of the grid.
- 2.3.4 If mechanical means are used by the marshals to remove the car to a safe position, the car concerned cannot re-join the session. Where deemed necessary, the Clerk of the Course may at his sole discretion allow a car to re-join the session but any future laps it completes in that session will not be timed or will be disallowed.
- 2.3.5 At the end of each session, all drivers must cross the Finish Line only once.

### **2.4 RACES**

- 2.4.1 Should any race be disrupted the Clerk of the Course shall not be obliged to resume or rerun the race (Q12.15) (1.6.4. above applies).

2.4.2 If mechanical means are used by the marshals to remove the car to a safe position, the car concerned cannot re-join the session.

2.4.3 At the end of each session, all drivers must cross the Finish Line only once.

## 2.5 STARTS

2.5.1 All cars will be released to form up on the grid prior to the start in formation as specified on the grid sheet.

2.5.2. The start will be via a standing start.

The minimum countdown procedures/audible warning sequence shall be:

- I. 1 minute to start of Green Flag/Pace lap - Start Engines/Clear Grid.
- II. 30 Seconds - Visible and audible warnings for the start of Green Flag/Pace lap.
- III. A five second board will be used to indicate that the grid is complete after the green flag lap.
- IV. The red lights will be switched on five seconds after the board is withdrawn.

2.5.3 Any car removed from the grid after the 1-minute stage or driven into the pits on the Green Flag lap shall be held in the pit lane and may start the race after the last car to take the start from the grid has passed the start line or pit lane exit, whichever is the later.

2.5.4 Any driver unable to start the Green Flag/Pace lap or start the race are required to indicate their situation as per Motorsport UK Regulation [Q 12.11.2]. In addition any driver unable to maintain grid positions on the Green Flag to the extent that all other cars are ahead of them may complete the Green Flag Lap but MUST remain at the rear of the last row of the grid but ahead of any cars to be started with a time delay.

2.5.5 In the event that the starting lights fail the Starter will revert to using the National Flag.

## 2.6 SESSION RED FLAG

2.6.1 Should the need arise to stop any race or practice, RED LIGHTS will be switched on at the Start Line and RED FLAGS will be displayed at the start line and at all Marshals Signalling Points around the circuit.

This is the signal for all drivers to cease circulating at racing speeds, to slow to a safe and reasonable pace and to return to the pit lane, during practice, and to the starting grid area, during a race, which will automatically become a parc ferme area, unless otherwise directed by officials.

Cars may not enter the pits unless directed to do so and all cars in the pit lane during a red flag period must take any restart from the pit exit.

2.6.2 **Case A – Less than two race laps completed by the race leader.**

The race will be null and void. The race will restart from the original grid positions. Competitors unable to take the restart may be replaced by reserves who will start from the back of the grid in reserve order. Gaps on the grid should not be closed up. The length of the restarted race will be determined by the Clerk of the Course.

**2.6.3 Case B – More than two race laps completed by the race leader but less than 75% of the scheduled distance.**

The race will restart from a grid set out by the finishing order of part one (as per Motorsport UK Regulation [Q 12.15.2]) The result of the race will be the finishing order of part two. The length of the restarted race will be determined by the Clerk of the Course.

**2.6.4 Case C - More than 75% of race completed**

If the leader has completed more than 75% of the race distance or duration it shall not be restarted and the results will be declared in accordance with Motorsport UK General Regulations [Q12.15.4], unless the Clerk of the Course, in consultation with the Stewards deems it appropriate to restart the race.

**2.7 PITS, PADDOCK & PITLANE SAFETY**

**2.7.1 Pits & Paddock**

Competitors must ensure that the Motorsport UK, Circuit Management and Organising Club Safety Regulations are complied with at all times.

**2.7.2 Pit Lane**

The outer lane or lanes are to be kept unobstructed to allow safe passage of cars at all times. The onus shall be on all Drivers to take due care and respect the Pit Lane speed limits.

**2.7.3 Refuelling**

May only be carried out in accordance with the Motorsport UK Regulations [Q12.25], Circuit Management Regulations and SR's or Final Instructions issued for every meeting.

**2.7.4 Speed Limit**

Pit Lane Speed Limit will be as per the Final Instructions.

**2.8 RACE FINISHES**

After taking the Chequered Flag drivers are required to:

- I. Progressively and safely slow down.
- II. Remain behind any competitors ahead of them
- III. Return to the pit lane/entrance as instructed.
- IV. Comply with any directions given by marshals or officials
- V. Keep their helmets on and harness done up while on the circuit or moving in the pit lane.

**2.9 RESULTS**

All Practice Timesheets, Grids, Race Results are deemed provisional until all vehicles are released by Scrutineers after Post Practice/Race Scrutineering and/or after completion of any Judicial or Technical Procedures. (Motorsport UK regulation (D)26.3)

**2.10 TIMING MODULES**

- 2.10.1 All competitors will be required to fit Electronic Self Identification Modules to their cars for the purposes of accurate timing. Holders for these and detailed fitting instructions will be issued with the transponders and it will be the responsibility of the competitor to fit these in the car in the position and manner specified. The Modules must be in place and functioning correctly for all championship qualifying practice sessions and races.

The setting and servicing of these items must only be carried out by properly authorised Motorsport UK licensed Timekeepers.

Competitors will be charged by the timing company for replacement of the Modules due to misuse or loss at any time during the season. Motorsport UK Regulation [Q 12.8.1].

- 2.10.2 Competitors may not place electronic timing equipment within five metres of the official Start, Finish or any other official timing lines at any event or test session/day. Any such equipment placed within these zones will be removed.

**2.11 QUALIFICATION RACES**

If any event is oversubscribed the Organising Club may at their discretion run Qualification Races. Details will be provided in the Final Instructions or by event bulletin.

**2.12 OPERATION OF SAFETY CAR**

The Safety Car will be brought into operation and run in accordance with Section Q, Appendix 3 of the Motorsport UK General Regulations.

2.12.1 Should a Safety Car be deployed in any race, the Clerk of the Course may, at their sole discretion, extend the scheduled race duration by adding 5 minutes to the remaining time. Where possible, this will be communicated to the drivers by a '5 minute board' being displayed at the control line. Any time addition will only be implemented once per race. Additional Safety Car interventions will not have any further time added to the race duration. The decision of the Clerk of the Course shall be final.

**2.13 ONBOARD CAMERAS**

These are MANDATORY. All competitors are required to carry an on board car camera for the primary purpose of safety. Footage from the cameras may be used where there is an incident which is subsequently brought before the Clerk of the Course for investigation. Footage should be retained until such time as the results are declared final. The decision to review any such video footage is at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course, the Stewards of the Meeting or the Championship Stewards.

It is the competitor's sole responsibility to ensure safe installation and effective operation of the camera equipment. At all times cameras must be fitted in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulations and be approved by the Eligibility Scrutineer in accordance with J5.20.14, J5.21-5.21.5 & J5.21.12-17. Cameras must be mounted ON THE SIDE - NOT TOP - OF THE ROLL HOOP in a central to left position behind the driver with the steering wheel, front wheels, wing mirrors and the road ahead in clear view.

In the event that no data is available on request (other than due to a proven defect with the equipment) sanctions may be applied, which can include but are not limited to a points deduction of 25 points per offence for the Championship the competitor is registered for, even when this results in a negative score

and / or a fine of up to £500. The burden of proof to establish the cause of such failure will lie with the competitor. The Clerk of the Course shall confirm the Championship penalty. The Organisers may also seek further disciplinary action by referring a driver to the Championship Stewards.

## **2.14 PARC FERMÉ**

At all events the showing of the Chequered Flag (for both Qualifying and Racing) will indicate the commencement of Parc Fermé Regulations. Any vehicle that is in the pit lane at this time will be under Parc Fermé rules

It is prohibited to work on any vehicle after the chequered flag has been shown. This includes tyre pressure checking, wheel changes or changes of driver unless authorised by the Eligibility Scrutineer or their Deputy.

Any vehicle in the pit lane must be immediately taken to the designated Parc Fermé area. No team personnel may enter Parc Fermé unless authorised by the Eligibility Scrutineer or their Deputy.

No tools of any type may be passed by team members or mechanics to drivers whilst in Parc Fermé unless authorised by the Eligibility Scrutineer or their Deputy.

Competitors are reminded that the area designated as Parc Fermé area is a secure area and it is not permitted for any supporters to be in Parc Fermé unless at the behest of the eligibility scrutineer or their deputy.

### **3. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS**

#### **3.1 MOTORSPORT UK'S RESPECT CODE**

By registering for the Championship all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (Appendix 1).

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

3.1.2 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 Championship 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](http://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre) by selecting Policies and Guidelines.

#### **3.2 RE-SCRUTINY**

Any vehicle involved in a contact incident during any session or race must be re-presented to the scrutineers before taking part in any further session or race (Motorsport UK Regulation J3.1.2).

#### **4. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP PENALTIES**

In accordance with Section C of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook and these regulations.

##### **4.1 INFRINGEMENTS OF TECHNICAL REGULATIONS**

###### **4.1.1 Arising from post practice Scrutineering or Judicial Action**

Minimum Penalty: The provisions of Motorsport UK Regulation [C3.3].

###### **4.1.2 Arising from post-race Scrutineering or Judicial Action**

Minimum Penalty: The provisions of Motorsport UK Regulations [C 3.5.1 (a) & (b)].

For infringements deemed to be of a more serious nature the Clerk of the Course and/or Stewards of the Meeting are to invoke the provisions of Regulation [C 3.5.1 (c)].

##### **4.2 ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP PENALTIES**

###### **4.2.1 The Clerk of the Course reserves the right to impose a 'Stop-Go Penalty/Drive Through Penalty' in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulation [Q 12.26].**

###### **4.2.2 For offences under Motorsport UK regulations [C 1.1.5], [C 1.1.6], [Q12.21.2] and [Q12.21.5], the Clerk of the Course, at his discretion, may impose a Championship penalty in the form of the following:**

- (i) For an offence in qualifying; a grid penalty of up to ten places
- (ii) For an offence in a race; a time penalty in accordance with Section C2.3 of the current Year Book.
- (iii) For an offence in a race where the offending driver is not classified; a grid position penalty in the next race/event.

For a driver who has already received a penalty during the course of a season, any subsequent penalty WILL have a championship penalty applied. Where a championship penalty has previously been applied, the severity of subsequent penalties will be increased.

###### **4.2.3 In order to maintain standards of conduct, the Championship Coordinator will monitor all Officials/Observers reports of adverse behaviour at race meetings. If any individual is included on such reports they will receive written warning from the Organisers that his driving/behaviour is to be specifically observed at future race meetings. Any adverse reports during this period of observation could result in a Championship Stewards' enquiry, with possible loss of Championship points and refusal of further race entries.**

##### **4.3 SOCIAL MEDIA**

Social media, including, but not restricted to, facebook, Instagram, Twitter etc. is a powerful and wide reaching medium for the expression of views and opinions, and the sharing of photographs and video. As such, competitors should be aware that their conduct on social media regarding the Championship, the BRSCC and its drivers should reflect the impact social media has. If a competitor is considered to have brought the Championship and the BRSCC into disrepute in the opinion of the Championship Stewards they may be subject to a penalty or disqualification from the championship. Additionally,

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competitors are reminded that the Motorsport UK monitor social media and any remarks that are deemed to bring the sport into disrepute can lead to penalties.

## 5. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

### 5.1 INTRODUCTION

The following Technical Regulations are set out in accordance with the Motorsport UK specified format and it should be clearly understood that if the following texts do not clearly specify that you can do it you should work on the principle that you cannot. Competitors are advised to read the following sections of the Motorsport UK Yearbook Regulations:

Motorsport UK Regulations Sections [J 4.1] – [J 5] to [J 5.20.13] - Section Q, Motorsport UK Regulations Section B, Nomenclature & Definitions -Section K - Section L and relevant Formula Ford 1600 Technical Regulations for the age of the car issued by the Ford Motor Company specifically.

### 5.2 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

- 5.2.1 The National Formula Ford 1600 Championship is for competitors participating in 1600cc Formula Ford Single Seater Racing Cars built from 1/1/1999 onwards only, and which comply with the Regulations issued by the Ford Motor Company/British Racing & Sports Car Club (BRSCC).

The organisers reserve the right to accept entries from FF1600 cars built before 1/1/1999 on an invitation basis, but those will not score points and will **not** be eligible for any awards. Article 1.6.5 will apply, with the exception of 1.6.5 (c), where the competitor will **not** be eligible for event awards.

#### 5.2.2 Examination of Vehicles

The organisers (in addition to any other powers they may have under these Regulations) reserve the right before or after any race in the championship/series to designate any one or more of the competing cars for special eligibility scrutineering. Upon such selection being made the competitor shall immediately place the car under the control of the organisers and be deemed to have permitted all such scrutineering, examination and testing as the organisers may responsibly require to undertake. The organisers have the right to:

- A) Examine any aspect of the car at the circuit for such period as they may reasonably require and take fuel and/or other samples and/or
- B) Retain the car for detailed examination at premises chosen by the organisers. If the organisers elect to retain the car they shall make it available for collection by the competitor at least seven days prior to the qualification session for the next race in the championship/series unless the car is found to be in breach of these regulations and/or
- C) Seal the car and any of its components in such a manner as they may choose and require the competitor at their own expense to present the car at any other premises chosen by the organisers for detailed examination within a specified period and/or remove the car by transporter at expense to the competitor to an appointed location. The competitor will be advised in writing of the time, date and location of the subsequent testing or eligibility examination. The competitor will be liable to cover all relevant and receipted expenses costs in relation to the required personnel in attendance for any such vehicle inspection, as well as for any costs related to removal, dismantling, refitting of any components as requested as part of the process. The



organisers accept no liability for any parts that may be rendered unserviceable due to the inspection process.

The overseen stripping of the engine or any required component will be undertaken by the competitor and/or mechanic/technician nominated by the competitor.

The organisers reserve the right to re-inspect vehicles at any time during the course of the season.

Competitors will be personally and solely responsible for ensuring that their cars comply with their registration details and with these regulations for each event at which they are entered. Failure to comply in either respect will be a breach of these regulations. Queries concerning eligibility should be referred in writing to the organisers/championship/series Eligibility Scrutineer at least seven days prior to an event entered, to permit a ruling in advance of any meeting at which it is intended to compete.

No car may be removed from the circuit/venue prior to the conclusion of the race without the approval of the Clerk of the Course and Chief Scrutineer.

The organisers may review the performance of vehicles within the championship/series with particular regard to newly introduced vehicles/models, after every three championship/series rounds. This may result in the minimum weight being altered for any registered model.

Any weighbridge or pad scales used by the organisers at a circuit, which may include that held by the championship organisers, will be considered definitive and the weight of a car established on such a weighbridge will be a finding of fact subject to Motorsport UK regulations [E4.1.3 and E 4.1.4] race meetings paragraph 3 and 4.

### **5.3 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

The following Articles of Motorsport UK Regulations Section K Safety Criteria Regulations will apply unless specified in the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by the Ford Motor Company: [K 1]; [K 1.4]; [K 1.6.3]; [K 1.6.4 (a) & (b)]; [K 2.1] to [K 2.1.4]; [K 3]; [K 4]; [K 5]; [K 6]; [K 7.1] to [K 7.4]; [K 8]; [K 9]; [K 10.1] to [K 10.4]; [K 11] & [K 13].

### **5.4 GENERAL TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS & EXCEPTIONS**

All cars must comply with the current Formula Ford 1600 Technical Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

### **5.5 CHASSIS**

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture

In addition the chassis may be identified by a Motorsport UK sealing tag, attached and recorded by the championship Eligibility Scrutineer. Any change of chassis may require a new seal being attached prior to any competition. Failure to comply may render the car ineligible.

### **5.6 BODYWORK**

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture

## 5.7 ENGINES

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

Engine con-rod bolts may be replaced with alternative units. This is included in the current Ford Technical Regulations as Big-end cap bolts are free, whilst respecting the minimum weight.

## 5.8 SUSPENSIONS

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

## 5.9 TRANSMISSIONS

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

## 5.10 ELECTRICS

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

LED rain lights are preferred.

## 5.11 BRAKES

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

## 5.12 WHEELS/STEERING

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

## 5.13 TYRES

### 5.13.1 Specification

All cars must run on Avon ACB10.

### 5.13.2 Nominated Manufacturer

Avon Tyres

5.13.3 The use of any heating/heat retention devices, tyre treatments and compounds is prohibited. Tyre cooling is also prohibited other than by natural convection.

### 5.13.4 Tyre Limit

Only one set of four tyres, plus one front and one rear tyre nominated as emergency spares may be used per race meeting and they must be registered with the eligibility scrutineer prior to the commencement of qualifying, using the designated tyre nomination system.

The nominated spare tyres and also the four nominated race tyres can either be brand new, or previously used (not necessarily nominated).

Emergency spares can only be used after consultation with the eligibility scrutineer.

There is no limit for tyre usage in general or private test sessions.

Nominated tyres which are subsequently deemed and approved by the eligibility scrutineer, or his nominated deputy - to be damaged or punctured can only be changed to a nominated spare after consultation with the eligibility scrutineer.

Four tyres previously declared can be used at more than one meeting, but must be re-nominated for each subsequent meeting.

Each competitor must nominate, as dictated by the Championship Organiser, the manufacturers numbers of the tyres for use at each event. This nomination must be made to the Championship Eligibility Scrutineers prior to the start of the first qualifying session at each event.

Only tyres nominated for that event are permitted in the Pit Lane during the official qualifying sessions and races.

Declared tyres for the meeting will be checked at various times during the day.

#### **5.14 WEIGHTS**

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture

Minimum weight will be 500kg and this means the weight of the vehicle as it completes the event and is to include the fuel and the driver in full race kit. The minimum weight of the race car and fuel as it completes the event (without the driver), remains at 420kg

#### **5.15 FUEL TANK AND FUEL**

As per the current Formula Ford Regulations issued by Ford Motor Company/BRSCC – relevant to year of Manufacture.

#### **5.16 SILENCING**

Silencers must be maintained to comply with the section "B" provisions of Motorsport UK Regulation [J 5.17] & [J 5.18] at all times.

#### **5.17 NUMBERS AND CHAMPIONSHIP DECALS**

5.17.1 All cars must be identified by Motorsport UK Regulation [J 4.1] specification numbers displayed in positions acceptable to the Timekeepers

5.17.2 The BRSCC and sponsors decals must be displayed in an un-obscured position on both sides of the car to qualify for points and prizes.

5.17.3 The BRSCC and sponsors decals will be provided by the Championship Organisers, whereas Entrants are responsible for supplying numbers and backgrounds.

## **6. APPENDICES**

The following Commercial Undertakings are not subject to the Judicial Procedures of either the Championship Stewards and/or the Motorsport UK/MSA.

### **6.1 RACE ORGANISING CLUBS & CONTACTS**

#### **ORGANISING CLUB**

British Racing & Sports Car Club  
Suite 1, 60 Churchill Square  
Kings Hill  
West Malling  
ME19 4YU  
Tel: 01732 780100  
[www.brscc.co.uk](http://www.brscc.co.uk)

### **6.2 COMMERCIAL UNDERTAKINGS**

#### **6.2.1 Vehicle Presentation**

The presentation of the car is fundamental to the profile of the championship/series its sponsors and its audience. Therefore, in considering whether to permit any car to race, at any point during the season, the organisers will regard as paramount the presentation of the car. In taking into account its appearance inherent in which is the standard of its presentation (including interior) they may disqualify any car which they consider may prejudice the reputation of the championship or is otherwise unacceptable.

This will include where the car is presented at a race event bearing accident damage sustained at a previous event and which has not been subject to the completion of a full and proper repair. Note: A double header can be regarded as one event for the purposes of this regulation.

#### **6.2.2 Trade Support**

The organisers reserve the right to obtain support sponsorship for the championship usually by means of product for competitors. To qualify this may require fixing support logos on either side of the car

#### **6.2.3 Vehicle Decals and Overall Patches**

Decals to be displayed on either side of the vehicle. Overall patches displayed above chest height on the overalls.

#### **6.2.4 Promotional Activities**

Drivers may be required to participate in promotional activities at certain race meetings.

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