

2025 FORMULA FORD FESTIVAL

SPORTING & TECHNICAL REGULATIONS



















The British Racing and Sports Car Club Limited will organise the BRSCC Formula Ford Festival at **Brands Hatch** on the **Indy Circuit** on 25th & 26th October 2025 under Motorsport UK Permit No(s): **201808 (Interclub)**. The meeting will be held under the National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Sporting & Technical Regulations, the Supplementary Regulations and any ASR's or written instructions the organising club may issue for the event. Please read Final Instructions or subsequent bulletins issued to you for these events. The Organisers reserve the right to postpone, abandon or cancel the meeting or any part thereof. In this event the competitor or entrant has no right to claim against the Organisers in respect of any loss or expense they may thereby incur.

1 Rights of Organisers and Promoters

The organisers rights are:-

- **1.1** As per NCR Ch.3 App.11.
- **1.2** As per written Final Instructions issued to competitors, which shall have the same force as these Standing Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations
- 1.3 To allow a reserve to take part in a race even though a place has not been made by the withdrawal of a primary entry.
- **1.4** To reserve the right to substitute any driver or car in any event for those printed in the programme.
- 1.5 The organisers and promoters reserve the right to postpone, abandon or cancel the meeting, or any part thereof. In the event of the postponement, abandonment or cancellation the competitor or entrant has no right to claim against the organisers in respect of any loss or expense they may thereby incur.

2 Jurisdiction

The organisers reserve the right to amend or cancel the programme/competition or regulations without notice. The meeting will be governed by the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK, incorporating the provisions of the FIA, the additional Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions subsequently issued by the organisers. NCR Chapter 2 will apply.

3 Access to the Circuit

See Final Instructions

4 Paddock/Circuit Regulations

Entrants/Competitors should note that they are responsible for all persons connected to their teams. (NCR Ch.6 Art.2). Specific parking areas may be notified in the Final Instructions or as instructed by the paddock marshals.

<u>Parking in areas not allocated to your team will require you to move & further action may be taken against any offenders.</u>

The following is forbidden:

- **4.1** Making any holes of any type in any permanently surfaced area.
- **4.2** The use of any utility supplied in a manner not compatible with the laws & regulations of the service provider.
- **4.3** The use of any motor vehicle by a person not having the appropriate full licence for its use.
- **4.4** The use of any motor vehicle in a public area, other than the paddock
- **4.5** The use of any motor vehicle, not being used for team business.
- 4.6 The use of any motor vehicle at a speed in excess of 10mph, other than the circuit. Any reports of incidents of this nature will be reported to the Clerk of the Course who may take action against the offending Entrant/Driver/Team. The report may also be passed to the circuit owners/management who may wish to take further action.

5 Noise Regulations

All cars must comply with NCR Ch.7 App.8 Arts.2-3

6 Officials of the Meeting

Officials will be advised in the Final Instructions.

7 Circuit and Length

This event will be held on the Brands Hatch Indy Circuit (1.1994 miles) in a clockwise direction. The maximum number of starters in any race will be 30. The maximum number of starters in any practice/qualifying will be 36.

8 Entries

Entries will close on Wednesday 22nd October 2025.

Entry fee for the Formula Ford Festival – £415.00.

Entries will be accepted strictly in the order of receipt and the allocation of numbers and the selection of entries into heats will be at the discretion of the organisers.

Acceptance of your entry will be confirmed to the e-mail address stated on your entry form once payment has been made in full.

It will not be possible to accept entries where a car is driven by more than one driver. Competitors may not drive more than one car in the Formula Ford Festival Contest (except where one car is entered into the primary content, and a second car is entered into the Pre '82 FF1600 Feature Races which is not considered part of the primary contest of the Formula Ford Festival).

World Cup: Competitors entering the Formula Ford Festival may be selected at the organisers discretion to represent their home country or a suitable geographical area.

9 Eligible Competitors

- 9.1 All Entrants must be in possession of a valid Entrants Licence, and be members of the BRSCC.
- 9.2 All Drivers/Entrant Drivers must:
 - Be current members of the BRSCC, BARC, 750MC, 360MRC, CSCC, MSVR, HSCC, MGCC, CMMC or other invited clubs as accepted at the sole discretion of the organisers
 - 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 (NCR Ch.6 App.3 Art.1.6 and FIA ISC Article 2.3.7b applies).
 - If participation in the competition 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 driver shall not take time out
 of their education to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their
 education establishment.

The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any driver or team on any grounds. Such refusal is at the total discretion of the organisers and is not subject to appeal or protest. Any driver deemed to have brought the Festival and/or The World Cup into disrepute by their actions may be refused the right to enter or be excluded from the meeting. Competitors must ensure that their cars comply with the conditions of eligibility and safety throughout qualifying and racing.

10 New Drivers

Competitors who are taking part in their first race on the Brands Hatch Indy Circuit in its current layout must report to the Clerk of the Course before their Qualifying session.

11 Signing-on

Signing on will be completed online before the event. All competitors must provide copies of their licences in advance via the online system.

Drivers should still bring their licence and any supporting documents to the event, as spot checks may be carried out at the organiser's discretion. Failure to produce any of the correct documentation may result in you not being allowed to compete in the event.

12 Driver Changes

Competitors should note that entries cannot be transferred from one race to another.

Any change of car or driver can only be made following a written application to the Clerk of the Course by the Entrant. Where the driver of a car is subject to nomination, the Entrant must inform the Secretary of the Meeting in writing before the car goes to practice which driver is nominated for the car. (NCR Ch.3 App.11 Art1.1.I applies)

13 Licence Upgrade Cards

Those drivers who require a signature for upgrading must hand in their Licence Upgrade Card to the secretary of the meeting before they go out to qualify. Completed Upgrade Cards will be available for collection at the end of the event. Any Upgrade Cards not collected will be forwarded to the address supplied by post – please note that the organisers cannot take responsibility for any Upgrade Cards which may be lost in transit.

14 Interviews

Drivers may be required to attend pre and post qualifying/racing promotional/press interviews. Attendance is compulsory.

15 Scrutineering

See final instructions.

16 Clothing

During practice and racing all drivers must wear:

- Flame-Resistant Overalls which shall cover arms, legs and the torso up to the neck Acceptable standards FIA 8856-2018 / FIA 8856-2000 (see NCR Ch.9 Art.3)
- A crash helmet to a standard specified in the current NCR and bearing an ASN approval sticker, which fits properly and is in a serviceable condition acceptable standards FIA 8860-2010 / FIA 8859-2015 / FIA 8860-2018 / FIA 8860-2018-ABP / FIA 8859-2024 / FIA 8859-2024-ABP / SNELL SA2015 (Not valid after 31.12.26) / SNELL SA2020 (see NCR Ch.9 Arts.5-9 & NCR Ch.9 Art.11)
- Flame-resistant gloves and shoes (see NCR Ch.9 Arts.12.4-12.5)
- The use of flame-resistant balaclava socks and underwear is strongly recommended.
- An FIA approved FHR device fitted in accordance with NCR Ch.9 Art.10 is mandatory for Drivers in Circuit Racing except for Period Defined Vehicles for which it is recommended.

17 Eligibility

One or more members of the Technical Commission may check eligibility. The technical commissioners are: C. Barnett, R. Bassett, P. Danbury, G. Doe, W. Greig, M. Harris, P. Hewer, J. Hopwwod, N. Jones, P. Loveridge, R. Mason, R. McDonald, S. Prior, R. Ratley, P. Riches & S. Riches. Paul Hewer (and his nominated deputies) is the Eligibility Scrutineer for the Formula Fords competing in the Festival.

18 Safety Car/Stopping of a Practice Session or Race

18.1 Safety Car

The Safety Car will be brought into operation and run in accordance with NCR Ch.12 App.8 Art.2. During the race, the Safety Car will join the circuit between turn 3 and 4. In the event of an incident during or immediately after the start of a race, the Safety Car may be deployed from Pit Lane Entry. The Safety car will exit the track via the Pit Lane Entrance.

For the Grand Final only: Should the Safety Car be deployed in the Grand Final, the Clerk of the Course may, at their sole discretion, extend the scheduled race distance by adding an equal number of laps to those completed under Safety Car conditions. The maximum number of laps that may be added shall be five (5). Where possible, this will be communicated to the drivers by a message on the Digi-board displayed at the control line and on the timing screens. The decision of the Clerk of the Course shall be final.

18.2 Stopping of a Practice Session or Race

Should the need arise to stop any race or practice, RED LIGHTS will be switched on at the Start Line and RED SIGNALS 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.

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

The race will be declared a "No Contest" and available competitors will restart from their 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 Clerk of the Course may order that the duration of the re-run of any race shall be a shorter distance than originally scheduled or may be abandoned altogether. The duration of the re-run will be determined as the duration of the race.

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

Any race stopped after the leader has completed more than two laps but less than 75% of its duration will be considered as the first part of the race. Competitors will be restarted from a grid set out in the finishing order of this first part, which shall be based upon the order of crossing the finish line at one lap less than the number of laps completed by the leader at the time of first showing the RED Signal. Only vehicles which are proceeding under their own power, in accordance with NCR Ch.12 App.8 Art.1.7.j at the showing of the Red Signal will be classified in this first part (NCR Ch.12 App.6 Arts.9.1.c and NCR Ch.12 App.6 Arts.9.2-9.3 also apply). The result of the race will be the finishing order at the end of the restarted race (see NCR Ch.12 App.6 Arts.9.1.d).

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 NCR Ch.12 App.6 Arts.9.1.e , unless the Clerk of the Course, in consultation with the Stewards deems it appropriate to restart the race.

19 Incidents

- 19.1 In the event of an accident or collision occurring during a race or practice, the car or cars involved may be required to come into the pits for examination (NCR Ch.12 App.4 Art.4.7)
- 19.2 A Vehicle involved in an Incident and which is rendered unable to proceed or where any person is injured must not be touched by any person other than Officials without the specific approval of the Clerk of the Course. The Driver concerned may not Race again without the approval of the Chief Medical Officer.

20 Rejoining the Track

Drivers "going off" the circuit are reminded that all competitors should rejoin the track in a manner compatible with safety. NCR Ch.12 App.7 Art..1.7 applies.

21 Hazard Warning Sign

A Hazard Warning Sign will be displayed at marshal's posts to warn of a semi-permanent hazard (i.e. parked car) present on, or adjacent to the track, which is no longer indicated by a Yellow Signal. The Hazard Warning Sign does not prohibit overtaking.

22 Qualification Process

The Formula Ford Festival will be run as a 'knockout' contest through qualifying Heats, Progression Races, Semi-Finals etc. culminating in the Final. Finishing positions, not overall race times, dictate qualification through to the next round. The progression format of the contest will be determined by the organisers and their decision shall be final – the format will be published by event bulletin and posted on the official noticeboard.

23 The World Cup

The World Cup is a team competition with points awarded in relation to finishing positions in the Heats, Semi-Finals and Final of the Formula Ford Festival. Competitors will be selected at the organisers discretion to represent their home country or a suitable geographical area. The selected drivers in each team will score World Cup points as follows in the above races: $1^{st} - 30$ points, $2^{nd} - 29$ points, $3^{rd} - 28$ points and so on. The team accruing the highest number of points will be declared the winners.

24 Practice/Qualifying

There will be timed qualifying sessions for each driver. Starting positions for the Heats will be determined by qualifying times.

25 Heats and Final

After the closing date for entries, the format of the Heats of the Festival will be advised via event bulletin which will be published on the official noticeboard.

26 Pre '82 FF1600 Festival Feature Races

Forming Part of the 2025 Formula Ford Festival event will be two stand-alone scratch races for Competitors participating in Formula Ford 1600 (Kent Engined) Single Seat Racing cars built before 1982. These races shall not form part of the overall Formula Ford Festival contest. Entry is to be made separately and is by invitation only.

All vehicles must comply with the <u>2025 Formula Ford 1600 Kent Technical Regulations</u> as may be varied by both <u>2025 Super Classic Formula Ford 1600 Championship Regulations</u> and <u>2025 Classic Formula Ford Championship Regulations</u> where applicable.

The Grid for Race 1 will be formed by the competitors fastest qualifying time. The grid for race 2 will be formed using the results of race 1, with all no finishers being placed at the rear of the grid in reverse order of retirement.

Outside of the progression frame work of the Formula Ford Festival contest, all other regulations in this document shall apply.

27 Grids

All races will use a staggered 1 - 1 formation.

28 Start

A standing start will be used for all races. All races will be given a green flag/warm-up lap commencing after the 30-second signal, following a minimum of a 1-minute countdown procedure. Cars will form up on the grid at the end of the green flag/warm-up lap and when they are in position to the satisfaction of the starter a 5-Second Board will be shown to indicate that the Grid is complete. The red lights will be switched on five seconds after the board is withdrawn. When the lights go off, that is the signal to race. In the event that the starting lights fail, the Starter will revert to using the National Flag.

29 Prizes and Awards

Trophies will be provided by the BRSCC to the top 3 overall finishers in the Formula Ford Festival Final, the top 3 overall finishers for the Historic Final, and the overall winner of each Heat, Progression Race and Semi-Final. The organisers and/or their sponsors/partners reserve the right to provide additional awards. Trophies will be presented at the end of each race. Garlands may also be presented to the winner at the end of each qualifying Heat, Semi Finals, Historic Final and Final.

Awards Ceremony – following the conclusion of the Formula Ford Festival contest an Awards Ceremony will take place on Sunday evening in the Kentagon. It is mandatory for all Award winners to attend. Failure to do so may result in the competitor forfeiting the rights to their award(s), in which case the award(s) will not be reassigned.

30 Penalties

As it may prove impractical to hold a full Clerk of the Course or Stewards Inquiry, and to consider a formal appeal into penalties imposed by the Clerk of the Course for driving offences etc. in the qualifying races, the Stewards of the Meeting reserve the right to eliminate any competitor from continuing in the competition or apply an appropriate penalty. (NCR Ch.5 Part A App.4)

31 Stop-Go Penalty

Competitors should note that the Clerk of the Course may impose a Stop-Go/Drive Through Penalty. (NCR Ch.12 App.10 Art.2). The penalty must be taken in the specified area in the pit lane at the foot of the Race Control Building.

32 Judges of Fact

Judges will be appointed in accordance with NCR Ch.12 App.3 Art.2.

33 Testing

All pre-event testing is available direct through Motor Sport Vision. The BRSCC is not responsible for organising the test sessions. For full details of all sessions please contact: Alan Tapson - Event Co-ordinator MotorSport Vision Limited, Brands Hatch, London Road, West Kingsdown, Sevenoaks, TN15 6FS

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Tel: 0344 225 4423 Email: testing@msv.com

Web: https://testing-v4.msv.com/calendar

34 Advertising

All advertisements carried must adhere to the requirements laid down by the Motorsport UK and must be clear of competition numbers. Please adhere to NCR Ch.6 App.1 Art.9.

35 Personal Accident (medical expenses) Insurance.

The National Health Service has financial restrictions on treating some foreign nationals after an accident. Unless the country of origin has an agreement with the UK, foreign competitors are strongly recommended to take out medical insurance before competing in the event.

36 Eligible Cars

All cars must comply with the 2025 Formula Ford 1600cc Kent Technical Regulations, as issued by Ford Motor Company, plus any amendments published as part of the 2025 Super Classic Formula Ford 1600 championship where relevant.

<u>2025 Formula Ford 1600 Kent Technical Regulations</u> 2025 Super Classic Formula Ford 1600 Championship Regulations

There will be four (4) classes based on the year of car:

Pro Class: 1999 onwards

Super Classic A: 1990 – 1998

Super Classic B: 1982 - 1989

Super Classic C: 1972 - 1981

Super Classic D: Pre 1972

37 Eligibility and Conformity with Regulations

- **37.1** All competitors' and entrants' attention is drawn to NCR Ch.6 App.1 Arts.1-3 regarding responsibility for eligibility throughout the meeting.
- 37.2 Any components selected for sealing/examination must be made available to the organisers at a premises and date nominated by the BRSCC. The costs of any inspection including but not limited to engine examination will be the responsibility of the entrant, including all Scrutineer Fees, travel expenses, and accommodation/subsistence where required.

38 Wheels & Tyres

38.1 Tyres:

Pro Class: Only Avon ACB10

Super Classic Classes (Pre '99): Avon ACB9 or ACB10 (exception: Pre 82 models also have the option to use approved Dunlop FF1600 tyres

- 38.2 No tyre changes will be permitted after the car has entered the Assembly Area, unless approved by the Eligibility Scrutineer and/or Clerk of the Course on safety grounds.
- 38.3 The use of heating equipment in the pits is expressly forbidden on grounds of safety, and the pre-heating of tyres or use of tyre warmers is forbidden. For the whole duration of the period of the race meeting, no artificial cooling of the wheel, tyre or other component of the inflated wheel assembly is permitted. Artificial cooling will include any means of transferring heat away from the wheel and tyre assembly other than by natural convection. Any tyre protection cover used during transit of the car within the confines of the circuit must be a loose fit onto the tyre; they must not be of a temporary construction and must be capable of being reused

- many times. No cleaning or removal of rubber pick-up, from the tread area of the tyres is permitted using any form of other mechanical aid.
- 38.4 During this event a maximum of 8 tyres, comprising 4 front and 4 rears, will be allowed for competitors racing in the Pro Class. They will be nominated to each specific driver only. Competitors are responsible for declaring these tyres to the Eligibility Scrutineers via email to scrutineer@btinternet.com before 8AM on SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2025. Failure to comply with this may render the car ineligible for the event. The replacement of tyres is subject to the prior agreement of the Event Eligibility/Safety Scrutineer and a representative of NOVA/HP Tyres. Only tyres nominated for that event are permitted in the pit lane during official qualifying sessions and races. There will be no restriction on the number of tyres competitors racing in the Super Classic classes (A, B, C & D) can use.
- **38.5** The Eligibility Scrutineer and the event organisers reserve the right to impound and/or replace event nominated tyres at any time before, between and after qualifying and races.
- **38.6** Any competitor who contravenes the above tyre regulations is liable to a penalty, up to and including disqualification.

39 Fuel

Only Permitted Fuel as defined by NCR Ch.8 App.1 Art.1.7 complying with BSEN228 may be used (Max. 99 RON). The addition of any additives, for whatever reason, to this fuel is prohibited. Samples maybe taken from competitor's vehicles at any time and be subjected to testing.

40 Competition Numbers

You will be informed of your competition number prior to the meeting. Before your car is scrutineered, please ensure that your number complies with NCR Ch.7 App.10. Front numbers should face directly forwards. The Timekeepers may not time any cars, which are displaying numbers incorrectly. It is the responsibility of the Entrant to ensure that the numbers remain clearly visible during practice and racing. Requests to make changes to competition numbers on race days will only be granted under exceptional circumstances.

41 Decals

Event sponsors decals together must be carried in a bold manner by all competitors taking part in the Formula Ford Festival & World Cup events if required by the organisers. Competitors are also required to carry two BRSCC decals in an unobscured manner. Failure to do so may render the competitor ineligible for any prizes or awards in the competition. Details of exact positions of decals may be issued to all drivers. It is mandatory to use these positions.

42 Tickets and Event Paperwork

All competitors will receive four 'e-tickets' sent to the email address indicated on entry form. Final Instructions will be also be sent separately to the same email address.

43 Contact Details

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