# **Chelmsford Motor Club**

# <u>12 CAR RALLY REGULATIONS</u> <u>Winter Series 2012-2013</u>

## 1. Announcement

The Motorsport Club of Chelmsford Ltd will organise Clubman 12 Car Navigational Road Rallies on:

Priestley - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2012 Halloween - Friday 19<sup>st</sup> October 2012 Mick Bliss Memorial – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2012 January Jaunt – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2013 Tendring Hundred – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2013 Derek Stone Memorial – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013 April Blossom – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2013

## 2. Jurisdiction

The events will be held under the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association Ltd., incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA, these Supplementary Regulations and any other written instructions that the organising Club may issue for the event. The MSA General Regulations for 2012 (and 2013 when appropriate) can be read in the Competitors' and Officials' Yearbook online.

#### 3. Authorisation

MSA permit numbers: (will be applied for by Competition Secretary).

# 4. Eligibility and Championships

The event is open to

- a) All fully elected members of the organising Club.
- b) Members of other Weald Motor Club Ltd member clubs Bexley LCC, Blackpalfrey MC of Kent, Borough 18 MC, Borough 19 MC, Central Sussex MC, Croydon & District MC, Eastbourne & Ram MC, Maidstone & Mid Kent MC, Sevenoaks & DMC, Southern CC

All competitors must produce a valid club membership card, which will be inspected at signing on. The event is a round of the Chelmsford Motor Club 12 Car Rally Winter Series.

#### 5. Start and Finish

The event start and finish will be notified on the individual event entry form.

Petrol will be required for the whole route.

Total mileage will be notified on the entry form. Only coloured roads will be used unless specified otherwise in the route instructions.

Any competitor not signed on 15 minutes before their due start time may be excluded.

Cars will leave at one-minute intervals with a start time as notified on the entry form.

OS Landranger series maps scale 1:50000 will be used, the exact maps required will be stated on the entry form.

Quiet zones/sensitive areas may be marked along the route and/or route card by a 'Q' and 'Q' at the completion.

Beginners will be issued with their route card 15 minutes before their due start time. Novices will be issued with their route card for the whole event at the start. Experts [and Masters] will be receive their route cards at each control or in envelopes at the start. Beginners will also be given the route on a printed map in a sealed envelope. They may open and use that at any time during the event, but will be penalised 6 fails for doing so.

All competitors must text or phone the organiser if they retire and go home without first returning to the finish venue.

#### 6. Classes

There will be four classes of navigator:

- Master Has come in the top five of a National 'B' status road rally, Navigational rally or Restricted rally as a navigator at any time.
- Expert Has won three or more First Overall awards on any 12 car rallies as a navigator.
- Novice All others.
- Beginner Has not competed in more than five rallies as a navigator.

In the event of a competitor's class being subject of dispute, the Competition Secretary's decision is final.

#### 7. Entries

Entries will be allocated on a "first come first served" basis although priority will be given to Beginners and Novices belonging to Chelmsford Motor Club.

The maximum number of entries is 12 plus 3 reserves. Under no circumstances will more than 12 competitors be allowed to start. The entry list opens 6 weeks before the date of the event and closes at 10pm on day before the event.

The entry fee is £10.00.

Drivers aged between 17 and 20 will have a free entry to mitigate the additional insurance premium.

Late entries may be accepted at the organiser's discretion.

#### 8. Final Instructions

Final instructions will be e-mailed to the addresses given on the entry form and published on the Chelmsford Motor Club web site.

#### 9. Officials

The Officials of the event will be notified on the relevant entry form.

#### 10. Awards

First Overall	Driver and Navigator
First Novice	Driver and Navigator
First Beginner	Driver and Navigator

Competitors entered in the 'Master' class are excluded from winning any awards.

# 11. Results

Competitors entered in the 'Master' class will not be included in the main event results. Provisional results will be announced in accordance with H35 and R15. Protests must be made in accordance with H 35.1.6-7 and C 5.1 and C5.2. Final results will be provided to the Competitors within 7 days.

# 12 Modifications of the General Regulations

- R2.3.3 Secret checks may be established at any point given on the route card to ensure compliance with the route, these SRs and any other written instructions issues by the organisers.
- R7.2.3 Competitors may carry mobile telephones providing they are switched off during the event. Any competitor found to be using a mobile phone during the event will be penalised per SR 13.
- R9.1.3 Competitors must stop before entering any road protected by a "Stop" or "Give Way" signpost, and any other junctions marked "Give Way" [GW] on the route card.

# 13. Penalties

Penalties will be as per section R chart 13 – Fail system, modified as follows: (b) Not reporting or reporting OTL at any other Time Control Failing to produce a sealed envelope at a control For Beginners, failing to produce a sealed route map envelope at the final control Failing to stop at Give Way or Stop junctions* Entering a black spot* Excessive sound/Use of auxiliary lights in a quiet zone* * Second offence exclusion Using a mobile phone during the event, other than emergency Failing to hand in a completed damage declaration	<b>3 Fails</b> 1 Fail 6 Fails 1 Fail 1 Fail 1 Fail Exclusion Exclusion
The main penalties from section R chart 13 are repeated here: (a) Not reporting or reporting OTL at a Main Time Control (b) Not reporting or reporting OTL at any other Time Control (c) Not complying with the route card including visiting a control more than once (d) Not reporting at Passage Control or providing proof of visiting a Route Check (e) Arrival before scheduled time at the end of a Standard Section (f) Arrival after due time at the end of a Standard Section (g) Arrival before due time at the end of a Neutral Section (h) Arrival before due time at an intermediate control or finish control of a Regularity Section (j) Arrival after due time at an intermediate control or finish control of a Regularity Section (l) Contravention of R12.7 (making up too much time) - First offence 1 Fail, second offer (m) Excessive speed or driving likely to bring motor sport into disrepute (n) Excessive sound (p) Breach of 7.2.3, 18.6.4, 116 (No intercom, radio, phone or GPS allowed) (q) Breach of 5.4, 15.1.2, 15.1.4, 9.1.3, 9.1.4, 9.1.5, 9.1.6	n Actual time late

(Same crew, must complete damage declaration, must declare damage, must stop at give ways, must only use 1:50,000 scale maps, map markings are limited).

It is a requirement for any rally that competitors report to the final control within their maximum permitted lateness, and in the car in which they started to be deemed a finisher (R15.1.1). This allows results to be issued when the last car is OTL. In practice competitors who are too late, but still reach the finish with their car while the organisers are still there may be added to the end of the results by being given sufficient fails.

## 14. Noise Test and Scrutineering

Exhaust noise should not exceed 98dBA at 0.5m @ 2/3rds maximum RPM.

Eligibility of vehicles is as per navigational rally rules. All vehicles are liable to be scrutineered for adherence to Road Traffic legislation in relation to tyres, lights, wipers/washers and current MoT [if required].

Any vehicle deemed to be outside the spirit of the event will not be allowed to start.

Cars will be allowed to start subject to compliance with noise and lighting regulations and with no sponsorship decals.

## 15. Controls

All manned controls where competitors are required to stop will have a control board approximately 50m ahead of the control on the direct of approach that will denote the start of the control area. They must be visited in the order indicated on the route card. Any controls visited out of order will be deemed not to have been visited.

Any control that is unmanned (with the exception of Secret Checks) will be replaced by a code board.

All 'Secret Checks' where competitors are required to stop will have a 'Passage Check' board approximately 50m ahead of the control.

Code boards consisting of black number plate sized letters on a white on a white background will placed along the route.

Penalties will be awarded for failing to record code boards on the time card.

Code boards must be recorded in ink on the time card.

Controls will open 15 minutes before the due time of the first car and close on scheduled time of the last car plus the maximum permitted lateness for that control which will be 30 minutes.

#### 16. Timing

BBC timing or 'Liege' style clocks will be used. Competitors will know their start time and the time allowed for each section will be specified in the time card/road book.

A competitors due time at each control can be determined from the individual time schedule.

If you are late you can only make up time in the sections specified on the time card.

Competitors will be timed as they present their time card. If a competitor arrives at a control early, they must wait outside until a minute before their due time.

Competitors late at one control may be an equivalent amount of time late at succeeding controls without incurring further time penalties, providing they do not exceed their maximum lateness allowance.

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The amount of time that may be made up at time controls will be specified on the time cards and where applicable the three quarters rule (R12.7) will be upheld.

## 17. Insurance

All competitors must have adequate insurance cover for this event and provide evidence of this at signing on. The club has applied to Lockton Companies International Limited or a Blanket Cover Note. This will provide Competitors who need to use the scheme with the Third Party Cover necessary to meet RTA requirements. The basic rate for the event [before any loadings] will be £20.00. New applicants wishing to use the Scheme must be able to comply with all points of the Lockton Companies International Limited declarations. Drivers unable to comply with the below will have a loading applied by the insurers.

Over 21 and held a full licence for at least 6 months Not more than 1 fault accident in the last 3 years No convictions other than a maximum of 6 speeding points on driving licence No physical or mental disabilities No other material facts to disclose

I am able to comply with all points above simply sign on Signing On Form at the start. If unable to comply with any of the above points complete the Declaration Form itself [obtainable from Secretary] and forward to Lockton Companies International Limited prior to the event to allow for sufficient time for Letter of acceptance to be issued. Faxed copies are acceptable. Drivers with their own cover will be required to sign a disclaimer to that effect.

# 18. Driving Standards Observer

Driving standards will be monitored carefully. All marshals, named officials or the Driving Standards Observer have the power to exclude any competitor generating excessive engine or tyre noise or for inconsiderate driving.

Observers may be situated in Quiet zones/sensitive areas and at Give Way/Stop junctions.

Please be sensible, this is a navigational event not a stage rally.

#### 19. Judges of Fact

All officials who have signed on will be deemed Judges of Fact.