



Rugby Motor Club

The Bob Budd Grass Autotest Series 2026

Additional Supplementary Regulations



**In memory of Bob Budd
1949 – 2023**

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1. Introduction

Rugby Motor Club (RMC) in association with Coalville Car Club, will organise a Clubman status Evening Grass Autotest series at Buckwell Lodge Farm, Near Walcote, Leicestershire. LE17 4LA

The meeting will be held under the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK, (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these regulations, in addition to any further written instructions that the club may issue for the purposes of the event.

Full details can be found in the Motorsport UK (MSUK) National Competition Rules 2026 (NCR). <https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/>

Throughout these ASRs, reference will be made to relevant sections of the 2026 version of the MSUK NCR.

2. Permits

The event is being run under the *Evening Autotest* permit. The permits for the events are listed in paragraph 18 and will also be found on the registration pages and the Final Instructions. The Evening Autotest permit will allow for the running of an Autotest and a Production Car Autotest (PCA) with different classes.

3. Eligibility

- a. The event is open to all elected members of Rugby Motor Club (RMC) and Coalville Car Club (CCC) plus members of the following MSUK registered invited clubs: Blackbird Auto Club; Boundless Motorsports by CSMA; Cannock & District Car Club; Club Triumph; Historic Rally Car Club; Loughborough Car Club; Oxford Motor Club Quinton Motor Club; Redditch & District Car Club; South Oxon Car Club; Wolverhampton & South Staffordshire Car Club;
- b. Drivers and Passengers must hold a valid MSUK RS Clubman Licence as a minimum, and a valid membership card for RMC, CCC or an invited club. Use the following link to order your free RS Clubman licence:
<https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/>

4. Officials

Clerk of the Course – Chris Valentine (Chairman@RugbyMotorClub.co.uk)
Secretary of the Meeting - Nigel Tuckey (Nigel.Tuckey@gmail.com)
Entries Secretary – Nigel Tuckey (Nigel.Tuckey@gmail.com)
Safeguarding Officer – Paul Darch (paul.darch@ntlworld.com)
Club Stewards – Dave Barratt, Rob Walter & Dave Oliver

5. Championships:

- a. The events will be rounds of the following RMC championships:
 - a.i. The Bob Budd Open Autotest championship;
 - a.ii. The Bob Budd Junior Autotest championship;
- b. Championship points are only applicable to RMC members;
- c. Points are allocated as follows:
1=15, 2=13, 3=12, 4=11, 5=10, 6=9, 7=8, 8=7, 9=6, 10=5, 11=4, 12=3, 13=2, 14=1
Plus 2 points for overall fastest time of day (FTD).
- d. All starters earn 1 point. Marshals earn 8 points per event, so competitors can still earn points in the event that they can't compete;
- e. All scores count towards the Open championship;
- f. The best five scores count towards the Junior championship;
- g. Members of an invited club can apply for RMC membership for the championship at a reduced rate of £5. Junior membership is free. This will give RMC membership until 31st March 2027. The membership fee must be paid with the first entry fee.

6. Event Programme

18.00 Scrutineering, competitor and marshal sign-on opens
18:30 Tests Start
21.00 Tests Close

7. Entries

- a. Entries will open at least two weeks before an event and close at 23:59 on the Tuesday prior to the event. Entries will be made via Sapphire Solutions on-line registration page using the following link:
<https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?siteName=RugbyMC>
 - The minimum number of entries for each meeting is 5
 - The maximum number of entries for each meeting is 30
 - Entries will be £20 per driver.
- b. Ensure you select the correct class for PCA or Autotest**
- c. In the event that a particular date is cancelled, a refund can be given or monies can be rolled over to the next event.
- d. Cars may be double driven.
- e. Payment is via BACS only, account details are below and also at the top of the Sapphire Solutions on-line registration page:

Bank:	Santander
Account Name:	Rugby Motor Club
Account Number:	70979407
Sort Code:	09-01-51
Reference:	Name and event date. e.g. FBloggs30-6
- f. In the event that maximum entries are received and there are reserve entries, priority will be given to paid competitors.
- g. The entry list for all the events in the series can be found by using the link in 7a. To list entries for an individual event, select the required event from the *Event* selector.

8. Classes

The Autotest and the PCA will consists of four separate classes as follows:

A – Autotest	Front Wheel Drive cars under 4m (13ft) overall length
B – Autotest	Front Wheel Drive cars over 4m (13ft) overall length
C – Autotest	Rear Wheel Drive Cars
D – Autotest	Four Wheel Drive Cars or cars fitted with a LSD (8% handicap)
E – PCA	Front Wheel Drive cars under 4m (13ft) overall length
F – PCA	Front Wheel Drive cars over 4m (13ft) overall length
G – PCA	Rear Wheel Drive Cars
H – PCA	Four Wheel Drive Cars or cars fitted with a LSD (8% handicap)

- Overall Lengths as stated in the Autocar Buyers Guide;
- Classes may be amalgamated if less than four entries;
- Electric & Hybrid vehicles are allowed and will run in the standard classes;
- The minimum number of class entries for class awards is 5.

9. Signing On

- A Pre-Event Declaration form can be found at the top of the Sapphire Solutions on-line registration page. The declaration must be read prior to registering for the event. Registration is an agreement to the Pre-Event Declaration.
- A copy of club membership cards, MSUK licences and completed Pre-Event Declaration forms for the under 18s, must either be emailed to the Entries Secretary by close of entries or produced at signing-on. These are required for both driver and passenger.
- All competitors and officials are required to manually sign-on before starting the event.

10. Production Car Autotest Specific Regulations

- Only open to standard production cars which must have been in series production and on general catalogued sale and available from stock through normal retail dealer outlets in the UK.
- Open to Junior competitors over 13 years provided they comply with paragraph 13
- A Passenger must be carried on all timed tests.
- Passengers must hold a valid membership card from RMC, CCC or an invited club; a minimum of an MSUK RS Clubman licence and comply with one of the following:
 - Be over 12 years of age and be at least 1.35m in height (subject to any medical or disability exemption) in a saloon car or an open car with the hood erected or a hardtop fitted;
 - Be over 16 years of age and be at least 1.35m in height (subject to any medical or disability exemption) in an open car.

- e. The Passenger must occupy the seat alongside the Driver and wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt at all times during the test.
- f. No other passenger is allowed.

11. Autotests Specific Regulations

- a. Open to production cars, competition cars and autotest specials;
- b. All open Vehicles and Autotest Specials are recommended to be fitted with safety roll-over bars to at least the specification stated in NCR Ch.7 App.3 Art.22.
- c. No passengers are allowed.

12. General

- a. The speed limit throughout the venue is 10mph unless competing on a timed test.
- b. Test diagrams will be provided in the Final Instructions. It is the competitors responsibility to print the diagrams.
- c. Depending on the event, there may be three or six tests which will be confirmed in the Final Instructions. The Driver will either have:
 - c.i. Three test event: 3 runs at each test layout with the best two counting.
 - c.ii. Six test event: 2 runs at each test layout, with the best time counting.
- d. Cars will be identified by numbers which should be displayed on each side of the vehicle. Magnetic numbers will be issued to the entrant at their first event. The numbers must be kept and used at subsequent events. The entries secretary will maintain the same competitor numbers throughout the season.
- e. Cars will start in their own time once instructed to do so by the marshal.
- f. With the exception of new Juniors, the practising of the tests will not be allowed.
- g. It is recommended that cars carry an environmental small spill kit as defined in NCR Ch.7 App.2 Art.22.15. (Spill kits are available from Amazon or most motorsport outlets; See example in Paragraph 19)
- h. Timing is via TimingAppLive with live results available to competitors. Further to NCR Ch.7 App.1 Art.5.1; Competitors will start each test with a maximum test time.
- i. Final results will be emailed to competitors as soon as possible after the event. Championship points will be published on the [Championship Website](#) as soon as possible after the event.
- j. Refuelling of vehicles is not allowed on-site. Competitors are to ensure they have sufficient fuel on-board for the entire event.

13. Juniors

- a. Juniors are classified as anyone under the age of 18 regardless of the fact that they may have a full RTA license.
- b. Junior drivers must be over 13 years of age and are at least 135cm in height (subject to any medical or disability exemption)
- c. Further to Ch.19 App.4 Art.2; Junior Drivers can only compete in a PCA.
- d. The Vehicle must be defined as a salon car.
- e. Further to Ch.19 App.5 Art.3.1c; the Vehicle engine capacity must not exceed 2000cc including forced induction. Forced induction vehicles have a 1.7 multiplier applied which limits forced induction vehicles to 1176cc;
- f. Junior drivers must be accompanied by their named passenger **at all times** whilst driving within the venue. Any Junior driver found driving without their named passenger may be excluded.
- g. Juniors may practice driving skills around the edge of the field prior to the start of the event.
- h. New Juniors will be required to complete a practice test to the satisfaction of the Clerk of Course before being allowed to compete.
- i. The PCA Passenger must hold a valid, full RTA Licence and be experienced in Autotests or AutoSOLOs.

14. Marking and Penalties

- a. Further to NCR Ch.19 App.1 Art.4.2; times and penalties will be recorded by the marshal on TimingAppLive. The App can be downloaded from the relevant App Stores. Although competitors do not need to have the App, it can be used to view the live results.
- b. Timing will start as the front wheels pass the start line and will be stopped when the front wheels pass the finish line which marks the entrance to the finish garage. To avoid penalties, the car must stop with the front and rear wheels wholly contained within the finish garage.
- c. Penalties will be in accordance with NCR Ch.19 Art.9:
 - o Striking a cone (Cone penalty) = 5 Seconds.
 - o Failing to stop astride the indicated cones (Line penalty) = 10 Seconds.
 - o Failing to stop with all four wheels within a garage (Garage penalty) = 10 Seconds.
 - o Incorrect test or failing to complete the test (Wrong Test) = Test maximum.

15. General Regulations

NCR Ch.19 apply as written except for the following amendments:

- a. Only STD road pattern tyres are allowed to protect the venue, (No M&S or Rally type patterns).
- b. Markers or cones may be less than one metre high.
- c. Vehicles need not be taxed for the road as the event is on private property.
- d. Light Commercial vehicles may be permitted, please check with the Clerk of Course.

16. Code of Conduct

Further to NCR Ch.2 Art.1.1; all competitors, their associates, officials and marshals must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times. **Any abusive language or harmful behaviour will not be tolerated.** Any incidents must be reported to the Event Officials or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report to Motorsport UK.

17. Regulations Regarding Parental / Guardian Liabilities

Parents, guardians or guarantors of Juniors (under 18) are now required to sign on at the start of events to enable their child to participate.

By signing on, those parents, guardians or guarantors confirm that they have acquainted themselves with and agree to be bound by MSUK NCR and NCR Ch.3 Art.3.1-3.2. They also agree to accept the consequences and any associated penalties imposed for not adhering to the NCR.

Rugby Motor Club Safeguarding policy can be found at: <https://rugbymotorclub.co.uk>

18. Event Dates – 2026

Event	Permit	Date	Event	Permit	Date
Round 1	206186	13th May	Round 2	206189	27th May
Round 3	206190	10th June	Round 4	206191	24th June
Round 5	206220	8th July	Round 6	206221	22nd July
Round 7	206223	12th August	Round 8	206224	26th August

19. Useful links

Competitor and Marshal Registration and documentation: (Select required event)

<https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?sitename=RugbyMC>

Entry List: (Select required event)

<https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/eventlist.php?sitename=RugbyMC>

Live Results: (Select required event)

<https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/Leaderboard?sitename=RugbyMC>

Free MSUK RS Clubman licence application:

Note: Personal Injury insurance is no longer included with the free 2026 RS Clubman licence, it is now a paid option. Please bear that in mind when ordering.

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

Motorsport UK National Competition Rules: (Previously known as Bluebook or Yearbook) See Chapter 19 for Autotest specific regulations

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre> (Listed under Important Documents)

Small Spills Kit for Motorsport: <https://www.competitionssupplies.com/paddock-workshop/workshop-consumables/spill-kit-for-motorsport-vehicles>

Rugby Motor Club Safeguarding policy: <https://rugbymotorclub.co.uk>