



MSA ENGLISH RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 2008 – GENERAL REGULATIONS

BTRDA® will organise and promote the 2008 MSA English Rally Championship. The Championship will be run in accordance with the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (MSA) and these regulations. It is be open to competitors holding a minimum of a National B Competition Licence. Championship Permit No 2008 / 5704 has been issued by the MSA.

Acceptance for the Championship will be acknowledged by the issue of a Registration Card which must be produced at documentation on each event. Championship registrations will close after round five. Championship bulletins containing details of points allocations and any changes in the Championship will be sent to registered competitors at intervals throughout the year.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

The Championship will consist of 7 National B Forest Rallies. A competitor's best 5 scores will count.

Event	Date	Location
Get Connected Wyedean Forest Rally	9 th February	Forest of Dean
Malcolm Wilson Rally	1 st March	Lake District
North Humberside Forest Rally	29 th March	North Yorkshire
Somerset Stages	26 th April	West Somerset
Rainworth Skoda Dukeries Rally	14 th June	Sherwood Forest
Woodpecker Stages	30 th August	Shropshire
Tempest Rally	8 th November	Hampshire

If through 'force majeure' any of the qualifying rounds cannot take place, the BTRDA reserve the right to either include another event on the same date or to alter the number of scores to count. Championship registration does not guarantee an entry on events. It is the responsibility of competitors to enter events in sufficient time. BTRDA® cannot enter into any correspondence or discussion about event entries or event seeding.

VEHICLES

The MSA English Rally Championship is open to all competitors in vehicles that comply with MSA Regulations H262 to H266 and which fit into one of the five Championship classes.

CLASSES

- Class E1 Up to and including 1400cc
- Class E2 Over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc
- Class E3 Over 1600cc up to and including 2000cc
- Class E4 Over 2000cc two wheel drive
- Class E5 Over 2000cc four wheel drive conforming to FIA Group N

The engine capacities stated are after multiplying the actual capacity by the forced induction equivalency factor of 1.7. This does not apply to Diesel engines.

To be eligible for Class E5, cars must be currently on the list of FIA homologated cars in Group N, or added to it during the period of the Championship, or formerly listed and still in compliance with their homologation papers. In addition to complying with MSA Technical and Safety Regulations, cars in Class E5 may only be modified in the manner described in the 2008 FIA Yearbook. Modifications published in the monthly official FIA Motor Sports Bulletin may be incorporated at the date given. Valid homologation papers must be carried in the car and be available for inspection by Championship / Event Scrutineers.

Competitors must display BTRDA® Motorsport Championship decals on either side of the car.

All vehicles may be subject to random capacity and eligibility checks throughout the year. These checks will be carried out by the Championship Scrutineers and/or members of the MSA Technical Commission who shall be considered Judges of Fact in matters of eligibility. In the event of a car being found ineligible then the penalties specified in the MSA Regulations [C (d 41)] shall apply. A competitor will be responsible for any costs they incur as a result of eligibility checking, whether found eligible or otherwise. The Championship organisers reserve the right to grant waivers to disabled competitors.

Permitted Fuels: Competitors are permitted to only use fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuels in the 2008 MSA Yearbook or fuel that complies with FIA Appendix J, Article 252, Art 9. No other fuels are permitted.

SCORING

A competitor's best five scores will count to their final Championship and Class point's total. The scoring system will reflect achievement against other registered competitors in the same capacity class and the level of Championship competition in that class.

The allocation of Championship points will be based on the final results of the Championship events. Championship points will be awarded after each event and published in Championship Bulletins and / or on the Championship web site. These interim Championship points will become final 7 days after the publication of the Championship Bulletin. The end of year Championship points will become final 7 days after the publication of the final Championship Bulletin.

Points will be allocated as follows: -

20 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver in each Championship class., 18 points to the second placed registered driver/co-driver in each Championship class, 17 points to the third and so on down to two points for the 18th placed driver / co-driver and every subsequent driver / co-driver in the class that finishes the event. One point will be awarded to every non finisher.

For the overall MSA English Rally Championship an addition point will be awarded for each Championship contender beaten in the class, up to a maximum of 5 points.

EG: If Class E1 has 8 registered competitors and Class E4 has 4 registered competitors.

The winner of Class E1 would score $20 + 5 = 25$

The winner of Class E4 would score $20 + 3 = 23$

Any ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of maximum scores within their best five scores. In the event of a further tie the greatest number of second highest scores shall decide and so on. Should this fail to resolve the tie then reference will be made to a competitor's best points score on their 6th event and then finally their 7th event. If this fails to resolve the tie then joint awards will be presented.

Once a competitor has registered for the Championship it is not possible to de-register. Even if Championship decals are removed, either member of the crew may still be counted as a registered competitor for the allocation of points, even though they may not be awarded any individual points.

CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

MSA English Rally Champion Driver	Champion Drivers Trophy & Award
MSA English Rally Champion Co-Driver	Champion Co-Drivers Trophy & Award
Second Overall Driver and Co-driver	BTRDA engraved Awards
Third Overall Driver and Co-driver	BTRDA engraved Awards

Class Awards

1 st Driver and Co-driver in class	BTRDA engraved Awards
2 nd Driver and Co-driver in class	BTRDA engraved Awards

Winners of the Overall Awards will not be eligible for the class awards.
To qualify for any awards a competitor must have started at least 4 qualifying events

The Championship Awards Presentation will take place in early December.

CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIALS

Championship Co-ordinator - Howard Wilcock
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Any query concerning these regulations or the running of the Championship must be referred to the Championship Co-ordinator. Any subsequent protest must be referred in writing to the BTRDA Panel of Stewards via the BTRDA Ltd Secretary within the time limits set out in the MSA Yearbook. The BTRDA **Panel of Stewards** comprises any three from Mike Sones, Mike Stephens, Neil Mackay, Simon Harris and Terry Moore.

The Championship registration fee is £50 for Drivers and £40 for Co-drivers. This includes full membership of the BTRDA® which is an invited club on each event. **If you are already registered for the 2008 Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series then the registration fee for the MSA English Rally Championship is just an additional £10 each.**

The Championship web site www.englishrally.co.uk linked to www.btrdarally.co.uk will be a source of live event results and information about the MSA English Rally Championship throughout the year.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS AND CONTACTS

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9 February	GET CONNECTED WYEDEAN FOREST RALLY	<i>Chepstow / Forest of Dean</i>
Lilian Turley, Heathmount, Woodside, Bream, Nr. Lydney. GLOS. GL15 6ND.		
Email: lilianturley@btinternet.com		Tel: 01594 810161
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1 March	MALCOLM WILSON RALLY	<i>Cockermouth / Lake District</i>
Ian & Lois Wright, 14 Monkswell Drive, Bolton le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire. LA5 8HN		
Email: wright516@btinternet.com		Tel: 01524 824626
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29 March	NORTH HUMBERSIDE FOREST RALLY	<i>Whitby / North Yorkshire</i>
Amanda Smith, 159 Church Street, Whitby, North Yorkshire. YO22 4AS		
Email: entries@NorthHumbersideForestRally.org.uk		Tel: 01947 821862
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26 April	SOMERSET STAGES RALLY	<i>Minehead / North Somerset</i>
Cathie Leverton, 80 Herne Rise, Ilminster, Somerset. TA19 0HL		
Email: entries@somersetstagesrally.com		Tel: 0870 744 9160
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14 June	RAINWORTH SKODA DUKERIES RALLY	<i>Southwell / Sherwood Forest</i>
Alan Rotherham, 5 Moor View Road, Staveley, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. S43 3UE		
Email: entries@dukeries-rally.co.uk		Tel: 01246 472002
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30 August	WOODPECKER STAGES	<i>Ludlow / Shropshire</i>
To be confirmed		
Email: woodpeckerentry@aol.com		Tel:
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10 November	TEMPEST RALLY	<i>Aldershot / Hampshire</i>
Pam Guess, 8 Bethel Lane, Upper Hale, Farnham, Surrey. GU9 0QA.		
Email: barrygcharlie@aol.com		Tel: 01252 727390