



## 2023 English Rally Championship

in association with **SEACON UK**

### Article 1: ANNOUNCEMENT

BTRDA Ltd will organise and promote the **2023 English Rally Championship**.

### Article 2: JURISTRICITION

The Championship will be run in accordance with the General Regulations (GR's) of Motorsport UK and these Championship Regulations (CR's) and any Official Bulletins the Championship might issue. In the event of a variance between these CR's and the BTRDA General Championship Rules these regulations take precedence. The Championship organisers reserve the right to grant waivers to disabled competitors.

### Article 3: AUTHORISATION:

Championship Permit No **CH2023 / RALLY002** has been issued by Motorsport UK

### Article 4: ELIGIBILITY

The Championship is open to all fully paid-up members of the BTRDA (British Trial & Rally Drivers Association). Competitors must hold a 2023 Motorsport UK 'Interclub' (or higher grade) competition licence.

All vehicles must comply with the 2023 Motorsport UK Safety and Technical Regulations for Special Stage Rallies and where appropriate with FIA Technical Regulations. Valid FIA homologation papers must be carried in the car and be available for inspection by Series or Event Scrutineers immediately upon request. Competitors are reminded of the requirements of Motorsport UK Tyre List 6.

### Article 5: CALENDAR

The 2023 English Rally Championship includes a selection of popular and competitive forest stage rallies with the final points table based on a competitor's best 5 scores.

Event	Date	Location
<b>Malcolm Wilson Rally*</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> March	Cockermouth / Lake District
<b>Border Counties Rally</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> May	Jedburgh / Borders
<b>Kielder Forest Rally</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> June	Hexham / Kielder Forest
<b>Woodpecker Stages</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> September	Ludlow / Shropshire
<b>Trackrod Forest Rally*</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Filey / North Yorkshire
<b>Wyedean Stages Rally</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> October	Mitcheldean / Forest of Dean
<b>Grizedale Stages</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> / 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Ambleside / Lake District

\* The BTRDA reserve the right to include competitor stage times / results from other categories in these events.

### Article 6: CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

The 2023 English Rally Championship is divided into 7 competition classes.

<b>Class E7</b>	Current and former World Rally cars with a sequential gearbox, current and former R5, S2000 and FIA Rally2 specification cars and any derivatives therefrom.
<b>Class E6</b>	Over 2000cc 4-WD cars not eligible for class E7

<b>Class E5</b>	Over 2000cc 2-WD cars including all FIA R3T cars and Category 4b cars which comply with R49,1.5.
<b>Class E4</b>	Over 1600cc up to 2000cc or with forced induction engines up to 1300cc, plus any FIA Rally4 cars. Historic Category 3 cars with multi cam engines and Category 4a cars over 1600cc.
<b>Class E3</b>	Cars over 1400cc up to 1600cc plus current & former FIA Group N3 and ST Trophy cars and all FIA R2 cars.
<b>Class E2</b>	Cars up to 1400cc not eligible for Class E1, plus Historic Category 1 & 2, Category 3 with single cam engines and category 4a up to 1600cc
<b>Class E1</b>	All BTRDA Rally First cars.

All forced induction engines are subject to an additional capacity coefficient of 1.7:1 except as set out in Class E1 and Class E4 or where FIA Appendix J, Art 260 applies.

The Championship organisers reserve the right to reclassify any vehicle if they consider it appropriate to do so.

## Article 7: SCORING & POINTS

The scoring system will reflect achievement against other registered competitors in the same vehicle class and the level of Championship competition in that class with the final points tables based on a competitor's best 5 scores.

If through 'force majeure' any of the qualifying rounds cannot take place the BTRDA reserves the right to either include another event on the same date and / or to alter the number of scores to count.

7 Events – best 5 scores to count
6 Events – best 5 scores to count
5 Events – best 4 scores to count
4 Events – best 3 scores to count
3 Events or less – championship cancelled

The allocation of Championship points will be based on the final results of each of the qualifying events. The points will be published on the Championship website [www.englishrally.co.uk](http://www.englishrally.co.uk) as soon as possible after each event.

Queries should be addressed to the Championship Scoring Official. Subject to no protests being received, these points will become final 7 days later, unless otherwise stated. Similarly, at the end of the year, the Championship points will become final 7 days after the provisional points are published on the website, unless otherwise stated.

Any ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of maximum scores within their counting 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 may be made to whoever has the fastest time on the first stage of the last event on which the competitors who have tied, took part. If this fails to resolve the tie, then joint awards will be presented.

### Points in each Championship class 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 2023 English Rally Championship** an additional point will be awarded for each Championship contender beaten in the class, up to a maximum of 5 points.

EG: If Class 5 has 4 registered competitors and Class 2 has 8 registered competitors

The winner of Class 5 would score  $20 + 3 = 23$

The winner of Class 2 would score  $20 + 5 = 25$



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**CHAMPIONSHIP STEWARDS**

BTRDA Panel of Stewards: Any three from Mike Broad, Terry Moore, Gemma Price or Simon Harris. Any query concerning these regulations, or the running of the Championship must be referred to a named Championship Official. 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 Motorsport UK Yearbook, together with the appropriate fee (Competition Fees Appendix 1).

**Article 9: VEHICLES & IDENTIFICATION**

All vehicles must comply with 2023 Motorsport UK Safety and Technical Regulations for Special Stage rallies and where appropriate with FIA Technical Regulations. 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 Motorsport UK 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 Motorsport UK Yearbook C:3.5.3 will apply. A competitor will be responsible for any costs they incur because of eligibility checking, whether found eligible or otherwise.

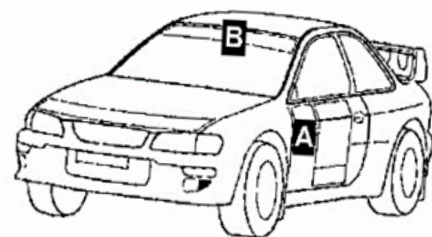
**Permitted Fuels:** Competitors must only use fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuel in the 2022 Motorsport UK Yearbook. **Fuel additives are NOT permitted** unless specified in the Motorsport UK definition of Pump Fuel.

Competitors must display a BTRDA sponsor panel on either side of the car and a BTRDA front screen strip. Decals must not be modified by altering the logo sizes or colours. They can be trimmed where exceptionally necessary to fit the vehicle, but this must be approved by the BTRDA Eligibility Scrutineers or Series on event team.

Locations A and B are mandatory requirements.

A - Sponsors Panel on leading edge of door

B - The BTRDA / Sponsors screen strip



Registered co-drivers accompanying non-registered drivers must display two "BTRDA" decals (310mm x 110mm) on the car to be eligible to score points.

Failure to carry Championship decals in accordance with Article 9 will result in the loss of any points and prize money for that round.

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.

## Article 10: CHAMPIONSHIP REGISTRATION & FEES

10.1 By registering for the Championship all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code. (See Appendix 1).

10.1.1. 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 through to Championship Expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.

10.1.2. 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 Co-ordinator 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.

The championship registration fee includes full membership of the BTRDA which is an invited club on each event, and registration for the 2023 BTRDA Rally Series. (NB: Registration for the 2023 BTRDA Rally Series automatically includes registration for the English Rally Championship). The registration fee is £50 for Drivers and £20 for Co-drivers, plus the BTRDA Club membership fee of £30.

Championship registration and BTRDA membership are free to new members under 25 for their first year of registration. Membership can be done on-line at [www.btrdamembership.com](http://www.btrdamembership.com)

Acceptance for the Championship will be acknowledged by the issue of a BTRDA Registration Card which must be produced at documentation on each event.

The Championship web site [www.englishrally.co.uk](http://www.englishrally.co.uk) (linked to [www.btrdarally.com](http://www.btrdarally.com)) will be a source of live event results and information about the Motorsport UK 2022 English Rally Championship throughout the year.

## Article 11: CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

English Rally Champion Driver	BTRDA Engraved Trophy Vase
English Rally Champion Co-Driver	BTRDA Engraved Trophy Vase
Second Overall Driver	BTRDA engraved award
Second Overall Co-driver	BTRDA engraved award

The Overall Award winners are not eligible for class awards.

### CLASS AWARDS

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| • First Driver in each Class     | Engraved award |
| • First Co-driver in each Class  | Engraved award |
| • Second Driver in each Class    | Engraved award |
| • Second Co-Driver in each Class | Engraved award |
| • Third Driver in each Class*    | Engraved award |
| • Third Co-driver in each Class* | Engraved award |

\* Subject to a minimum of 6 registered competitors

To qualify for an award competitor must have started at least 4 qualifying events.

## JUNIOR DRIVER & CO-DRIVER AWARDS

These awards are open to all registered drivers who are under 25 years of age on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

Points will be awarded on a 'comparison of performance' basis. 20 points will be allocated to the highest scorer, 18 points to the second highest scorer, 17 points to the third highest scorer and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed scorer and every subsequent finisher in this category.

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Junior Driver</b>	Chris Lord Trophy and an award plus £250 (sponsored by Mintex)
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Junior Co-Driver</b>	Mike Broad Trophy and an award

**APPENDIX 1**

A socially-minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code:

[Motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect](https://motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect)  
[#RaceWithRespect](https://twitter.com/RaceWithRespect)

**The Values**

- Respect
- Fair play
- Integrity
- Good Manners
- Self-Control

I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play your part in keeping the sport safe through your actions
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.

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