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## AUTOSPORT 3 HOUR REGULATIONS

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# AUTOSPORT 3 HOUR SUNDAY 23 APRIL 2023

The 18th edition of the Autosport 3 Hours will be organised by the Historic Sports Car Club.

The race is open to all owners and drivers of Pre '66 GT cars, regardless of whether or not they normally race with the HSCC.

### AUTOSPORT 3 HOURS: CLASS STRUCTURE

**Class A** Standard, competition GT & GT prototype cars up to 2500cc (excluding metal-bodied cars)

**Class B** Metal-bodied standard & competition GT cars up to 2000cc

**Class C** All standard competition GT and GT prototype cars 2001 to 4000cc

**Class D** All standard competition GT & GT prototype cars over 4000cc

**Class E** All standard competition GT & GT prototype cars up to 1300cc

These regulations have the same force as the HSCC standard Supplementary Regulations and the Final Instructions for the event.

**The following information is with regard to the Autosport 3 Hour race format and refueling only.**

Thank you very much for your entry. Final instructions and passes will be sent nearer to the event.

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## 1 AUTOSPORT 3 HOUR RACE GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

- The race will be for Pre 66 GT cars which have as a model, international competition history in period. Regulations are as FIA Appendix K, namely full period racing specification in accordance with manufacturer's homologation forms.
- Cars of historical interest that do not conform to the above may be accepted by invitation. Please call the office to discuss.
- The race will have a Rolling Start and will run for 3 hours plus a 50 minute qualifying period.
- A Safety Car will be used to neutralise the race if necessary.
- There will be no 'Live Snatch'.
- Scrutineering will take place as per the final instructions.
- There will be two mandatory pit stops for driver change or refueling when the car must be stationary in the pit or refueling area for a minimum of 5 minutes, plus the "Pit In" to "Pit Out" time advised by TSL in the Final Instructions.  
  
These mandatory pit stops must be taken between the 20th and 160th minute of the race.  
  
Pit stops for driver change and/or work on the car outside of these mandatory pit stops are free. There may be up to 3 drivers for each car.
- Mandatory pit stops or pit stops for refueling where the vehicle is not stationary for 5 minutes or cars which pit outside of the pit stop window will incur a time penalty of one minute and/or a stop/go penalty. Two offences may incur disqualification.
- Car doors, seat belts/ harnesses must not be undone until the car is stationary, failure to comply will result in a 30 second time penalty being applied to the race time and or a Stop/Go penalty being applied.

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It is the team's responsibility to time the stop, but it will be monitored and checked by race officials. Failure to take both mandatory pit stops will result in exclusion from the results.

- Tyres will be as Guards Trophy Regulations – i.e. Dunlop L or M 204 compound or earlier; Avon CR6ZZ; Continental/Hoosier Historic. Treaded, all weather historic pattern only. Other tyres may be permitted at the organiser's discretion and must be agreed with the organiser prior to entering the race.
- All refuelling equipment will be inspected at scrutineering – this will be done at the same time as your cars.
- Pit lane speed limit is 60 kph or 37mph and will be monitored by timekeepers and calibrated speed gun. Speeding in the pit lane will incur a time penalty of 30 seconds, repeated violations may incur disqualification.
- Failure to adhere to these regulations may incur disqualification, a time penalty of one minute added to the race time and or a Stop/Go Penalty.

**2 REFUELING FOR VEHICLES THAT COMPLY WITH MOTORSPORT UK YEARBOOK 2023 Q12.25.1 -12.25.2 AND 12.25.3. ARE AS FOLLOWS;**

- **Q.12.25.1.** Refuelling and work upon the cars, other than by a driver or officials, may only be carried out at the pits or in the paddock (E.7.4). Unless expressly permitted by the Supplementary Regulations refuelling may not take place during a practice session, qualifying session or race.
- **Q.12.25.2.** A driver shall vacate the car and the engine be stopped throughout any refuelling operation. Refuelling within the pit lane may only be carried out using either a churn of no more than 25 litres capacity equipped with a self-seal connection and closed loop breathing system or a refuelling rig in compliance with FIA requirements. In addition the entrant shall ensure that throughout refuelling one person shall stand by the car with a fire extinguisher at the ready. Any personnel refuelling the vehicle or on standby with a fire extinguisher during a pit stop must wear a safety suit in accordance with Motorsport UK Yearbook regulation K 9.1.1 and fire resistant balaclava and gloves in accordance with FIA regulations.
- **Q.12.25.3.** Not more than five gallons of fuel may be kept in any pit unless the SRs allow otherwise. In all cases where an additional quantity of fuel is authorised, the container and the method of delivery to the car must be specified in the SRs. Storage of fuel is only permitted in containers having a screw or other approved safety cap and complying with the Law and local Fire Regulations.
- **Q.12.25.4.** If any fuel is stored in a pit, the entrant of the car using that pit shall ensure that an effective fire extinguisher is kept adjacent to such fuel.

**3 REFUELING FOR VEHICLES THAT DO NOT COMPLY WITH MOTORSPORT UK YEARBOOK 2023 SPECIFIC REGULATIONS Q12.25.1 -12.25.2**

- Refueling must be carried out in the designated area and not in the pits.  
The requirement for the entrant to ensure that throughout refuelling one person shall stand by the car with a fire extinguisher at the ready will still be enforced.  
Any personnel refuelling the vehicle or on standby with a fire extinguisher during a pit stop must wear a safety suit in accordance with Motorsport UK Yearbook regulation K9.1.1 and fire resistant balaclava and gloves in accordance with FIA regulations is still required.
- The circuit fuel station sells 97 RON fuel. Alternatively, if required, FIA Appendix K 2013/2014 fuel can be ordered and obtained from Sunoco who can also supply fuel storage and suitable refueling containers.  
Contact Shaun Williams 01929 555973.  
Please ensure you comply with either Motorsport UK Pump fuel regulations or FIA 2013/2014 fuel regulations only.

**4 SILENCING**

- All cars must be within 108db maximum. This limit will be measured as per Motorsport UK Yearbook regulation J 5.18.1.

**5 DRIVERS**

- Drivers will be allowed to drive more than one car but must practice in every car they intend to drive.
- Starting drivers must be nominated to Race Administration at least two hours before the start of the race. Teams who do not nominate a starting driver within this time may be penalised and must start the first driver mentioned on the entry form.
- Minimum one driver – maximum three drivers allowed.

**6 TRACK LIMITS**

- Drivers should ensure they understand the Motorsport UK 2023 regulation 12.21.2 concerning Track Limits. If you are unsure please speak to a Clerk of the Course at the driver briefing.

**7 RADIOS**

- Radios may be permitted as per the Motorsport UK 2023 Yearbook Q11.3 (iii)

**8 TESTING**

- If you require additional testing for this or other races at the meeting, please call: 0843 453 2000  
Or visit the website: [www.snetterton.co.uk](http://www.snetterton.co.uk), for further information and to book.