



# PUBLISHED REGULATIONS

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## HSCC GT & SR Championship For the Guards Trophy Regulations 2023

Eligible Cars: Moved to 5(2)

### 1. SPORTING REGULATIONS – GENERAL

#### 1.1 Title and Jurisdiction:

The HSCC GT & Sports Racing Championship © is organised and administered by The Historic Sports Car Club [HSCC] in accordance with the General Regulations of the Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association [Motorsport UK Association Ltd] (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship regulations.

**Motorsport UK Championship Permit No. CH2023/R070**

**Race Status: Interclub**

**Motorsport UK Championship Grade: D**

#### 1.2 Officials:

- 1.2.1 Co-ordinator: Donna Skipworth-Michell, c/o HSCC Ltd, Silverstone Circuit, Silverstone Nr Towcester, Northants, NN12 8TN. Tel. 01327 858400
- 1.2.2 Licensed Eligibility Scrutineer: Sue Bateman, c/o HSCC Ltd, Silverstone Circuit, Silverstone Nr Towcester, Northants, NN12 8TN. Tel. 01327 858400
- 1.2.3 Championship Stewards: Roger Bevan, Frank Lyons, Chris Alford c/o HSCC Ltd, Silverstone Circuit, Silverstone, Towcester, Northants, NN12 8TN

#### 1.3 Competitor Eligibility:

##### 1.3.1 Entrants must:

- I be fully paid up members of the HSCC and
- II be Registered for the Championship and
- III be in possession of a valid Motorsport UK Entrants Licences.

##### 1.3.2 Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must:

- I Be current Members of the HSCC and
- II be Registered for the Championship and
- III be in possession of valid Motorsport UK Competition (Racing) Clubman status Licence, *as a minimum*

\*Or be in possession of the highest grade of national Race licence or valid FIA International Licence, together with their ASN's written consent

- IV \*If participation in the Championship requires absence from education a driver, in full time school education is required to have the approval of their head teacher and a letter stating such



approval from their school in order to fulfil registration for the Championship. A driver shall not take time out of their education to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their education establishment.

#### 1.4 Registration:

- 1.4.1 All competitors must register for the Championship via the online membership registration process at [www.hsc.org.uk](http://www.hsc.org.uk) prior to the Final Closing date for the first event being entered.
- 1.4.2 The membership year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December. Registrations will be accepted from 1st January in the membership year.
- 1.4.3 Registration numbers will be the permanent Competition numbers for the Championship for that year.

#### 1.5 Championship Events:

The Championship will be contested over 5 events as follows:

Date	Circuit	Status	Org. Club
27-28 May	Silverstone GP Circuit	Interclub	HSCC
24-25 June	Donington Park	Interclub	HSCC
15-16 July	Brands Hatch GP	Interclub	HSCC
2-3 September	Croft	Interclub	HSCC
14-15 October	Silverstone Circuit	Interclub	HSCC

#### 1.6 Scoring:

- 1.6.1 Points will be awarded to competitors listed as classified finishers in the Final Results, except those competing in the Invitational class, as follows:-

Position	Number of race starters in class			
	4 or over	3	2	1
1 <sup>st</sup>	4	3	2	1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3	2	1	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2	1		
4 <sup>th</sup>	1			

Points will be based on the official published results of the race. If there is more than one race at an event, each will count for championship points unless stated otherwise

- 1.6.2 Starting driver to be notified to organisers before the race. This to appear in the Final Instructions.
- 1.6.3 Full points will be awarded to each driver in a car, drivers may only drive one car in any race.
- 1.6.4 The totals from all qualifying races will determine final championship points and positions.
- 1.6.5 Ties shall be resolved using the formula in Section W1.3.4 of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook.
- 1.6.6 Where the race distance has been reduced (2.6) it shall still count as a full points-scoring race.
- 1.6.7 Competitors not registered for the Championship may be permitted on an individual event basis and will:
- I be deemed "Guest Competitors"
  - II not score points and for the purpose of points scoring will be ignored
  - III not qualify for Event awards
  - IV comply with the eligibility criteria as prescribed in Article 1.3 above with the exception of 1.3.1 (II) and 1.3.2. (II), as appropriate.



**1.7 Awards:**

- 1.7.1 All awards are to be provided by the race organisers.
- 1.7.2 **Per race:** Awards will be given the first three sports racing cars & also to the first three GT cars. An award will be given to first in each class, subject to three starters in the class.
- 1.7.3 **Championship:** Championship winner 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall will receive a trophy. The highest placed finisher in each class will receive a trophy subject to 4 in class, the 2<sup>nd</sup> subject to 6 in class and 3<sup>rd</sup> subject to more than 6 in class. To qualify for a position in the championship results a competitor must have competed in at least 2 races. Other awards may be given at the Championship Organisers' discretion.
- 1.7.4 **Presentations:** Awards are to be provided for presentation at the end of each race or at the end of the meeting presentation ceremony. Class trophies will be available either from the paddock office or at a Championship coordinated presentation one hour after the official results have been published. Any awards not collected on the day will be forfeit.
- 1.7.5 DELETED
- 1.7.6 Title to all trophies / awards:  
If any Provisional Results or Championship Tables are revised after any presentations and these revisions affect the distribution of awards, the Competitors concerned must return such awards to the HSCC in good condition within 7 days.



## 2. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT MEETINGS & RACE PROCEDURES

### 2.1 Entries:

- 2.1.1 Competitors are responsible for registering correct and complete entries with the correct entry fee prior to the closing date before each event.
- 2.1.2 Incorrect or incomplete entries (including Driver to be Nominated Entries) are to be held in abeyance until they are complete and correct and the date of receipt for acceptance of entry purposes shall be the date on which the Secretary of the Meeting receives the missing or corrected information or fee.
- 2.1.3 Any withdrawal of Entry or Driver/Car changes made after acceptance of any entry must be notified to the Meeting Organisers in writing
- 2.1.4 The Entry Fee for each event shall be specified in the SRs and on the entry form.
- 2.1.5 Reserves will be listed in the Final List of Entries published with Final Instructions or in a Bulletin.

### 2.2 Briefings:

Organisers should notify Competitors of the times and locations for all briefings in the Final Instructions for the meetings. Competitors must attend all briefings.

### 2.3 Qualification Practice:

- 2.3.1 Should any Practice Session be disrupted, the Clerk of the Course shall not be obliged to resume or re-run the session; the decision of the Clerk of the Course shall be final.
- 2.3.2 Any driver who has not raced on the course in its current layout within the preceding twelve months must complete a minimum of 3 laps in the car to be raced, and in the correct session, in order to qualify.
- 2.3.3 If there is more than one race at a race meeting, the grid position for race 2 shall be determined by the finishing order of Race1 irrespective of any driver change.

### 2.4 Races:

Should any race be disrupted the Clerk of the Course shall not be obliged to resume or rerun the race Q12.15 (1.6.4. above applies). All races are a mandatory pit stop race with the option of having 2 drivers. Single drivers must exit the car at the pit stop, close door (if applicable), stand aside prior to re-entering the car, refitting safety harness and rejoining the race at the conclusion of the one minute stationary time.

### 2.5 Starts:

- 2.5.1 All cars will be released to form up on the grid prior to the start in formation as specified on the grid sheet.
- 2.5.2 The start will be via a Standing start or a Rolling start. There is a preference for Rolling Starts.

#### **Standing Start**

The minimum Countdown procedures/audible warning sequence shall be:-

- I 1 minute to start of Green Flag/Pace Lap – Start Engines/Clear Grid
- II 30 Seconds – Visible and audible warning for start of Green Flag/Pace Lap.
- III A five second board will be used to indicate that the grid is complete.
- IV The red lights will be switched on five seconds after the board is withdrawn.

#### **Rolling start.**

The minimum Countdown procedures /audible warning sequence shall be:



- I 1 minute to start of Green Flag/Pace Lap – Start Engines/Clear Grid
  - II 30 Seconds – Visible and audible warning for start of Green Flag/Pace Lap.
  - III The cars will be led around the circuit by a Pace car for a lap (or more if specified in the Final Instructions) in a two by two formation.
  - IV If the Clerk of the Course is satisfied that the cars are in a correct formation the lights on the pace car will be extinguished and the red lights at the startline will be turned on.
  - V Competing cars must then hold their position and speed until the red lights at the Startline are extinguished denoting the start of the race. No overtaking or changing direction of any cars is allowed prior to crossing the Startline.
- 2.5.3 Any cars removed from the grid after the one minute signal or driven into pits on Green Flag Lap shall be held in the pit lane and may start the race after the last car has passed the startline or pit lane exit, whichever is the later.
- 2.5.4 Any driver unable to start the Green Flag/Pace Lap or start is required to indicate their situation as per Motorsport UK Regulation Q12.11.2. In addition, any driver unable to maintain grid positions on Green Flag Lap, to the extent that ALL other cars are ahead of them, may complete the green flag lap but MUST remain at the rear of the last row of the grid but ahead of any cars to be started with a time delay.
- 2.5.5 In the event of any starting lights failure the Starter will revert to use of the National Flag.
- 2.5.6 Should circumstances at the event change such as, but not restricted to, Track Conditions or Weather, the Clerk of the Course may change Standing Starts to Rolling Starts. When this decision is made all affected competitors will be notified at the earliest opportunity along with being advised of the number of Pace laps.

## 2.6 Session Red Flag

Should the need arise to stop any race or practice, RED LIGHTS will be switched on at the Startline and RED FLAGS will be displayed at the Startline and at all Marshals Signaling Points around the Circuit.

This is the signal for all drivers to cease circulating at racing speeds, to slow to a safe and reasonable pace and to return to the pit lane, during practice, and to the starting grid area, during a race, unless otherwise directed by officials

Cars may not enter the Pits unless directed to do so. Work on cars already in the pits must cease when a race is stopped. All cars in the pitlane during a red flag period must take any restart from the pit exit.

## 2.7 Pits, Paddock & Pit Lane Safety:

- 2.7.1 **Pits & Paddock:** Competitors must ensure that the Motorsport UK, Circuit Management and Organising Club Safety regulations are complied with at all times.
- 2.7.2 **Pit Lane:** The outer lane or lanes are to be kept unobstructed to allow safe passage of cars, the onus shall be on all drivers to take all due care and respect the pit lane speed limits.
- 2.7.3 **Refuelling:** May only be carried out in accordance with the Motorsport UK Q12.25.1 – Q12.25.4 Regulations, Circuit Management Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations or Final Instructions issued for each Circuit/Meeting.
- 2.7.4 **Speed Limit:** Pit Lane Speed Limit will be 60 Km/h (37.2Mph) You are classed as being in the pitlane once the front wheels of the car have crossed the pit entry line and you must not exceed the Pitlane Speed Limit until the front wheels have crossed the pit exit line. Pitlane speed limiters are permitted.  
Failure to comply with the speed limit may result in the imposition of the following penalties **for each Km/h over the Pitlane Speed Limit:**  
Races: A minimum fine of £10 and/or a one-second race time penalty.



## 2.8 Race Finishes:

To be classified as a finisher, a car must either cross the Finishing Line or take the chequered flag in the pit lane in the interests of safety, or where a back marker has been overtaken on the winner's slowing down lap and subsequently flagged off by marshals. At circuits where such use of the pit lane represents an advantage, in terms of circuit length or speed, an appropriate time penalty will be added to the driver's race time.

After taking the Chequered Flag drivers are required to:

- I progressively and safely slow down,
- II remain behind any competitors ahead of them,
- III return to the Pit Lane Entrance/Paddock Entrance as instructed,
- IV comply with any directions given by Marshals or Officials
- V keep helmets on and harnesses done up while on the circuits or in the pit lane.

## 2.9 Results:

All Practice Timesheets, Grids, Race Results are to be deemed PROVISIONAL until all vehicles are released by Scrutineers after Post Practice/Race Scrutineering and/or after completion of any Judicial or Technical Procedures. (Motorsport UK regulation D26.3).

## 2.10 Timing Modules:

All cars must be fitted with a working Motorsport UK approved transponder. Failure may result in competitors not being accredited with a qualifying time or being disqualified from the result as per Motorsport UK regulation Q12.8.1. No electronic equipment may be placed within five metres of any official timing line and any breach of this may result in the confiscation of the equipment concerned.

**2.11 Qualification Races:** If any event is oversubscribed the Organising Club may at their discretion run Qualification Races.

**2.12 Operation of Safety Car:** *The safety car will be brought into operation and run in accordance with Section Q, Appendix 3 of the Motorsport UK General Regulations.*

## 2.13 Onboard Cameras:

The use of onboard cameras is permitted, but they must be fitted and declared at scrutineering for examination. Upon request any onboard footage must be made available to Clerk of the Course and or Stewards in the event of an incident, during the event.

## 2.14 Data Logging

The use of data loggers that record Data for post-race analysis is accepted. The use of linked data performance loggers that supply real time information in cockpit is not permitted



### **3. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS**

- 3.1 By registering for the Championship all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (Appendix 1).
- 3.2 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 and/or race bans through to Championship Expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.
- 3.3 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 Coordinator 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.



**4. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP PENALTIES:**

In accordance with Section C of the current Motorsport UK Yearbook.

**4.1 DELETED**

**4.2 Additional specific championship penalties as set out in the Supplementary Regulations:**

- 4.2.1 The Clerk of the Course (s) has the right to impose a Stop Go or Drive Through penalty, in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulation Q12.26. There is no right to appeal any such penalty.
- 4.2.2 Any competitor who is penalised under the Motorsport UK Sporting Regulations at any stage of an event may at the Clerk of the Course's discretion incur the following Championship penalty: -
- 4.2.3 The event will be counted as one of the events contributing to their Championship score and they will be disqualified from the event. Additionally, the competitor will forfeit a total of points equal to those obtained for a class win even if this results in a minus total of points.
- 4.2.4 Any Competitor who is penalised under the Championship Sporting Regulations at any stage of a Championship event and receives an allocation of penalty points on their race licence in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulations, will receive a Championship points deduction equal to the number of penalty points which were allocated. Should the same competitor receive penalty points at another Championship event then the number of Championship points deducted will be double the number of penalty points applied. If penalty points are applied at a third event, then the Championship points deducted will be triple this number, and quadrupled at the fourth occurrence of such a penalty etc. This may result in a driver receiving a negative score.





## 5. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS:

### 5(1) INTRODUCTION:

The following technical regulations are set out in accordance with the Motorsport UK specified format and it should be clearly understood that if the following texts do not clearly specify that you can do it you should work on the principle that you cannot.

**If you are in any doubt check with the Eligibility Scrutineer.**

### 5(2) GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The HSCC GT & Sports Racing Championship is open to sports racing, sports and Grand Touring cars complying in full with the provisions of FIA Appendix K in respect of Open & Closed two seat racing cars, Standard Grand Touring cars (GT), Competition Grand Touring cars (GTS) or Grand Touring Prototypes (GTP) from FIA Period E1 and F1 GT and GT Prototype cars built prior to the specification Pre'66, which have, as a model, International competition history in period.

Regulations are as FIA Appendix K, namely full period racing specification in accordance with manufacturers' homologation forms.

There is also a Championship class for sports-racing, and sports prototype cars from FIA Period F1 and G1 built to the specification Pre'69.

All vehicles must have an FIA HTP Technical Passport to be eligible for Championship points. There is also an Invitation Class, not eligible for the Championship points for GT and GT Prototype cars built prior to 31/12/73. Any period cars of Historic interest that fall within the date specification of the Championship but do not have FIA Historic Technical Passports may be accepted by the invitation of the Championship organisers but will not be eligible for Championship points, however there will be an award for best Invitation.

Final authority in regard to the acceptance and classification of all cars will rest with the Championship organisers, which, upon referral to it of any case by the Championship Eligibility Scrutineer or the Club Chief Registrar, shall:-

- accept, reject or reclassify any car, and
- determine the extent to which such acceptance, rejection or reclassification shall take effect retrospectively.

### Class Structure of the HSCC GT & SR Championship

The classes will cover the following FIA periods -

Period E1	1947-1961
Period F1	1962-1965
Period G1	1966-1971
Period H1	1972-1973

A	Standard, Competition GT & GT Prototype cars up to - 2500cc (excluding Metal Bodied)
B	Metal Bodied Standard & Competition GT cars up to 2000cc
C	All Standard Competition GT and GT Prototype cars 2001cc - 4000cc
D	All Standard Competition GT & GT Prototype cars over 4000cc
SRA	For sports racing cars unlimited engine capacity built to FIA Period E1
SRB	For sports racing cars under 1600cc built to FIA Period E1 and F1 Specification 01/01/60 – 31/12/65
SRC	For sports racing cars 1601cc – 2000cc built to FIA Period E1 and F1 Specification 01/01/60 – 31/12/65
SRD	For Sports Racing, Sports Prototype and competition GT up to 1601cc to 2000cc built to FIA Period G1 Specification 01/01/66 – 31/12/68
SRE	For Sports Racing, Sports Prototype and competition GT up to 1600cc built to FIA Period G1 Specification 01/01/60 – 31/12/68
INV.	For GT, GTP & SR cars built to FIA Period G1 and H1 Specification 01/01/69 – 31/12/73 cars accepted at the discretion of the Championship Organisers



**5(3) SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:**

Vehicles must meet the higher of the minimum safety standards specified in FIA Appendix K or Motorsport UK Yearbook Section K (except K4; K6; K7 and K12 which are not mandatory).

**5(4) GENERAL TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS & EXCEPTIONS:**

**5(4).1 Vehicle Identity Papers**

All vehicles must comply with their FIA Historic Technical Passport and with the technical requirements of FIA Appendix K except in respect of any specific provisions listed in these regulations.

**5(5) CHASSIS:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport

**5(6) BODYWORK:**

Ground clearance for all GT cars periods E – F will be 100mm as per FIA Appendix K Reg.

Ground clearance for two seat racing cars periods E –F 60mm as per FIA Appendix K Reg

Ground clearance for cars periods G – H as per their homologation listed on the FIA Technical Passport.

**5(7) ENGINE:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport. The engine number should be visible, together with the original manufacturer's casting numbers on both block and head(s).

**5(8) IGNITION SYSTEMS**

Ignition Systems must be to period specification, or in the interests of reliability an electronic ignition system may be used providing the car is fitted with an original make and type of distributor and the mechanical parts within that distributor are the sole means of determining the timing of the ignition.

**5(9) SUSPENSION:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport

**5(10) TRANSMISSION:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport

**5(11) ELECTRICS:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport

**5(12) BRAKES:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport

**5(13) WHEELS/STEERING:**

As the car's FIA Historic Technical Passport

**5(14) TYRES:**

All Championship Classes

For 2023, tyre choice is free from Dunlop L or M 204 compound; Dunlop CR65/82 Post Historic 484 compound (additional hand cut grooves permitted); Avon A37 All Weather Historic hand cut pattern only; Avon CR6ZZ;

Continental/Hoosier Historic pattern. Other Historic tyre make or pattern may be considered with prior permission of



the Organisers.

SRB has requested continued use of Dunlop M section for 2023.

**5(15) WEIGHTS:**

As per the car's homologated weight as stated in FIA document. The minimum weight for standard Lotus Elans will be set at 1527lbs/692 kilograms.

**5(16) FUEL TANK/FUEL**

5(16).1 Fuel Tank - As the car's FIA Identity Document and/or in accordance with FIA Appendix K.

5(16).2 Fuel must be in accordance with Motorsport UK regulations Section B Nomenclature & Definitions Pump Fuel parts (a) or (b).

**5(17) SILENCING:**

All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK Regulation (J5.17) i.e. for GT cars 105db and for Sports Racers 108db and are also subject to individual circuit requirements if specified in Supplementary Regulations.

**5(18) NUMBERS AND CHAMPIONSHIP DECALS:**

5(18).1 Numbers must be displayed as per Section J4 and Appendix 1 Drawing 4 of the *Motorsport UK General Regulations*. It is a competitor's responsibility for the competing vehicle to be easily identified by all course officials.

5(18).2 Individual sponsors' decals are limited to two per vehicle, dimensions and limitations as per sections H27 and H28 of the *Motorsport UK General Regulations*.

5(18).3 All competing cars must display at least two HSCC badges one on each side of the car, together with series or race sponsor stickers as required. Failure to display the required stickers by an individual competitor may result in the withholding of championship points and corresponding awards.



**6. APPENDICES**

The following Commercial Undertakings are not subject to the judicial procedures of either the Championship Stewards and/or the Motorsport UK /MSC.

**6.1 Race Organising Clubs and Contacts:**

**HISTORIC SPORTS CAR CLUB:** Silverstone Circuit, Silverstone, Towcester, Northants, NN12 8TN  
(T) 01327 858400 (F) 01327 858500 email: [office@hsc.org.uk](mailto:office@hsc.org.uk)  
Website: [www.hsc.org.uk](http://www.hsc.org.uk)

Championship Chair

**Hugh Colman**  
Contact through HSCC Office.



## 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

### 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.