

2009 BLACKHORSE FOREST STAGES RALLY

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

ARTICLE 1: ANNOUNCEMENT

Manx Auto Sport Ltd will promote a National "B" permit Stage Rally on Saturday 11TH April 2009. The event will be sponsored by Blackhorse Finance and will be known as the Blackhorse forest Stages Rally. The event is a qualifying round of the Eurocars Limited Manx Stage Rally Championship, and the Manx Auto Sport Stage Rally Championship.

ARTICLE 2: JURISDICTION

1. The event will be held under
 1. The 2009 General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association Ltd (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A.)
 2. The various Regulations issued by the Championship of which this event forms part.
 3. These Supplementary Regulations.
 4. Any written instructions the Promoting Club may issue for the event.

ARTICLE 3: AUTHORISATION

1. MSA Permit No: TBA in final instructions
2. Manx Auto Sport Stage Rally Championship
3. The Eurocars Manx Stage Rally Championship Permit waiver: TBA

ARTICLE 4: ELIGIBILITY

1. The Blackhorse forest Stages Rally is open to competitors (whether Entrant, Driver or Co Driver holding a valid National B or higher grade Licence issued by the Motor Sports Association or the Royal Irish Automobile Club who are members of Manx Auto Sport Ltd.
2. Competitors are reminded of the MSA's requirement for Entrants Licences as laid down in the 2009 MSA Year Book.
3. All Competitors Licences and series Registration documents will be inspected at documentation.
4. Island based crews who reside on the Isle of Man; At least ONE member of each crew must have attended a "Safety Awareness/ training night" organised by Manx Autosport Ltd.
Overseas crews are exempt from this requirement. However, they are **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** to make arrangements on their return home to attend an MSA Marshals Training night.
Any crew comprised of one UK competitor and one Island based competitor will be treated as wholly UK, with regard to the above
5. **The attention of would-be competitors is drawn to Article 24 of these regulations**

ARTICLE 5: FORMAT

The programme of the meeting will be:

Timetable

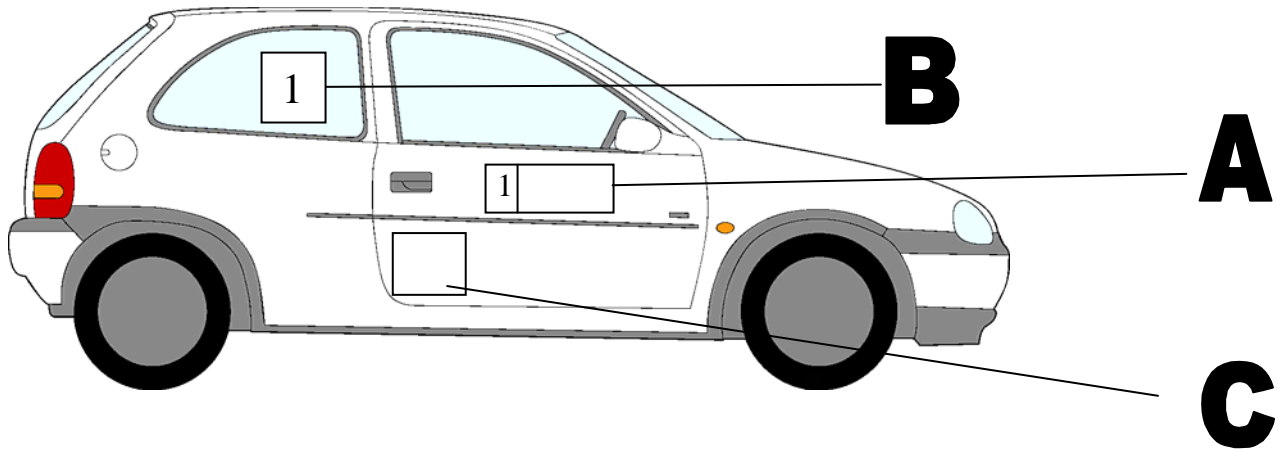
Publication of the Regulations Friday 3 rd April (20.00hrs)	Entries Open Entries close at early entry fee of £ 160.00 Any entry not accompanied by the appropriate fee will not be accepted.
Sunday 5 th April (20.00hrs)	Entries close at standard entry fee of £ 200.00 Late entries will only be accepted at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.
Monday 6 th April (21.00hrs)	Scrutineering times displayed at the Onchan Squash Club, Onchan Park. Overseas crews times will be posted.
Thursday 9 th April	Scrutineering & noise test at Eurocars Peel Rd Douglas from 19.00 hrs followed by Documentation in Eurocars Renault, Signing on for nominated officials from 7.00pm
Saturday 11 th April	Start of Rally – St Johns Car park/ service area (MC1 to MC3)
Saturday 11 th April	Prize presentation at Onchan Squash Club

ARTICLE 6: CLASSES

1. The class structure of the Rally will be:
 - A Up to 1400cc
 - B 1401cc to 1600cc
 - C 1601cc to 2500cc FWD
 - D 1601cc to 2500cc RWD
 - E Over 2500cc & all 4WD
2. Cars with forced induction will have their engine capacity increased by 70% to establish their class.

ARTICLE 7: IDENTIFICATION

1. Competitors must make space available to the Organisers of the event on the vehicle in the positions shown below (on and above both front doors) for Event Identification.



A: The Official Event Logo / Title & Competition Number

B: Competition Number

C: Other advertising proposed by Event Organisers and Series Promoters.

Competitors are reminded that these numbers must be removed completely after the event or upon retirement from the event.

1. Competitors may be requested, but will not be obliged to carry further advertisements in areas other than those specified in Art 7.1 & 7.2 above.
2. Competitors who do not provide the space specified in Art 7.1 & 7.2 above will be either **REFUSED A START OR EXCLUDED** from the results as appropriate to the case.

Note: Competitors will be provided with all rally plates and numbers which must not be cut or mutilated.

ARTICLE 8: ENTRIES

1. Should the number of entries overall not reach the minimum stated, the Organisers have the right to cancel the Event.
2. Entrants are required to indicate on their Entry Form their eligibility for the various Awards.
3. The order of starting will be at the Organisers discretion, but to assist seeding, drivers should note their previous results on the Entry form in the space provided. A selection committee will choose entries on the basis of performance and suitability.
4. Once the Entry list has been published, no communication will be entered into regarding it.
5. Competitors are advised that information they provide will be stored in a computer retrieval system and may be used for organisation and publicity purposes.

6. The Early Entry Fee is £160.00 (inclusive of MSA insurance and Permit fee)
NB Failure to honour a cheque to the event organisers will render the entry null & void and the MSA will be informed.
7. The maximum number of entries for the event is 80 plus reserves. The Organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if less than 20 entries are received by the closing date.
8. All entries must be made on an official entry form, accompanied by the appropriate entry fee, and sent to the Entries Secretary at the address given below;

Entries Secretary
Jo Rowe
Glen Darragh
Ballanard Road
Douglas

9. The entry list opens with publication of these regulations and will close finally at 20.00hrs on Sunday 5th Apl 2009 In the event of the rally being abandoned or postponed, entrants will have their entry fee refunded less £30 administration costs C (a) 59 (a)
11. Withdrawal of Entries:

Before Monday 6 th April	Full Refund
After Monday, 6 th April but before documentation	—refund less £30 admin fee
After documentation	Nil

Withdrawal of entries must be made in writing to the Clerk of the Course as soon as possible.

ARTICLE 9: OFFICIALS

MSA Steward	TBA
Club Stewards	TBA
Clerk of the Course	Andy Glaister
Deputy Clerks of the Course	John Kerr
Secretary of the Meeting	Hilary Moore
Event Safety Officer	John Kerr
Chief Marshal	TBA
Entries Secretary	Jo Rowe
Overseas Competitor liaison officer	Jimmy Howe 07624 491100
Spectator Safety Officer	TBA
Equipment Officer	TBA
Chief Timekeeper	TBA
Chief Medical Officer	TBA
Scrutineers	Chris Bridson, Dave Kennish, Emma Sayle,
Results	John Tarrant / Jimmy Howe
Rally Communications Controller	Brian Perrin
Deputy Rally Comms Officers	Malcolm James, Andy Sumner
Chief Communications Officer	Hilary Moore
Environmental Scrutineer	Kenny Mathews

ARTICLE 10: RESULTS

1. Provisional Results will be published within 2 hours of the finish of the event, on the official notice board at St Johns service area. Protests must be made in accordance with General Regulations C (d) 45-56
2. Competitors should ensure that they and their cars are available for inspection, should there be a protest in accordance with GCR's of the MSA. If the protested vehicle is not available for inspection the competitor may be penalised as under MSA GCR's.

ARTICLE 11: ROUTE / ROAD BOOK / DOCUMENTATION

1. The event will contain 10 Special Stages on Closed forest roads, Cars will start the event at **1 minute intervals** the route will be defined by a Tulip Road Book.
2. Full details of the special stages will be given in the Road Book issued to competitors.
 - (a) The Route will be on Ordnance Survey Map 95 1.50,000
 - (b) The Route will be approx. 50 miles of which approx. 30 miles will be special stages.

ARTICLE 12: SCRUTINEERING AND SIGNING ON

1. At scrutineering cars will be examined for compliance with the 2009 MSA Tyre Technical and Safety Regulations as well as for class eligibility . Each Entrant and driver will be assumed to have full knowledge of the car and it's eligibility for the class entered. Cars must be presented in the same condition as they intend to complete.
2. Validated MSA Rally Special Stage Vehicle Log Books must be made available at scrutineering, and on demand throughout the event for each car. Failure to produce this document will lead to a **Refused Start or Exclusion**.
3. All cars must have fire extinguishing systems as follows: All classes as per 2009 MSA requirements C(c) 52-56.
4. Safety Helmets will be examined and must conform to current regulations (C (c) 87-100) and must be worn on Special Stages.
5. Cars shall have fitted and the driver and co driver shall use seat belts in conformity with C (c) 44-51
6. Drivers and Co Drivers are reminded that they must wear clean flame resistant overalls on all Special Stage Rallies C (c) 77-86

NOTE Competitors are reminded that safety helmets and clean flame resistant overalls must be presented for examination at scrutineering. **Failure to comply will result in a £25 fine being Imposed.**

1. A valid MOT Test Certificate must be produced at scrutineering for any car required to have such a certificate. Failure to produce this document will lead to a Refused Start.
2. At the discretion of the Eligibility Scrutineer and the Clerk of the Course certain competitors vehicles will be selected for Post Event Scrutiny. Failure to present the vehicle at the nominated place and at the time designated will be a breach of MSA GCR's.
3. No studs or chains are permitted.
4. All cars must be taxed and insured for the Public Highway.
5. Competitors Tyres will conform to (C (e) 9) and relevant sections of the Isle of Man Highway Act.
6. Noise: The Organisers will appoint Judges of Fact to adjudicate on any Instantaneous factual occurrence of any other abnormal sound levels. They will report their findings to the Chief Scrutineer who will advise the Clerk of the Course who may then apply penalties if appropriate (see Art 18.4a) Competitors should also be aware of H140 -144
 - (a) Exact details of scrutineering and signing on will be displayed at Onchan Squash Club on Monday, 6th April at 9.00pm, and on the MAS website at www.manxautosport.co.uk and posted to UK crews. Prior to scrutineering there will be a noise test.
 - (b) **A competitor must have signed on and completed all documentation within 1 hour of his scheduled Scrutineering Time.**

ARTICLE 13: DAMAGE DECLARATION

1. Competitors will be required to complete and sign a report that they have not been involved in any incident resulting in damage to private property or injury to persons or animals or alternatively giving details of any such incident where damage or injury has occurred (H248). Information given will not incur penalty, a failure to hand in a duly completed form will be penalised by EXCLUSION from the results.
2. Competitors who do not report at the finish of the event are required to forward the report to the Secretary of the Meeting within 72 hours of the finish of the event unless they have been involved in an incident in which case details must be given to the Organisers the same day. Competitors who fail to comply will be penalised by a fine of up to £100 and may be reported to the MSA for further disciplinary action.

ARTICLE 14: DRIVING STANDARDS / OBSERVERS / JUDGES OF FACT

1. Named Judges of Fact, appointed by the Organisers, will be on duty throughout the Rally to observe and report on any competitors considered to be in contravention of the GR's and SR's.
2. The Chief Scrutineer and Eligibility Scrutineer appointed for the event are Judges of Fact in respect of Vehicle Eligibility.
3. The Start Officials on all Special Stages are empowered to judge whether or not a competitor has made a false start (H140 c)
4. The Organisers will appoint Driving Standards Observers.
5. Any notified offence by a competitor or his Service Crew which involves speeding, reckless driving or failing to observe road signs will automatically be considered as a possible contravention (Any proceeding or act prejudicial to the interests of the Motor Sports Council or of Motorsport generally). The competitor concerned is liable to be penalised in accordance with H 84 (k) and or H 84 (m) and for an offence by his/her service crew by H 239 and he/she may be called before an MSA Disciplinary Tribunal.

ARTICLE 15: TIMING AND CONTROLS

1. Timing of the event will be governed by the Target Timing Regulations (H68 -85, H 194 – 208) using digital clocks operated by Officials under the control of the Chief Timekeeper.
2. All clocks will be set using BBC or Manx Telecom time signals.
3. All controls will open 15 minutes before the due time of the car "0" and close 15 minutes after the due time of the last competitor still running, having taken into account any delays.
4. The Rally will consist of Special Stages and Link Sections.
5. Lateness in excess of Target Time on Link Sections is cumulative. Once a competitor's cumulative lateness calculated from the previous Main Control exceeds a penalty free maximum of 15 minutes (H 203) , the competitor **will be EXCLUDED** from the results.
6. To be defined as a finisher a crew must report with their car at all controls within their permitted maximum lateness (Art15.5)
7. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that his times are correctly recorded and handed in when and where instructed. Should any recorded time not be legible or not appear to be authentic, the Organisers may use any means at their disposal to establish a time.
8. Control and Stage timings will conform with H 194 - 211
 - a. Special Stage timing will be to the previous whole second.
 - b. Each Special stage will have a bogey time set at 65mph for unsealed surfaces and 75mph for sealed surfaces, and a Target Time set at approx. 28mph (less for short stages) this will be indicated in the Road Book and or the Time Cards and or competitor's bulletins.
 - c. Competitors will receive penalties on Special Stages as follows;

i. Under Bogey	Bogey Time
ii. Over Bogey Time under Target	Actual Time Taken
iii. Over Target	Target Time

Time in excess of Target Time on Special Stages will count towards the competitor's cumulative lateness (Art15.5).
 - d. Competitors must be ready to start a Special Stage when required to do so by the Start Marshal.

Competitors will be issued with time cards. These cards will show the Target Times allowed between any two controls.

9. Time Controls. All controls other than Passage Controls (PC) and Route Checks (RC) will be Time Controls (TC).

ARTICLE 16: RECONNAISSANCE / PACE NOTES

1. Pace Notes are allowed on this event but will **not** be supplied by the Organisers.
PRACTISING IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN
2. Reconnaissance of special stages is allowed by foot or by bicycle
3. **ANY COMPETITOR REPORTED FOR RECLESS DRIVING WILL BE FINED AND OR EXCLUDED**

ARTICLE 17: SERVICING

There will be 1 service area where work may be carried out by the service crew on the competing car. These will only be accessible to Competitors and Service Vehicles. No other areas may be used by Service Vehicles. All other areas will be Out of Bounds to Service Crews and Vehicles.

1. Competitors may work un-assisted on their own cars In "No Service Areas" **except**
 - i. Within 100 meters of any Control
 - ii. Between The Special Stage Arrival and the Special Stage Start Controls.
 - iii. In any Parc Ferme

The only work permitted in these areas with the permission of an event Official , to carry out the work unassisted .

1. Replace a wheel with a flat tyre by a wheel and tyre carried in the competing car.
2. Clean lamp glasses, windows, competition numbers and number plates.
4. Service Crews are subject to the same regulations as competitors regarding noise, bad driving manners, etc. Officials and Marshals have been instructed to note any infringement of these rules (Art14.1)
5. Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their Service Crews understand and comply with these regulations.
6. A competitor receiving assistance contrary to these SR's will be penalised in accordance with H 212 (n), subject to the following modifications. Any Competitor whose Service vehicle is observed in an Out of Bounds area will be penalised 10 minutes for the first offence and by **EXCLUSION** from the results for a second offence; any Competitor receiving assistance from a Service Vehicle in an Out of Bounds area will be **EXCLUDED** on the first offence.

ARTICLE 18: PENALTIES

1. Competitors will start with zero penalties. Classification for the results will be determined by total time penalties, the winner being the Competitor with the least time penalty (Art15).
2. In the event of a tie, the winner will be the competitor who has completed the greatest distance from the start with the least Stage Penalties.
3. The penalties in H 212 apply unless specifically modified in the SR's;
4. Causing a decibel meter of greater than the specified limits will be deemed excessive noise. This will be measured in accordance with a test specification detailed in the MSA General Regulations. It is at the discretion of a Judge, Environmental Scrutineer, Driving Standards Observer or of the Organisers, whether a car which causes excessive noise is refused permission at any time.
5. A Driving Standards Observers decision on imposing a penalty for excess speed or bringing the sport into disrepute shall be also reported to the Stewards of the Meeting. H 212 (s)
6. Competitors are reminded of H 137 for details of compilation of penalties in the event that the normal running of a stage is stopped. Should any Special Stage be cancelled during the event, or deleted from the results after the event, only the stage penalties will be deleted. Unless an Official Bulletin has been issued to the contrary, the cancelled stage must be traversed within Target Time, and will in every other respect be treated as a Road Section.
7. Causing an obstruction on an access road to or from a Special Stage will be penalised by **EXCLUSION** from the results.
8. Failure to attend Post Event Scrutiny for those competitors selected, within the time limit specified will result in **EXCLUSION** from the results.
9. There will be a designated re-fuelling area within the Service Area.
10. No open fire or barbecues will be permitted in the Service Areas.
11. Failure to report to scrutineering within 15 minutes of the time specified for a competitor in an official bulletin will be penalised by a fine of £50 UNLESS prior agreement has been reached in writing with the Organisers.
12. Failure to report to Documentation within 15 minutes of leaving Scrutineering will be penalised by a fine of £50, UNLESS prior agreement has been reached in writing with the Organisers.

ARTICLE 19: AWARDS

(a) General Classification (1st, 2nd & 3rd overall, non cumulative with regard to other Class awards)

1 st Overall	Award to Driver & Co Driver
2 nd Overall	Award to Driver & Co Driver
3 rd Overall	Award to Driver & Co Driver

(b) Class Awards

1 st in class	Award to Driver & Co Driver
2 nd in class	Award to Driver & Co Driver
3 rd in class	Award to Driver & Co Driver

(c) Special Awards

Best Mixed Crew	Award to Driver & Co Driver
Newcomers Award	Award to Driver
Novice Award	Award to Driver & Co Driver
Best Lady Driver	Award to Driver
Best Re-Started Crew (MC 2 to MC3)	Award to Driver & Co Driver
Best Overseas Crew	Award to Driver & Co Driver
Best Historic Cars complying with MSA regs for historic, post historic & classic	Award to Driver & Co Driver

- Newcomer ----- A **driver** who has not competed on an event of this type before
i.e. a "forest" Stage rally
- Novice ----- Is a **crew**, no member of which has won an award on an event of this type
before, i.e. a Tarmac Stage rally
- Best Re-start ----- Best performance on (MC 2 to MC 3)

ARTICLE 20: RESTARTS

1. Competitors who fail to complete(MC 1 to MC 2) may restart (MC 2 to MC 3) subject to being re-scrutineered, and given permission by the Clerk of the Course to do so.
2. These crews will compete for a separate award and will run at the back of the field.
3. **Crews wishing to restart must notify the Clerk of the Course / Rally Control as soon as possible, on 483104**

ARTICLE 21: INSURANCE –LOCKTON MSC SCHEME

1. The Entrant is required to apply the name and address of his insurers on the entry form.
2. The Club has applied to Lockton for a Blanket cover note under the above scheme to provide Competitors who need to use the scheme with the Third Party Cover necessary to meet RTA requirements on the Road Sections of the Event. The Basic Rate for the event (before any loadings) will be £34.00. New applicants wishing to use the scheme should apply to the Entries Secretary for a proposal form when submitting their entry and ensure that this is returned not later than 21 days before the Event (28 days in the case of Drivers not resident in the UK). The processed Letter of Acceptance will be given to drivers, and premium collected at Documentation. Please ENSURE that the form is FULLY completed and signed or the Letter of Acceptance may be delayed.
3. All correspondence regarding this cover must be undertaken with the Club as Lockton cannot deal with drivers direct. The use of FAX transmissions for this scheme is not permitted by the Insurers.
4. **Competitors involved in an incident causing damage or injury to third parties or property of same on road sections will be responsible through their Road Risks insurance for any claim arising from said incident.**

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS AT MOTOR SPORT EVENTS RE: ROAD RISKS INSURANCE.

5. If you require the benefit of the Clubs arranged road risk insurance at the standard Lockton terms you must be able to sign on that you comply with the following declaration:
That I have:
 - a. No physical or mental disabilities
 - b. No convictions other than a maximum of six speeding points
 - c. No more than one fault accident in the last three years
 - d. Am over **21** years old and have held a full licence for at least 6 months
 - e. No other material facts to disclose
6. **If you cannot sign this declaration your terms for the event maybe loaded above normal. You should complete the declaration fully so that the Entries Secretary can return it to Alexander Forbes. It will then be possible to consider your individual position and possibly reduce the loading for future events. Lockton will issue a letter to you to produce to Event Secretaries if**

that is agreed.

ARTICLE 22: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. PHOTOGRAPHY

"In Car" video cameras may only be fitted with the permission of the Clerk of the Course and mounted to the satisfaction of the Scrutineers. It is conditional that a copy of any such video or compilation of which this event forms a part is supplied free of charge to the Organisers within six months of the event by the Entrant / Competitor otherwise a fee of £250 will be imposed.

ARTICLE 23: MOBILE PHONES

1. Crews will be required to register the telephone numbers of any mobile phones they will have with them during the event, at documentation. These must be switched on throughout the event in case the organisers need to contact them urgently.

ARTICLE 24: PROVISION OF EVENT OFFICIALS

1. Any crews other than those from off-island who submit an entry will be required to provide at least one official for the duration of the event and for this purpose no Senior Event Official may be named.
2. The official nominated by each crew will be assigned a role by the event organisers and the official's role will continue until the event is completed, or until their services are no longer required by the organisers, **even if the crew nominating him/her should retire. Failure to comply may result in a penalty being applied to the crew in question.**
3. **Failure to provide an official will result in a refused start.**
4. Entries from crews required to provide an official will not be deemed to be accepted until such time as the details required by the entry form are provided.

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Manx Motor Sport Marshals Association

All timekeepers, marshals, radio operators, rescue and recovery crews, without whom this event would not be possible ~ thank you.



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