



## **2017 500 Owners Association Circuit Racing Championship Regulations**

The 500 Owners Association Championship is for Competitors participating in 500cc single seat racing cars which were raced in the period 1946 to 1960

### **1. SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL**

#### **1.1 TITLE & JURISDICTION:**

The 500OA Championship is organised and administered by the 500 Owners Association (500OA), in accordance with the General Regulations of the Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations.

MSA Championship Permit No – CH2017/R107  
Race Status - National B  
MSA Championship - Grade: D

#### **1.2 OFFICIALS:**

1.2.1 Co-ordinator: Sally Russell, Houndshill Cottage, Banbury Road, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warks CV37 7NS – 07710435086 [russell.sally4@gmail.com](mailto:russell.sally4@gmail.com)

1.2.2 Licensed Eligibility Scrutineer: Rob McKinna; 500OA Technical Advisor: Simon Frost

1.2.3 Championship Stewards: Chris Merrick, Tim Thompson and David Stevenson

#### **Championship Stewards**

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#### **1.3 COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY:**

1.3.1 Entrants must:

- (a) Be fully paid up valid membership card holding members of the 500 Owners Association and
- (b) Be in possession of a valid MSA Entrants Licences

1.3.2 Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must:

- (a) Be current Members of the 500 Owners Association and
- (b) Be in possession of valid Competition (Racing) National B status Licence, as a minimum
- (c) If a professional driver be in possession of a valid Licence (featuring an E.U. flag) and medical, issued by the ASN of a member country of the European Union, or comparable country. ((H) 26.2.1. applies)

1.3.3 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

1.3.4. All necessary documentation must be presented for checking at all rounds when signing-on.

#### 1.4 REGISTRATION:

1.4.1 All 2017 members of the 500OA are automatically registered for the championship

1.4.2 There is no Registration Fee

1.4.3. Permanent Competition numbers for the Championship will be allocated by the Championship co-ordinator.

#### 1.5 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS:

The Championship will be contested over 6 events from which a competitor's best 5 scores will count. (All subject to final confirmation from the event organisers)

| Date:           | Circuit:     | Organising Club/Centre |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|
| April 22 or 23  | Silverstone  | VSCC                   |
| Jun 10          | Oulton Park  | VSCC                   |
| July 23         | Cadwell Park | VSCC                   |
| August 12       | Mallory Park | VSCC                   |
| September 16-17 | Angouleme    |                        |
| October 7       | Castle Combe | CCRC                   |

(These meetings will be inscribed with the MSA as National Events with Authorised Foreign Participation - NEAFP)

#### 1.6 SCORING:

1.6.1 To score Championship points all competitors must be driving a car which has a valid 500OA Vehicle Identification Form (500OA VIF) issued for it at the time of competing.

1.6.2 Points will be awarded to Competitors listed as classified finishers in the Final Results as follows:-

|           |    |    |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|-----------|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Place     | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Points    | 15 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3  |
| Start/DNF | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1  |

Any Competitor finishing 11<sup>th</sup> or lower will receive 2 points

There are 3 points scoring classes, based on the year of the car, as follows:

Class P1 = 1945-1950; Class P2 = 1951-1953; Class P3 = 1954 on

1.6.3 The totals from all qualifying Events run will determine final championship points and positions.

1.6.4 Ties shall be resolved as:

a) By considering 1<sup>st</sup> places (and minor placing if required) in all qualifying rounds and if the tie is not resolved;

b) By considering 1<sup>st</sup> places in all rounds and if the tie is still not resolved then the Championship will be declared as a tie.

1.6.5. Where the race distance has been reduced (2.6.) it shall still count as a full points scoring round.

1.6.6. Competitors ineligible to score Championship points may be permitted to compete on an individual round basis and will:

- (a) Be deemed Invited Competitors.
- (b) Not score Championship points and for the purpose of points scoring will be ignored.
- (c) Not qualify for Event awards.
- (d) Comply with the eligibility criteria as prescribed in Article 1.3 above.
- (e) Be specifically invited by the 500OA committee

## **1.7 AWARDS:**

1.7.1 Deleted

1.7.2 Per Event: Provided by the Host Organising Club (HOC)

1.7.3 Championship: Provided by the 500OA

1.7.4 Presentations: Awards will be presented at the end of the Championship at the designated presentation ceremony at the 500OA AGM.

1.7.5 Deleted – no prize money or bonuses awarded

1.7.6 Title to all Trophies:

If Provisional Results or Championship Tables are revised after any presentations and these revisions affect the distribution of awards, the Competitors concerned must return them to the organisers in good condition within 7 days.

## **2. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT MEETINGS & RACE PROCEDURES**

### **2.1 ENTRIES:**

2.1.1 Competitors are responsible for sending in correct and complete entries with the correct entry fee prior to the closing date for entries 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 Meeting Organiser 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. MSA Art. D25.1.12. applies.

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. Each driver shall complete a minimum of 3 laps in the car to be raced, and in the correct session, in order to qualify (MSA Art. Q4.5).

### **2.4. RACES:**

Should any race be disrupted, the Clerk of the Course shall not be obliged to resume or rerun the race (MSA Regulation Art. Q5.4.) and Art 1.6.4. shall apply.

### **2.5 STARTS:**

2.5.1 The start procedure for each meeting will be as laid down in the event Supplementary Regulations. However, since our historic cars do not have starter motors or reverse gears the following start procedure will be recommended to the race organisers:

- All cars will form up in grid order in the assembly area with pushers and starter machines ready.

- 1 minute to start – visible (e.g. board) / audible warning - mechanics / pushers will start the cars.
- 30 seconds – visible and audible warning for start of Green Flag lap
- Green Flag waved and cars enter the circuit in grid order, and without stopping proceed on the Green Flag lap with the lead cars controlling the speed of the grid and allowing slow starting cars to catch up and assume their correct grid position. Paddock Marshalls will direct any cars failing to start within a suitable time to pit lane
- Cars approach the Start line at slow speed governed still by the lead cars. Red Lights will be on and, assuming the grid is in order, the lights will be switched off and the race will begin. Cars in pit lane which may join the race after the last car has passed the start line or pit lane exit.

2.5.2 In the event of any starting lights failure the Starter will revert to use of the National Flag.

## **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 Signalling 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 both practice and race, unless otherwise directed by officials. (Note – as in 2.5 above it is much more successful, and safer, in the event of a re-started race that our cars return to pit lane to be aided by mechanics / pushers / starter machines)

Work on cars already in the Pits must cease when a race is stopped.

## **2.7. PITS, PADDOCK & PITLANE SAFETY:**

2.7.1. Pits & Paddock: Competitors must ensure that the MSA, Circuit Management and Organising Club Safety Regulations are complied with at all times.

2.7.2. Pitlane: The outer lane or lanes are to be kept unobstructed to allow safe passage of cars at all times. The onus shall be on all Drivers to take all due care and respect the pit lane speed limits.

2.7.3. Refuelling: Deleted – no refuelling allowed

2.7.4. Speed Limit: Pit Lane Speed Limit will be as specified in SR's

## **2.8. RACE FINISHES:**

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 their helmets on and harnesses done up while on the circuit or in the pitlane

## **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. (MSA regulation (D) 26.3.)

**2.10. TIMING MODULES:** Mandatory

**2.11. QUALIFICATION RACES:** Deleted

## **2.12. OPERATION OF SAFETY CAR:**

The Safety Car will be brought into operation and run in accordance with Section Q, Appendix 2 of the MSA General Regulations.

**2.13. ONBOARD CAMERAS** As specified in SR's

### 3. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS

#### 4. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP PENALTIES:

In accordance with Section C of the current MSA Yearbook, ~~and~~ the 500OA committee reserves the right to instigate a Technical Inspection at any time to verify conformity with the Technical Regulations

##### 4.1. Infringements of Technical Regulations:

4.1.1. Arising from post practice Scrutineering or Judicial Action: Minimum Penalty: The provisions of MSA Regulations: C3.3.

4.1.2. Arising from post race Scrutineering or Judicial Action:

Minimum Penalty: The provisions of MSA Regulations: C3.5.1 (a) and (b).

For infringements deemed to be of a more serious nature the Clerk of the Course will invoke the provisions of Regulation C3.5.1 (c).

4.2. Deleted

4.3 Deleted

#### 5. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

As detailed in Technical Regulations applicable to all 500 OA Championships.

#### 6 APPENDICES:

The following Commercial Undertakings are not subject to the Judicial procedures of either the Championship Stewards and/or the MSA/MSA.

##### 6.1 RACE ORGANISING CLUBS & CONTACTS:

The 500 Owners Association: The Chairman Nigel Challis, Stagbury View, Furzley Road, Bramshaw, Hampshire SO43 7JH Tel: 01794 323384 Email: [nigelchallis@awaromsey.co.uk](mailto:nigelchallis@awaromsey.co.uk)

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Circuit Racing Championship Coordinator – Sally Russell, Houndshill Cottage, Banbury Road, Ettington, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warks CV37 7NS - 07710435086

**6.2 COMMERCIAL UNDERTAKINGS:** None

**6.3. TRADE SUPPORT VEHICLE DECALS & OVERALL PATCHES:** None

**6.4. PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES:** None