

## MIDLAND ROVERS OWNERS' CLUB (MROC)

# Major's Memorial CCV Trial

### Supplementary Regulations

#### Article 1a

Midland Rover Owners' Club (MROC) will organise and promote the Major's Memorial CCV Trial on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of September 2019.

The event will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code), the regulations of the Association of Land Rover Clubs, these SRs and any other instructions that the organisers may issue.

#### Article 1b

These SR's should be read in addition to the current MSA Blue Book and the ALRC Green Book. Some of these SR's exist as an SR or regulation within those publications. Use of an SR in here is intended to highlight or modify those Regulations and SR's appropriately.

#### Article 2

The event will be held in the grounds of Eastnor Castle Estate, Eastnor, Herefordshire, HR8 1RQ.

Directions to the relevant site area are available on the MROC website.

The course will be laid out wholly off-road on private land consisting of upto 20 trials sections over 2 days.

**NB :** Competition vehicles may need to be driven (if road legal) or TRANSPORTED BY TRAILER a short distance to trials sites from the camping area. This will be confirmed at the same time as Entries open.

#### Article 3      **The Program of events :**

April 30th	Entries Open
August 31st	Entries Close
Friday, September 13	12:00 Camp Site Opens
	12:00 ~ 23:00 Signing-On & Scrutineering
Saturday, September 14	07:00 ~ 08:00 Signing-On & Scrutineering
	08:30 Drivers / Marshals Briefing
	08:45 Trial start
Sunday, September 15	08:00 Drivers / Marshals Briefing
	08:15 Trial re-start
	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> hrs after trial finish, Prize Giving
Monday, September 16	12:00 Camp site Closes

#### Article 4      **Permissions**

Event Status                                      Clubman's Cross Country (4x4) Trial (Untimed)  
MSA Permit No                                    112553

#### Article 5      **Competitors' Eligibility**

**Competitors:** The Major's Trial is a classless event. Entries are based on individual Teams of three drivers representing their club (or clubs). However, "Standard" Class & an "All Ladies Team" awards are available.

The Event is open to all members of competitive Clubs of the ALRC (Association of Land Rover Clubs).

A signed, valid Club membership card with the MSA endorsement must be presented during Signing-On.

The min. age for passengers is 14 years old.

If a competitor has not reached their 18th birthday on the start date of the event, the Event Entry Booking Form must be accompanied by notification of the parent or guardian who will be present throughout the competition. Proof must also be provided that competitor has completed the necessary quantity of TYRO and RTV trials when submitting their Entry form. MROC reserves the right to communicate with an Entrants Club secretary in any instance where driver eligibility is unclear.

Competitors must attend the Drivers briefing which will take place prior to the trial start.

Due to the typically high quantity of competitors & trials sections, there is usually a shortage of marshals to enable safe and efficient organisation of the trial. To this end, it is a condition of entry that each team supplies at least one

nominated marshal for each day. Nominated marshals should identify themselves whilst Signing-on. Failure to provide a marshal on each trial day may result in the team's disqualification from the event without refund.

Marshals must be 16 or over.

**Vehicles:** Any ALRC recognised class of Land Rover complying to relevant sections of the ALRC Competition Regulations and with a valid ALRC Competition Log Book is acceptable.

In order for a team to compete for the Majors Rose Bowl, all vehicles in the team must be compliant with an ALRC classification other than 'Q' class.

Double drives of a single vehicle are permitted, but a Team MAY NOT enter based on using only 1 vehicle (ie Triple Drive). Double Drives must be declared on the Entry Form to support vehicle running order planning.

## **Article 6 Scrutineering**

Scrutineering will open / close at the published times and will take place on site in a designated area adjacent to the camp site.

Vehicles may be chosen at random for re-scrutineering at any time throughout the trial.

## **Article 7a Entries**

All entries must be made on the official Entry Booking Form from the MROC website or by sending an Entry Request to the Entries Secretary.

Maximum Entry: The event will be limited to 32 teams of 3 drivers.

The event organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if there are insufficient entries to make the event viable.

In the event of over subscription, reserves will be allocated in order of receipt.

Entries shall open and close as per Article 3 above. The Booking form must be fully completed and the relevant full entry fee submitted to ensure a registered booking.

The entry fee is set at £135 per team – payable via Bank Transfer to the bank account details on the Entry Form or via cheque.

## **Article 7b Camping / Caravan Entries :**

Camping / caravan plots are available on site at an additional cost of £10 per camping unit per night, payable on arrival / Signing-On. Water, toilet , Elsan & catering facilities will be available.

It would be helpful if entrants let us know their camping requirement with their Competition Entry booking.

## **Article 8 Refusal of Entry**

Entries will be accepted in strict order of receipt. Illegible, ineligible & incomplete entries will be refused (including lack of payment). The organiser's decision is final.

## **Article 9 Refund of Entry Fee**

Entries withdrawn up to the date specified for the closing of entries will qualify for a full refund of entry fees.

Entries withdrawn after the Entry Close will be refunded less an administration fee of up to 25%.

If the event is cancelled the organisers reserve the right to retain up to 25% of the refunded entry fee to cover administration costs.

## **Article 10 Senior Officials**

<b>Senior Officials</b>	
Steward(s) of the Meeting	Antony Birch & alternate Richard Smith
Event Director	Samantha Miller / Liz Welch
Bookings Officer	Phil Rock
Site Services Director	TBC
Chief Scrutineer	Richard Banks
Results Co-ordinator	Tim Kemp
Competition Secretary	Martin Pittaway
Chief Marshal	Alex Griffiths
Child Protection Officer	Kelly Cole
Clerks of Course	Richard Rowley, Adrian Gregory, David Gregory

All senior officials named in these regulations and any event appendices are hereby appointed Judges of Fact for breaches of these regulations and those contained in the event appendices.

Any Marshal signed on for an event is deemed a Judge of Fact & is responsible for deciding vehicle contact with course furniture (canes etc), exceeding the course boundary, stopping or completing the course.

## Article 11

All Official Instructions, Announcements and Results will be displayed on the Official Notice Board, located in the Signing On or Catering Marquees

## Article 12

Competitors are reminded of their rights of protest contained in Section C of the General Regulations of the MSA. All protests and appeals to the Clerk of the Course and Stewards should be made through the Secretary of the Meeting. See also article 27.

## Article 13

Entrants will be held responsible for their own actions and those of persons connected with their entry and will be penalised in accordance with Article 14 for any breach of the following :

- a. With the exception of any Trials Section/Course, during the event there will be a site wide speed limit of 10mph – unless otherwise identified.
- b. There will be NO refueling of any vehicle or equipment except in the provided refueling areas.
- c. No person shall be carried except as provided for below:
  - i. No person at any time shall travel/ride between sections standing up in/on the rear or any other part of a vehicle (All vehicles, including officials)
  - ii. Between sections no person who is not of an age eligible to compete in that vehicle shall travel/ride other than in a proper seat.
  - iii. At all times, drivers / passengers limbs must remain within the confines of the vehicle.
- d. No person shall drive a motorised vehicle anywhere on the site unless they hold a full valid Driving Licence except if provided for in these event SRs. All motorcycles, minibikes, quads, scooters and other motorised vehicles other than competition vehicles entered in the event and other authorised vehicles are prohibited from the site. Invalid carriages and other vehicles providing mobility for the disabled will be permitted on application to the Secretary of the Meeting.
- e. All domestic waste shall be disposed of properly in the receptacles provided by the organisers. Waste shall include rubbish, and all effluent (human and animal). Any oil or vehicle parts must be removed from the site by the competitor. Please bring your own receptacle for oil disposal.
- f. Abusive behaviour to an official.
- g. Refusal to obey an Official Instruction.
- h. Other than officials and competitors attempting the section/course (which shall include authorised reconnaissance) all competition areas are out of bounds at all times.  
Members of the Press are provided for in Article 28.
- i. **Driving into / onto to trees / saplings in the Trials Areas (see also article 26)**

## Article 14 Maximum Penalties

Details of penalties are to be given at the Drivers Briefing and those facts to be judged by the marshals who are deemed to be Judges of Fact. Any appeal against a marshal's decision must be directed to the Group Leading Marshal on the section by the driver concerned.

No appeals will be accepted after the group has left that particular section.

		Maximum Penalty
A	Breach of Article 13 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)	£100 Fine
B	Breach of Articles 13 (f), (g)	12 points or £100 Fine or Exclusion from results
C	Failure to display sponsors decals (Articles 15)	Exclusion from Results
D	Failure to remove competition numbers after retirement or finish	£100 Fine & will be reported to the MSA
E	Breach of Article 17	Exclusion
F	Speeding off section/course (Article 13a)	Exclusion
G	Breach of Article 22	Exclusion
H	Use of chain, wire rope, or the use of shackles to join ropes (Article 19)	Exclusion
I	Smoking on a trials section/course Articles 21	Exclusion

J	Failure to attend drivers briefing, Article 5	£100 Fine
K	Failure to be ready to start a Section/Ignoring Marshals Instructions (Article 16)	12 points
L	Any competitor driving in a dangerous manner and without a forethought for safety	Exclusion
M	Breach of article 23 or 24	12 points per section
N	Receiving external instruction / guidance while on section	12 points per section
O	Deliberate driving into / over trees / saplings (Article 26)	£50 Fine per infringement, potential exclusion for multiple offences

### **Article 15 Numbers**

Competition numbers that comply with MSA size regulations will be supplied by the organisers.

Where applicable, any event sponsors stickers must be displayed.

Numbers must be displayed on both sides of the vehicle, on the lower part of the front doors.

Vehicle Group & vehicle numbers are randomly selected prior to the event start & adjusted to take account of double driven vehicles.

### **Article 16**

Penalties may be awarded for not being ready to start a trial section when instructed to do so, and ignoring marshals' instructions.

### **Article 17**

Any repair work / servicing carried out to any vehicle on site must be done in the designated area and in a manner to ensure that no liquids or parts are deposited on the ground. A suitable service sheet must be used and any waste liquids contained in suitable containers. All waste liquids must be disposed of correctly.

Penalty for depositing waste on the ground: Exclusion.

### **Article 18**

Refueling must take place in the designated area.

### **Article 19**

A tow rope fit for the purpose of recovery must be carried (Use of chain, wire rope, or the use of shackles to join ropes is not permitted).

### **Article 20**

Spectators / non Signed-On people can only travel in Marshals' vehicles. Each group will be restricted to 2 Marshals' vehicles plus one Group Leading vehicle. Therefore any team wishing to take non-competitors must provide a Marshal and a suitable vehicle.

The restriction on vehicles will be based on a first come first served basis at Marshals' signing on

### **Article 21**

No smoking allowed in the vehicle on Trials Sections.

### **Article 22**

A driver may only have one passenger at any one time – who must be Signed-On. However, up to two passengers may sign-on and ride with that driver at different times. Each Passenger may only compete with his nominated driver throughout the competition. Drivers may not passenger another driver.

All passengers must be seated & seatbelts must be worn when driving on or off section

### **Article 23**

The use of a handbrake to execute turns will NOT be allowed. If observed, a 12 point penalty will be applied.

### **Article 24 Seat Belts / Eye Protection**

Seat belts must be suitably tight and worn as intended by the manufacturer (MSA BB Criteria K.2.1.1. or above is recommended.).

In vehicles without windscreens fitted, drivers are strongly advised to wear eye protection whilst on section.

## **Article 25 Course Operation**

- a. Competitors will be divided into multiple groups, each starting both trials days at different sections. Double drives of the same vehicle need to be communicated to the organisers when submitting the Entry Form !
- b. Each group will be led throughout the day by a Group Leading Marshal. All vehicles must travel between sections in convoy behind the Group Leading Marshal.  
If a vehicle needs to return to the camping site for repairs, you must notify the Group Leading Marshal and an escort will be arranged (if possible).
- c. Competitors must maintain vehicle number order, unless directed otherwise by a marshal  
The method for deciding the initial vehicle starting at each section will be announced at the Drivers Briefing (“Drop 1”, “Drop 2” etc). The 2<sup>nd</sup> day running order will follow-on from the previous day.
- d. Score cards must only be marked by the Scoring Marshal. Competitors are responsible for ensuring their cards are marked and tally with the group master score sheet prior to leaving the section.  
The group master score sheet will be used to collate the final results.
- e. Competitors must attempt to drive the sections within the boundaries of the course. “Looping out” is not allowed and competitors are not allowed to cross their own tracks between gates. If you see a different line to take that you are unsure about then ask the Group Leading Marshal about it before starting the section. The Group Leading Marshal will confirm with the Clerk(s) of Course if it is within the course boundary and within the spirit of the competition.
- f. No competitors are allowed to touch canes prior to driving. Tampering with the course will incur a 12 penalty. Debris such as trees or large rocks appearing on sections may only be removed at the discretion of the Group Leading Marshal if considered a safety issue.
- g. Debris becoming attached or carried by a vehicle will be deemed to be part of that vehicle and therefore will attract the appropriate penalty if it touches a cane or course marker. If any debris becomes attached to the vehicle that a marshal decides could cause injury to persons, the marshal will stop the vehicle for the debris to be removed and then re-start the vehicle from the same point.
- h. Penalty points are awarded for striking course furniture (eg canes), stopping on section or leaving the boundary of the section. Relevant points will be awarded by the marshals on the section. Any disputes should be brought to the immediate attention of the scoring marshal and, if not resolved, the Clerk of Course.
- i. Crossed canes or red / white marker tape may form part of the section boundary and will carry the penalty of the next gate if touched by the competing vehicle. See also Article 26.
- j. All gates will remain live until the competitor has completed their run, e.g. if on the way to the five gate you hit a ten gate or a two gate you will incur a five point penalty.
- k. Any driver receiving outside instruction, guidance, or assistance from any person whilst driving a section will be penalised. A 12 point penalty will be awarded. Waiting at the 12 gate under starter’s orders is deemed as being on section.
- l. If a vehicle becomes stuck on section, team members should if possible help with recovery of the vehicle off the course.
- m. A re- run can only be authorised by the Group Leading Marshal.
- n. The use of a single vehicle by all 3 drivers of a Team, forced by the breakdown of a vehicle(s) during the competition will be allowed at the Group Leading Marshalls discretion.

## **Article 26 Tree Damage :**

Due to the very high sensitivity of the Eastnor Estate land that we use for the Major’s Memorial Trial & previous unnecessary damage to trees / saplings, we’re now introducing penalty fines for drivers deliberately driving into / into/ over trees / saplings – whether on or off the competitive sections.

A driver may potentially be excluded for multiple offences. Please see also article 14.

The trial will be laid out so that driving into / over trees / saplings is not needed to follow the section layout & parking pre- or post driving a section will also not require drivers to drive into / onto trees / saplings.

## **Article 27 Appeals Procedure / Hierarchy**

1. Group leading marshal On section
2. Clerk of Course On section
3. Stewards Written protest within 30 minutes of the end of the day’s event.
4. Results Within 30 minutes of being posted

All results will be displayed after correlation as soon as practicable. Any disputes should be brought to the attention of the Clerk of Course or Secretary of the Meeting not later than half an hour after the posting of the results after which time the results will become final.

### **Article 28 Press / Media Personnel**

All competition areas are deemed Out of Bounds as provided for in Article 13. Only those genuine members of the press accredited by the organisers, signed on and displaying an official pass will be allowed within the competition areas and will be subject to any instructions by an official.

### **Article 29 Awards**

Available Awards are :

- Overall Winner (lowest total points for a Team) - The Major's Trophy, the 'Rose Bowl'
- Awards will be also be made for 2nd & 3rd Overall teams.

Additional awards are also available for :

- The lowest total points for a team all driving Standard Class Vehicles,
- The lowest total points for an all-female team – The Ladies Trophy.

Awards will be presented in the catering Marquee approx. 1.5 hours after the trial finishes.

Award Winners who fail to attend Prize Giving without excuse will forfeit their awards.

Detail Team scores & individual driver scores will be made available after the event.

### **Article 30 Acknowledgments and Thank You**

- Land Rover Experience,
- Eastnor Estates
- All Officials and Marshals
- Motorsport UK