



motorsport uk
British Sporting
Trials Championship

Regulations

PREFACE - Major Events (2026 Motorsport UK Sporting Trials British Championship)

For the 2026 Championship, a limited number of '**Major**' Events have been introduced as a pilot initiative, following a proposal by the Motorsport UK Trials Committee and a survey of 2025 Contenders.

Major Events are intended to enhance the sporting significance of selected Qualifying Events within the Championship by applying an extended points scale and by allowing those Events to make a greater contribution to Championship standings. This approach is designed to increase engagement throughout the season, maintain competitive interest across a wider range of Events, and provide additional opportunity for Contenders to influence their Championship position.

For the 2026 Championship, five (5) Events will be designated as Major Events. Each Competitor may enter up to three (3) Major Events to **count** towards their Championship results as enhanced Qualifying Events.

At a Major Event, Championship points will be doubled and awarded from 1st place overall to 20th place, with 40 points awarded for 1st place, 38 points for 2nd place, and so on down to 20th place receiving 2 points.

Each Major Event will count as two (2) Qualifying Events attended for the purposes of Championship scoring, allowing a maximum contribution of six (6) Qualifying Events attended to be achieved through Major Events.

The designation of Major Events for 2026 has been made with consideration given to achieving a reasonable national geographic spread and a reasonable distribution across the Championship calendar, in order to promote accessibility for Competitors and to avoid undue weighting of any single part of the season.

The operation and effect of Major Events for the 2026 Championship are defined in Section 4 - Scoring of these Regulations, and will be reviewed following the conclusion of the season.

Competitors are invited to submit feedback on the operation of Major Events via the following email address:

clubsport@motorsportuk.org

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

1.1 The Championship will be held under the Motorsport UK National Competition Rules (NCR) and these Regulations. Where any difference occurs between the NCR and these Regulations, these Regulations will take precedence. Championship Permit CH2026/T002 has been issued by Motorsport UK.

2. CARS ELIGIBLE

2.1 The Championship is open to drivers of cars complying with the National Trials Car Formula as published in Motorsport UK's National Competition Rules Chapter 17 Appendix 5.

2.2 For 2026 the Breakout Torque Limit is set at 15.00kg. Differentials, when tested, must achieve a breakout torque figure no greater than 15.00kg as measured by the Sharp Dynamic Test. At any time during the Championship retesting and/or random testing will be undertaken by the Lever Arm Test or Irish Leaver Arm Test. Differentials will be tested and sealed according to the procedures as per Appendix 1 of these Regulations.

3. PERMITTED TYRES

3.1 Permitted tyres are: Nangkang CX668, T-Trac 2, Maxxis MA-510N, Yokohama GT Special Classic.

4. SCORING

4.1 Points will be awarded from 1st place overall to 20th place overall with the winner receiving 20 points, second place 19 points, and so on down to 20th place who will receive 1 point. This points scale applies to all Qualifying Events except Major Events. Major Events will count as two rounds with a maximum of 40 points.

4.2 For the 2026 Championship, five (5) events will be designated as **Major Events as highlighted in the Qualifying Events calendar**.

4.3 At Major Events, double points will be awarded from 1st place overall to 20th place overall with the winner receiving 40 points, second place 38 points, third place 36 points, and so on, down to 20th place who will receive 2 points. Dropped Major scores will count as one counting score and points will be awarded 1st place receiving 20 points, second place 19 points down to 20th with 1 point.

4.4 For the purposes of determining the number of Qualifying Events attended under Article 4.6, competitors best 3 Majors events to count as two (2) events attended for the purposes of scoring and championship contention

4.5 The number of events to count in deciding the Championship will be determined in accordance with the table below:

4.6

Number of Events	Qualifying Events to Count
18	10
15-17	9
13-14	8
11-12	7
9-10	6
5-8	5

Should the minimum of five (5) Qualifying Events not be run, the Championship may be deemed null and void.

4.7 In the event that a designated Major Event is cancelled and not rescheduled, no replacement Major Event will be nominated. Where a designated Major Event is rescheduled, it shall retain its Major Event status.

4.8 Tie Breaking:

a) Championship Round

If two or more Contenders tie at a Qualifying Round then the tie shall be resolved in favour of the Competitor with the most 'clears', then scores of 1,2, etc down to 12. If a tie remains unresolved then it shall be recorded as a tie.

b) Championship Classification

If two or more Contenders tie in the Championship Classification, the tie shall be resolved in favour of the Contender with the most 1st places, then the most 2nd places etc (not including drop scores). If a tie remains unresolved, it shall be resolved by a 'Head to Head' comparison across all Qualifying Events at which the tied Contenders were both present and classified as finishers. In this instance Majors will not be considered as two rounds. The tie shall be resolved in favour of the Contender who, across those Events, has achieved the greatest number of 'clears', then the greatest number of scores of 1, then 2, and so on down to 12. If the tie remains unresolved, it shall be recorded as a tie.

4.9 The Motorsport UK British Sporting Trials Championship will include the Motorsport UK Live Axle Trophy. This will be awarded to the highest placed driver of a Trials Car with a live axle that is not eligible for another award in the final Championship Classification, Articles 4.5 and 4.6 apply.

4.10 Points for the Motorsport UK Live Axle Trophy will be awarded as per Articles 4.1 and 4.6.

5. ELIGIBLE COMPETITORS

5.1 Any holder of a 2026 Competition Licence issued by Motorsport UK or Motor Sport Ireland.

6. REGISTRATION

6.1 Competitors will be required to register for the Championship, Competitors may register by completing the Contender Declaration Form. There will be no charge to register for the Championship and the Contender Declaration Form may be completed at a Competitor's first round of the season.

6.2 Whilst Registration (as per Article 6.1) can be made at any time, points will not be awarded retrospectively. Contenders are only eligible for Championship Points following the completion of their registration.

7. QUALIFYING EVENTS

7.1 Please refer to Appendix 1 of these Regulations to view the 2026 Qualifying Events.

7.2 In the event of a Qualifying Event not proceeding as scheduled through force majeure, for example prevailing ground conditions, the Organising Club may re-arrange the Event on a new date suitable to the Championship. Alterations to the Championship Calendar are subject to the procedure in Motorsport UK's National Competition Rules.

8. DECALS

8.1 All Contenders must display the two supplied decals per car, one on the left and right side to be eligible to score points.

9. AWARDS

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Achievement		Award
2026 Motorsport UK British Sporting Trials Champion	-	Motorsport UK Award presented at Night of Champions
2 nd Place Overall	-	Motorsport UK Award
3 rd Place Overall	-	Motorsport UK Award
<u>Motorsport UK Live Axle Trophy</u>		
1 st Place	-	Motorsport UK Award
2 nd Place	-	Motorsport UK Award
3 rd Place	-	Motorsport UK Award

10. RACE WITH RESPECT

10.1 Upon registration for the Championship, all Contenders and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK Respect Code which is detailed as Appendix 1 of these Regulations.

10.2 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 Steward who may impose the appropriate penalties which can include the loss/deduction of Championship Points and/or Event bans through to expulsion from the Championship and referral to Motorsport UK.

10.3 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 to Motorsport UK. Details of the Motorsport UK Policies & Guidelines are available at www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre by selecting Policies and Guidelines.

11. CHAMPIONSHIP STEWARD/ELIGIBILITY SCRUTINEER

11.1 The appointed Championship Steward is Nicky Moffitt.

11.2 The appointed Championship Eligibility Scrutineer is Mike Harris.

12. CHAMPIONSHIP SCORING OFFICER

12.1 The appointed Championship Scoring Officer is Andrew Woodhead.

13. CHAMPIONSHIP COORDINATOR

13.1 Simon Fowler, Motorsport UK, Bicester, OX27 8FY.
Tel: 01753 765000 Email: simon.fowler@motorsportuk.org



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
#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.

QUALIFYING EVENTS – 2026

ROUND NO.	DATE	EVENT NAME	ORGANISING CLUB
1	Sunday 01 March	Walsingham*	750 Motor Club
2	Saturday 07 March	Wightman's Grass	The Sporting Trials Car Club
3 - NEW DATE	Sunday 15 March	J. B. Taylor	Kentish Border Car Club
4	Sunday 22 March	Peter Blankstone Sporting Trial	Midland Automobile Club
5	Saturday 28 March	Stuart Butterfield	Northern Phoenix Trials Car Club
6	Sunday 29 March	Stone Trough	Northern Phoenix Trials Car Club
7	Saturday 03 May	Jigger's Jug*	Northern Phoenix Trials Car Club
8	Sunday 04 May	Raymond Baxter	Northern Phoenix Trials Car Club
SUMMER BREAK			
9	Sunday 06 September	Robin Jager	Northern Phoenix Trials Car Club
10	Sunday 13 September	Pete Fear Sporting Trial	Ross & District Motor Sports
11	Saturday 19 September	Robin Alexander*	Camel Vale Motor Club
12	Sunday 20 September	David Ayres	Launceston & North Cornwall Motor Club
13	Sunday 11 October	Mercian	Midland Trials Car Club
14	Saturday 24 October	EVT Tweed's*	The Sporting Trials Car Club
15	Sunday 01 November	Tulleys Farm	Kentish Border Car Club
16	Sunday 08 November	Roy Fedden	Bristol Motor Club
17	Sunday 22 November	Johnson	BTRDA
18	Sunday 06 December	Gloucester*	Midland Trials Car Club

* Items indicated with an asterisk are designated Major Events.