

CLERKS & STEWARDS' BULLETIN

Clerks' & Stewards' Bulletin – May 2026

Clerks' and stewards' communications update

We're making strong progress in improving how our community connects and stays informed across Motorsport UK. As part of this, we've launched a new Keep in Touch preference centre - it's important that you review and update their email preferences to ensure you continue receiving the most relevant updates. Preference updated can be made [here](#).

We've also introduced a dedicated Clerks' & Stewards' News Hub on our website, creating a central space for this newsletter and a wider range of stories, updates and resources from across the community. You can view the hub [here](#).

Alongside this, Revolution magazine is entering an exciting new era, with a refreshed focus on celebrating clubs, volunteers and competitors. We encourage you to [explore the latest edition](#) and see the changes for yourself.

Conflict of Interest

As noted in this year's Seminars, all Officials are reminded of the importance of avoiding both actual and perceived conflicts of interest when officiating at Events.

Where an Official has a conflict of interest or where a perceived bias could reasonably exist, whether that be through a family member, a close friend or even a customer, it is common and expected practice for the Official concerned to step back from their role in relation to the specific championship, class or activity concerned. This may include, for example, stepping aside from scrutineering or clerking duties.

Motorsport can often be a "family affair", and it is natural to build friendships within the community. While officials are encouraged to enjoy their involvement and engagement with competitors and teams, impartiality must always be maintained. This protects both the Official and the competitor by ensuring decisions are beyond reproach and eliminates any perception of bias.

Extrication Exercises

We strongly encourage organising clubs to schedule an extrication exercise within the event timetable to enable medical and rescue personnel to participate, as this activity helps improve teamwork in the event of an incident.

Championship Bulletins

Motorsport UK Stewards are advised that if they are presented a Championship Bulletin the weekend of an Event that this must be referred to Motorsport UK, as the Steward cannot authorise a Championship Bulletin.

Personnel and Equipment form – Long Circuit Karting

Where a Long Circuit Karting event takes place at Race venue, please ensure that the National Scrutineer present is also listed on the Personnel and Equipment form, to ensure Motorsport UK can check that the correct Officials were present at the event.

Results

A reminder please for all Speed Event Organisers that results must be available for competitors to view at Events. The use of online noticeboards etc is encouraged, however please be mindful of difficulties at certain venues with a lack of signal/data. Competitors should be able to view results at Events, whether it's a notice board (electronic or printed), or simply being able to look at a screen in the competition office on request. This is an important part of the judicial process.

Introduction to Neurodiversity Webinar – Expression of Interest

Motorsport UK, in collaboration with Neurodiverse Sport, are planning to deliver an upcoming webinar focused on neurodiversity in sport.

Provisional date: 3rd June 2026

Time: 6:30pm

Neurodiverse Sport is dedicated to improving inclusion and accessibility for individuals with neurodiverse conditions, including autism, ADHD, and dyslexia. Their work supports sports organisations by providing education, practical resources, and tailored strategies to help participants, volunteers, and staff feel supported and valued.

This webinar, *Introduction to Neurodiversity*, is aimed at Officials and Club Safeguarding Officers. It will focus on raising awareness and building confidence in supporting individuals with neurodiverse needs. Attendees can expect practical guidance and real-world insights to help foster more inclusive and understanding environments within motorsport.

We are currently seeking expressions of interest for this session. If you would be interested in attending, please [click here](#) to register your interest.

Sprint & Hill Climb – Balaclavas

Following several fires across a range of motorsport disciplines, which resulted in burns, the Sprint & Hill Climb Sub-Committee reviewed all personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements during 2025. As a result of this review, a proposal was made to introduce a mandatory requirement for **flame-resistant balaclavas** for competitors in **Modified, Sports Libre, and Racing Cars**.

This proposal was approved by the Board in **June 2025**, following consultation, and came into effect on **1 January 2026**. However, it appears that many competitors remain unaware of this change, and organisers are therefore encouraged to help promote awareness of the requirement.

Exemptions remain in place for **Standard Cars, Road Cars, and open bodywork Period Defined Vehicles**.

For full details, please refer to **Chapter 14, Appendix 2, Article 4.3**.

Sprint & Hill Climb – PPE

From **1 January 2027**, **Ch.14, App.2, Art. 4.3** will require competitors in **Modified, Sports Libre, and Racing Cars** to wear **flame-resistant shoes** in compliance with **Chapter 9, Article 12.4**.

Competitors in **Standard Cars, Road Cars, and Period Defined Vehicles** must wear **suitable footwear** that fully covers the foot and enables adequate control of the vehicle. The use of plastic footwear (such as trainers) should be avoided.

You are encouraged to ensure that competitors are made aware of these requirements **ahead of 2027** so that they can be suitably prepared.

Competitor Judicial Process Guidance Notes

Please be aware that the judicial process guidance notes for competitor are now available on the Motorsport UK Resource centre. Please find them within 'Competitors & Licencing' and then 'Judicial Notes for Guidance'. The documents available are as listed below:

[Appeal against Championship Stewards to National Court](#)

[Submitting a Protest to the Clerk](#)

[To the National Court](#)

[To the National Court – Technical](#)

[To the Stewards](#)

Decision Sheets – CIK Panel

Where a CIK Judicial Panel are operating at a Kart Event, please ensure that all 3 Steward names and signatures are included on the Steward decision sheet. Please consult with the Club if you notice that the electronic system they use for decision documentation does not allow for this.