

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

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Section B

CURRENT REGULAION

(B) Nomenclature and Definitions

AutoSOLO. A type of Autotest subject to the same criteria as Autotests (see Section M).

Autotest. A Competition in which marking during the event is based solely on a Competitor's performance in manoeuvring tests. These tests may be at one or more sites on private property.

Production Car Autotest. An Autotest event restricted to strictly production cars as defined in the Specific Regulations, intended to encourage newcomers to the sport.

(M) Autotests

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M4. Any 'garage' used in an Autotest must have a minimum length of 5m and a minimum width of 3m.

M4.1. When Competitors are required to perform a 180° turn in a box, the size of the box should be sufficient to contain a circle of 14m diameter.

PROPOSED REGULATION

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~~**Production Car Autotest.** An Autotest event restricted to strictly production cars as defined in the Specific Regulations, intended to encourage newcomers to the sport.~~

Autotest. A competition for Cars in which marking during the event is based solely on a competitor's performance in manoeuvring tests, and defined as:-

(a) Autotest. These tests may include spin or handbrake turns, stop astride lines, and some reversing, and may be at one or more sites. A passenger is NOT allowed. (see Section M);

(b) Production Car Autotest. A competition for Production Cars capable of being taxed and MOT'd. These tests may include a limited number of spin or handbrake turns, stop astride lines, or reversing, and may be at one or more sites. A passenger MUST be carried in the front seat. (see Section M);

(c) AutoSOLO. For Road Going Cars, with tests held on a sealed surface. These tests shall be all forward and non-stop, without requiring any spin or handbrake turns, and may be at one or more sites. A passenger MAY be carried in the front seat. (see Section M).

Autotests

M4. Any 'garage' used in an Autotest must have a minimum length of ~~5m~~ 6m and a minimum width of ~~3m~~ 3.5m.

M4.1. When Competitors are required to perform a 180° turn in a box, the size of the box should be sufficient to contain a circle of ~~14m~~ 16m diameter.

M5.2. All lines, or pairs of adjacent markers, forming part of any all-forward test must be a minimum of 3m and a maximum of 4m long or apart. See Appendix 1, Drawing number 5.

M6.5. Each test must be run at least twice, and preferably more than twice.

M6.6. Each Competitor's worst performance at each test will be discarded in arriving at total penalties for the event.

M13.2. No Passenger is allowed to be carried in any timed test except in Production Car Autotests.

- a) **No current Regulation**
- b) **No current Regulation**
- c) **No current Regulation**
- d) **No current Regulation**

M14.3. If the Driver holds a valid, non-provisional RTA Licence, the Passenger must be 12 years or over.

Supplementary Regulations

M15. The Supplementary Regulations must specify:

- a) *Details of the tests or when these details will be notified to Competitors
- b) *The number of runs per Driver and how these count towards the results
- c) *The method of identifying cars
- d) *The method of timing and whether or not the timing apparatus is started by the car or by the starting signal
- e) *The starting signal.

M16.8. Tyres from List 1b are not permitted.

M17. Miscellaneous

M17.1. Any entered vehicle must be currently registered and taxed as a private car, unless otherwise specified in the SRs. Whilst on the Public Highway, vehicles must comply with all Statutory Regulations as to Construction and Use.

No current Regulation

M18.2.1. When an event is organised solely for open or sports cars, hoods need not be erected nor hard tops fitted, provided that all drivers hold a full RTA licence and all passengers are aged 16 or over.

M19.4. All lines, or pairs of adjacent markers, forming part of any all-forward test must be a minimum of 3m and a maximum of 4m long or apart.

M30.2. No Passenger is allowed to be carried in any timed test.

M32.

h) Tyres from List 1b are not permitted.

M5.2. All lines, or pairs of adjacent markers, forming part of any all-forward test must be a minimum of ~~3m~~ 3.5m and a maximum of ~~4m~~ 5m long or apart. See Appendix 1, Drawing number 5.

M6.5. ~~Each test must be run at least twice, and preferably more than twice.~~ Delete.

M6.6. ~~Each Competitor's worst performance at each test will be discarded in arriving at total penalties for the event.~~ Delete.

M13.2. ~~No Passenger is allowed to be carried in any timed test except in Production Car Autotests.~~

- a) **Passengers are not allowed in Autotests.**
- b) **Passengers are not allowed in All Forward Autotests.**
- c) **A passenger must be carried in Production Car Autotests.**
- d) **A passenger may be carried in AutoSolos.**

M14.3. If the Driver holds a valid, non-provisional RTA Licence, the Passenger must be 12 years or over **and be at least 135cm in height.**

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- e) *The starting signal.
- f) * **Whether carrying a passenger will be allowed or not, or will be compulsory.**

M16.8. Tyres from List 1b and **1c** are not permitted.

M17. Miscellaneous

M17.1. **Any entered vehicle must be a Car for vehicle tax purposes, and currently registered and taxed, unless otherwise specified in the SRs.** ~~Any entered vehicle must be currently registered and taxed as a private car, unless otherwise specified in the SRs.~~ Whilst on the Public Highway, vehicles must comply with all Statutory Regulations as to Construction and Use.

M17.4. * **Classes are free, but the class structure must be stated in the SRs.**

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Minimum Ages

AutoSOLOS

M29. Entries may be accepted from Drivers who are 16 and over without a full RTA Licence, provided the vehicle used is by definition a 'touring car'.

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If a passenger is carried, they must hold a valid full RTA licence.

M29.1. Entries may be accepted from Drivers who are aged 14 years and over, provided the vehicle used is by definition a "touring car". A passenger MUST be carried, and they MUST hold a valid full RTA licence and be experienced in AutoSOLOS or Autotests.

M29.2. *The Supplementary Regulations for an event will specify whether the driver can elect to carry a passenger or not.

M29.3. One Passenger may be carried in each competing car to assist in giving directions to the Driver. Once the event has started, the number of occupants of the car must not be varied.

M29.4. If carried, the Passenger must occupy the seat alongside the Driver and wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt at all times during the test.

M29.5. No other Passenger is allowed.

M29.6. If the driver holds a valid, full RTA licence, the passenger in a touring car, or a sports car with the hood erected or a hardtop fitted, must be aged 12 years or over and be at least 135cm in height. The passenger in a sports car without hood erected or hardtop fitted must be aged 16 years or over and be at least 135cm in height.

D.O.I. 1st January 2017

Reason: The Autotest Committee has completed a thorough review of the regulations and the above changes represent the first phase comprising both new and clarifications of existing regulations that become clearer with the second phase, separately published which is a complete representation of the regulations in a clearer manner.