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Looking forward to 2021

Nobody could have predicted how 2020 was going to unfold, and the impact it would have on our everyday lives. The decision to suspend the sport in March was taken swiftly and decisively, in line with our responsibility to the motorsport community, but more importantly to minimise the burden on the NHS.

It has been incredibly humbling to see the support from the entire motorsport industry, as we came together to help the public health effort, whether it was the design, manufacturing and production of medical equipment, delivery of supplies, transportation, raising money for good causes or supporting front-line key workers – many of whom are part of our own community.

I would like to personally thank you all for your continued support of Motorsport UK and for being part of our community of over 60,000 competitors, officials, marshals and Trackside members. Thankfully, after a great deal of preparation and collaboration, we were able to establish the Getting Back on Track guidelines and secure approval from government to safely restart competition. When the sport did resume, in July, the dedication, enthusiasm and passion from our competitors and volunteers was nothing short of extraordinary.

In turn, our collective efforts paved the way for the government to recognise motorsport as a regulated sporting activity that has been subject to extensive COVID-19 mitigation protocols and now that we have all these procedures in place I'm confident that we can plan for the year ahead with optimism.

Our role as the governing body remains unchanged, as Motorsport UK goes about administering, promoting, training, safeguarding, developing, regulating and promoting the sport. In 2020 we welcomed nearly 20,000 new members and we will continue to support our club network bringing in new blood and helping to get events back up to full strength.

As part of delivering against our strategy, the move to Bicester Motion in Oxfordshire provides an ideal base to become a hub for the motorsport community, thanks to its improved geographical location in UK's 'Motorsport Valley'. The facility provides greater potential for hosting training days, seminars, conferences as well as licensed Motorsport UK events and will see us becoming a more vibrant and engaging organisation, that can work even more closely with our member groups in the future.

Please let us know your views in surveys and questionnaires we send out, as we appreciate feedback and your opinions are invaluable in helping to guide our future plans. I very much hope we can rely on your continued support of our organisation and embrace the positive steps we are taking.

My best wishes to you and your families as we look forward to a safe, fair and fun year ahead.

David Richards CBE
Chairman



How to use this Book

All the basic rules governing participation in motor sport events in Britain are contained in this 'Blue Book'. To enjoy the sport to the full, Organisers, Competitors and Officials should ensure they are familiar with the regulations relevant to their own particular discipline.

The Yearbook is split into four main Parts:

Structure of the Sport

The first (RED) Part describes the governance and structure of the sport in Britain, describing the role of Motorsport UK and introducing some of the people involved in the sport, from Council Members to Technical Officials.

The Regulations

The second (BLUE) Part contains the detailed motor sport regulations which are split into two Sections:

- **Common Regulations** effecting all disciplines of the sport from Autotests to Rallying; and
- **Specific Regulations** effecting individual motor sport disciplines, giving Organisational, Competitor and Technical information for each discipline.

Within [The Regulations](#) all new regulations are indicated by the use of **red text**.

The Appendices

These contain much detailed information that has been extracted from the main body of the text in order to make the other Sections more accessible and more readable.

The Directory

The fourth (GREEN) Part includes the regular Motorsport UK Motor Sports Directory advertising products and services from over 180 companies in 100 different categories.

In general it should be possible for readers to find

all the relevant Regulations they require by consulting just two sections in the blue part of the book.

As in previous years, a certain amount of cross-referencing between Sections is necessary due to similarities between different disciplines, and because the safety criteria are common to many.

We hope that once you become familiar with the new Blue Book you will find it easy to read and quicker to navigate through. We would welcome all feedback from readers on this revised publication in the hope that we can continue to improve this important motor sport document.

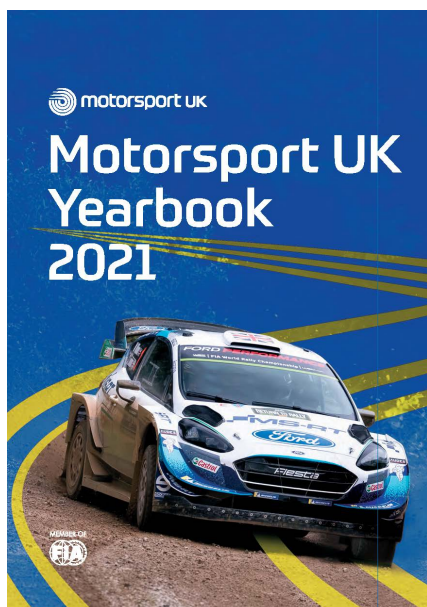




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An introduction to Motor Sports

The end of the 19th century saw the establishing and subsequent rapid development of the motor car industry in Britain. From these early years motor sports clubs sprung up all over the country and for over 100 years these have been the bedrock on which the sport has advanced and prospered, both nationally and internationally.

Britain today remains at the very heart of the international motor sports industry. At a national level, it turns over around £2.9-billion annually and is recognised by Government as a major exporter, generating in excess of £750-million in foreign earnings last year. It offers full-time employment to around 38,000 people (source MIA), and part-time work to a further 100,000.

Involvement at all levels

In sporting terms it involves people at all levels: at grass roots through the activities of 720 Motor Clubs (with a total membership of over 200,000) who annually organise in the region of 4,500 events for 120,000 competitors in 22 different disciplines; at elite level through events such as the British Grand Prix and the Rally of Great Britain.

The sport is open to all. Events are available for competitors as young as six years old. Others are devoted to women drivers only and there are even opportunities for severely disabled drivers to compete. There are further opportunities for non-drivers to participate as passengers and navigators, or to act as marshals and officials at motor sport events, progressing into areas of scrutineering and timekeeping. On

the safety side there are opportunities for first-aiders, doctors and paramedics in rescue and recovery units.

Training and coaching

Throughout the sport, a comprehensive programme of national training and coaching initiatives are in place to develop skill levels whatever the involvement: competitor, official, marshal, medical officer or administrator.

The governance and administration of this hugely successful sport in Britain is today the responsibility of Motorsport UK, with its roots in the Royal Automobile Club that successfully formed and has moulded the sport for over a century.

The sport's governing body

Motorsport UK is recognised as the governing body of motor sport in Britain by the world governing body, the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA). As such, Motorsport UK is responsible for administering and controlling the rules governing the sport.

This Motorsport UK Yearbook, known as the 'Blue Book' and published annually by Motorsport UK, is the sport's regulatory 'Bible' for Organisers, Competitors and Officials.

