BECOMING A:
RECOVERY OFFICIAL

Recovery Units recover stricken vehicles and provide assistance with the stabilisation of vehicles in order for Rescue Crews to carry out driver extrication.

WHERE DO I START?

Firstly, you must be a minimum of 17 years old to begin training as a Recovery Official, and you must reach your 18th birthday by the time you undertake your assessment for upgrade.

Contact Motorsport UK for details of a Recovery Unit close to where you live or contact a Unit directly at the next event you are at; they will be happy to show you around their Unit and explain what would be needed to join their team. Applications are welcomed from all genders and from any background.

Spend a day out with the team to understand their role and whether it is something you would like to be involved with. If so, with the help of the Crew Chief, you can apply for your Recovery Trainee Licence from Motorsport UK and start your training.

TRAINING

To obtain a Trainee licence you will first need to gain the support of a current Motorsport UK-registered Unit and then complete Motorsport UK’s New Officials Registration form, which must be returned to the Membership Services Team with a supporting letter from the Unit operator.

Your training will be provided free of charge and is designed to help you achieve the competencies needed to be formally assessed before receiving a full licence. The training process can take up to two years and you can work at your own pace.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

As a fully licensed Recovery Official, you will be required to attend a minimum of two Training Events per year to develop your skills and a re-assessment must take place every three years in order to maintain your licence.