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ANICC McMillan Specialist Cars Autotest Championship 2026

Championship Regulations

1.0 Sporting Regulations

- 1.1 The ANICC McMillan Specialist Cars Autotest Championship 2026 is promoted by the Association of Northern Ireland Car Clubs [ANICC] in accordance with the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK and these regulations.
- 1.2 The Championship will be organised and administered by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee.
- 1.3 Motorsport UK Championship Permit CH2026/A008 has been issued for the Championship.
- 1.4 Any dispute regarding the interpretation of these regulations may be referred to a panel of Championship Stewards. The panel will consist of Nicky Moffitt, Robert Kelly and Tom Allison.

2.0 Competitor Eligibility

- 2.1 Any person holding a valid competition licence issued by the Motorsport UK or by Motorsport Ireland, and who additionally is a member of a recognised motor club within the ANICC or Motorsport Ireland is eligible to register for the Championship.
- 2.2 The Championship is open to drivers of "Expert" and "Semi-Expert" grades only.
- 2.3 Any query relating to driver eligibility will be resolved by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee.

3.0 Registration

- 3.1 Registration is compulsory for the Championship.
- 3.2 By registering, competitors agree to be bound by these regulations.
- 3.3 Registration fee for the Championship is £20.00, and must be paid prior to the start of the event at which you first register for the Championship.
- 3.4 All registered competitors must display a Championship decal (or decals) in a prominent and easily legible position on the exterior of their vehicle to be eligible to score points. (Decal placement document within this document)
- 3.5 All competitors must register to score points towards the Championship.
- 3.6 Registration cannot be retrospective. Only points scored after registration will be counted.
- 3.7 Registration to be completed via the form on Stopastride.
- 3.8 An ANICC Levi shall be applied alongside the entry fee for each event set at £5 per competitor per event. (Levi is applied to all championships within the ANICC to cover associated costs.)
- 3.9 Regulations are available on the ANICC website, www.motorsportni.org and from the Championship Co-ordinator, Mark King, 19 Blackberry Lane, Newmills, Co Tyrone, BT71 4AZ
Tel: 07553378902 (W) 07598 863273 (M) E-mail m222kng@live.co.uk

4.0 Events

- 4.1 The Championship will consist of the following events:

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| 07 March | Autotest Drivers' Club Limited |
| 28 March | Omagh Motor Club Limited |
| 18 April | Larne Motor Club Limited |
| 16 May | Reserve Event [to replace any cancelled event earlier in the Championship] |
| 06 June | Enniskillen Motor Club Limited |
| 27 June | Coleraine Motor Club Limited |
| 01 August | Dungannon Motor Club Limited |
| 22 August | Coleraine Motor Club Limited |
| 05 September | Ulster Automobile Club Limited |

- 4.2 Qualifying events must comply, in all respects, with the Northern Ireland Autotest Championship protocol and Master Regulations, copies of which are available to any organising club, on request, from the Championship Co-ordinator.
- 4.3 If a club cannot run its event on the appointed date, another club may organise an event on that date which, subject to ratification by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee, will count towards the Championship. If no qualifying event runs on a championship date, then the reserve event will form part of the Championship.

5.0 Classes

- 5.1 The Championship shall consist of four classes, as follows:

- Class A Front-wheel and Rear-wheel drive specials
- Class B Rear-wheel drive sports cars and kit cars (manufacturer's defined wheelbase)
- Class C Saloon Cars under 11 feet in overall length (as defined in manufacturer's catalogue)
- Class D Saloon Cars over 11 feet in overall length (as defined in manufacturer's catalogue)

- 5.2 Any query relating to class eligibility will be resolved by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee
- 5.3 Tyres from Chapter 8 app.4 lists 1B and 1C are not permitted in any Championship round

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6.0 Scoring

6.1 Points may only be scored on an individual event by a competitor who has signed-on before the start of the event, and who completed at least 50% of the tests on that event.

6.2 Points will be awarded for an Overall Championship and towards a Class Championship

6.3 Points towards the Overall Championship will be scored on the basis that the first-placed competitor in the overall classification on each event will be awarded 30 points, second-placed will score 29 points and so on down to one point being awarded to the 30th-placed competitor.

6.4 If a competitor is classified as DNF they will receive the next available points once all finishers have been classified and points allocated. This will be based on number of tests completed, e.g. (7 tests completed = 1st DNF, 6 tests completed = 2nd and so on)

6.5 Where three or more competitors in a class start an event, points towards the Class Championship will be scored on the basis that the first-placed competitor in the class will be awarded 10 points, second-placed will score 9 points and so on down to one point being awarded to the 10th-placed competitor.

6.6 Where only two competitors in a class start an event, points towards the Class Championship will be scored on the basis that the first-placed competitor in the class will be awarded 9 points and the second-placed will score 8 points.

6.7 Where only one competitor in a class starts an event, only 8 points will be scored towards the Class Championship, provided that competitor is classified as a finisher. Competitors will discard scores as follows:

| Number of events run | Number of events to count |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 8 | 6 |
| 7 | 5 |
| 6 | 5 |
| 5 | 4 |
| 4 | 3 |
| 3 | 3 |
| 2 | 2 |
| 1 | 1 |

6.7 In the event of a tie in either Overall or Class Championships, the better score in a discarded round will be counted to resolve the tie. If a tie persists, the second-best discarded scores will be counted until the tie is resolved. If a tie still persists, then the competitor who scored the greater number of points first will be deemed to be the winner.

6.8 On any Championship event, ties will be resolved by comparing total penalties accrued by each competitor after the first visit to each test site. If this fails to resolve the tie, then the total penalties accrued on the second visit to each test site will be considered, and so on until the tie is resolved.

7.0 Awards

7.1 The following awards will be presented:

Northern Ireland Autotest Champion [the competitor who finishes first in the Overall Championship] will receive the **Paddy Hopkirk Perpetual Trophy & replica**

2nd-placed driver in the Overall Championship will receive a trophy

3rd-placed driver in the Overall Championship will receive a trophy

Large Saloon Autotest Champion [the competitor who finishes first in the Class D Championship] will receive the **Noble Perpetual Trophy & replica**

Ladies' Autotest Champion [the female competitor who finishes highest in the Overall Championship] will receive a trophy

Semi-Expert Autotest Champion [the Semi-Expert competitor who finishes highest in the Overall Championship] will receive the **Patterson Perpetual Trophy & replica**

Class Championship awards – the drivers who finish 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each Class will receive an award

7.2 Perpetual awards will be retained for eleven months and returned to the ANICC Secretary at the end of this period.

7.3 Perpetual awards must be maintained in good condition and their recipients will be responsible for their safekeeping.

8.0 Northern Ireland Team Selection

8.1 Team selection will be made on the basis of the Overall Championship classification [see Article 6.3] as it stands 28 days before the event for which the team is to be selected.

8.2 A driver nominated for the team will be the person who has scored the most points in the Overall Championship in a vehicle, which is eligible for the event for which the team is to be selected. If no driver has qualified by right for selection to the team, the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee reserves the sole right to nominate a competitor to the team.

8.3 All drivers who are selected for the team will be notified in writing and must confirm their acceptance in writing before the date specified in the letter of notification.

8.4 If a nominated driver is unable to compete in the event for which the team is to be selected, or if written acceptance is not received by the specified date, then the next best placed eligible driver will be nominated.

8.5 If less than three events have been held in the current year, the Overall Championship classification from the previous year will be used as the basis for team selection.

8.6 Any driver who is selected for a Northern Ireland team may not represent any other team during the event for which they have been selected.

8.6 Any dispute regarding team selection will be resolved by decision of the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee

Appendix 1



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 my part in keeping the sport safety 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

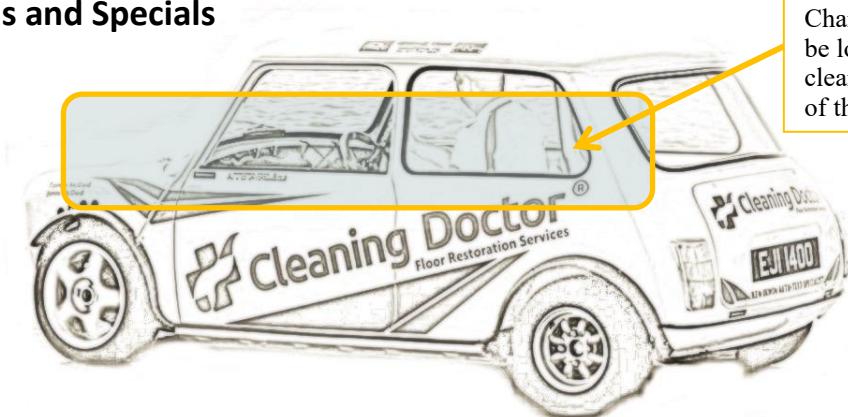
Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.

Appendix 2

Sponsorship Graphics

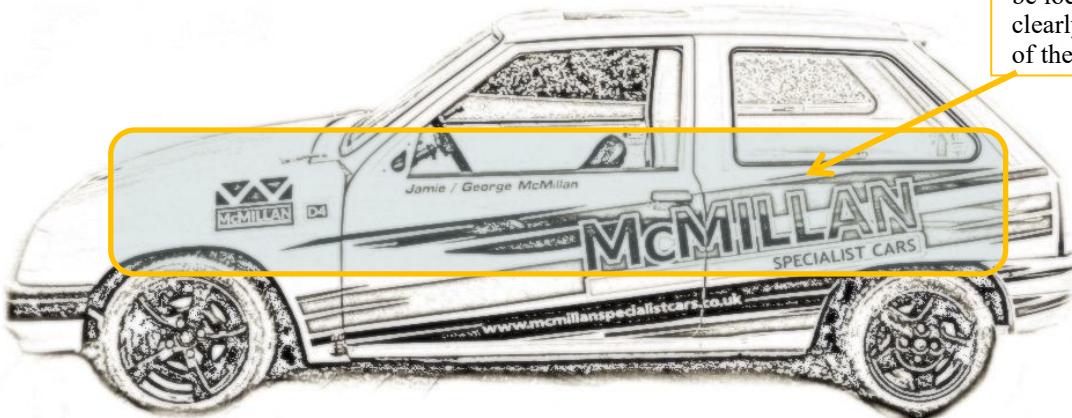
All competing vehicles must carry valid 2026 sponsorship stickers. All past Championship Graphics must be removed.

Small Saloons and Specials



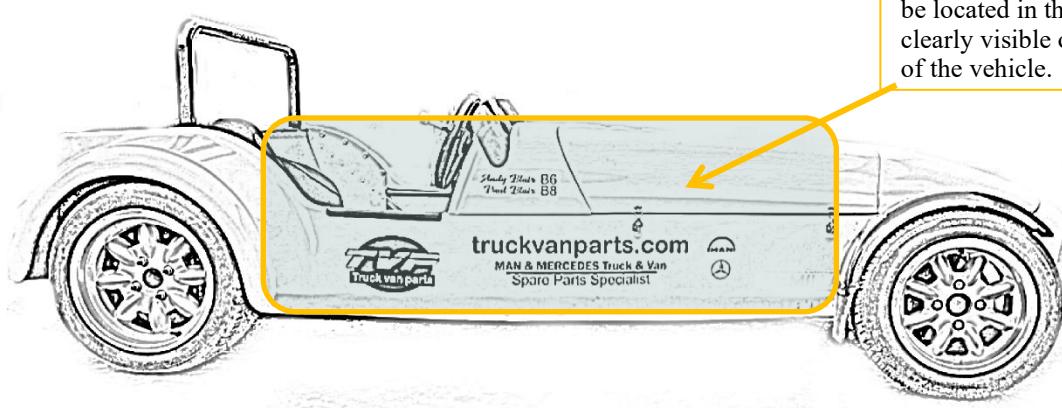
Championship Graphics to be located in this area and be clearly visible on both sides of the vehicle.

Large Saloon



Championship Graphics to be located in this area and be clearly visible on both sides of the vehicle.

Sports Cars



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