



CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS



Some of the 2025/26 Protyre Circuit Rally winners including the overall champions
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Welcome to the 2026/27 Protyre Circuit Rally Championship

We're pleased to welcome new and returning crews, their supporters, family and friends to the 11th **Circuit Rally Championship**, to run between November 2026 and April 2027. This popular championship has continued to grow in strength and has provided close and exciting competition for those involved through all the classes.

We're delighted **Protyre** remain our title sponsors, attending every event and will also be offering the valuable **Protyre Awards Scheme** (see Section 7). This rewards successful Protyre customers in the overall results, together with a feature class per round, with additional awards there. Registration for the Championship automatically includes registration for these awards.

Motorsport News will continue as our media partner. We thank them for a co-ordinated Championship launch and for their ongoing coverage of the Championship.

We have further sponsorship announcements planned over the coming weeks.

The **2026/27 Protyre Circuit Rally Championship (CRC)** is organised collectively by the circuit rally event organising clubs, with Dukeries Motor Club Ltd holding the Motorsport UK Championship Permit on behalf of the group.

The 2026/27 CRC will feature a choice of 9 popular one-day circuit-based stage rallies at 7 different spectator-friendly venues, with a competitor's best 7 scores to count.

The Championship includes seven competition classes including class 10 designed to accommodate the more standard rally cars. With a strong record in attracting newcomers to stage rallies, we aim to improve accessibility further by doing this.

We are also pleased to welcome competitors from the new 116i Rallye Series for BMW 1 Series Hatchback cars [2004-2011] E87 model. They will register and compete within class 8 of the CRC.

The 2026/27 CRC is open to all competitors who hold an appropriate Motorsport UK competition licence of Interclub or higher grade (or the Motorsport Ireland equivalent).

Championship Registration is just **£50** for Drivers and **£30** for co-drivers.

(For the purposes of the 2026/27 CRC only, registration also includes membership of Dukeries MC up to 25th April 2027. Dukeries MC is an invited club on each of the events, so all registered CRC competitors are automatically eligible for all the CRC events).

Register on-line at www.rallies.info/webentry/2027/circuitchamp/webentry.php

The Championship will provide crews with an enjoyable and competitive series of events at venues popular with competitors and spectators alike. We start on Saturday 7th November at Oulton Park followed by events at Cadwell Park and Donington Park before a Christmas break. The New Year starts with Brands Hatch in January. Then February brings us to Snetterton before our first visit to Trac Mon /Anglesey. The final part of the season sees return visits to Donington, Trac Mon/Anglesey and Cadwell Park.

We hope that you will join us for what is sure to be another enjoyable and successful season. Good luck to everyone.

Protyre Circuit Rally Championship - 2026/27

1 SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL

- 1.1 The 2026/27 PROTYRE Circuit Rally Championship (CRC) will be run in accordance with the **National Competition Rules (NCRs)** of **Motorsport UK** as applicable, and these **Championship Regulations (CRs)**.

The CRC is open to all competitors holding a minimum of a Motorsport UK **Interclub** competition licence (or the Motorsport Ireland equivalent).

Championship Permit No:CH2027/RALLY013 (D) has been issued by Motorsport UK.

- 1.2 Any additions or amendments to these CRs will be confirmed by numbered and dated Bulletins. These may be issued by the Championship Organisers or the Championship Stewards.
- 1.3 Any query concerning these CRs, the running of the Championship or the allocation of points must initially be referred to the Championship Officials. Any subsequent appeal must be referred in writing to the Championship Stewards via the Championship Secretary within the time limits set out in the NCRs, together with the appropriate fee.

1.4 Championship Eligibility

- 1.4.1 The Championship Registration Fee is just **£50** for Drivers and **£30** for Co-drivers. Registrations open on the publication of these Regulations and close on 1st April 2027.

Championship registration must be done online at: -

www.rallies.info/webentry/2007/circuitchamp/webentry.php

The 2026/27 CRC Registration includes membership of Dukeries Motor Club Ltd which is the Championship Permit holding club and is an invited club on each CRC event. (NB: This Dukeries Motor Club membership is only applicable when associated with the CRC and its events).

- 1.4.2 Championship registration does not guarantee an entry on events. It is the responsibility of competitors to enter events in sufficient time. The CRC and/or Dukeries Motor Club will not enter any correspondence / discussion about event entries or seeding. All Championship events have agreed to fairly consider entries received from registered CRC competitors.

When registering for the championship a competitor must nominate a championship class. Any change in that class during the season must be notified to the championship co-ordinator prior to the start of the relevant event. Failure to do so may result in no class points being awarded to the competitor.

1.5 PROVISIONAL CALENDAR *(Round 9 date is still subject to agreement with the circuit)*

The 2026/27 Championship Rounds (best 7 scores to count)

➤ Salford Van Hire Neil Howard Stages	Saturday 7 th November 2026	Oulton Park
➤ NHMC Cadwell Stages Rally	Sunday 22 nd November 2026	Cadwell Park
➤ Donington Rally	Sunday 6 th December 2026	Donington Park
➤ MGJ Engineering Brands Hatch Stages	Saturday 16 th January 2027	Brands Hatch
➤ Snetterton Stage Rally	Saturday 6 th February 2027	Snetterton
➤ Lee Holland Memorial Trophy Stages	Sunday 7 th March 2027	Trac Mon, Anglesey
➤ Zone Systems Dukeries Rally	Sunday 14 th March 2027	Donington Park
➤ Altratech SMC Stages	Sunday 11 th April 2027	Trac Mon, Anglesey
➤ Spark Developments Alan Healy Memorial Rally	Sunday 25 th April 2027 (tbc)	Cadwell Park

1.5.1 If a Championship event does not take place, then the scores to count will be as follows: -

8 rounds - best 6 scores to count.

7 rounds - best 5 scores to count.

6 rounds - best 4 scores to count.

5 rounds - best 4 scores to count.

4 rounds - best 3 scores to count.

Less than 4 rounds - Championship cancelled.

1.6 Championship Information

The Championship website: www.circuitrally.co.uk

The CRC Facebook page: www.facebook.com/CircuitRally

The CRC Sportity App: Password = **CRC2627**



1.6.1 Championship Officials:

Championship Secretary & Registrar	Mark Wilkinson
Championship Co-ordinator & CLO	Josh Routledge
Championship Eligibility Scrutineer	Paul Hewer
Championship Media Co-ordinator	Andrew Bisping
Championship Administrator	Howard Wilcock
Championship Stewards Panel	Brian Hemmings, Neil Fuller, David Walton & Nigel Drayton

1.7 Points Scoring

1.7.1 The allocation of Championship Points will be based on the final results of each of the qualifying events. Championship Points will be published in the CRC Sportity app, on www.rallies.info/championships/ and on the Championship website as soon as possible after each event.

Subject to no protests being received, these interim points will become final 7 days after publication, unless otherwise stated. Similarly, after the final round, the Championship Points will become final 7 days after the provisional points are published, unless otherwise stated.

- 1.7.2 Any results scored in a qualifying round of the championship prior to CRC registration will **not** count towards competitors' championship points scores.
- 1.8 **Championship Points** will be awarded as follows: -
- 1.8.1 **Overall Event Points**
30 Points will be awarded to the highest placed registered Driver and the highest placed registered Co-driver overall, 29 Points to the second, 28 Points to the third and so on down to 2 Points to the twenty ninth placed Driver and Co-driver and every subsequent registered Driver and Co-driver. Every registered non-finisher will be awarded 1 point.
- 1.8.2 **Class Points**
30 Points will be awarded to the highest placed registered Driver and the highest placed registered Co-driver in each class, 28 Points to the second, 26 Points to the third and so on down to 2 Points to the fifteenth placed Driver and Co-driver and every subsequent Driver and Co-driver Every registered non-finisher will be awarded 1 Point.
- 1.8.3 **Championship Scores / Positions**
Competitors Overall Championship scores for each event will be calculated by combining the two scores [1.8.1 + 1.8.2]. The final Championship Points tables will be based on a competitor's best scores as defined in 1.5
- 1.8.4 If a competitor is disqualified from a championship event or fails to start the rally then no points will be awarded for that round.
- 1.9 **116i Rallye Series**
New for the 2026/27 CRC will be the **116i Rallye Series**.  This is a 'one make' budget conscious competition based on the BMW 116i E87 model 5 door hatch. These cars were in production from 2004 to 2011 and are readily available. They are 1596cc naturally aspirated rear wheel drive cars so will be eligible to compete and score points in CRC class 8. They are essentially a standard car with the addition of some controlled replacement parts to ensure that the car meets the NCR requirements for stage rallies. Further info at <https://116irallye.com/>
The 116i Rallye Series CLO / contact is **Graham Tatham**: tathams@outlook.com
The Motorsport UK licenced Scrutineer for the 116i Rallye Series is Bob Blackmore.
- 1.10 **Circuit Rally Championship Decals**
Contenders will be issued with 2 x Championship Decals. These decals **must** be affixed in a prominent location, one on each side of the car, above the centre line of the wheels. These decals must not be altered, cut, trimmed, or modified.
If Championship Decals are not displayed as required at the start of and during an event, the competitor will be disregarded for the allocation of championship points for that event.
Competitors are also encouraged to display additional, optional decals from our sponsors, which the Championship will supply.

1.11 Championship Awards

There will be end of season Championship Awards as follows: -

1.11.1 Overall Awards:

1st Overall Driver & 1st Overall Co-driver - Perpetual Trophies plus Awards

2nd Overall Driver & Co-driver

3rd Overall Driver & Co-driver

A competitor winning one of the overall championship awards will not be eligible to win a class award.

The perpetual trophies for 1st overall driver & 1st overall co-driver remain the property of the CRC.

1.11.2 Class Awards:

1st Driver & 1st Co-driver in each class Awards

2nd Driver & 2nd Co-Driver in each class Awards *

3rd Driver & 3rd Co-driver in each class Awards **

* (Subject to minimum of 3 competitors scoring in that class)

** (Subject to minimum of 6 competitors scoring in that class)

To qualify for an overall championship award competitors must have started at least 3 qualifying events. To qualify for a class award competitors must have started at least 3 qualifying events in the class for which the award is given.

Any ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of maximum scores within their counting scores. In the event of a further tie the greatest number of second highest scores shall decide and so on. If this fails to resolve the tie, then joint awards may be presented.

1.11.3 Best Event in the 2026/276 Protyre Circuit Rally Championship

This award to be voted for by all the registered CRC competitors.

Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the championship organisers or championship sponsors. These will be notified in a Competitors' Bulletin.

1.11.4 Awards Presentation

Details of the time and location of the end of season award presentation will be confirmed in a Competitors' Bulletin. Any competitor who does not attend the Championship Awards Presentation, and who fails to appoint a representative on their behalf, or make other suitable arrangements with the Championship Secretary, may forfeit their award.

2 TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

2.1 All competing cars must comply with Motorsport UK NCRs Ch7, Ch8 and Ch13 App16 - Technical Regulations for Special Stage Rally Cars as applicable.

2.2 Any vehicle used by registered contenders can be subject to random eligibility and engine capacity checks throughout the year. These checks can be carried out by the Championship Scrutineer(s) or a Motorsport UK Scrutineer or a Motorsport UK Technical Commissioner, who shall be considered Judges of Fact in matters of eligibility. In the event of a car being found ineligible for any reason, then the penalties specified in NCR Ch2.App 8.2.2 will apply. The competitor will be responsible for any costs they incur because of eligibility checking, whether the car is found eligible or otherwise.

2.3 Permitted Fuels: Competitors are only permitted to use fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuel in the Motorsport UK NCRs. Fuel additives are NOT permitted unless specified in the Motorsport UK definition of Pump Fuel.

2.4 The Championship will be split into 7 Competition Classes: -

CRC Class	MSUK Classes	Summary Description See NCR Ch.13 App.24, Chart 50 for the definitive wording
1	1	Homologated (& formerly homologated) FIA Rally2, R5 and S2000 cars and all World Rally Cars. RHD conversions which retain all other aspects of their homologation (inc. weight) are permitted.
2	2, 4	All 4-wheel drive cars over 2000cc not eligible for Class 1.
3	3	2-wheel drive cars with normally aspirated engines over 2000cc or forced induction engines over 1500cc, plus all FIA RGT cars.
5	5, 6, 7	Homologated FIA Rally4 and R2 cars with forced induction engines. Cars with normally aspirated engines over 1600cc up to and including 2000cc or forced induction engines up to 1500cc. Homologated FIA Rally5 & Rally5 Kit cars.
8	8	Cars with normally aspirated engines over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc and forced induction engines up to and including 1000cc.
9	9	Cars with normally aspirated engines up to and including 1400cc.
10	10, 11, 12, 13.	All Rally Start cars; Rally First cars and Road Rally cars as per NCR Ch.13 App.15, plus Formula 1000 cars.

The classes in the 2026/27 Circuit Rally Championship are based on the Motorsport UK stage rally classes (Ch.13 App24, Chart 50). If the NCR class descriptions are changed then the CRC classes might also change. This would be confirmed by an official championship bulletin.

There are no separate Historic Rally Car classes. Historic Rally Cars that comply with NCR Ch13 App.17 will fit into the appropriate class descriptions listed above. The CRC reserve the right to reclassify any competition car if they deem it fairer to do so.

3 JUDICIAL PROCEDURES

3.1 Will be in accordance with Motorsport UK NCR's Ch.2 (Judicial) and Ch.4 (Championships).

3.2 Championship Stewards

3.2.1 Championship Stewards may adjudicate on any disputes, irregularities or appeals arising from the Championship Regulations.

3.2.2 The panel of Stewards of the 2026/27 Circuit Rally Championship will comprise of three independent Stewards. This panel will be selected from the Championship Stewards listed in Section 1.6.1 of these CRs.

3.2.3 Any appeal must be made in accordance with Ch.2 App.5 of the Motorsport UK NCR's.

3.2.4 Competitors whose car is declared ineligible in accordance with these CRs will score zero points for that round and the round will count towards their tally of scores for the year. (NCR Ch.2 App8.2.2).

- 3.2.5 In the event of a breach of a Motorsport UK Technical / Eligibility rule occurring on an event, this will be resolved in accordance with the provisions of the Motorsport UK NCRs. The outcome of any action may be reported to the Championship Stewards for possible further action as above. The Championship Stewards may also report the matter to Motorsport UK, who may take further action, increasing any penalties previously applied.

4 MOTORSport UK RESPECT CODE

By registering for the Championship all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate Motorsport UK's Race with Respect Code.

All participants must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and that abusive language and harmful behaviour will not be tolerated.

Where any reports of disrespectful conduct are judged to be well founded the Championship organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the Championship Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of Championship points through to Championship expulsion and/or referral to Motorsport UK.

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By participating in a Motorsport UK event, in any capacity, you are agreeing to follow the values of the governing body's Race with Respect Code.



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Jack Mather | Oulton Park

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| NHMC Cadwell Stages Rally
Sunday 22 nd November 2026
North Humberside Motor Club Ltd
David James | Cadwell Park

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| Donington Rally
Sunday 6 th December 2026
Dukeries Motor Club Ltd
Pete Butler | Donington Park

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| MGJ Engineering Brands Hatch Winter Stages
Saturday 16 th January 2027
Chelmsford Motor Club Ltd
Paul Barrett | Brands Hatch

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| Snetterton Stage Rally
Saturday 6 th February 2026
Anglia Motor Sport Club Ltd
Stanley Graham | Snetterton

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| Lee Holland Memorial Trophy Stages Rally
Sunday 7 th March 2027
Pendle District MC & Garstang & Preston MC
Steve Kenyon | Trac Mon, Anglesey

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| Zone Systems Dukeries Rally
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6 CHAMPIONSHIP CONTACTS

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7 PROTYRE AWARDS

PROTYRE (or their affiliated suppliers) will be attending all rounds of the 2026 / 27 PROTYRE Circuit Rally Championship and will be able to supply competitors with Pirelli, Michelin or Hoosier tyres, each of which are eligible for these awards. We can also supply Hankook and Toyo tyres on a pre-order basis, but competitors using these brands of tyre will not be eligible to claim tyre prizes.

Please contact Shaun Chetwyn on 01782 411001 or 07968 307584 for your specific tyre requirements.

There is a valuable PROTYRE Award Scheme for all PROTYRE Circuit Rally Championship registered drivers who comply with the following: -

- Must complete the rally using only **one brand of tyre - Pirelli, Michelin or Hoosier**. (If Protyre aren't able to supply the compound required the competitor will be allowed to use a substitute brand).
- The competitor **must have purchased the tyres through PROTYRE or its affiliated suppliers** JD Tyres or Tyres South Shore (or won them through these awards.) The Protyre Awards do not apply to competitors who have purchased / use part worn tyres purchased from a third party.
- In addition to displaying the Championship decals, **the car must display decals for that brand of tyre** (Pirelli, Michelin or Hoosier).

Decals will be supplied at the event by Protyre or via the Circuit Rally Championship CLO Josh Routledge. Champ.coordinator@circuitrally.co.uk

Note: No separate registration for these awards is required. (It is included in the PROTYRE Circuit Rally Championship driver's registration), but to be eligible you **must** comply with all the points set out above.

PROTYRE AWARDS on each Championship Event

Overall Awards: 1st = 3 tyres, 2nd = 2 tyres, 3rd = 1 tyre.

Awards in the designated Class: 1st = 3 tyres, 2nd = 2 tyres, 3rd = 1 tyre.

EVENT	Overall	Class 2	Class 3	Class 5	Class 8	Class 9 / 10
Round 1 Oulton Park	***	***				
Round 2 Cadwell	***		***			
Round 3 Donington	***			***		
Round 4 Brands Hatch	***				***	
Round 5 Snetterton	***					***
Round 6 Anglesey	***	***				
Round 7 Donington	***		***			
Round 8 Anglesey	***			***		
Round 9 Cadwell	***				***	

A competitor may only win one Protyre Award on a single event and therefore a maximum of 3 tyres. E.G. If a competitor finishes second overall and first in the designated class for that event, they will be awarded the class award as that will be the greater number of tyres.

If there are no eligible drivers in the designated classes, no awards will be given.

8 CIRCUIT RALLY CHAMPIONS

Season	Year	Champion Driver	Champion Co-Driver	Winning Car
10	2025/26	Michael Igoe	Will Atkins	Citroen C3 Rally2
9	2024/25	Michael Igoe	Will Atkins	Citroen C3 Rally2
8	2023/24	Michael Igoe	Will Atkins	Ford Fiesta R5 / Citroen C3 Rally2
7	2022/23	John Griffiths	Emma Morrison	Ford Fiesta R5
6	2021/22	Neil Roskell	Tony Jones	Ford Fiesta R5
5	2020/21	Mark Kelly	Neil Coleman	Ford Fiesta R5
4	2019/20	Barry Morris	Tom Hutchings	Darrian T90 GTR+
3	2018/19	Chris West	Keith Hounslow	Peugeot 306 Maxi Kit Car
2	2017/18	Chris West	Keith Hounslow	Peugeot 306 Maxi Kit Car
1	2016/17	Ian Woodhouse	Paul Rowland	Ford Escort Mk2

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