



2023 Series Regulations: **Royal Automobile Club Woodcote Trophy**

The Motoring Racing Legends Royal Automobile Club Woodcote Trophy is a series of invitation races for pre-1956 sports cars and may include classes for later cars. MSVR will be the organising club.

There will be four rounds in 2023:

April 29 th – 30 th	Donington Historic Festival	60 minutes
July 29 th – 30 th	Oulton Park Gold Cup	50 minutes
August 25 th – 27 th	Silverstone Festival	50 minutes
October 21 st – 22 nd	MRL Silverstone GP Meeting	60 minutes

The Woodcote Trophy will run with the Stirling Moss Trophy at all events in 2023.

It is a requirement of entry that all drivers and co-drivers must be fully paid-up members of the Motor Racing Legends Club. A single-race membership is available.

Code of Racing Ethics (CORE)

All drivers are expected to study, appreciate and uphold the Motor Racing Legends 'Code of Racing Ethics' and to acknowledge these values when participating in our races. The full CORE document can be found on the Motor Racing Legends website.

Race details

Each race will be for two (or exceptionally one) driver entries, open strictly by the invitation of Motor Racing Legends to drivers of all nationalities holding a minimum of a Race National or Race International D race licence. Exact details will be given in the SRs for each meeting.

Each race will feature a compulsory pit stop and, where relevant, driver change. The car must be at rest for a minimum of 60 seconds during the pit stop. Any car failing to remain stationary for the minimum duration will incur a Stop-and-Go penalty of 10 seconds plus the duration by which the stop was short. Any car failing to make a pit stop will be excluded from the results. A solo driver can remain in the car during the pit stop. Any car failing to make a pit stop within the pit window will incur a Drive-Through penalty.

The starting grid for each race, or for race 1 in a double-header race will be made up according to the best times achieved during qualifying. In a double-header race the starting grid for race 2 will be derived from the finishing results from race 1, and overall results will be based on an amalgamation of the two race results. For double-headers, awards will be based on the combined results of both races. Race starts will be rolling starts. Racing is permitted when the start signal is given.

Cars may be held in Parc Fermé after any qualifying and/or race session.

Completion of an on-line briefing or attendance at a physical briefing is mandatory for all drivers and Motor Racing Legends must be notified if a driver is unable to attend a briefing due to a schedule clash.

Eligibility

Eligible cars will be two-seater cars conforming to Appendix 'C' or Appendix 'J' of the International Sporting Code of the period; and to the current Appendix 'K' of the International Sporting Code.

Each car should have a valid, current FIA Historic Technical Passport (HTP), a copy of which must be submitted with the entry form for the series. All cars will be checked at scrutineering for compliance with their respective HTP. Cars not eligible for an HTP may be invited at the organiser's discretion. Cars with an HTP 'in progress' may be accepted at the organiser's discretion.

All cars must have a valid, signed 'MRL Engine Capacity Certificate' certifying the bore and stroke of the engine. Entries accepted without HTP or Engine Capacity Certificates will be classified as Invitation and will not qualify for podium places or class awards.

- Jaguar XK engines must have a capacity not exceeding 3500cc and will not be permitted to use wide-angle cylinder heads.
- Double adjustable dampers are not permitted, even if one adjuster is blanked off.
- Electronic ignition is not permitted. All cars must be fitted with an exposed wire from distributor to coil.

Scrutineers: Chief Eligibility Scrutineer – John Hopwood; Assistant Eligibility Scrutineer – Don Hands.

- Tyres:** Cars will be permitted to run on Dunlop 'R5' or 'L Section' CR65 in 204 compound only. When Dunlop does not make a tyre of a suitable size, then any other standard road tyre may be used, subject to prior approval.
- Sponsors' Decals:** Race numbers will be available at each meeting. It is a condition of entry that sponsors' decals, where provided, must be applied in the approved location.
- In-Car Cameras:** If fitted, no such camera may project outside the bodywork or be mounted on the outside of a roll cage. All such cameras must be installed prior to scrutineering where they will be checked for location and security.
- Two-Driver Entries:** Where two or more drivers have set a qualifying time in a specific car both drivers must then drive that car in the race, unless previously agreed with Motor Racing Legends. Failure to do so will incur a Drive-Through penalty.
The driver with the faster time MUST start the race if the time set by the slower driver is not within 110% of the faster driver. This can be overruled by the Clerk of the Course in exceptional circumstances.
- Re-fuelling:** Re-fuelling is not allowed under any circumstance during qualifying or race.
- Silencing:** Maximum permitted noise levels are not defined in these series regulations. The RAC Woodcote Trophy has no restrictions and cars are not required to be silenced unless otherwise defined in the Supplementary Regulations for any specific event.

Awards

Awards for first three places overall will be awarded on the Podium immediately following the race wherever possible. For each race there will be awards for the first three places within each class (dependent on entries received). For double-headers, awards will only be given for the combined results of both races.

Classes

Class results will be derived from the overall finishing positions. Subject to entries, cars will be divided into classes as follows:

- C1 Cars having an engine capacity not exceeding 1500cc, fitted with drum brakes
- C2 Cars having an engine capacity not exceeding 2000cc, fitted with drum brakes
- C3 Cars having an engine capacity not exceeding 3000cc, fitted with drum brakes
- C3a Cars having an engine capacity not exceeding 3000cc, fitted with disc brakes
- C4 Cars having an engine capacity exceeding 3000cc, fitted with drum brakes
- C4a Cars having an engine capacity exceeding 3000cc, fitted with disc brakes
- C5 Cars by specific invitation only that do not conform with the Series Regulations by dint of year of manufacture, specification or spirit. Such invitation is at the sole discretion of the organisers.
No awards will be given for this class.

Motor Racing Legends reserves the right to revise, delete or amalgamate any of the above classes, or introduce additional classes, according to the entries received.

Entry Fee

The entry fee (per car) for each race is as noted on the Royal Automobile Club Woodcote Trophy Official Entry Form for the current season and must be paid in full at the time of submission. Preference will be given to those entering all races and single race entries may not be confirmed until four weeks prior to the event. Entries open on publication of these Regulations. Entry fees must be paid at least 21 days prior to an event. Entries will not be accepted until payment has been received in full. Once an entry has been accepted, a full or partial refund will only be given at Motor Racing Legends' discretion, and in accordance with the cancellation terms stated on the official Entry Form. No refunds will be given in the event that Covid restrictions cause the cancellation of a meeting. Entries will close once all places on each respective grid are filled.

Applications for Entry

All entrants, driver and co-drivers must be fully paid-up members of the Motor Racing Legends Club prior to submitting an entry form. A single event membership is available but anyone participating in more than one event must be a full member. All those wishing to participate in the Royal Automobile Club Woodcote Trophy should apply in writing or by using the online application process, on the official entry form for the current season and submitted with the total entry fee to: -

Motor Racing Legends Ltd, Woodbine Farm, Thorndon, Eye, Suffolk, IP23 7JJ, UK

Motor Racing Legends will formally acknowledge receipt of entries. Acknowledgement of receipt of entry will not imply acceptance for any race. Acceptance will be notified for each race at the earliest opportunity.

It is a condition of entry that all entrants accept that their name, that of the nominated driver(s), along with details of the entered car will be shared with both the event organisers for the necessary management of the racing and for inclusion in event entry lists and results information made publicly available. For full details of Motor Racing Legends' Privacy Policy please visit our website at www.motorracinglegends.com