



# e-Wheels

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## Wider regulation consultation

Regular visitors to the MSA website will have noticed that proposed rule changes for consultation are now posted in the News section. These relate to the regulations in the MSA *Competitors' and Officials' Yearbook* and MSA *Kart Race Yearbook*, which are updated and published at the beginning of each year. Printed versions of the Yearbook(s) are sent to MSA licence holders and digital versions can be downloaded from the MSA website (see below).

Previously, the consultation process was solely conducted via *Motorsports Now!* – the MSA publication sent to licence holders quarterly. In order to improve the consultation process, the Motor Sports Council has agreed that any proposed changes to regulations (made by MSA Specialist Committees) should also be made available on the MSA website.

Consultation for all Specialist Committee proposed regulation changes closes on **20 August 2010**. However, we encourage you to make any comments on proposed changes to regulations *prior* to the next meeting of the respective committee where possible (see below).

### Dates of next meetings of MSA Specialist Committees (2010)

Autotest Committee – 7 July  
Cross Country Committee – 14 July  
Historic Committee – 21 July  
Kart Sporting Committee – 10 August  
Race Committee – 29 July  
Rallies Committee – 22 July and 29 September  
Regional Committee – 19 May and 18 August  
Speed Events Committee – 20 July  
Trials Committee – 4 August

Please note that proposed regulation changes *agreed* by the Motor Sports Council will continue to be published in *Motorsports Now!* and subsequently included in the following (2011) issue of the relevant MSA yearbook.

### **Situations vacant**

As detailed in the April issue of *e-Wheels*, the MSA is seeking nominations to fill vacancies on its Specialist Committees. Applications must be received before the end of June 2010. Please submit a brief outline of your motor sport involvement and achievements to the sponsoring MSA-registered club or Regional Association, together with your name, address, contact details and any relevant qualifications. The club or association will forward the application to Andrea Wren at Motor Sports House, Riverside Park, Colnbrook, SL3 0HG.

### **Closed roads lobby**

At the time of writing, more than 3,600 people had signed a petition indicating their support for motor sport events on closed roads. To add your name, go to [www.petition.co.uk/msa](http://www.petition.co.uk/msa)

### **Designer clipboard**

Many of you will know that the Motorsport Safety Fund is a registered charity formed in 1974 to help improve safety in the sport. It produces many useful publications and has recently introduced a clipboard specially designed for motor sport. There's weather-protected information on the radio alphabet, flag signals and so on plus four clear plastic pockets for entry lists, instructions and other items.

It has an A5 clear pocket and a business card size pocket which will take one of the fund's new z-fold marshalling leaflets (available shortly). A strong clip, pen holders and a tag for hanging the board complete the high specification.

An essential item for all marshals, officials and organisers, the clipboard costs just £10 including postage and packing. Go to: [www.blencolour.com/motorsportsafetyfund/Publications.html](http://www.blencolour.com/motorsportsafetyfund/Publications.html)

### **Wales Rally GB news**

Many of you will already have 11 to 14 November in your diary. To keep up to date with news of Wales Rally GB, register for the ezine at [www.walesrallygb.com](http://www.walesrallygb.com).

If you wish to marshal on the Wales Rally GB you need to be a registered marshal with the MSA. We recommend you do this a few months in advance of the rally.

You can download a Marshals Registration Form from the MSA website ([www.msauk.org](http://www.msauk.org) > Officials > Download 'Marshals' forms > Marshals Registration Form).

### **Award for motor sport road safety DVD**

The Capita Symonds' Casualty Reduction Programme, based in Blackburn with Darwen in the North West of England, was developed during 2009 to include signposting young people to become involved with local motor sport clubs and events as positive diversionary activities. The message was that motor sport competitors drive fast but safely because they have to conform to the regulations imposed by the MSA – regarding the type of event, the type and preparation of the vehicle and the experience of the driver.

The MSA assisted Capita Symonds in developing a DVD of its Casualty Reduction Programme to highlight this link and this was shown at some of the Safety Seminars held last year. This DVD (limited copies of which are available from the MSA on request) was recently given a highly commended award by the Chartered Institution of Highways & Transportation in the North West Safety Project of the year category.

### **Ilkley – more than 100 years on**

Ilkley & District Motor Club has joined the list of clubs which have celebrated 100-year anniversaries. To mark the milestone, Alistair Tullie, President of Ilkley & District Motor Club, was presented with one of the Centenary Club Awards specially commissioned by the MSA.

### **FIA women's commission**

Following unanimous agreement from the members of the World Motor Sport Council, the FIA has established a new commission to facilitate the full participation of women in all aspects of motor sport. The Women & Motor Sport Commission (WMC) held its first meeting on 26 April under the Presidency of former world rally winning driver, Michèle Mouton. The MSA is represented on the commission by Sue Sanders.

### **Blue Book on website**

The 2010 *MSA Competitors' and Officials' Yearbook* (aka the Blue Book) can be downloaded from the MSA website. Other publications which can be downloaded include the 2010 *Kart Race Yearbook*, the *Motor Club Manual*, *Motorsports Now!* – the MSA magazine sent to competition licence holders and officials – and back issues of *e-Wheels* (in Word and pdf formats). Go to [www.msauk.org](http://www.msauk.org) > Clubs > Publications.

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