

ACU Wessex Plant Hire British Sidecar Trials Championship

These Championship Regulations to apply in addition to the National Sporting Code, Standing Regulations for Trials and the Supplementary Regulations for each event.

Championship points will be awarded to competitors of any Nationality. The title “Wessex Plant Hire ACU British Sidecar Trials Champion” will be awarded to the competitor with the most points who holds British Citizenship. If the competitor with the most points is not a British Citizen, they will be awarded the title of “Wessex Plant Hire British Open Sidecar Trials Champion”. This principle will apply throughout the Championship classes.

- 1 **Title of Event.** All Supplementary Regulations and programmes must include the words “A round of the ACU Wessex Plant Hire British Sidecar Trials Championship”.
- 2 **Series Sponsor.** Where there is a Series Sponsor who provides bibs/riding numbers, these must be used by the rider without alteration or the obscuring of Sponsors’ logo
- 3 **Qualifying meetings.** The list of events will be found in the current ACU Fixture List.
- 4 **Classes.** Class A – British Championship. Class B – ACU Intermediate Championship. Class C – ACU Clubmans Championship. Class D – ACU Newcomer. (A newcomer is classified as a rider who has never competed in the British/ACU Trials Championship on any class of sidecar machine prior to the current year).
The Intermediate Class will ride a 50/50 combination of Championship and Clubmans sections as determined and identified by the Clerk of the Course.
- 5 **Eligibility.** To be eligible for ACU Clubman Championship and ACU Intermediate Championship points, riders must not have won that Championship class in the previous year. Championship class riders may downgrade at the discretion of the Trials and Enduro Committee. Riders not eligible for points (as detailed above) may compete on a no points basis. The named Driver and Passenger must complete the entire Trial in their respective positions to be eligible for points
- 6 **Entries** Any entry once accepted by the organiser renders the rider eligible for awards and Championship points
Acceptance or Refusal of Entry. The organiser should notify all riders of the position regarding their entry prior to the event.
- 7 **Starting Order.** The organisers shall determine the starting order within each Group by ballot. Group A will comprise of the British Sidecar Championship riders. Group B will comprise Classes B, C & D. The riders from Group B will start first followed by riders from Group A.
- 8 **Starting Intervals.** All riders must start at one minute intervals.
- 9 **Method of Marking.** The Championship will be held under TSR22B – Non Stop.
- 10 **Time.** If a time restraint is applied to all or part of a Trial, it shall be in the form of an individual Time Allowance for each rider and the details given in the Supplementary Regulations or Final Instructions.
- 11 **Championship Points.** Championship points for each class will be awarded to the top 15 eligible finishers in each round on the following scale:

1st 20 points	6th 10 points	11th 5 points
2nd 17 points	7th 9 points	12th 4 points
3rd 15 points	8th 8 points	13th 3 points
4th 13 points	9th 7 points	14th 2 points
5th 11 points	10th 6 points	15th 1 point

Should a Tie occur it is to be resolved in accordance with TSR23 (a)
A rider who scores points in one Championship class shall not be eligible for points in another Championship class.
- 12 **Protests.** Protests in this Championship must be submitted within 30 minutes of the announcement of results provided the results are displayed within 30 minutes of the last rider finishing.
- 13 **Final Assessment.** At the conclusion of the Series, the points for each rider’s performance in all rounds held less one will be added together and the rider with the highest number of points to his credit will be awarded the relevant Championship title.
Should a tie occur it is to be resolved in accordance with TSR23 (b)
- 14 **Course.** The course shall be between 6 and 30 miles, with a minimum of 36 subsections. No more than 2 laps to achieve minimum mileage. There must be a minimum of 30 different

subsections and no more than 10 double sub sections used.

To qualify as a finisher and be eligible for an award, with the exception of a section where the rider has recorded a failure, the rider's machine must have travelled the whole distance under its own power or the exertion of the rider and passenger.

- 15 **Observed Sections.** The sections should be of a natural terrain i.e. no man-made artificial hazards. Sections for the Intermediate Class will be determined by the Clerk of the Course and identified accordingly.
- 16 **Awards.** The Organisers shall supply a minimum of one award to the first eligible finisher in each class in the event. The overall winners of the series will receive a perpetual award which will be presented together with an ACU medal at the annual ACU Awards Presentation. Where more than one passenger accompanies the driver in the series the passenger named on the award shall be the one who rides in the most rounds.
- 17 **Jurisdiction.** IN GRANTING A PERMIT TO "PROMOTE" THE TRIALS AND ENDURO COMMITTEE DOES NOT ABROGATE ITS OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES AND MAY IN ITS ABSOLUTE DISCRETION, WITHHOLD POINTS FOR ALL OR PART OF A "ROUND" INTRODUCING A REPLACEMENT EVENT AT A LATER DATE IF SEEN FIT.

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