



Maidstone & Mid-Kent Motor Club Ltd.

THE SPRING 'TARMAC' AUTOTEST

SATURDAY 2nd MARCH 2024
REGULATIONS

Maidstone and Mid Kent Motor Club Ltd is continuing its series of *Tarmac* Autotests with the first event for 2024. The venue will again be **Ashford Livestock Market**, with a smooth concrete surface.

By popular demand, we are continuing with our two extra Classes as a **Production Car Autotest**:

Class J - for Juniors, with **free entry** for all Juniors. Funded from the prize money received by the club as Motorsport UK 'Club of the Year 2023'.

Class P - for those who want to have a passenger.

The **Autotest** event will be a round of the **2024 Southern Autotest Championship**.

We are planning to run some new tests on the three test sites using the same layouts all day so, only three tests to learn ! As usual the tests will be more open and suitable for all cars, with flowing manoeuvres and all tests will include some reversing. All Classes will do the same tests.

Ashford Livestock Market,

Orbital Park, Monument Way, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, TN24 OHB.
Just off Junction 10 of the M20.

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- *Flowing tests*
 - *Easy to learn*
 - *Some reversing*
 - **JUST DO IT !**

You WILL enjoy meeting us !

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1. The **Maidstone and Mid Kent Motor Club Limited** will promote a **Clubmans** permit Autotest on **Saturday 2nd March 2024** at **Ashford Livestock Market**, Ashford, Kent.
2. The meeting will be held under the General Regulations of the **Motorsport UK** (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organising Club may issue for the Event.
3. The Event will be run under Dual Permits issued by **Motorsport UK**, which will be on display on the day. **Autotest Permit No.:- 134331**
PCA Permit No.:- 134332
4. Both Events are open to entries from :-
 - a) All fully elected members of the **Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club Ltd**;
 - b) Fully elected members of up to the first **15** other **Motorsport UK** recognised clubs received. Any such entry will be deemed acceptance of an invitation on behalf of that Club
5. The **Autotest** Event is a round of the **2024 Southern Autotest Championship**.
6. All competitors must produce for inspection at signing-on a valid **Motorsport UK** Competition Licence and Club Membership Card. **This includes passengers in the PCA Classes. (M.10)**
(Note – anyone who is disqualified from holding a **RTA Driving Licence** cannot hold a **Motorsport UK Competition Licence**).
7. **Passengers are not allowed** on any Timed Test for Classes **A-F. (M.12)**
Passengers must be carried on all Timed Tests for Classes **J and P. (M.16.1)**
8. The programme of the meeting will be :
 - Scrutineering starts at **08.30 am**
 - Any Competitors not signed on by **10.30 am** may be disqualified.
 - First car starts at **10.30 am**.
9. The **Autotest** will consist of 5 classes as follows :
 - A.** Touring Cars under 12' overall length (including Minis with non-original front mounted engine and transmission layout driving the front wheels)
 - B.** Front wheel drive Touring Cars over 12'
 - C.** All rear wheel drive Touring Cars
 - D.** Sports Cars and Sports Kit Cars
 - E.** Specials
 - F.** Tarmac Autotest Experts with any vehicle specific for Tarmac Autotests.
Classification for this class will be entirely the Organisers decision.
10. Entries will be accepted from drivers who are 16 years and over who **do not** have a valid, full **RTA Licence (M.13)** provided the vehicle they are entering is a touring car of no more than:- **1400cc**, without forced induction, for the **AUTOTEST**.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR **PRODUCTION CAR AUTOTEST CLASSES**

11. The **PRODUCTION CAR AUTOTEST** will consist of 2 Classes as follows :
- J.** A **PCA**, for **Junior Drivers**. – **Aged 14 to 17 who do not hold a full RTA Licence**. All vehicles competing in this class must be by definition “a **Touring Car**” not exceeding 2000cc including forced induction. Whilst competing, **one passenger must be carried** in each car, who holds a full RTA Licence, is a full member of an invited club, hold a valid **Motorsport UK Competition Licence** and be experienced in Autotests or Autosolos.
- P.** A **PCA**, for any class of vehicle – Whilst competing, **one passenger must be carried** and must be a member of an invited club and hold a valid **Motorsport UK Competition Licence**.
In any Touring car or cabriolet/sports car with the hood erected the passenger must be aged **12 years** or over and be at least **135cm** in height **(M.16.4)**, or with the hood down must be aged **16 years** or over and at least **135cm** in height **(M.16.5)**.
Where the driver does not hold a full RTA Licence, the vehicle must be by definition “a **Touring Car**” of no more than 2000cc including forced induction and the passenger must hold a valid, full RTA Licence and be experienced in Autotests or Autosolos. **(M.17)**

All passengers must occupy the seat alongside the driver and wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt on any timed test.

Note :

Cabriolet Saloon Cars must run in appropriate Touring Car class with the hood up, or in the appropriate Sports Car class with the hood down (where applicable).

Vehicle length is to be determined from Parkers Car Price Guide for the car concerned, or if not quoted, the manufacturers specification.

All vehicles must comply with **Motorsport UK** Technical Regulations.

12. Awards will be presented as follows :

FTD	An Award (Classes A-E only)
Best Performance by a full member of the Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club	An Award (Classes A-E only)
First in Class	An Award
Second in Class	An Award (subject to 5 or more starters)
Third in Class	An Award (subject to 10 or more starters)
Best Novice	An Award (Classes A-E only)

No competitor may win more than one award.

13. The entry list opens on publication of these Regulations and closes finally on **SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2024 at 10.00pm**. The entry fees are :
£35.00. for Classes **A-F** and **P**.
Free Entry for Class **J**.

All entries must be made on the official entry form and must be **accompanied by the appropriate fee**.

Entries will only be accepted online via the Club Website at **www.mmkmc.co.uk**

Payment may be made by:

PayPal (following the link on the entry form), or **BACS**.

BACS to

Account Name : **Maidstone & Mid-Kent Motor Club Ltd.**

Sort code : **60-60-08**

Account No. : **00045349**

When paying by BACS, please quote Reference – **STA24** followed by your name.

14. Entry fees will only be refunded if notice of withdrawal is given in writing. Where notice of withdrawal is received before **2nd March 2024** entry fees will be refunded in full, after that date refunds, up to a maximum of £30, will be made at the discretion of the organisers (**H.30.1.2**).

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

15. The **Entries Secretary** is **Andy Jenner** (tel: **07584 060447**) who will deal with all enquiries regarding entries.
16. The maximum entry for the meeting is **40**. The minimum is **20**. The maximum for each class is unlimited. The minimum for each class is 1. Should any of the above minimum figures not be reached, the organisers have the right to cancel the meeting or amalgamate classes as necessary. Entries will be selected as received.
17. Other officials are :
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| Clerk of the Course | : Ann Cook | (cook.ann@blueyonder.co.uk) |
| Chief Scrutineer | : Tim Mewett | |
| Chief Timekeeper | : Andy Jenner | |
| Chief Marshal | : Liz Jordan | |
| Event Steward | : Bruce Jenkins | |
| Safeguarding Officer | : Janet Barlow | |
| Sustainability Officer | : Emma Olsen | |
18. Provisional results will be published, and awards presented, as soon as possible following the end of the event.
19. Any protest must be lodged in accordance with the **Motorsport UK** Yearbook, **C.5.1.2** – Protests.
20. Details of tests will be included with Final Instructions.
Each driver will have up to **Five** runs at each test, with their worst time at each test discounted for awards.
Timing will be via **Timing App Live** and mobile phones operated by the start marshals
The starting signal will be oral.
Order of attempting the tests will be strictly as directed at the drivers briefing.
21. All marshals will be appointed as judges to adjudicate on penalties (**M.8**).
22. Practising will **NOT** be allowed (**M6.3**), any competitor, in the opinion of the organisers, speeding, or performing handbrake turns or the like, in the paddock or surrounding area may be **disqualified**.
23. Competitors will be identified by numbers; a proforma for printing will be included with Final Instructions.
24. Marking and penalties will be as printed in **Table M.7** . :
- (a) *“Not performing a test correctly, etc”* +20 seconds
 - (b) *“Striking any marker, etc per mistake”* + 5 seconds
 - (c) *“Failing to cross or stop at any line, etc”*+ 5 seconds
- A Wrong Test will be as defined in **M.7.8**.
25. A Novice will be defined as a driver who has not previously won a class or overall award in an Autotest or similar competition of **Clubman**, equivalent or higher status.
26. Pylons may be less than 1 metre in height (**M.6.6**).
27. As the whole event takes place on private property vehicles need not be licenced (**M.5.1**)

28. A vehicle may be entered twice, for each event, to be driven by different drivers but no driver may drive more than one vehicle (**M.11.3.**).
29. All other General Regulations of **the Motorsport UK** apply as written.
30. Please make sure your Vehicle is in good mechanical condition. In particular, please make sure that your vehicle complies with **Motorsport UK** regulations **M.4** and in particular **J.5.13**. Also please ensure your engine is properly silenced and complies with the noise requirements of **J.5.17.** and note tyre regulations **J.5.9**.
31. In accordance with latest General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) the information you give us will be used only for the purpose of running MMKMC events and its activities. You will only receive communications from us that are relevant to the events you enter. Photographs may be taken at this event (and others in the programme) and shared, including on social media. Please advise the organiser if you do not wish to have your photograph taken.

COMPETITORS ARE REMINDED THAT THE USE OF LIST 1B AND 1C TYRES IS NOT PERMITTED (M.4.7).

The MAIDSTONE & MID KENT MOTOR CLUB would like to thank the landowners for allowing the use of the venue.

WOULD YOU PLEASE HELP US TO LOOK AFTER THIS SITE AND KEEP IT CLEAN AND TIDY BY TAKING YOUR LITTER HOME.

THANK YOU

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