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2024 REGULATIONS





We welcome our Sponsor, Suirway Group, to the South East Stages Rally Championship. This will be the 39th year since the championship began, which is one of the most popular championships in the country. The Suirway Group South East Stages Rally Championship this year will be a 9-round championship which will consist of three tarmac rally rounds, four ralliesprints and two forestry rounds, a competitor's best 6 scores to count.

This is the only REAL CLUBMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP as it is possible for any competitor to win this championship.

The following are the nine rounds in the Championship:-

- ▶ Round 1: 14th April, 2024 -
Carrick on Suir Motor Club - Willie Loughman Forestry Rally
- ▶ Round 2: 16th June, 2024 -
Wexford Motor Club - Loose Surface Rallysprint
- ▶ Round 3: 14th July, 2024 -
Tipperary Light Car & Motorcycle Club - Stonethrowers Tarmac Rally
- ▶ Round 4: 25th August, 2024 -
Carrick on Suir Motor Club - Rallysprint
- ▶ Rounds 5 & 6: 14th & 15th September, 2024 -
Wexford Motor Club - Wexford Stages Tarmac Rally
- ▶ Round 7: 5th October, 2024 -
Clare Motor Club - Forestry Rally
- ▶ Round 8: 19th October, 2024 -
Laois Rallysport Club - Loose Surface Rallysprint
- ▶ Round 9: 27th December, 2024 -
Carlow Car Club - Tarmac Rallysprint

▪ AWARDS TO 5TH IN EACH GROUP

PRIZEGIVING: Saturday 8th February 2025

VENUE: Wexford.

Each award winner will receive a complimentary ticket to the prizegiving. Points will be awarded to all registered starters in each event. The best six scores to count.

MOTORSPORT IRELAND PERMIT NO: PO10/24

PROMOTED BY:



Article 1:

The Championship is being promoted by Carlow Car Club, Carrick-on-Suir Motor Club, Clare Motor Club, Laois Rallysport Club, Munster Car Club, Tipperary Light Car & Motorcycle Club and Wexford Motor Club. The above seven clubs will be hereafter referred to as the promoters of the Championship.

Article 2:

If through force majeure any of the above dates are altered, or an event is cancelled, the promoters of the Championship reserve the right to either accept a change of date, substitute a nominated event, cancel that particular round, add an extra event, or alter the number of events on which scores will count.

If an event is stopped at any point for any reason, once final results are provided by the club for that event then South East Stages Rally Championship points will be awarded in full.

Where an event runs Super Rally Regulations all classified South East Stages registered competitors will receive 100% points in accordance with their finishing position. In order to be eligible for championship points Super Rally finishers must comply with Appendix 29 Article 13 of the Current M.I. Yearbook.

Any amendments to these Regulations will be by numbered bulletins, which will be an extension of, and have the same force as these Regulations.

The Championship will at all times be run under these Regulations, the G.C.Rs and applicable appendices of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook and the supplementary regulations for each event in the series.

The championship's official notice board will be digital using the Sportity app, password SES2024. All competitors will be deemed to have read any bulletins published via Sportity.

Article 3:

Competitors are required to register for the Championship before the start of their first qualifying round, registration fee €40 per competitor, Juniors €25 per competitor, J1000 €15 per competitor, in applying for registration, competitors agree to be bound by these Regulations and any amendments subsequently issued.

Registrations will close at the point where it is no longer possible for a competitor to qualify for an award.

**TO QUALIFY FOR AN AWARD, COMPETITORS MUST START AT LEAST 3 EVENTS.
A COMPETITOR'S BEST 6 SCORES WILL COUNT IN THE OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP.**

Where a Co-Driver is competing on a ralliesprint round they will be required to sign on with the registrar at document scrutiny prior to starting the event. Spot checks will take place during the event to ensure a Co-Driver is travelling in the chosen car/group as per sign on.

PROMOTED BY:



Article 4: At the time of registering for the championship, the group a competitor registers for will be determined by the class they are competing in. The Championship will be divided into the following groups:

GROUP J1000

- Rally Class 21 - Junior 1000 class. See Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
 - Rallysprint Class 9A as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- For a driver to register and score points in this group they must meet the criteria for a J1000 competitor as per the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

GROUP 1 - Juniors

- Rally Class 16 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
 - Rallysprint Class 9 as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Only competitors entered in the Junior section of the rally events are eligible for this group.

For a driver to register and score points in this group they must meet the criteria for a junior driver as per the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

Cars complying with above classes competing in rallysprint events will be grouped together for the purpose of compiling championship results.

GROUP 2

- Rally Class 9 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 10 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 23 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 1A as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 1B as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 2A as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

Cars complying with Rally Class 23 competing in rallysprint events will be grouped together for the purpose of compiling championship results.

GROUP 3

- Rally Class 1 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 2 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 11F as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 11R as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 2B as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

GROUP 4

- Rally Class 3 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 12 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 3A as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

GROUP 5

- Rally Class 6 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 13 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 3B as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

GROUP 6

- Rally Class 4 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 5 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 7 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 14 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 15 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 20 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 4 as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 5A as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 5B as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

GROUP 7

- Rally Class 17 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 18 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rally Class 19 as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- Rallysprint Class 10 as per Appendix 30 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

South East Stages Rally Championship registered competitors competing in rallysprint events will be grouped together, as appropriate, for the purpose of compiling championship results.

For further information on requirements for all classes please see the current M.I. Yearbook.

For Junior class 16 and J1000 see also Technical Regulations on the MI website.

The eligibility scrutineer for the championship is Pat O'Dowd, in the event of his non-attendance he will nominate a replacement.

Article 5: The awards for the Championship will be as follows:

	<u>DRIVER</u>	<u>CO-DRIVER</u>
	1st Overall	The Foley Cup + 1 Trophy
	2nd Overall	1 Trophy
	3rd Overall	1 Trophy
Groups 1 to 7 & J1000	1st in group	1 Trophy
	2nd in group	1 Trophy
	3rd in group	1 Trophy
	4th in group	1 Trophy
	5th in group	1 Trophy
Additional Awards:	1st Overseas Driver - 1 Trophy	
	1st Overseas Co-Driver - 1 Trophy	
	The Highest placed Group N Driver - 1 Trophy (excluding overall winners)	
	The Highest placed Group N Co-Driver - 1 Trophy (excluding overall winners)	
	The Highest placed Group R Driver - 1 Trophy (excluding overall winners)	
	The Highest placed Group R Co-Driver - 1 Trophy (excluding overall winners)	

Group N/R Awards will be based on points scored for rounds applicable cars have competed on.

Note: The first three overall winners will not be eligible to claim group awards.

Additional awards may be presented at the Promoters' discretion.

The **Mick Smallwood Memorial Trophy** will be presented to the highest classified driver in a Group 5 (excluding class 6) car (including overall)

Article 6:

Points will be awarded to registered drivers and co-drivers in each group with a minimum of three championship registered starters as follows:

1st	Placed contender	15 points
2nd	Placed contender	12 points
3rd	Placed contender	10 points
4th	Placed contender	9 points
5th	Placed contender	8 points
And so on.....		
Each starter		1 point

A driver or co-driver may nominate one group for scoring on each event. Points will not be transferable from group to group. If a competitor, Driver or Co-Driver, changes group during the championship they must inform the registrar and re-register in the new group entered. Priority will be given to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall and 1st, 2nd & 3rd in group at each round provided your completed entry complies with the regulations for that round. For the first round in the season, priority will be given to the final award winners from the previous season that were 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall and 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each group. Priority will only be given to these competitors provided they are a registered championship competitor for the current season at the point of entries closing and your completed entry complies with the regulations for the round.

Article 6.1:

Where in any event there are less than three championship registered starters for each group, the points will be allocated subject to these Regulations for each Championship group, whether or not the group has been amalgamated on the event and will be reduced as follows:

	Registered Starters in the group	
	2	1
1st Placed Contender	12	10
2nd Placed Contender	10	

Article 6.2:

After the round at which registrations close i.e. it is no longer possible to qualify for an award, article 6.1 will no longer be applicable.

Article 7:

Each registered competitor is permitted to nominate one event for which they will receive double points. This must be nominated on the registration form. A competitor is permitted to change their nominated event provided they inform the Registrar no later than 30 minutes before the due time of the first competing car on their nominated event. This must be done in writing and submitted by email, via text message or by post to the registrar (texts or email will only be accepted from details as per registration form). This change of event may only be used once by a registered competitor.

Article 8:

An additional 3 points will be awarded on stage rally events to the fastest driver and fastest co-driver in each group on a stage in each event, to be nominated by the event's C.O.C., details of which will be posted on the event's notice board or notified at competitor safety briefing. Should the nominated stage not run in its entirety for all registered starters in any group due to an official interruption, then the following stage will replace the previously designated stage for the affected group(s) and so on, until all the registered starters in the affected group(s) get a clear run on a stage. Retirement of a registered competitor will not be considered in this regard. In the event of a tie each competitor involved will be awarded 3 bonus points each.

Article 9:

Ties will be resolved as follows:

1. In favour of the Competitor who achieves the greatest number of points in the overall championship.
2. In favour of the Competitor with the greatest number of group wins in all of the rounds.
3. In favour of the Competitor with the greatest number of second in group in all of the rounds, failing that the third highest in group in all of the rounds, and so on until the tie is broken.
4. Should the provision above not resolve the tie, then consideration will be given in favour of the Competitor who achieves her/his highest overall position in her/his first round of the series, failing this the second round, and so on until the tie is broken.
5. If the above fails to resolve a tie, the organising committee will decide the winner.

Article 10:

The Championship Registrar will be:

**Karen O'Dowd, Tel: 086-0247121. Email: info@southeaststages.com.
Address: 20 Whiterock Drive, Whitebrook, Pembrokestown, Wexford, Y35 AV2F.**

Championship points positions will be available on www.southeaststages.com or via the Sportivity app.

Article 11:

All registered competitors (including a car where only one crew member is registered) will be required to display championship decals on both sides of their competitive vehicle in a clear position, i.e. above mud line on forestry events. These decals will be provided by the registrar and must be in position before a car is presented at scrutiny or at the latest before the event start control with the agreement of an event scrutineer. Failure to display decals as above will automatically render the competitor(s) ineligible to score points on that round.

It is possible for any competitor to win this REAL CLUBMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP. All the promoting clubs are sympathetic to the aspirations of the Clubman Competitor, and are willing, within bounds of reason to assist competitors wherever possible.