



The HRCR Cat 1 Cup

Supplementary Regulations 2026

The Cat 1 Cup is a closed-to-club stage rally championship for club members where points can be scored on any of the other Stage Rally Championship rounds Mini Cup or Stage Masters with your best six scores to count. The rounds have all been selected for their quality, value for money and variety to provide an exciting and challenging championship for our members.

The championship is run to Motorsport UK regulations for historic rally cars, to provide a level playing field for all. To enter the championship, you will need to be a current member of the HRCR and hold a Motorsport UK RS Interclub or higher-grade competition licence. Your car will need to comply with the Motorsport UK historic stage rally regulations for cars in vehicle category 1, and the general stage rally regulations. There is an open class for classic category 1 cars that do not fully comply with the Historic regulations but are entered in that spirit. Competitors in this class will compete in their own class and will not be eligible for the major awards.

There will be an overall winner of the championship and a separate award for the leading competitor in the Open Class for both driver and co-driver.

The registration fee for the championship is £5 per contender in addition to registering for either the Mini Cup or Stage Masters.

We welcome the support of sponsors Mintex and the David Stokes Award alongside support of product supplier's that competitors receive from Exol and Snap-on.



Previous Winners

2024	Stephen Hall	Aggie Foster
2025	Stephen Hall	Aggie Foster

2026 EVENTS CALENDAR

Round 1. Saturday 28th March. Rally North Wales (part event), Welshpool. Wolverhampton & South Staffs Car Club. www.rallynorthwales.co.uk

Round 2. Saturday 11th April. Seven Valley Stages, Builth Wells. Midland Manor MC.

Round 3. Sunday 3rd May. Dixies Challenge, Epynt Ranges. Forresters Car Club/Forest of Dean Motor Club. www.forresterscarclub.co.uk

Rounds 4 & 5. Friday & Saturday, 19th & 20th June. Argyll Stages. Dunoon. Mull Car Club. www.argyllrally.co.uk

Round 6. Sunday 11th July. Nick Grist Stages, Builth Wells. Quinton Motor Club. www.nickygriststages.co.uk

Round 7 & 8. Saturday & Sunday, 25th & 26th July. Tour of Epynt. Port Talbot Motor Club. www.porttalbotmotorclub.co.uk

Round 9. Sunday 2nd August. Pendragon Stages, Warcop Ranges. KLMC/Northallerton AC/Eden Valley MC. www.pendragonstages.co.uk

Round 10. Saturday 12th September. Woodpecker Stages, Newtown. Sixty & Worcester MC. www.woodpecker-rally.co.uk

Round 11 & 12. Saturday & Sunday, 19th & 20th September. Hills Ford Stages, Cheltenham Motor Club. www.cheltmc.com

Round 13. Saturday 14th November. Wyedean Stages. Forresters Car Club/Forest of Dean Motor Club www.wyedeanstages.co.uk

Round 14. Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd November. Glyn Memorial Stages, Anglesey. Caernarvon & Anglesey Motor Club. www.camconline.co.uk

CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS

ARTICLE 1. SPORTING REGULATIONS AND CREW ELIGIBILITY:

1. The **HRCR Cat 1 Cup** will be run for individual drivers and co-drivers, competing in eligible cars over eight designated RS Interclub and RS National Special Stage

rallies listed under the Championship Calendar and the championship will run under **Motorsport UK Championship Registration No CH2026/RALLY077 (D)** All competitors must hold at least a 2026 RS Interclub-Stage Rally Licence issued by Motorsport UK.

1.2. All competitors must sign that they have read and agree to abide by the rules of the Championship Regulations. Acceptance of a championship entry is at the discretion of the Championship Committee.

1.3. To be eligible to compete in the championship, all competitors **must be fully paid-up members of the HRCR.**

1.4. Championship points will be displayed on the HRCR website (www.hrcr.co.uk) after each event, it is a championship contender's responsibility to check the championship points. Points tables will be final after seven days from the date of posting on the website if no queries are received.

1.5. These regulations and any subsequent Official Bulletins supersede all others.

ARTICLE 2. CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:

2.1. A committee of four, comprising, Rob Baldwin, Paul Loveridge, Chris Phillips and Martin Leonard will be responsible for the administration of the Championship. They may invite others, such as contenders and organisers to attend meetings. They may issue supplementary Official Bulletins during the course of the championship.

ARTICLE 3. CHAMPIONSHIP STEWARDS:

3.1. The panel of Stewards for the championships will comprise three members taken from the list below. Any appeal against their decisions must be made in accordance with Ch 2 of the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs.

The Championship Stewards are John Arnold, Neil Fuller, Phil Jones and Kelvin Davies.

ARTICLE 4. JUDICIAL:

4.1. Any written reported breach of these Championship Regulations or the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs by a Championship Contender will be considered by the Championship Stewards. They after giving all concerned the opportunity to be heard, will take appropriate action in accordance with Ch 2 of the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs.

Note: In the event of a breach of Technical / Motorsport UK regulation occurring on an event, this will be resolved in accordance with the provisions of the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs and the outcome of any action will be reported to the Championship Stewards for possible further action as above.

The Championship Stewards may also report any matter to Motorsport UK, who may take further action, including increasing any penalties previously applied.

ARTICLE 5. ENTRIES:

5.1. The championship may supply events with a set of competitors names and addresses for regulations. It is, however, a competitor's responsibility to obtain event regulations and to apply for entries. **Being a registered contender does not guarantee an entry on any event.**

ARTICLE 6. REGISTRATION:

6.1. Completed registration forms accompanied by the correct fee must be returned to the Championship Secretary, who upon acceptance of the entry, will issue a Championship Registration Card and number. Competitors may also register electronically through the HRCR website and in this case their entry form will be printed out by the championship secretary which must be signed by the competitors before starting their first event.

The registration fee will be **£5** per person in addition to registering for either the Mini Cup or Stage Masters Championships.

6.2. Registrations will be accepted either in person, through the post or electronically through the HRCR website.

6.3. In order to be eligible for points, competitors must register prior to the start of the round on which they first intend to claim points.

6.4. Competitors may be required to sign-on at each round. Competitors who don't sign on before the start of each round will not be eligible for Championship points on that round.

6.5. Points will not be awarded retrospectively.

6. Registrations for new crews will not be accepted after the start of the sixth round of the Championship, however, individual registrations for drivers or co-drivers partnering a previously registered driver or co-driver will be accepted up until the start of the final round of the Championship.

ARTICLE 7. DECALS:

1. Competitors in the championship must make available areas on each side of their car (see diagram above) for the official Championship sponsors, Mintex, Exol, Snap-On and David Stokes Award – all of which must be carried whilst competing on each championship round in an unadulterated format. HRCR Championship Contender decals must also be carried.

ARTICLE 8. ELIGIBLE CARS:

8.1. Classic car models including factory derivatives in historic rally category 1, and complying with Ch. 13 App 17 of the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs and these Championship Regulations are eligible to compete in the HRCR Cat 1 Cup Rally Championship.

Where an hydraulic handbrake is fitted it must incorporate the existing manufacturers handbrake lever, mounting position and pivot point. Handbrake lever extensions are not permitted.

A vehicle competing in this class may do so for a period of one championship year after which the championship organisers reserve the right to extend this period on an individual vehicle basis at their discretion. The vehicle must comply with all other Motorsport UK 2026 NCRs requirements for special stage rallying.

8.2. Competitors will be required to declare that the vehicle entered complies fully with the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs. This declaration will be on the Championship Registration Form and on Championship Signing-on Forms at individual rounds.

8.3. An Eligibility Scrutineer has been appointed to the Championship. Any vehicle that has been, or is being used in the championships, can at any time, be either stripped or sealed for examination at the request of the Eligibility Scrutineer. All costs of stripping and rebuilding are to be borne by the competitor. Failure to agree to either the stripping or sealing or the breaking of a seal will result in a total loss of points accumulated in the championship up until the date of the failure, for both the driver and co-driver, or a greater penalty decided by the Stewards of the Championship.

8.4. To make provision for scrutineer's wire seals, every engine must have available 1/16" diameter holes pre-drilled in accessible locations, on installed sections:

- (a) Sump: Crossed drilled holes through retaining screws or studs.
- (b) Rocker/ cam cover or through head studs: Cross drilled holes through two retaining studs or screws.

If no sealing holes are available the engine may be checked forthwith and championship points will not be allocated for that round.

8.6. All championship entries must have and produce at all necessary paperwork as listed in the 2026 Motorsport UK NCRs and these Championship Regulations

If the required papers are not in order (not correct or not produced) then Championship Points may not be allocated for that round

8.7. Subject to suitable tyre size availability, all contenders in the Championship must run their cars at all times on the events on tyres that comply with the Motorsport UK 2026 NCR Ch. 13 App 17 Art 7 (13.17.7). Tyre suppliers are not limited.

8.8. Further information regarding vehicle specifications, both general and specific can be found on www.hrct.co.uk.

ARTICLE 9. CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS:

9.1. The Cat 1 Cup will consist of 14 points scoring rounds with best 6 to count.

9.2. To decide overall results at the end of the season a contenders' best **six** scores will be counted or if the championship runs less than ten rounds as specified below:

No. of rounds:	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
Scores to count:	6	5	5	4	4	3	3	2

In the event that the Championship is unable to run three or more events it will be considered to have been cancelled. For the listing of rounds see under 'Events Calendar' at the front of these regulations.

3. Some of the championship rounds are held on Ministry of Defence property. The Ministry of Defence, because of operational commitments, may have to cancel the availability of a venue at short notice.

The championship reserves the right to change the date of a championship event should a date change be forced on the organisers, due to a Ministry of Defence venue becoming unavailable. The change of date will be notified to competitors via email and displayed on the HRCR website. Competitors will be notified via email to the email address provided on their championship registration form.

ARTICLE 10. CLASSES:

10.1. Category 1: registered before 31.12.67

ARTICLE 11. POINTS:

1. Points will be allocated on an individual basis to registered contenders, based on overall finishing positions, as published in the final results of each round.
2. All registered contenders will receive 5 points for starting an event.
3. The number of points that will be awarded to registered championship contenders, as listed in the individual event final results will as follows:

Points awarded to Historic contenders will be as follows

Overall points

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| 1 st | Registered overall finisher 20 points |
| 2 nd | Registered overall finisher 18 points |
| 3 rd | Registered overall finisher 16 points |
| 4 th | Registered overall finisher 14 points |
| 5 th | Registered overall finisher 12 points |
| 6 th | Registered overall finisher 10 points |
| 7 th | Registered overall finisher 9 points |
| 8 th | Registered overall finisher 8 points |
| 9 th | Registered overall finisher 7 points |
| 10 th | Registered overall finisher 6 points |
| 11 th | Registered overall finisher 5 points |
| 12 th | Registered overall finisher 4 points |
| 13 th | Registered overall finisher 3 points |
| 14 th | Registered overall finisher 2 points |

All other registered contenders that finish will be awarded 1 point

11.4 In the event of a points tie at the end of the championship, the position will be awarded to the higher points scorer on the first round, if that does not resolve the tie then it will go to the second round, and so forth until the tie is resolved.

ARTICLE 12. AWARDS:

12.1 The following Major Awards will be presented:

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| 1 st | Overall Driver and Co-Driver | Award |
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2. In order to be eligible for an award, a competitor must have started at least four Championship rounds and finished on at least two.

ARTICLE 13. General Behaviour of registered competitors

13.1 The championship prides itself in upholding the traditional values of historic rallying promoting comradery and friendship among competitors. Competitors are reminded that without the help and support from volunteers and sponsors there would be no championship. Registered competitors are therefore reminded that they should not act in any way that may cause offence to any other competitor, official, or sponsor of the championship or bring the championship, HRCR or our sponsors into disrepute at any time during the championship on or away from championship events

13.2 Any breach of regulation 13.1 will be reported to the stewards of the championship and handled in accordance with Article 4 of these regulations.

ARTICLE 16. CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIALS:

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Follow the Championship on our website:
www.hrcr.co.uk or on our Facebook page
For the technical website see: www.hrct.co.uk

The HRCR would like to acknowledge help and support from the following:

Motorsport UK

All the Clubs organising the individual Rounds of the Championship.

All Marshals, Radio and Safety Crews

And all our Championship Contenders

Without whom there would be no Championship

Chris. Phillips, Championship Co-ordinator

14/12/2025

Race with Respect code of conduct for Competitors

A socially-minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community. We all have a responsibility to follow the values of the Race With Respect Code of Conduct, embodying respect, integrity, fair play, self-control and good manners.

As a competitor I agree to demonstrate **RESPECT** by:

- Treating everyone with respect regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or status.
- Being polite and respectful to all staff, officials, competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters
- Never engaging in or tolerating offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.
- Respecting my team mates, competitors from other teams and all other participants.

As a competitor I agree to demonstrate **INTEGRITY** by:

- Always taking part to the best of my ability.
- Behaving responsibly.
- Raising concerns when something isn't right and reporting any incidents of bullying to an Officer of the club or to Motorsport UK.

As a competitor I agree to demonstrate **FAIR PLAY** by:

- Respecting the rules and regulations, decisions and authority of the officials.
- Not cheating.
- Not breaking or bending the rules

As a competitor I agree to demonstrate **SELF CONTROL** by:

- Always speaking to other competitors with respect.
- Always being considerate of others and appreciating that everyone has a different level of skill and talent.
- Taking responsibility for my behaviour and the way I speak to other people.

As a competitor I agree to demonstrate **GOOD MANNERS** by:

- Placing an emphasis on fun and enjoyment, making our sport a friendly and welcoming place to be.
- Celebrating when I win and being gracious when I lose.

In accordance with regulation 10.1. Motorsport UK reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action for breaches of these codes of conduct. This may include being asked to leave Motorsport UK affiliated activities and being excluded from future activities.