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ARTICLE 1- CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

Events:

19 th February	Kirkistown Stages – North Armagh MC
12 th March	Bishopscourt Stages – Ballynahinch and District MC
21 st May	Maiden CityStages – Maiden City MC
4 th June	Tyrone Stages – Cookstown MC
23 rd July	Down Rally – Rathfriland MC
15 th October	Reserve - TBC

1.1 If any of the above events fail to run on the date(s) listed above it shall cease to be a round of this Championship. Due to the ongoing Pandemic, alternative dates or events may be approved to enable us to complete the Championship.

1.2 The official title of the championship is:

The McGrady Insurance Motorsport UK N.I. Rally Championship

ARTICLE 2 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

2.1 The McGrady Insurance Motorsport UK N.I. Rally Championship is promoted and organised by the Association of N.I. Car Clubs. This Championship and these regulations have been registered with Motorsport UK; the Championship Permit Number is: **2022/009**

2.2 Organisers of qualifying events retain the sole right to select and accept entries for the event. The Championship organisers cannot be held responsible for any competitor not getting an entry, for any reason. It is a competitor's responsibility to obtain Event Regulations and make his/her entries.

2.3 For event award purposes the organisers of each qualifying event must provide classes for each Championship class. Organisers may sub-divide classes if they wish or include additional classes.

2.4 In the case of any dispute relating to the Championship it will be referred to a panel of three Championship Stewards appointed by the ANICC drawn from John Richardson, John McLernon, and Nigel Hughes or any other appointed by the Association.

2.5 From time to time the Championship Co-ordinator may, via the ANICC web site, *www.anicc.org.uk* and the Championship website, *www.nirallychampionship.com* issue a Competitors' Bulletin to all competitors. This will have the same force as these regulations.

2.6 The Championship will be run in compliance with the International Sporting Code (and its appendices), the General Prescriptions Applicable to all FIA Championship Rallies, the provisions of the National Sporting Regulations, which comply with the FIA Regulations and these Championship Regulations.

ARTICLE 3 – ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Championship is open to those who hold a suitable Competition Licence issued by the Motorsport UK Ltd or Motorsport Ireland and who are fully elected members of Motor Clubs which are affiliated to the following:

- 1. Association of N.I. Car Clubs
- 2. Scottish Association of Motor Sports Clubs
- 3. Association of North East & Cumbria Car Clubs
- 4. The Motorsport Commission of Motorsport Ireland

ARTICLE 4 – REGISTRATION

4.1 In order to score points in the Championship, competitors MUST register. Registration for the Championship is £25 and must be paid online along with upon completion of an application via <u>www.rallyscore.net</u> no later than 09:00hrs on the date of the first event they wish to count as a scoring round.

When registering Competitors must claim eligibility for the categories listed by ticking the relevant box:

- Junior Driver
- Ladies awards
- Motor Club Team
- Group N Driver.

Please note that points will not be awarded retrospectively under any circumstances.

Note: Drivers wishing to take part in the NI Junior Championship see Article 9.

4.2 Competitors (Drivers and Co-Drivers) names and email addresses will be made available to organising Clubs for the purpose of sending Event Regulations. Championship updates will be featured on the ANICC web site, www.anicc.org.uk and the Championship website, www.nirallychampionship.com.

4.3 Competitors must display *McGrady Insurance Championship decals clearly on bonnet and boot* of their rally car in the locations shown in Appendix 1.

Failure to display Championship decals as directed may result in Championship points being withheld. This will be a decision by the ANICC SRSC, based on circumstances. See appendix 1.

ARTICLE 5 - VEHICLE CATEGORIES AND CLASSES

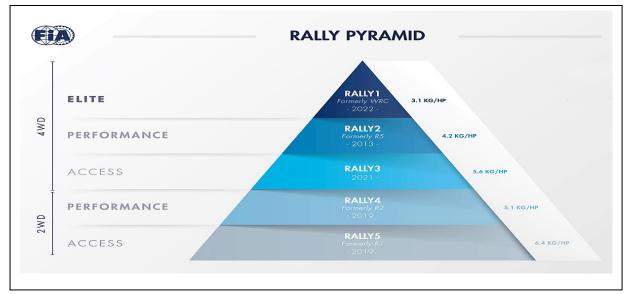
5.1 The Championship will be divided into Vehicle Categories as follows: -

5.2 (a) Overall (b) Group N (c) Two Wheel Drive (d) Historic

5.3 The championship will be divided into eleven Classes: -

Class 1	Historic rally cars registered before 31/12/90 (Motorsport UK Cat 1, 2, 3, 4a and 4b. Ref: R49 - 2020 Motorsport UK Blue book.) and historic rally cars complying with FIA Appendix K. (Ref: R49.2 of 2022 Motorsport UK Blue book.) (See Article 5.14)
Class 2	Group N cars up to and including 2000cc (see Article 5.13 for definition).
Class 3	Cars up to and including 1450cc and cars from 1451cc up to and including 1650cc; having not more than 2 valves per cylinder
Class 4	Cars from 1451cc up to and including 1650cc, having more than 2 valves per cylinder. – Two-wheel drive cars only, including Rally4 (R2) (R4T)
Class 5	Cars from 1651cc up to and including 2100cc, having not more than 2 valves per cylinder. – Two-wheel drive cars only.
Class 6	Cars from 1651cc up to and including 2100cc, having more than 2 valves per cylinder – Two-wheel drive cars only
Class 7	Cars over 2100cc – Two-Wheel drive only.

- Class 8 Any 4wd cars not classified in class 9 or 10, without a sequential gearbox (including previously FIA Homologated GpN 4WD cars).
- Class 9 FIA Homologated GpA 4wd cars, FIA Homologated Super 2000 cars & FIA Homologated R4 cars, and any cars previously homologated as such, providing these run as per their FIA homologation papers. All Metro 6R4's and any derivative therefrom. Any other 4wd car not classified in class 10 with a sequential gearbox.
- Class 10 FIA Homologated WRC cars and cars previously homologated as such and FIA Homologated Rally 2 (R5) cars providing these are run as per their FIA Homologation Papers. Including any derivative of FIA Rally 2 (R5) car converted to RHD whose conversion has been supported with photographic evidence and original LHD homologation papers for that vehicle. Championship organisers reserve the right to reclassify a car to Class 11 if preevent scrutineering reveals changes to the vehicle specification that are considered to improve the vehicle's performance.
- Class 11 Open Class, Motorsport UK GT Cars, Rally 2+ (R5+) (being Group Rally 2 (R5) cars modified beyond their homologated specification) and any other car not classified in Classes 1-10.



5.4 The Overall Category is open to competitors in classes 1 to 11.

- 5.5 The Group N category is open to competitors in Class 2 and Group N competitors in Class 8. See article 5.13 for eligibility
- 5.6 The Two Wheel Drive category is open to classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (2WD only).

5.7 The Historic Category is open to competitors in Class 1.

5.8 All cars must comply with the current Motorsport UK vehicle regulations (including the requirement for all vehicles to produce a logbook) appropriate to the individual event entered.

5.9 Competitors are reminded of requirements under 2022 Motorsport UK Yearbook - Competitors: Vehicles; Regulation J5.13.7 where all cars must be equipped with the facility to enable a fuel sample to be taken. Except as provided for in J5.13.7 cars issued with a current CCLB prior to 1 January 2009 are not required to have a self-seal connector.

5.10 All cars must have Mud Flaps fitted behind each wheel. See 2022 Motorsport UK Yearbook R 48.1.12

5.11 See 2022 Motorsport UK Yearbook R 18.6.5/R 19.8.1/R 46.1.5: All competitors must carry within their vehicle a self-contained Spill Kit complying with J 5.20.13 capable of effectively absorbing minor spillages of up to 1.25 litres of all vehicle fluids – oils, fuels, coolants, battery acid. Used Spill Kits are to be disposed of in accordance with local or National guidelines.

5.12 Turbo engined cars, class determined by capacity x1.7; Rotary engined cars, class determined by capacity x1.7.

5.13 Vehicle Regulations for Classes 2 and 8 (Note: ALL competitors take note of Art. 5.16). [NB Class 2 and Class 8 no longer caters for "standard production cars". The relevant FIA Group N Homologation Papers must be produced at each event and cars must comply fully with Group N Regulations.]

5.13.1 Cars eligible for Classes 2 are those, which are, or have at any time been, homologated in Group N as defined in FIA Appendix J.

5.13.2 The standard specification of any model shall be determined by FIA Homologation papers in the case of current and former Group N cars.

5.13.3 In all cases the degree of modification from standard shall be as provided for under FIA regulations for Group N.

5.13.4 The onus of proving eligibility for Classes 2 & 8 rests solely with the competitor who should ensure that homologation papers are available at events.

5.13.5 Regulation 5.12 applies.

5.14 Vehicle Regulations for Class 1 (Appendix K) (Note: ALL competitors take note of Article 5.16). In order to run under Appendix K, Historic Rally Cars must have been issued with a valid FIA Historic Technical Passport (HTP), be in compliance with this document and the current FIA Appendix K at all times. Vehicles are exempt from R 46.1.3.

5.15 The onus is on every competitor to ensure that they are entered each championship event in the correct class.

5.16 The ANICC Stage Rallies Specialist Committee have appointed the following Motorsport UK Licensed Scrutineer to act as Eligibility Scrutineer for the 2022 Motorsport UK ANICC McGrady Insurance N.I. Stage Rally Championship: Steven McKeegan.

5.17 Competitors by registering for this championship accept that their competing vehicle(s) may be checked throughout the course of this championship for compliance with the regulations for the class in which it is entered.

ARTICLE 6 - PENALTIES

6.1 Should any car be found to be ineligible for the class entered on any Championship event, or if any competitor is excluded from the Championship or a Championship event for fraudulent or un-sportsmanlike behaviour, or bringing the sport into disrepute, all points scored by both crew members to date may be forfeited. Additionally, any registered competitor who brings the sport into disrepute through the un-authorised use of private and/or Forest Service lands will result in the forfeiture of any points awarded (to-date) and the annulment of their registration for this championship.

ARTICLE 7 - SCORING

The marking system shall be as follows: -

7.1 Overall Classification and Overall Categories

Points will be allocated as follows:

- 1 point to each registered Driver that starts an event.
- 1 additional point to each registered Driver that finishes an event.
- To registered Drivers according to their position relative to other registered drivers in the final overall classification and overall categories of each event the following additional points: 28, 26, 25, 24, 23, etc. down to 3, 2 and 1.

Points will be allocated to registered Co-Drivers in the same way.

Class Awards

Each class will be marked separately with the leading registered Drivers in the final classification of each class being allocated points as detailed above. Points will be allocated to registered Co-Drivers in the same way. Points will be allocated to registered Co-Drivers in the same way.

7.2 In the event of the penalty in Article 6.1 being applied, there will be no adjustment to the scores of other competitors.

7.3 Points awarded in one class cannot be transferred to any other class. Likewise, points gained as a driver or co-driver are not transferable if the competitor changes 'discipline' during this championship.

7.4 Overall ties will be decided in favour of the Competitor with the greatest number of maximum point scores considering all scoring events; failing this, the greatest number of second points finishes, and so on down until the tie is resolved. If any further ties remain, they will ultimately be decided based on performance in the sequential order of events.

7.5 Class ties shall be decided in a similar fashion, by considering points scored down to final registered Competitor in class.

7.6 Competitors will be notified of the Final Championship results by way of a Competitors Bulletin via e-mail or the ANICC web site, www.anicc.org.uk and the Championship website www.nirallychampionship.com via e-mail or Web Site, issued by the Championship Co-ordinator.

7.7 For the purposes of Overall, Class and Categories championship points, the following shall apply:

5 events run - 4 to count 4 or less events run – All to count If less than 3 rounds run, there shall not be a Championship

ARTICLE 8 - AWARDS

8.1 To be Eligible for an award, competitors must start in at least 3 rounds of the Championship in the Class, Category or Overall Championship.

Categories.

	Driver	Co Driver
1st Overall	Perpetual Trophy	Perpetual Trophy
	and Replica	and Replica
2nd Overall	Trophy	Trophy
3rd Overall	Trophy	Trophy

Gp N 1st Driver, Perpetual Trophy (Article 8.2 does not apply to this award.)

2WD 1st Driver, Perpetual Trophy (Article 8.2 does not apply to this award.)

Historic 1st Driver (Article 8.2 does not apply to this award.)

Classes.	Driver	Co Driver
1st in each Class	Trophy	Trophy
2nd in each Class	Trophy	Trophy
3rd in each Class	Trophy	Trophy

8.2 The Overall Champions (1st Driver and 1st Co-driver) will not be eligible for class awards. Second and third place Overall award recipients will be eligible for their respective class awards.

8.3 Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the Championship organising Committee (ANICC Stage Rallies Specialist Committee).

ARTICLE 9 – NI JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

(the onus of proof rests with the Competitor). Any driver wishing to take part in the NI Junior Championship must register on Rallyscore as per Article 4. The Championship Coordinator may check eligibility at any point during the Championship season.

9.2 Points: - Points in the NI Junior Championship will be allocated on a Class based system, a registered Junior Competitor will score Points towards the Junior Championship in line with the points allocated to his class position as per Article 7.

9.3 Awards - 1st Junior Trophy - 1st driver in the NI Junior Championship results. Article 8.2 does not apply to this award.

ARTICLE 10 - NI LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

10.1 Eligibility – Any female Driver and female Co-driver registered for the N.I. Stage Rally Championship.

10.2 Points – Points will be allocated according to Article 7 for relevant Driver and Co-Drivers in the NI Ladies Championship

10.3 Awards – 1st driver in the NI Ladies Championship; 1st co-driver in the NI Ladies Championship. Article 8.2 does not apply to these awards.

ARTICLE 11 - NI MOTOR CLUB TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

11.1 Eligibility: When registering for the Championship, Competitors may nominate a Motor Club affiliated to the ANICC for the purposes of the NI Motor Club Team Rally Championship. The Club (or no club) must be nominated at the same time as Competitor registration. Once registered no change to the registered Motor Club is permitted.

11.2 Eligibility: Both crew members (Driver and Co-driver) must be members of the same Motor Club, and although Driver and Co-driver pairings may change from event to event points will only be awarded when both crew members on an event are registered for the Championship as members of the same Motor Club.

11.3 Eligibility: Points may be awarded when (i) the Motor Club is registered with the ANICC and is in good standing according to the ANICC Secretary and Treasurer and (ii) the competitors are both members in good standing of the nominated Motor Club (Valid current Membership cards must be available for inspection by the Championship Coordinator at events)

11.4 Points: Motor Club Team points will be awarded to eligible crews according to the Class points scored (see Article 7.1) and the top three scoring crews for each Motor Club on each event will count towards the Club Team Championship.

11.5 There is no limit to the number of crews any Motor Club may enter on any event.

11.6 All events will count equally (no dropped scores and no bonus multiplier for the final round).

11.7 Awards: A Trophy will be presented to the winning Motor Club.

11.8 Once a competitor has registered on Rallyscore and providing no points have yet been scored by that competitor, one change only of Motor Club may be accepted. This may be to add a Motor Club when one was not previously nominated, or to change the nominated Motor Club if one has been nominated.

ARTICLE 12 – ADDRESSES

ANICC website: <u>www.anicc.org</u> Championship website: <u>www.nirallychampionship.com</u> Stage Rallies Specialist Committee email address: Graeme Stewart [anicc.rally@gmail.com]

<u>Championship Co-ordinator:</u> Graeme Stewart Tel: 07917 711509 (before 9.30pm) Email : <u>anicc.rally@gmail.com</u>

Competitors Representative: Rodney White 6A Carmavy Road Crumlin Co.Antrim BT29 4TF Tel: 07798 827998 (before 9.30pm) Email : rodney_white@talk21.com Forest Liaison Officer: Ian Hull

ANICC Stage Rallies Specialist Committee (2022): Championship Coordinator, Competitors Representative, Forest Liaison Officer and the following elected Members: Raymond Linton (Chair), Derek Graham (Secretary), Brian Crawford, Gerry O'Doherty, Wayne Turkington, Drew Wilson and Andy Gilmore

Mandatory Displays for all rounds of the Championship.

Competitors must display *McGrady Insurance Championship decals and door squares (only the type shown below) clearly on bonnet and boot* of their rally car in the locations as shown in Appendix 1.







Appendix 1

