

South East Motor Sports Enthusiasts Club

SEMSEC OPEN SINGLE SEATER CHAMPIONSHIP

1. SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL

1.1 Title & Jurisdiction:

The 2010 SEMSEC Open Single Seater Championship is organised and administered by the South East Motorsports Enthusiasts Club in accordance with the General Regulations of the Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association (SEMSEC), (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations.

MSA Championship Permit No. CHR2010/097v Race Status: National B

MSA Championship Grade: D

1.2. Officials:

1.2.1. Championship Co-ordinator & Championship Secretary:

Jon Low, 12 Crescent Way, Davis Estate, Chatham, Kent, ME5 9SY;
Telephone: 01634 301122, email: jonlow1@aol.com

1.2.2. Licensed Eligibility Scrutineer:

John Winder, 4 Henderson Close, Hastings, East Sussex, TN34 2DU; Tel: 01424 440364

1.2.3. Championship Stewards:

Norman Redhead - Alan Povey - Duncan Welch.

1.3. Competitor Eligibility:

1.3.1. Entrants must be fully paid up valid membership card holding members of SEMSEC and in possession of valid 2010 MSA Entrants Licences.

1.3.2. Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must be fully paid up valid membership card holding members of SEMSEC, CSCC, BRDC, BRSCC, BARC or 750MC, be Registered for the Championship and be in possession of valid MSA Competition (Racing) NATIONAL B (minimum) STATUS licence.

A competitor shall not take time off school to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their school (**delete if not applicable**). If participation in the Championship requires absence from school, Drivers in full time school education are required to have the approval of their head teacher and a letter stating such approval from his/her school in order to fulfil registration for the Championship.

1.3.3. All necessary documentation must be presented for checking at all rounds when signing-on.

1.4. Registration:

1.4.1. All DRIVERS must register as competitors for the championship by returning the Registration Form with the Registration Fee to the Co-ordinator prior to the Final Closing date for the first round being entered.

1.4.2. The Registration Fee is £15 payable separately or, £60 to include 2010 SEMSEC Racing Club Membership, payable to:- "SEMSEC"

1.4.3. Registrations will be accepted from 1st January 2010 until the closing date for entries to the penultimate round.

1.4.4. Registration numbers will be the permanent Competition numbers for the Championship unless races are amalgamated in which case competitors may be required to have a different competition number for the effected event.

1.5. Championship Rounds:

The championship will be contested over 10 rounds at Lydden Circuit and Brands Hatch as follows: -

Date	Circuit	Organising Club	Format
Saturday 10 th April 2010	Lydden	SEMSEC	Double Header
Saturday 5 th June 2010	Lydden	SEMSEC	Double Header
Saturday 10 th July 2010	Lydden	SEMSEC	Double Header
Sunday 12 th September 2010	Brands Hatch	SEMSEC	Double Header
Saturday 23 rd October 2010	Lydden	SEMSEC	Double Header

1.6. Scoring:

1.6.1. Points will be awarded to Competitors listed as classified finishers in the Final Results for each race as follows:-

Finishing position	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10 th in class and below
Points awarded	24	20	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	2

Plus one point for each competitor beaten in class.

1.6.2. The totals from all qualifying rounds less one round will determine final championship points and positions.

1.6.3. Ties shall be resolved using the formula in Q3.4. in the 2010 MSA Yearbook.

1.7. Awards:

1.7.1. SEMSEC will provide the Championship Awards and the promoting club will provide the individual race awards.

1.7.2. Per Round: Trophies to:
Class Winners if 3 or more starters in the class.
2nd in class if 5 or more starters in the class.
3rd in class if 8 or more starters in the class.
Where classes have less than 3 starters they may be amalgamated

1.7.3. Championship: Trophy to:
Overall Champion & Class Champion = Highest scoring Class Champion
Trophies to:
Other Class Champions (Subject to 3 registered contenders in class scoring in at least 3 rounds)
Class Runners-Up (Subject to 8 registered contenders in class scoring in at least 3 rounds)
Class Third Place Driver (Subject to 12 registered contenders in class scoring in at least 3 rounds)

1.7.4. Bonuses:

The Championship Organising Club will endeavour to obtain sponsored awards or bonuses during the series and reserves the right to introduce same at any time without any obligation to distribute such awards retrospectively.

1.7.5. Presentations:

Trophies are to be provided for presentation at the end of each race or at an end of the meeting presentation ceremony. Prize money and bonuses, if any, shall be posted to the Entrants within 10 days of the results being declared final after each meeting.

1.7.6. Entertainment Tax liability:

In accordance with current Government legislation, the Organisers of each round are legally obliged to

with hold tax at the basic rate on all payments to non-UK resident sportsmen/women.

That is, those persons who do not have a normal permanent residence in the UK. The UK does not include the Isle of Man, Channel Islands or Eire. This means that, as the Organisers, SEMSEC is required to deduct tax at the current rate applicable from any such payments they may make to non-UK residents.

Under certain circumstances, it may be possible for competitors to enter into an agreement with the Inland Revenue to limit the tax withheld. Any application for such an arrangement must be made in writing and not later than 30 days before the payment is due.

For further information contact:- The Inland Revenue, Foreign Entertainers Unit, Centre for Non-Residents, St Johns House, Merton Road, Merseyside L69 9BB. Tel: 0151 472 6488 F 0151 472 6483

1.7.7. Title to all Trophies:

In the event of any Provisional Results or Championship Tables being revised after any provisional presentations and such revisions affect the distribution of any awards the Competitors concerned must return such awards to SEMSEC in good condition within 7 days.

2. SPORTING REGULATIONS - JUDICIAL PROCEDURES

2.1. **Rounds:** In accordance with Section C of the 2010 MSA Yearbook.

2.2. **Championship:** In accordance with Section C of the 2010 MSA Yearbook.

3. SPORTING REGULATIONS - CHAMPIONSHIP RACE MEETINGS & RACE PROCEDURES

3.1. Entries:

- 3.1.1. Competitors are responsible for sending in correct and complete entries with the correct entry fees prior to the entry closing date, which shall be three days before each round.
- 3.1.2. Incorrect or incomplete entries (Including Driver to be Nominated Entries) are to be held in abeyance until they are complete and correct and the date of receipt for acceptance of entry purposes shall be the date on which the Secretary of the Meeting receives the missing or corrected information or fee.
- 3.1.3. Any withdrawal of Entry or driver/Car changes made after acceptance of any entry must be notified to the Secretary of the Meeting in writing. If Driver/Vehicle changes are made after publication of Entry Lists with Final Instructions the Competitor concerned must apply for approval of acceptance by the Stewards of the Meeting BEFORE signing-on.
- 3.1.4. The Maximum Entry Fee for each round shall be £350.00 however it is intended that the entry fee for most rounds will be £175.00 at Lydden £335 at Brands Hatch.
Plus a £15 Late Entry Surcharge imposed by the Race Meeting Organisers for any entry received after 10 days prior to the date of a meeting.
- 3.1.5. In the event of any rounds being oversubscribed the Organising Club, in liaison with the Co-ordinator may at their discretion run Qualification Races. For qualification race procedures see 3.13 of these Regulations.
- 3.1.6. Reserves are to be nominated on the Final List of Entries published with Final Instructions or Amendment Sheet Bulletins. All Reserves will practice and replace withdrawn or retired entries in Reserve Number order irrespective of class. If Reserves are given Grid Places prior to issue of the first Grid Sheets for any round the times set in Practice shall determine their grid positions. If Reserves are given places after publication of the grid sheet and prior to cars being collected in the Official "Assembly Areas" they will be placed at the rear of the Grid and be started without any time delay. Otherwise, they will be held in the "Assembly Area" and be released to start the race after the last car to start the GREEN FLAG LAP or last car to take the start has passed the start line or pit lane exit. Such approval to start MUST be obtained from the Clerk of the Course.

3.2. Briefings:

Organisers should notify competitors of the times and locations for all briefings in the Final Instructions for all meetings. Competitors must attend all briefings.

3.3. Practice:

The minimum period of practice to be as specified in the MSA Regulations.

Should any Practice Session be disrupted the Clerk of the Course shall not be obliged to resume the session or re-run sessions to achieve the championship criteria and the decision of the Clerk of the Course shall be final.

3.4. Qualification:

Each driver should complete a minimum of 3 laps practice in the car to be raced and in the correct session in order to qualify for selection and order of precedence as set out in the MSA Regulations Q4.5. The Clerk of the Course and/or Stewards of the Meeting shall have the right to exclude any driver whose practice times or driving are considered to be unsatisfactory - as per MSA Regulation Q4.5.

3.5. Races:

The standard minimum scheduled distance shall be 12 miles whenever practicable but should any race distance be reduced at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course or Stewards of the Meeting it shall still count as a full points scoring round.

(The procedure for qualification races is specified in 3.13)

3.6. Starts:

3.6.1. All race start countdowns are to have a minimum elapsed period of 3 minutes from the time all cars are released from the Paddock Assembly Area to the start of the Green flag Lap(s) in the formation as specified on the Track Licence for the circuit.

3.6.2. The minimum Countdown procedures/Audible warning sequence shall be:-
Standing Starts:
1 minute to start of Green Flag laps - Start Engines/Clear Grid.
30 Seconds - Visible/audible warning of the start of Green Flag lap(s).

3.6.3. The use of tyre heating/heat retention devices, tyre treatments and compounds is prohibited.

3.6.4. Any cars removed from the grid after the 1 minute stage or driven into the Paddock on Green Flag lap shall be held in the Assembly Area, and may start the race after the last car to take the start from the grid has passed the start line (Lydden events) or pit lane exit (Brands Hatch event).

3.6.5. Any drivers unable to start the Green Flag lap or start are required to indicate their situation as per MSA Regulation Q12.13.2 and any drivers unable to maintain grid positions on the Green Flag Lap to the extent that ALL other cars are ahead of them, may complete the Green Flag lap but MUST remain at the rear of the last row of the grid but ahead of any cars to be started with a time delay.

3.6.6. Excessive weaving to warm-up tyres - using more than 50% of the track width, and falling back in order to accelerate and practice starts, is prohibited.

3.6.7. A five second board will be used to indicate that the grid is complete. The red lights will be switched on five seconds after the board is withdrawn.

In the event of any starting lights failure the Starter will revert to use of the National Flag.

3.7. Race Stops.

3.7.1 Should the need arise to stop any race or practice, RED LIGHTS will be switched on at the Startline and RED FLAGS will be displayed at the Startline and at all Marshals Signalling Points around the Circuit.

This is the signal for all drivers to cease circulating at racing speeds, to slow to a safe and reasonable

pace and to return to the starting grid area which will automatically become a Parc Ferme area.

Cars may not enter the Pits unless directed to do so. Work on cars already in the Pits must cease when a race is stopped.

3.7.2 Case A - Less than two laps completed by the Race Leader.

The Race will be null and void. The race will restart from the original grid positions. Competitors unable to take the restart may be replaced by reserves who will start from the back of the grid in reverse order. Gaps on the grid should not be closed up. The length of the restarted race will be determined by the Clerk of the Course.

3.7.3 Case B – More than two laps completed by the Race Leader but less than 75%

The Race will restart from a grid set out by the finishing order of part one, (as per Q5.4.3.). The result of the race will be the finishing order at the end of part 2. The length of the restarted race will be determined by the Clerk of the Course.

3.7.3 If the leader has completed more than 75% of the race distance or duration it shall not be restarted and the and the results will be declared in accordance with MSA Regulation Q5.4.3., unless the Clerk of the Course in consultation with the Stewards deem it appropriate to restart the race.

3.8. Re-Scrutiny:

All vehicles reported involved in contact incidents during races or practice must be re-presented to the Scrutineers before continuing in the races or practice.

3.9. Assembly Area Safety:

3.9.1. Pits: Entrants must at all times ensure that the MSA, Circuit Management and Organising Club Safety Regulations are complied with.

3.9.2. Assembly Area: The diagonal crossed yellow box lane is to be kept unobstructed to allow safe passage of cars at all times. The onus shall be on all Drivers to take all due care and drive at minimum speeds in the Assembly Area.

Pitlane: The outer lane or lanes are to be kept unobstructed to allow safe passage of cars at all times. The onus shall be on all Drivers to take all due care and drive at minimum speeds in pitlanes.

3.9.3. Refuelling: May only be carried out in accordance with the MSA Q13 Regulations, Circuit Management Regulations and the SR's or Final Instructions issued for each Circuit/Meeting.

3.10. Race finishes:

After taking the Chequered Flag drivers are to required to: Progressively and safely slow down, remain behind any competitors ahead of them, return to the Paddock entrance as instructed, comply with any directions given by Marshals or Officials and to keep their helmets on and harnesses done up while on the circuit or in the paddock return road/pitlane.

3.11. Results:

All Practice Time sheets, Grids, Race Results are to be deemed PROVISIONAL until all vehicles are released by Scrutineers after Post Practice/Race Scrutineering and/or after completion of any Judicial or Technical Procedures.

3.12 Timing Modules

All competitors will be required to fit Electronic Self Identification Modules (Transponders) to their cars for the purposes of accurate timing. Holders for these and detailed fitting instructions are supplied with the transponders and it will be the responsibility of the competitor to fit these in the car in the position and manner specified. The Modules must be in place and functioning correctly for all Championship qualifying practice sessions and races. Failure to fit a transponder may result in times not being recorded.

3.13. Qualification Races

The decision to run Qualification races is entirely at the discretion of the club(s) organising each round according to the number of entries received for such rounds. All affected Competitors must be notified in writing, with their Final Instructions, that this provision will be applied

4. CHAMPIONSHIP RACE PENALTIES:

4.1. Infringements of Technical Regulations:

- 4.1.1. Arising from post practice Scrutineering or Judicial Action:
Minimum Penalty: The provisions of MSA REGULATION C3.3.
- 4.1.2. Arising from post race Scrutineering or Judicial Action:
Minimum Penalty: The provisions of MSA Regulations: C3.5.1(a) and (b).

For infringements deemed to be of a more serious nature the Clerk of the Course and/or Stewards of the Meeting are to invoke the provisions of Regulation C3.5.1(c).

4.2. Infringements of non-technical MSA Regulations and the Sporting Regulations issued for the Championship:

As per 2010 MSA Judicial Procedure Regulations plus:

Drivers excluded from a championship round for committing a driving offence will automatically lose 5 championship points, even if this results in a minus figure showing on the championship points table.

5. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

5.1. INTRODUCTION:

The SEMSEC Single Seater Challenge is for competitors participating in Single Seat Racing cars up to 2000cc. It is intended these should include Formula Ford 1600, Formula Ford Zetec, Formula Ford 2000, Formula Vauxhall, Formula Renault, Motor Cycle Engine Single Seaters and other Single Seat Racing Cars and all cars must comply with the appropriate Technical Regulations approved by the MSA for that formula and/or for Hillclimbs and Sprints and in force for the year in which the car was produced and any subsequently issued up-graded or revised MSA Safety Regulations that are applicable and compulsory. And the onus shall at all times rest with the Entrant to ensure that his/her car complies with such regulations at all times, and it should be clearly understood that if the texts do not specify that you can do it you should work on the principle that you cannot.

5.2. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:

The following articles of MSA General Regulations K Safety Criteria Regulations will apply; K1.5., K1.6.3., K1.6.4., K1.7., K2.1.3. Six Point, K3.1.2.(a), K4., K5., K6., K7., K8., K9., K13..

Competitors attention is drawn to regulation Q19.14.2. requiring harnesses to be currently FIA homologated and Q19.14.7. requiring fire extinguishers.

5.3. CLASSES:

- Class A - Motor cycle derived engine cars up to 1200cc
- Class B - Formula Ford 1600 & Formula First Cars
- Class C - Formula Ford 1800 Zetec Engine Cars & Formula Ford 2000 Cars
- Class D - Formula Renault & Formula Vauxhall Cars
- Class E - All Other Single Seater racing cars up to 2000cc (including single seater racing cars complying to MSA Sprint & Hillclimb regulations) & Motor cycle derived engine cars over 1200cc.

5.4. GENERAL TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 5.4.1. Cars must comply with all relevant requirements of the 2010 MSA Yearbook Sections; J5. In Classes A, B, C and D cars must also comply to the formula regulation to which the car was built.

5.5. TYRES:

Tyres must conform to MSA Regulations. For cars in classes A, B, C & D tyres must conform to Formula Regulations for the type of car.

5.6. INDUCTION SYSTEMS:

No form of forced induction is permitted

5.7 FUEL TANK/FUEL:

Only pump fuel as defined in the Terminology Section of the 2010 MSA Yearbook may be used.

6. APPENDICES:

The following commercial undertakings are not subject to the judicial procedures of either the Championship Stewards and/or the MSA/MSA.

6.1. Race Organising Club and other useful Contacts:

Race Organising Club Secretary:

SEMSEC: Ken Greenfield
Greenfields
16 Saxonbury Close
Crowborough
East Sussex
TN6 1EA

Tel: 01892 652509 - Evenings between 7.30 and 9 pm only

6.2. Commercial Undertakings:

6.2.1. Trade Support.

The organisers and championship promoters will be seeking trade support for this championship and competitors will be advised if support is obtained. Any additional awards may not be awarded retrospectively.

6.2.2. Vehicle Decals and Overall patches.

Championship vehicle stickers will be issued to registered competitors and these should be affixed to all vehicles in accordance with MSA GR H28, H29.1.2 and H29.1.3.

6.2.3. Promotional activities.

Competitors competing in this championship are requested to make their vehicles available for promotional activities of the organising club.

2010 SEMSEC OPEN SINGLE SEATER CHAMPIONSHIP REGISTRATION FORM.

TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH THE £15 (Standard) or £60 (to include 2010 SEMSEC Racing Club Membership) REGISTRATION FEE TO:
Jon Low, 12 Crescent Way, Davis Estate, Chatham, Kent, ME5 9SY

Full Name of registering DRIVER		
Full Address (Driver)		
Post Code:		
Telephone (Home):	(Work):	
Email Address		
MSA Competition Licence details:	Transponder Number:	
ENTRANT - Name/Title		
Full Address:		
Telephone:	ENTRANT's LICENCE DETAILS/No.:	
Class Entered <small>(as per Series Regulation 5.3)</small>	Current Number on Car/Regular competition number	
Details of car: Formula:		
Manufacturer:	Model:	
Engine:	Engine capacity	
I wish to apply for SEMSEC 2010 Racing Membership with this Championship Registration	Yes/No	Note: If you are not already a 2010 SEMSEC Racing member you will need to apply for racing membership of the club, however by paying the £60 registration fee 2010 SEMSEC racing membership is included offering a saving over separate registration and membership.

Please provide (ON REVERSE OF THIS FORM) some personal profile details of the driver: Age, marital status, occupation, business or profession, previous motor sport experience and successes if any:-

Declaration:

I have read and agree to be bound by the MSA Regulations and Regulations for the Championship(s) for which I am registering, and enclose my £15/£60 Registration Fee. (Cheques payable to SEMSEC please)

Signed Date: