

Sevenoaks and District Motor Club COVID-19 process

SDMC will be putting the following safety measures in to effect for all events in 2020 to guard against the threat of COVID-19

Preparation

As a condition of registration to the event, all competitors must confirm that they have read the MSUK guidelines on COVID-19 at https://www.motorsportuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/getting-motorsport-back-on-track-club-sport-appendix-v18-may-2020.pdf. They are reminded of this in the supplementary regulations.

Physical contact prevention

Sapphire systems timing application benefits

SDMC has adopted an electronic signing on and timing application by Sapphire Systems. https://autotest.sapphire-solutions.co.uk/guide.php?sitename=sevenoaks ("the app")

The app provides the following benefits to competitors and Marshals in reducing COVID-19 risk by removing the need for physical contact during the event.

- Marshals and competitors signing on and payment is via the app, thereby removing the need for physical contact with paper signing on sheets and the entries secretary.
- Time cards used to be handed between competitors and timekeepers on each run. Timing is now by mobile phone which sends the times directly to a server removing any physical interaction.
- A secondary benefit is that there used to be two timekeepers (one with stopwatch, one to handle time cards).
 Now a single timekeeper can do everything, thereby reducing the number of people attending the event, so reducing COVID-19 transmission risk.
- Results used to be on a screen which competitors used to crowd around to view their scores. Now all
 competitors can see results on their mobile phones and so can maintain social distancing.
- Contact tracing details for all event attendees will be recorded.
- All competitor entries must be prepaid no money will physically change hands.

Rule change and process to provide protection

Rule changes have been introduced in the regulations to support COVID-19 social distancing:

- Two drivers can only share a car ("double driving" if they are from the same household.
- Competitors and officials will be advised not to attend the event if they feel unwell.
- The number of competitors and marshals allowed to attend the event has been severely restricted.
- No spectators or supporters will be allowed to attend.
- Entry is only open to members of the SDMC
- The process for providing physical awards is under review to ensure avoidance of physical contact.

Precautions

At the briefing all of the above measures will be reinforced. Additionally competitors will be advised:

- Maintain social distancing of at least 2m throughout the event
- PPE will be provided

Contact with general public

The following measures will be put in place to prevent any members of the public inadvertently straying into the competition area and risk contact with officials and competitors:

- The event secretary's post is behind a wooden fence at the end of the field where members of the public may enter from. They are therefore well positioned to spot and discourage entry.
- Signs will be placed at the entrance to competition area warning members of the public not to enter.

COVID Officer

A medical professional has been appointed as COVID-19 protection officer to oversee proceedings.