



REGULATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE 2017 WESTERN CAPE REGIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

MSA WESTERN CAPE MOTORSPORT CIRCULAR WC 05/2017

These Regulations are to be read in conjunction with the **2017** General Competition Rules (GCR's) and Standing Supplementary Regulations (SSR's) and any APPLICABLE Circulars of Motorsport South Africa.

1. CONTROLLERS

Will be the Motorsport South Africa (herein referred to as MSA) Western Cape Regional Motorsport Committee.

2. AMENDMENTS

ANY Proposed/Desired changes to these Championship Regulations **must** be submitted in writing to the Controllers for consideration at their next Regional Committee Meeting.

The Controllers reserve the right, without prior notification, to introduce new Regulations and/or amend existing Regulations. Such changes to these Regulations **shall** be issued on a MSA Circular and posted on the MSA website and circulated to all registered clubs secretaries for their members to be notified.

Any technical changes will be notified at least 3 weeks before the next event.

3. AIM OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

To declare an overall Western Cape Rally Champion Driver and Co-Driver Overall.

4. REGULATIONS

All qualifying rallies shall be held under the **2017** General Competition Rules (GCR's) and Standing Supplementary Regulations (SSR's) of Motorsport South Africa (MSA), these Standing Regulations, WC 06 / 2017 and the Supplementary Regulations issued by the promoters / organisers.

5. ELIGIBILITY OF DRIVERS / CO-DRIVERS / NAVIGATORS

5.1 The Championship shall be open to all drivers / co-drivers / navigators holding a current, valid MSA Regional Rally Competition Licence and who are resident within the area controlled by the MSA Western Cape Regional Motorsport Committee. No competitor may score in the Western Cape Championship if he / she is competing in a similar event in another region or if a similar event is available in his / her region.

5.2 Resident in a Motorsport region which does not cater for this formula;



- 5.3 The drivers must not be less than 17 years of age and must;
- 5.3.1 Hold a valid current provincial drivers licence, or;
 - 5.3.2 Be in possession of a valid current learner's licence, in which case the co-driver / navigator must be in possession of a valid and current provincial drivers licence;
 - 5.3.3 SSR 165 may be applied subject to the conditions of GCR 127 c(iii);
 - 5.3.4 During a Special Stage, only the nominated Driver may be in control of a vehicle.

6. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

There will be seven (7) events counting towards the 2017 Western Cape Regional Rally Championship (one or more of the events may be classified as a National event). Where a Regional Rally is combined with a National Rally in the region, eligible drivers and co-drivers / navigators who enter the national event will be scored for the Regional Championship.

7. NUMBER OF EVENTS SCORING TOWARDS CHAMPIONSHIP

- 7.1 When seven qualifying events are held one event less than the total number of qualifying events held will be counted, in determining the final positions, except where a competitor has been excluded from an event. That result may not be dropped for championship scoring.
- 7.2 If six events are held, all will count towards the Championship.
- 7.3 If less than six events are held the Championship may be declared null and void.

8. MINIMUM NUMBER OF STARTERS

- 8.1 The minimum total number of starters will be 12 eligible starters for an event to count towards the Championship.
- 8.2 A minimum of 3 starters per class is required for class winners to be declared.

9. RALLY DISTANCE

- 9.1 The total Special Stage distance should be 90 km plus, minus 15 km. When the Regional Rally forms part of a National Championship event in the Western Cape Region, the full rally distance may be applicable to the regional competitors.
- 9.2 Any exception to these distances will be considered on application to the controlling body.
- 9.3 Midway central service park will be used.

10. CLASSES

- 10.1 Eligibility : As set out in Part 5, Articles 1 and 2 of the Regulations and Specifications for the SA Drivers and Co-Drivers Championship in the current MSA Handbook non-circuit racing. All classes will score towards the championship.



10.2 Classification:

- Class S5: For two or four wheel drive, homologated & non-homologated and restricted (rotary \ supercharged and turbocharged) vehicles with a capacity not exceeding 3500cc.
- Class S4: For two wheel drive vehicles unrestricted with a capacity between 2051cc and 3500cc.
- Class S3: For two wheel drive vehicles unrestricted with a capacity between 1661cc and 2050cc.
- Class S2: For two wheel drive vehicles unrestricted with a capacity between 1451cc and 1660cc and all S A Homologated A5 cars.
- Class S1: (Budget Class) For two wheel drive vehicles, restricted only in that the standard eight (8) valve cylinder head and carburettor / injection system must remain, otherwise unrestricted with a capacity under 1450cc.

In Classes S1 to S4 the engine and chassis must be of the same manufacturer. If the body came out with a four cylinder engine, only a four cylinder engine may be used. The capacity of a multi-valve engine, for Class purposes, will be the capacity multiplied by a factor of 1.2.

Turbo Diesel, as well as rotary/supercharged and turbo charged, vehicles will fall into the relevant class with a factor of 1.5

No off-road vehicle will be allowed to enter.

11. COMPETITION NUMBERS

- 11.1 All competition numbers must comply with MSA regulations relating to size and colour.
- 11.2 The Rally Sub-Committee, on behalf of the Controllers, shall issue all competition numbers.
- 11.3 Competition numbers are allocated to the owner of the vehicle and will remain with this combination. On changing a vehicle, the number remains with the original owner.
- 11.4 Competition numbers may only be kept reserved for a period of 36 months after the last rally it was used.

12. CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS SCORING

Overall and class points will NOT be added together.

12.1 Overall Classification

1st	-	25 points
2nd	-	21 points
3rd	-	19 points
4th	-	17 points
5th	-	16 points

thereafter decreasing by one point to 20th position (1 point).

12.2 Class Positions

Points per class per Rally will be awarded as follows:

1 st	-	9 points
2 nd	-	7 points



3 rd	-	5 points
4 th	-	4 points
5 th	-	3 points
6 th and lower	-	2 points

If there are less than three (3) starters in a class. Points for the individual crew member in that class will be awarded as follows:

Two (2) Starters in class 1st - 7 points, 2nd - 5 points

One (1) Starter in class 1st-5 points

12.3 Competitors who have completed all the stages up to the last stage and who start the last stage but who fail to complete it will be allocated ONE (1) point for overall position and ONE (1) point for class position.

12.4 Points scored as a Driver will not count towards the Co-Drivers Championship and vice versa. Crew members will score the same points.

12.5 Ineligible crew members shall be ignored as starters and finishers for both overall and class placing for the purpose of allocating championship points. Crew members will score the same points.

12.6 **Western Cape Rally Championship** competitors will be awarded points on their overall positions achieved ignoring positions achieved by ineligible **competitors**.

12.7 Where a competitor competes in more than one class in the championship, points scored will be combined for Overall Points, but kept separate for Class Points.

12.8 A National Competitor residing in the Western Cape, who wishes to score in the Western Cape Championship, **must** be an eligible competitor in terms of paragraph 5.4, compete and be scored in the results of a minimum of 3 (three) Regional Events.

12.9 SupaRally - Refer item 14 below

12.10 Points scored on a tar event will not be included in the overall Championship scores (both Overall and Class) unless the crew members have participated in (moved out of holding area under own vehicle power) at least 3 (three) gravel events.

13. SEPARATION OF TIES

Any ties will be resolved in favour of the competitor having the greater number of firsts. If this fails, the greater number of seconds, then thirds, and so on. If the tie still remains, performance in all championship events will be taken into consideration and if this is ineffective, the MSA Western Cape Regional Committee will declare the winners on any basis it may deem fit, and their decision in this respect will be final.



14. DECLARATION OF CHAMPIONS

The MSA Western Cape Regional Motorsport Committee, at its sole discretion is responsible for declaring the winner of the Championship, or to withhold such declaration.

15. REGIONAL SUPARALLY:

- 15.1 A crew and their entered car will be allowed to re-enter a Regional Championship Event provided;
 - 15.1.2 They immediately notify the Clerk of the Course by cellular phone of their intention to re-enter the rally.
 - 15.1.3 They return to the service park and present their vehicle to the Scrutineer for safety inspection.
 - 15.1.4 They hand their intention to re-enter in writing to the scrutineer at the time of presenting their vehicle. The scrutineer will sign for receipt of the intention on receipt page of the time card.
 - 15.1.5 At the sole discretion of the Clerk of Course, should he deem it unnecessary, the competitor may forgo the vehicle inspection and return to Service Park. In this case, the written intention of the crew should be handed in at the start of the next stage.
 - 15.1.6 The crew may start the next available stage as instructed by the Clerk of Course and the starting position will be at his discretion.
- 15.2 For ease of identification the times achieved by SupaRally entries will be displayed in ITALICS and highlighted in yellow on the results sheet in the stage time block. Incomplete stages will be left blank.
- 15.3 The returning crew will be allowed to score in the Regional Championship provided they complete the last stage of the Rally.
- 15.4 SupaRally competitors who complete the last stage will be allocated ONE (1) point for overall position and ONE (1) point for class position.

16. RECONNAISSANCE

Eligible competitors may be used to provide Route Safety Notes for Regional Championship Events. Should any competitor not be happy with this ruling they should submit a letter to the controllers at least 14 days before the first event of the season detailing their objection and submit a workable alternative to guarantee all events will have accurate Route Safety Notes.

17. ANNOUNCEMENT OF POINTS AWARDED

Scoring for each event will be available on the Motorsport SA website (www.motorsport.co.za) and any objections concerning the scoring must be received by MSA in writing not later than 7 days following the publication of the scoring. MSA reserves the right to correct clerical errors at any time.