



2022 ACU Track Racing Championship Conditions

– Pre 75 –





2022 TRACK RACING CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS



NOTE: Any amendments for the 2022 Championship Conditions are identified in **bold and italics**

Section 1 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

Organisers to note that 'Section 1 – General Conditions' are applicable to the Championship Conditions of the event being staged.....for example: Section 1 – General Condition AND Section 4 – British Grass Track Championship.

1. **JURISDICTION**

Held under the National Sporting Code of the Auto Cycle Union, the ACU Standing Regulations for Track Racing, the ACU Championship Conditions and the Supplementary Regulations issued for each Championship event.

2. **TITLE**

Each meeting shall be titled:

- a. ACU British Masters International Grass Track Championship (Section 2)
- b. ACU British Masters Grass Track Qualification Championship (Section 3)
- c. ACU British Grass Track Championship (Section 4)
- d. ACU British GT140 Grass Track Championship (Qualification Rnd) (Section 5)
- e. ACU British GT140 Grass Track Championship (Section 6)
- f. ACU British Under 21 Grass Track Championship (Section 7)
- g. ACU British Youth Grass Track Championship (Section 8)
- h. **ACU British Pre 75 Grass Track Championship (Section 9)**
- i. ACU British Classic (*Upright*) Grass Track Championship (Section 10)
- j. ACU British Sand Racing Championship (Section 11)

3. **SECONDARY TITLE**

If a Championship is run as part of another event, then a secondary title is permissible.

4. **ACU BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP AIDE MEMOIR**

The ACU Track Racing Committee (TRC) has developed a guidance document (Aide Memoir) for use by each British Championship organiser to assist them in the planning and organisation of their event. It is strongly recommended that this supporting document is used by the club to ensure that none of the key requirements needed to stage a high-class event are missed or overlooked. A copy of the Aide Memoir is available from the Track Racing Secretary

5. **COURSES**

All ACU Championship events should be staged on smooth grassland, with the inside and outside marked with miniature flags. For the Sand Race Championship the lap length **MUST BE** less than 1000 metres in accordance with the Regulations for Temporary Courses. All races will be over four laps together **with** an allowance for an off-track start.

6. **TRACK PREPARATION**

Appropriate track maintenance equipment **MUST BE** available to ensure that:

- a. Track watering facilities should be available at the circuit at least two days before the meeting and used if necessary.
- b. Loose material thrown from the racing line can be removed from the racing surface and deposited in a safe manner which does not compromise the run off area to make the full width of the track available for racing (if placed inside the track must be beyond the inside Marshall line)
- c. The Organiser of a National Championship **MUST** provide radio contact between the Clerks of the Course and other key Track Officials (e.g. Medical / First Aid Team, Clerk of the Course, Assistant Clerk of the Course, 3rd Official, Chief Pits Marshal, Track Maintenance Official/Tractor Driver and Commentator).
- d. The ACU Track Racing Committee recommends the use of whistles for Marshals at Championship events.

7. **PASSES**

Passes be issued as follows:

Solo competitor – Minimum 2 passes.

Sidecar competitor – Minimum 3 passes.

Holders of current National and International Entrants Licences should be admitted to public areas on production of the licence.

ALL OTHERS TO PAY.

8. **SPECTATOR FACILITIES**

Organisers should ensure that sign posting to circuits is adequate. It is recommended that the RAC or AA sign posting be used.

Ample catering facilities should be available on the day of the event.

Sufficient toilets - of an acceptable standard – must be available. Where possible a separate female and disabled facility should be provided. An efficient public address system should be used, and consideration should be given to the use of two commentators. In addition to the main PA system the organisers are strongly recommended the use of a separate PA system for the pit area.

Car park exits should be marshalled at the end of the meeting.

9. **SOUND CONTROL**

Sound levels will be controlled at all Championship events in accordance with ACU Track Racing Standing Regulation 2.

10. **ABSENTEES**

Attention is drawn to the National Sporting Code, which reads as follows: -

“Unless it can be justified, the absence of any competitor who has entered or has been nominated for a competition and is not present at the start shall be in breach of this code”.

11. **START**

An ‘On’ track or ‘Off’ track start may be used, in conjunction with a mechanical starting gate, for all races. Once under Starter’s Orders, any competitor fouling the tapes or causing a false start **will be disqualified**. In the event of failure of the starting gate, the raising of an agreed flag will start races.

Any competitor not prepared to start within two minutes of being called to the starting line will be disqualified from that race and may be replaced by a reserve (with the exception of Semi Final and Final races)

For all ACU ADULT National Championships there is a requirement that a clearly visible green light is provided to indicate when riders are under starters orders. It is recommended that the green light be also provided at all other National and Championship events.

Only competitors and track staff will be permitted on the starting line. The only exception will be the Auto Cadet and the Cadet classes. The onus of appearing on the starting line for the correct race is the sole responsibility of the competitor. Positions on the start line will be printed in the programme.

Youth Events – for the British Youth Grass Track Championship OFF TRACK starts should be used. This is to ensure that there are no ‘start ruts’ halfway down the straight that could present a potential hazard for younger inexperienced riders.

12. **FINISHER**

To be classed as a finisher in a qualifying race, a competitor must have travelled three quarters of the distance of the winner and crossed the finishing line within three minutes of the winner. A competitor who has qualified for a final – but not completed race distance – will be placed according to the number of laps he/she finished.

13. **FORMAT**

With the exception of the British Masters Grass Track Qualification Championship and the British Youth Championships, all Championships will be awarded **on the results of the Final in each class, and NOT on the basis of total points scored. For riders not qualifying for the championship Final, positions will be based on total points scored at the completion of the semi-finals.**

For any the Pre 75 & Upright Championship Classes, where there are only sufficient entries for ONE heat, ALL HEATS will count, and there will be NO Final.

For Championships held over more than one event, points gained in earlier championship events will be carried forward to the final championship event, where all points including Semi-Final points, will count towards qualification for the Final.

Allocation of races and grid positions will be made by the ACU Track Racing Committee and provided to organisers.

A programmed rider cannot change heats.

14. **TIES**

Intermediate / Semi Final Standings:

- a) Count Back - Defined by highest number of first’s, second’s third places etc.(a finish is considered better than a non-finish)
- b) Position in the last race the riders met
- c) **Last race result** (where there has been a differential)
- d) A ballot (in the presence of the Steward)

Final:

- a. The finishing position in the final race will solve all ties.
- b. In the event of the final race being unable to run the winner will be decided by the Intermediate/Semi Finals standings.

Definition of Count Back

Highest number of first, second and third places etc. achieved throughout the qualifying races.

15. CHANGE OF MACHINE OR PASSENGER

A change of machine and or passenger within a particular capacity class may be permitted at any stage of the event (including the rerun of any races) subject to the approval of the Clerk of the Course providing that: -

- a. The machine has been passed by the Technical Official.
- b. The passenger holds an appropriate licence, has signed on, and has taken part in the official practice.
- c. The lap scorers have been made aware of the racing number of the competitor's machine.

16. MACHINE EXAMINATION

All machines used in the Final competition of each class will be impounded in a Parc Ferme (together with an environmental mat) in accordance with the National Sporting Code. The first three machines in each class will be subject to a final examination in accordance with the Track Racing Standing Regulation 2.4.

17. PRESENTATION

A winner's presentation **MUST** be held at the end of any Championship event – ideally within ten minutes of the last race of the day, based on the provisional results. All winning competitors are to present themselves to the presentation area wearing their race suits.

Any rider or Sidecar team who does not attend the Winners presentation will be subject to a fine of £50.00, which will be deducted from their prize money.

18. RESPONSIBILITY

- a. In granting a permit to 'promote', the ACU Track Racing Committee does not abrogate its overall responsibility for the Championship events and may, at its discretion withhold points for all or part of an event. If a Championship race is run, the results will stand.
- b. When, in the opinion of the ACU Track Racing Committee, the circuit forming the venue of a Championship event is unsuitable, either by reason of its condition or its safety precautions, the Committee shall have absolute discretion to withdraw the Championship status from the event.
- c. At the Masters International Championship Final, in order to support the Club with the smooth overall presentation and staging of the event, the ACU National Steward may nominate a qualified Deputy.

19. SCHEDULE

In order to complete the meeting in a reasonable time the following timetable is recommended: -

Track staff (Jury) meeting to check everything is in place – 9.00 – 9.30

Technical Inspection – 09.30 - 10.30

Practice completed by – 12.30

Riders Presentation – 13.15

First race – 13.30

Winners Presentation – 18.00

20. RESERVES - INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

- a. From the qualification system three reserves will be selected for each class. These become the Qualified Reserves.
- b. If a Qualified Rider withdraws from a competition **prior to the date of the meeting**, the first Qualified Reserve will take his / her place for that meeting, and a new third reserve will be selected from the qualification system.
- c. If a Qualified Rider withdraws from a competition on the day of the event, **prior to the commencement of the meeting** (e.g. a blown engine during practice) then the first Qualified Reserve will take his / her place for that meeting, and the second reserve will be elevated to first reserve.
- d. On the day of the event, the Reserve Riders will replace – in rotation during the qualification heats – any riders disqualified under Art 2.11 / 2.12 of the ACU Track Racing Standing Regulations (i.e. two minutes time allowance, false start etc.).
- e. Additionally, they shall replace (in rotation), any riders injured after the start of Heat 1, who are unable to take their place in a race.
- f. A Reserve Rider **CANNOT** ride in more heats than a scheduled programmed Rider.
- g. Reserve Riders are not permitted to take part in "Semi Final" or "Final" Heats unless they have qualified to do so according to their total race points scored at the completion of the Qualification heats.

21. **RESULTS**

Results must be notified to ACU Track Racing Secretary at the ACU Office within 24 hours following the completion of the event.

22. **SHORTENING OF THE EVENT**

If any races need to be cancelled on the day of the event (due to either bad weather or deteriorating track conditions that would affect the safety of the competitors), then ALL the qualification races should be run with consideration for the Semi Finals and or Final races being cancelled.

23. **INVITATION TO ORGANISE EVENT**

Form of Agreement.

In agreeing to organise an ACU Championship event, Clubs indicate their acceptance of the Championship Conditions as outlined in this document and the sponsorship arrangements set out in the form of agreement.

24. **CONDITIONS RELATING TO OVERALL SPONSORSHIP**

Sponsorship gained by the ACU – which in turn is then allocated to any of the ACU Grass Track Championships – will be finalised and agreed by the ACU Track Racing Committee, details of which will then be circulated. Promoting clubs are actively encouraged to generate additional sponsorship arrangements with local businesses and interested parties to further support their event.

25. **CLERK OF THE COURSE**

The Clerk of the Course for the Masters International, the British Masters Qualifier and the National Grass Track Championship events **will be nominated** by the ACU Track Racing Committee.

For other championship events, the Clerk of the Course may be nominated by the organising club, but the nomination must be approved by the ACU Track Racing Committee.

26. **RIDER LIAISON OFFICER**

A Rider Liaison Officer MUST be appointed by the organising club for the ACU British Masters, the British Masters Qualification, the British Championship and the Youth Championship.

NOTE: The appointed person must be a holder of a current ACU National Clerk of the Course Licence.

27. **INSURANCE**

All ACU Championship Events must be held under the ACU Premier Insurance.

28. **MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Organisers **of National events** are reminded of the need to meet the requirements of the ACU Track Racing Standing Regulations 2.26 Medical Code of Practice insofar that they must ensure that TWO ambulances and a Doctor and Paramedic, or two Doctors OR two Paramedics are to be available for both practice and racing.

Ambulances must comply with the regulation set out on pages 212 to 213 of the ACU Handbook (Track Racing Regulations) – Medical Code of Practice. The TRC recommends that the organising club sends a copy of this information to their medical provider.

In the event of a serious accident – where a Paramedic is required to attend to an injured person – racing CAN CONTINUE, so long as there is ONE Paramedic (or Doctor) AND one Type B ambulance available.

Section 9 – PRE 75 BRITISH GRASS TRACK RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

The (**enter your clubs name**) Motor Cycle Club will promote a National Championship for Solo's (Category A) on Sunday (**enter the day, date and month of your event**) 2022.

The event will be run under an open permit.

2. ELIGIBILITY

This Championship is open to riders of Pre – 75 Solo Grass Track machines which conform to the specification for Classic Pre- 75 Solo Grass Track Machines contained in the current ACU Handbook. Competitors must hold a current annual competition licence issued by the ACU or the Scottish ACU **and** be a registered member of a club affiliated to the ACU.

No one day licences can be issued for the Championship.

Solo entry – No restriction on number

3. EVENTS

Event 1 – 500cc Solo – Over 350cc, not over 500cc

Event 2 – 350cc Solo – Over 250cc not over 350cc

Event 3 – 250cc Solo – Over 125cc not over 250cc

4. POINTS SYSTEM

Event 1, 2 & 3

1st - 9pts, 2nd - 7pts, 3rd - 6pts, 4th - 5pts, 5th - 4pts, 6th - 3pts, 7th - 2pts, 8th - 1pt

Event 1 – At the conclusion of the heats, two Semi-Finals will be run for the highest aggregate scoring riders (16 Solo class) from the qualifying heats. Following these races the highest aggregate scoring riders (8) Solo class will go forward to the Final.

Events 2 & 3 – At the conclusion of the heats the highest aggregate scoring riders (8) in each Solo class will go forward to the Final.

Championship positions will be determined by the finishing order in each of the Finals e.g. first over the finish line is the Champion.

Note: Where there are only sufficient entries for ONE heat, ALL HEATS will count, and there will be NO Final heat – the winner of the championship will be the rider scoring the most points.

5. RACE FORMAT – (this format will depend upon the number of entries)

	500cc Solo	350cc Solo	250cc Solo
Total Entry	24	16	16
Number in Semi and Final	8	8	8
Rides per Driver	3	3	3
Total number of heats	9	6	6
Semi Finals	2	0	0
Finals	1	1	1

All races will be four laps unless any races have to be shortened due to safety reasons.

6. PRIZE MONEY

Prize money will be reviewed each year by the ACU Track Racing Committee and agreed with the Organiser. The method of allocating prize money in the Finals at this event must be clearly stated in the regulations.

7. TIES

Intermediate / Semi Final Standings:

- Count Back - defined by highest number of first's, second's third places etc. (a finish is considered better than a non-finish)
- Position in the last race the riders met
- Last race result (where there has been a differential)
- A ballot (in the presence of the Steward)

Final:

- The finishing position in the Final race will solve all ties.
- In the event of the Final race being unable to run the winner will be decided by the Intermediate/Semi Finals standings.

8. **ROPING**

Please note for all ACU Track Racing championship events, the 'Alternative' roping method' **IS NOT PERMITTED**. If there is a specific reason why the organising club believe that there is a need for the 'Alternative' roping system to be considered, then the club must contact the ACU Track Racing Committee a minimum of six weeks prior to the event, in order that a decision can be made.

7 **CANCELLATION OF AN EVENT**

Following a decision by the Clerk of the Course and the Stewards that the meeting has to be cancelled due to adverse weather conditions, and a final result /clarification cannot be achieved, then the result will be declared after all riders have completed **THREE** of their qualifying rides.

8 **INSURANCE**

All ACU Championship events must be held under the ACU PREMIER Insurance.