



## MOTORKHANA SERIES 2023

### **STANDING REGULATIONS**

**AUTHORITY:** As provided in the Auto Test National Motorkhana Code and Motorsport Australia Manuals, these regulations shall when invoked by the Supplementary Regulations of a Motorkhana, become part of the regulations for that event. They will normally be invoked in conjunction with the NMC and shall be supplementary thereto. They are designed to declare those conditions of competition, which are common to rounds of the Motorkhana Series 2023 and to enable some reduction in the detail, which must be published for each event.

**THE EVENT:** The "MOTORKHANA SERIES 2023", shall consist of a number of rounds which will be run on either unsealed surface or bitumen. The events will be promoted by the South Eastern Automobile Club of South Australia Inc. (SEAC), P.O. Box 1551, Mount Gambier, and are open to current members of the SEAC who are holders of a Motorsport Australia Speed licence (formally level 2NS) or Junior Speed Licence (formally 2NSJ Licence) or superior. Current holders of Motorsport Australia Speed licence and affiliated club membership are also eligible to enter however these competitors are not eligible for championship points.

**ENTRIES:** The Entry Fees are as set by the Club.

Four adult entries and any number of junior entries are permitted per vehicle. Please make sure this is clearly stated on the Entry Form/Forms.

A driver may enter in two vehicles provided the additional entry fee is paid.

**DRIVERS:** All Drivers must wear appropriate enclosed footwear. Drivers of special vehicles, or without windscreens must wear appropriate eye-protection as per Motorsport Australia Manual of Motorsport, Schedule D 3.4. All Drivers of specials vehicles, or open top vehicles must wear a helmet complying with Schedule D, 1.5 and 2.1 B as per Motorsport Australia Manual of Motorsport. All Drivers must attend the Drivers Briefing. All apparel must comply with Schedule D.

**VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS:** As per the Autotest NMC Regulations, Schedule A and Group 4H regulations.

**TYRES:** Only street tyres are permitted on grass or unsealed events. No bar treads, block treads, winter treads, off road aggressive type treads or tyres with a square shoulder will be permitted. No traction additives will be permitted. For bitumen events, tyres used are open but must not have canvas or steel showing. Spare tyres, which may be used during the event, shall be scrutinized along with the vehicle. Any vehicle running on **full competition tyres/slicks** will be put into a special class.

**TIMING:** Will be by electronic timing equipment (or handheld stopwatches) recorded to 1/100<sup>th</sup> of a second. Timing shall commence when the forward most portion of the vehicle breaks the timing beam (or driven wheels start to turn) and will cease when the leading point of the vehicle crosses the finish line. The designated finish line (timing line) will be between 500mm and 1000mm inside the finish garage.

To encourage correct course completion and reward as such, junior class WD will be scored using junior times only, if all competing juniors are deemed to have a WD then it will be scored using the

outright WD penalty.

**EVENT LAYOUTS:** May be taken from the Motorsport Australia Motorkhana Tests Booklet, however mirror images and some variations may be used to suit some ground constraints.

**PASSENGERS:**

A Passenger may be carried in a vehicle while competing in a Motorkhana as described in 19.1(b) of the National Motorkhana Code except:

In the Australian Motorkhana Championship.

Where prohibited in the Supplementary Regulations.

19.1 (b) An inexperienced driver (either junior or an adult), may carry an experienced passenger, or an experienced driver may carry a junior or inexperienced adult passenger for the purpose of instruction and guidance in State, Multi-Club or Club level events under the following conditions:

A request is lodged with and approved by the Clerk of the Course.

The suitability of the Passenger or the experienced Driver is at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.

Each passenger shall complete the Motorsport Australia "Passenger in Vehicle Disclaimer Form" before any test.

Only one passenger is permitted in the vehicle with the driver at any time during a test.

Times achieved by a driver with a passenger shall not be used as a basis for the application of penalties to other Drivers.

Each passenger shall comply with the apparel and safety requirements for the competition during any attempt at a test.

Each passenger must be fitted and restrained as required for each automobile with consideration for their physical attributes.

Drivers must fill out a "Passenger in Vehicle Disclaimer Form" to ride as a passenger even if they are a driver for the event.

**PROTESTS:** Any protest shall be lodged in accordance with section 94 - 99 of the NCR.

**ABANDONMENT:** The organisers reserve the right to postpone or abandon the event under the provision of Motorsport Australia NCR.

**CLASSES:** Classes for the "Motorkhana Series 2023" shall be,

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| Class A                       | Production cars   | 2WD, wheelbase up to 2150mm                             |
| Class B                       | Production cars   | 2WD, wheelbase 2151mm - 2390mm                          |
| Class C                       | Production cars   | 2WD, wheelbase 2391mm - 2574mm                          |
| Class D                       | Production cars   | 2WD, wheelbase 2575mm and over                          |
| Class E                       | 4wd/AWD   | (must be driven in 4WD mode throughout the competition) |
| Class F                       | Specials  | See Article 4 in Group 4H - Motorkhana cars             |
| Class J                       | Juniors   |   |
| Class NJ                      | Novice Junior   |   |
| Master                        | Additional class for Males 60+ and Females 55+ at the 1 <sup>st</sup> of January. |   |
| One trophy for highest ranked |   |   |

Notes: Juniors are defined as being less than 18 years of age on the day of the first round, having attained the age of 12 years. Refer 10.(h) of NMC.

All Juniors and Novice Juniors will be handicap on the car they are driving but will remain in the

Juniors or Novice Juniors class.

Junior competitors who turn 18 during the season and still competing as a junior shall only pay junior entry fees for that season.

Novices are defined as junior competitors in their first full year of competition.

A Novice Juniors first event is free of charge, will still need a Motorsport Australia licence to compete.

**HANDICAPPING** A handicap system will apply in 2023. The handicap is applied before any penalties and is as follows:

Class A: 0.90

Class B: 0.88

Class C: 0.86

Class D: 0.84

Class E: 0.92

Class F: 1.00

**AWARDS:** A "Series Champion Award" will be presented to the SEAC competitor with the highest aggregate of the round points for the series.

"Aggregate Series Class Awards" will be made for first, second and third SEAC member; providing competitor numbers justify such awards.

Raw outright and handicap trophy which will be appointed for the aggregate series.

Competitors must complete a minimum of 50% of the events in the series to be eligible for trophies.

It is intended the 2023 series will be 5 rounds. Each competitor will score series points from 4 out of the 5 rounds. If a competitor competes in all rounds, their worst round will be dropped. If a round is cancelled or dropped, competitors will score 3 of the remaining 4 rounds in the same format. If in the event there is only a 3 round series, the first round of the 2024 series may count towards both series.

Officials Points Allowance: A point allowance equal to his/her second best score of the series will be credited to his/her score for one round, in which they officiated in.

**VARIATIONS TO MOTORKHANA REGULATIONS:** Procedure & Penalties.

Clause 17 (e) (i) which deals with penalties for 'knocking a marker', is varied with the addition of the words, "and significantly displaced from its original position".

Clause 17 (e) (ix) that deals with reversing after crossing the designated finish line, the penalty is changed to "plus 5 seconds".

**COVID or other PANDEMICS:**

South Eastern Automobile Club run Motorkhana Series 2023 will be following guidelines as issued by Federal and State Governments and Motorsport Australia (return to race) as the need arises. These may include but are not limited to, requirement to complete covid declaration form, sign in if required, abide by current physical distancing rules, don't attend if you are unwell, obey all directives given by officials. Whilst not a requirement yet it may be that you will need to be double vaccinated during the course of the year to compete. If this happens you will also be required to provide proof of your vaccination status.