

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS FOR THE "CRC AUTOCROSS"

1. General:

- 1.1. These supplementary regulations are to be read in conjunction with the National Sporting Code of the Bahrain Motor Federation (BMF) and the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA).
- 1.2. The "CRC Autocross" (the AutoCross) is organized and administered by the Circuit Racing Club of Bahrain (CRC). These regulations have been approved by the BMF and have been given a Championship Permit Number: xxxxxxxx
- 1.3. The AutoCross will be in the form of an autotest, an automotive competition in which one car at a time negotiates a prescribed course, with finishing position based on the time required to complete the course plus any penalties incurred. This event is run on short course (laid out with cones and markers) that emphasize car handling and agility rather than speed or power.
- 1.4. The Organizers may issue additional BMF approved Bulletins clarifying items in these regulations.
- 1.5. The Organizers reserve the right to carry out necessary or required changes to these regulations which are due to "force majeure", for safety reasons, or if requested by external authorities, by means of Official Bulletins. The Organizers further reserve the right to cancel or substitute events if necessary due to exceptional unforeseeable conditions, and are not liable for any damages so incurred as a result.
- 1.6. Cones may also be used in areas where competitors should not enter (e.g. turn apexes or chicanes).
- 1.7. Restricted areas, the paddock, and spectator areas will be identified in the Driver's Meeting.
- 1.8. Participants must bring their vehicles to the designated site for a Technical Inspection according to the given schedule or as announced in the event's bulletins.
- 1.9. No vehicle can compete without a Technical Inspection/Scrutineering.
- 1.10. Competitors will be required to wear a Helmet (open or full face).
- 1.11. Competitors are forbidden from wearing national dress (thoub) during runs, and are required to wear racing boots or sport shoes as a minimum.
- 1.12. Only participating competitor(s) who are signaled for their runs may enter the track/pit area. All competitors and spectators must remain outside the track/pit area and away from staging area.
- 1.13. The Race Director and/or steward(s) reserve the right to disqualify any competitor and/or car from competition for violation of these regulations or official instructions.
- 1.14. Any competitor causing deliberate damage to property or equipment will be liable for the cost of replacement or repair.
- 1.15. No passengers are allowed during competition onboard competing vehicles during official runs.
- 1.16. Protests and appeals procedure are as per BMF regulations.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. Competitors must be registered to the AutoCross, and acceptance of the registration is entirely at the discretion of the AutoCross Organizers.
- 2.2. All competitors must have a valid driver's license in addition to holding a minimum of BMF National "Class D" license.
- 2.3. The event is open to any vehicle that can pass safety inspection.

- 2.4. Cars need not be licensed or licensable for road use, so long as they otherwise comply with these Rules.
- 2.5. Unstable vehicles with a high center of gravity and a narrow track, including SUV's, minivans, and 4WD pickups will not be allowed to enter

3. Registration

- 3.1. All Competitors & Entrants must complete the official AutoCross Registration/Entry Form and return it to the CRC in order to enter the AutoCross. It should be clearly understood that by signature of the form, all Competitors acknowledge their agreement and are bound by the AutoCross' rules and regulations and those stipulated by the CRC and the BMF.
- 3.2. Entry fees are BD 10.
- 3.3. All fees to be payable to the CRC.
- 3.4. Where a car entered in the AutoCross by someone other than the Competitor, it will be necessary for that Entrant (registered owner of the vehicle) to complete the Registration Form along with, and nominating, their Competitor.
- 3.5. A vehicle may be shared by two drivers or as authorized by the Organizer. A driver may also enter more than one vehicle subject to space availability.
- 3.6. the minimum number of entries in any class is 3. If there are less than 3 entries in any particular class, the class will be combined with the next appropriate class. Participants will accrue points in the class actually run, which may be different from the class entered.
- 3.7. All vehicles must display numbers on both sides (which organizers will provide), which must be readable by Timing & Scoring, Course, and Grid workers at all times.

4. Conduct of Runs

- 4.1. Each driver will get a minimum of 3 (three) runs on the designated course. The "Best Time" (lowest time inclusive of cone penalties, if any) achieved on any particular run will be taken for ranking within each class.
- 4.2. All runs are official. Vehicles will be staged and run in the order of their draw.
- 4.3. Drivers must stage properly on time otherwise a DNS (Did Not Start) would be awarded for the run.
- 4.4. Any willful delay in the start of an official run will result in the run being awarded a DNS.
- 4.5. Participants are expected to help with event organization by following all official instructions and maintaining a "safety-first" attitude.
- 4.6. Participants who do not attend the mandatory Drivers Meeting before start of event will not be allowed to participate in the event and will be disqualified.
- 4.7. Re-runs are only allowed in case of Timer failure, obstruction on course, or official instructions and are not given for any mechanical breakdowns.
- 4.8. A minimum of two vehicles must run or 3 minutes elapse before a re-run can be given.
- 4.9. Each driver will be provided an opportunity to walk or to have a parade lap, before his first official run.
- 4.10. All corners shall be negotiable without reversing by any car classified by make/model in these Rules.
- 4.11. Competitors who consistently go off-course in an unsafe manner on the track or within the Event Complex will be subject to time penalty or disqualification. Failure to obey any official instructions by the designated officials during the event will lead to disqualification from the event.

- 4.12. All participants must ensure that the paddock and the staging lane remain unobstructed and orderly throughout the event.
- 4.13. Penalties for course deviations or course marker displacement shall be posted and available to all competitors.
- 4.14. Any competitor found to have driven the course in any vehicle before the start of the competition will be disqualified from the event with no refund of entry fee and removed from the premises.
- 4.15. Any driver who drives unsafely at or near the event location, or displays unsportsmanlike conduct, shall be disqualified.
- 4.16. Smoking is not permitted on the grid, staging areas, or course

5. Timing & Scoring:

- 5.1. Official timing results will be available at the end of each run and will be announced; they may also be posted on the scoreboard, wherever available.
- 5.2. Timing officials are not to be disturbed at all during the event.
- 5.3. Time will be counted in minutes to an accuracy of thousands of seconds (mm:ss.000)
- 5.4. There will be a two second time penalty for every cone on the course that is moved during the run. The exit lane is part of the course for scoring and DNF purposes.
- 5.5. Pointer cones (laid down horizontally) also count towards cones penalties.
- 5.6. If inclement weather strikes during runs, the Race Director may or may not re-run an event depending on time considerations.
- 5.7. Ties shall be broken by next best times. In the rarity that a tie is present in previous run times, the race director and/or stewards by order an extra run.
- 5.8. All official results and awards announced by CRC will be final.

6. AutoCross Classes

- 6.1. The AutoCross classes will be as follows:

6.1.1. Standard Category: Standard category vehicles must be presented exactly as they supplied from the original manufacturer and may only be altered by the removal of wheel trims and air filter element. No other modification whatsoever will be allowed in the category. Wheel and tire sizes must be as originally specified or within 1 inch thereof. Any wheel or tire combination exceeding 1 inch will result in the car being moved to a "Modified" class. For example, if the vehicle was originally fitted with 14 inch wheels, it may be fitted with 15's and still remain in the Standard class. Removal of interior fitments, or any other item that may reduce or redistribute overall weight or balance, will render the car liable to be entered in the Modified category.

Class A (STANDARD): up to 2000cc

Class B (STANDARD): 2001cc + OVER

Class C (STANDARD): V8+

6.1.2. Modified Category: Any modification to a standard production model such as a shock absorber change, tire compound, removal of a cat-back exhaust system, or something more complex such as adding forced induction or a full exhaust system will render the vehicle applicable to a modified class. The 1.7 coefficient for calculating cubic capacity for the purposes of category shall be applied to forced induction systems of any type whether originally or retro fitted. Original fitment turbo – or super – chargers can remain in STANDARD. However, retro-fit

induction systems, will take vehicles into modified classes.

Class A MODIFIED: up to 2000cc

Class B MODIFIED: 2001 to + OVER

- 6.1.3. Use of Nitrous oxide is prohibited.

7. SAFETY

7.1. Driver Restraints: Standard seat lap belts or upgraded harnesses are required in all cars

7.2. Safety Inspections: All vehicles must pass safety inspection on the following points prior to competing. Entry fees, if already paid, will be refunded if a car fails to pass safety inspection.

7.3. Inspection Requirements:

- a) All loose items, inside and outside the car, must be removed.
- b) Passenger's seat should be secured.
- c) Snap-on hubcaps, detachable fender skirts, and trim rings must be removed.
- d) Wheels must be safely fitted on the car.
- e) Tires must be in good condition, with no cord or belts showing or cracks in the tread or sidewall. Tires may not have cord visible at any time during competition. Tires may not be re-grooved.
- f) Brakes must have an adequate pedal, sufficient fluid in the master cylinder and no apparent hydraulic leaks under pressure.
- g) Vehicles must have a brake mechanism acting upon each wheel.
- h) Wheel bearings, shocks, steering, and suspension shall be in good operating condition.
- i) Exhaust must exit behind driver or to the side of the car.
- j) Any wet-cell battery moved from the manufacturer's original location shall be in a non-conductive marine-type container or equivalent, and the hot terminal shall be insulated. All batteries (on-board power supplies) shall be attached securely to the frame or chassis structure independent of the marine-type container.
- k) Helmets are to be inspected for condition, fit, and compliance.