



## **Motorsport Australia**

# **Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship Including Regularity Series & Tasmanian Supersprint Championship.**

**2023**

## **Sporting and Technical Regulations**

V2 - Approved by Motorsport Australia Tasmanian State Council Executive.

These regulations have been prepared by the Tasmanian Race Advisory Panel.

The State Council of Motorsport Australia has approved these regulations and as such they will apply to all Tasmanian circuit racing competition in 2023.



## 1. Authority

All competition in the 2023 Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship will be held under the General Provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA, the National Competition Rules of Motorsport Australia, these regulations, the event's Supplementary Regulations and any further Bulletins that may be issued from time to time.

## 2. Scope

These regulations will apply to the following categories whilst competing in Races at **Buckby Motors Symmons Plains** and **PepsiMax Baskerville** race circuits in 2023.

Formula Vee	Circuit Excel Hyundai	Tasmanian Sports GT
Historic Formula Vee	Sports Sedans	Historic Touring Cars
Improved Production	HQ Holden	Racing and Sports Cars

It is the intention that these regulations apply consistently to all categories, however competitors are advised to refer to the sections on individual categories.

Competitors are always reminded that they must comply with Motorsport Australia General Requirements for Cars and Drivers.

## 3. Championship Name

In all racing categories the Championship will be known as the:

**2023 (Category) Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship.**

Regularity will be known as the:

**2023 Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Regularity Series**

Supersprint Championship will be known as the:

**2023 Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Supersprint Championship.**

## 4. Awards

2022 Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship Winner Awards will be presented as category Champions at the Annual Motor Sports Awards function or any other function or venue that the Tasmanian State Council may direct. In the case of a tie in points, then a count back will be applied as per Clause 4 of the General Conditions for all Titles (Section 2: Motorsport Australia Manual and the *Motorsport Australia Championship and Series Policy*, view online at <http://www.motorsport.org.au>).

Separate awards for each round may be presented by the round organiser. In the event of a tie, the highest place car in the Double Points Race will determine the winner on the day.

To be eligible for awards drivers **must** compete in a minimum of two rounds.

## 5. Vehicle Eligibility

In all cases competition vehicles must comply with the relevant Schedules and specific Technical and Sporting regulations of the Motorsport Australia Manual, these Regulations and any bulletins circulated thereafter.

## 6. National Championships

Should a Motorsport Australia National Championship event for a category be held at any circuit throughout the country on the same day as a Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship Round, then points will be not be awarded to that category in the Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship.

## 7. Amalgamation of Categories

Where organisers amalgamate categories due to low entry numbers, then points will be awarded based on the competitor's finishing positions relevant to the other relevant category competitors.

Where categories and/or classes are amalgamated then cars should carry fluoro yellow letters designating their class (i.e. IP, SS, SGT) on their windscreen under or adjacent to their number to assist spectators, officials and commentators to better recognise the various classes.

## 8. Grid Positions

Grid positions for races will be based on qualifying times for the first race and finishing position in the previous race for subsequent races, unless the Supplementary Regulations for the event specifies otherwise.

## 9. Points Awarded

Points will only be awarded for on track performances, based on the following:

For the Qualifying session:

1st	10	6th	5
2nd	9	7th	4
3rd	8	8th	3
4th	7	9th	2
5th	6	10th	1



For each Race session:

1st	25 (50)	6th	15 (30)	11th	9 (18)	16th	4 (8)
2nd	22 (44)	7th	14 (28)	12th	8 (16)	17th	3 (6)
3rd	20 (40)	8th	13 (26)	13th	7 (14)	18th	2 (4)
4th	18 (36)	9th	12 (24)	14th	6 (12)	19th and all others	1 (2)
5th	16 (32)	10th	10 (20)	15th	5 (10)		

Points in brackets apply to Double Points Race at each round for each category

Race points will only be awarded where a competitor achieves at least 75% of the category/class winners' laps and passes the chequered flag.

## 10. Designated Championship Races

These points will apply to the event's qualifying session and all races on the day with the final race being awarded double points. The last scheduled race for each category MUST be the longest race for that category at any Championship round and the first race the shortest.

If the Double Points Race for a category is not held, for whatever reason, double points will not be awarded to any category at that round. (Note handicap & reverse grid formats are not eligible for Championship points).

## 11. Penalties Applied

Should a competitor be excluded from the results of any race or competition in the Championship by any Motorsport Australia judicial process, then any points awarded to that competitor for that race or competition will be forfeited and other competitor's points will be adjusted accordingly.

## 12. Dispute Resolution

Should an instance arise in which there is a dispute concerning the interpretation of results or awarding of points for any race or competition in the Championship, then in the first instance the matter should be referred to the Event Stewards for resolution and ultimate endorsement by the State Council of Motorsport Australia. That endorsement will be binding on all parties. Any other disputes should be referred to the Motorsport Australia judicial processes.

## 13. Timing Transmitters

All vehicles taking part in Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship events (including Regularity) must use an operational 'Dorian' transponder compatible with timing systems used by event organisers.

## 14. Code of Conduct

All competitors are expected to abide by the Code of Driving Conduct of the Circuit Race Standing Regulations (CRSR) in the Motorsport Australia Manual.



## 15. Special Category Conditions

### Motorsport Australia Logo

With the exception of the 5th Category vehicles, each automobile shall display the Motorsport Australia logo positioned adjacent to each side competition number or at the top rear corner of the front mudguard. Motorsport Australia logo stickers will be available.

### Civil Registration Plates

Including Tasmanian SI Registration and Victorian Historic Permits must be removed or covered for all vehicles in Race Events whilst in competition.

## Historic Touring Cars - Group NA, NB, NC and Invited

**Classes:** Outright and Under 2 Litre classes will be run.

Only vehicles that comply with all requirements of Group N and are subject to a Motorsport Australia issued Historic logbook will be allowed to compete in the Historic Touring Car category of the Championship.

Any dispute regarding the eligibility of any car to compete in their category of racing will, in the first instance be referred to the Historic Eligibility Officer for consideration.

Vehicles that are recognised as being in the spirit of the Group N category may be allowed to enter as 'Invited Vehicles', subject to the provisions of the Technical Appendix of the manual.

Conditions for Invited Vehicles:

- a. Vehicle must be manufactured prior to December 1972.
- b. Vehicle to be a production-based touring or sports car.
- c. Vehicle must utilise rim width and tyre diameter specifications as per Group N.
- d. Tyres used must be:
  - i. Listed on the Group Na, Nb, Nc Approved Tyre List of the Manual.
  - ii. Included on the Production Car Tyre List in Schedule E of the Manual.
- e. Any aerodynamic aid must be factory fitted or factory optioned for that model.
- f. No advertising signage or non-period graphics.
- g. Vehicles with COD or recognised as replica period competition cars may take part at the discretion of the Historic Eligibility Officer.
- h. Invited vehicles will not accrue points towards the Historic Touring Car Championship; and
- i. Invited status to be clearly indicated on race program by way of asterisk with a footnote or separate listing after Group N entries.

## Formula Vee

There are four classes for Formula Vee:

- Group Va & Vb – Historic Formula Vee Racing Cars
- Formula Vee 1200cc
- Formula Vee 1600cc

The Formula Vee category will run under the National Regulations (1st Category Racing Cars Formula Vee and 5th Category Historic Group V) and all vehicles will run concurrently with grid positions determined by qualifying times or finishing positions from the previous race independent of the vehicles class within the category.

## **Tasmanian Sports GT**

**Tasmanian Sports GT:** Open to any modified Tarmac Rally or Group 2B/2F Prodsports, Group 3,

**No space frame or open vehicles will be permitted to compete in the Tasmanian Sports GT category.**

### **Tasmanian Sports GT A - Outright:**

**Tasmanian Sports GT B** - Open to any car that does not break the following minimum lap times:

Baskerville-59.00seconds \* Symmons-Plains 60.00seconds

**Tasmanian Sports GT C** - Open to any car that does not break the following minimum lap times:

Baskerville-63.00seconds \* Symmons-Plains 65.00seconds\*

All SPORTS GT cars will be required to carry a fluoro yellow letter designating their class on their windscreen under their number to assist spectators, officials and commentators to better recognise the various classes.

### **Penalties**

Lap time penalties will apply to **Tasmanian Sports GT B & Tasmanian Sports GT C** based on the above minimum times. The following will apply and be listed in all Supplementary Regulations;

- a) If during the qualifying session for **Tasmanian Sports GT B** and **Tasmanian Sports GT C** classes a competitor achieves a lap time faster than the class minimum, that lap time will not be considered when grid positions are allocated
- b) During all races at the event, (2-day meetings recognised as a single event), competitors in **Tasmanian Sports GT B** and **Tasmanian Sports GT C** classes may achieve **ONE** lap time below the class minimum before a penalty of one minute is added to the competitors race time. The resultant time will dictate the grid position of the competitor in the subsequent races at that meeting.
- c) Championship points will be allocated after any penalties have been applied.

### **Class Movements**

Any competitor who considers that their vehicle is classified wrongly may request that the Race Advisory Panel consider their request for reclassification. Any such request shall be made in writing to Tasmanian Race Panel by email to the Chairman at [sctas@motorsport.org.au](mailto:sctas@motorsport.org.au).

Any movement of competitors between classes shall only take place after consideration by the Race Advisory Panel or as a result of a competitor 'breaking out' during practice for a Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship Round.

Drivers can move themselves from **Tasmanian Sports GT B** to **Tasmanian Sports GT A** or **Tasmanian Sports GT C** to **Tasmanian Sports GT B** at any time if they have made large improvements to their vehicles or their own sporting ability, but the reverse cannot apply without the approval of the Race Advisory Panel and will only be considered in cases where a **Tasmanian Sports GT A** car has consistently shown itself to race over the minimum times set for **Tasmanian Sports GT B** or a **Tasmanian Sports GT B** car has consistently shown itself to race over the minimum times set for **Tasmanian Sports GT C**.

In all circumstances, points will **not** be transferable between classes.

Classification of a new entrant in the category may be determined after completion of the vehicle's first qualifying session. Qualifying time will not be the only determining factor for classification of a new vehicle and/or driver.



### **Timing Devices**

The use of on-board timing devices or any other electronic devices that assist competitors in the maintenance of lap times will not be allowed.

### **Tyres**

Tasmanian Sports GT Tyres must be included on the Production Car Tyre List in Schedule E of the Motorsport Australia Manual.

### **Engine**

Must be a production engine from the same manufacturer as the car, in original general location.

### **Brakes**

Free

### **Drive Train**

Free

### **Front Suspension**

Same design as original i.e., McPherson Strut, Double Wishbone, otherwise free.

### **Body and Aerodynamic Devices**

As original, but lightweight/composite engine & luggage compartment cover panels, guards and body kits may be used. All other panels, including doors and floor pans, must be as supplied by the vehicle manufacturer or as homologated.

Other than fitted as original equipment, no part of any front spoiler, under tray or air dam may extend further rearward than a line drawn between the centres of the front axle and a rear spoiler

may not extend further forward than a line drawn through the rear axle.

All Aerodynamic Devices must comply with Motorsport Australia General Requirements of Automobiles Schedule F – Aerofoils and Coachwork and, other than fitted as original equipment or original equipment variant option or aftermarket equivalent, all cars can comply to the Group 3D (Sports Sedan) regulations or with the 3J Regulations or the Aerodynamic and other Body Options clauses of Tarmac Rally Technical Regulations and All 2<sup>nd</sup> Category Vehicles can

comply with the 2B/2F Prodsports requirements.

### **Circuit Excel Hyundai**

The Circuit Excel category shall run under the National Regulations (3rd Category – Touring Cars Group 3E – Circuit Excel).

### **HQ Holden**

The HQ Holden category shall run under the National Regulations (3rd Category – Touring Cars Group 3H – HQ Holden).

### **Sports Sedans**

**Classes:** Outright and Under 2 Litre classes will be run.



The Sports Sedans category shall run under the National Regulations (3rd Category – Touring Cars Group 3D – Sports Sedan).

### **Improved Production**

**Classes:** Outright and Under 2 Litre classes will be run.

The Improved Production category shall run under the National Regulations (3rd Category – Touring Cars Group 3J – Improved Production).

### **Racing and Sports Cars**

**Classes:** Open Wheel/Formula Automobiles and Sports Cars & Clubman Automobiles

The Racing & Sports Cars category shall run under the separate Sporting & Technical Regulations formulated by the group and presented as an addendum to these Regulations.

The Racing & Sports Cars category shall participate and accumulate points at Rounds 1, 2, 5 & 6 of the Championship.

### **2023 Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Supersprint Championship**

The Tasmanian Supersprint Championship shall be run under the separate Sporting & Technical Regulations presented as an addendum to these Regulations.

Rounds of this Championship are conducted in conjunction with the TCRC rounds and as standalone events.

### **2023 Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Regularity Series**

#### **Objectives**

To provide an entry level competition into state level race meetings.

#### **Eligibility**

Drivers must be prepared to drive their vehicle in keeping with objectives of the category.

The race meeting organiser has the right to refuse an entry without disclosing the reason and if so, must refund in full any entry fees paid.

#### **General**

The Motorsport Australia Regularity Trial Standing Regulations will apply in their entirety.

Tyres – provide they are in road worthy condition tyres are free save that slicks may only be fitted to cars running in period format. Slick racing tyres will not be permitted on a declared wet track.

Driving standards-overly enthusiastic driving styles are discouraged and will lead to a black flag and ultimately Disqualification from the event.

Competition vehicles must be presented in roadworthy condition and pass scrutiny as provide by the race meeting organisers at the Round.

In-car timing devices (including mobile phone Timing or Video Apps) – are not permitted.

Entrants are permitted to use different cars per event in any one season.

Correct racing roundels and numbers in accordance with Schedule K of the Motorsport Australia Manual are required for Non Registered/log booked cars and as a minimum yellow numbers 150mm high on side panels/windows and the top passenger side of the windscreen for all other cars (All for timing and trackside officials clarity).

#### **Timing**

- Nominated lap times are to be based on practice times.





- Nominated lap times can be changed up to 30 minutes before the nominated start time if the weather is changing from wet to dry or vice versa. Organisers may place a limitation on the number of times an entrant can change a nominated time during a race meeting.
- The no points lost timing “window” is plus or minus a half of a second from the nominated time.
- If due to “Force Majeure” or other reason a regularity event is manually timed competitors have a period of 60 minutes only from printing of the event result by the Chief Timekeeper to advise and seek correction of timing errors.

### **Event and Round Scoring**

- Except in the case of Force Majeure, each event shall consist of five laps other than the last event at each race meeting which shall consist of six laps plus double points.
- For each lap on which the competitor records a lap time less than their nominated time minus half a second, a penalty of two (2) points per half second will be applied.
- For each lap greater than their nominated lap time plus half a second, a penalty of one (1) point per half second will be applied.
- The last event at each race meeting shall start with double points and double points penalties will apply.
- The Event winner is the competitor who has completed the required number of laps and has accrued the least penalty points.
- The Round winner is the competitor who has accrued the least penalty points over the Round’s individual Regularity Events.
- Round Tie Breaker – if a tie exists then the highest placing in the final Event of the Round, then second last Event, then third last Event and so on prevails. If a tie still exists after each Event is considered, then Article 7 of Championship and Series Policy will apply.

### **Regularity Series Scoring**

- All Rounds of the Tasmanian Regularity Series count towards the Series scoring for the calendar year.
- Scoring of the Series is by the accumulation of points not lost for each competitor’s best scoring over all Circuit Racing rounds.
- Series Tie Breaker – a count back of Round first, second, then third places and if a tie still exists then the highest placing at the final Round prevails. If a tie still exists, then a tie is declared for that placing.

### **Motorsport Australia Logo**

- With the exception of the 5th Category vehicles, each automobile in the Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Regularity Series shall display the Motorsport Australia logo positioned adjacent to each side competition number or at the top rear corner of the front mudguard.
- Motorsport Australia logo stickers will be available at each event.

## **16. 2023 Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship Rounds**

18th - 19th March	Baskerville	HSCC	TCRC R1
29th - 30th April	Symmons Plains	LCCT	TCRC R2
1st - 2nd July	Symmons Plains	LCCT	TCRC R3
5th - 6th August	Baskerville	HSCC	TCRC R4
2nd - 3rd October	Symmons Plains	LCCT	TCRC R5
11th - 12th November	Baskerville	HSCC	TCRC R6

(TCRC Round 6 includes the Formula Vee Nationals.)

## 17. Competition Numbers

Requests for Competition Numbers for circuit racing (including Regularity & Supersprint) are to be made in writing to the Tasmanian Race Panel by email to the Chairman at [sctas@motorsport.org.au](mailto:sctas@motorsport.org.au) and/or through the promoting club Race Event Secretary.

The category specific list of Tasmanian Circuit Racing numbers is maintained by the Motorsport Australia Tasmanian Regional Development Executive ([tas@motorsport.org.au](mailto:tas@motorsport.org.au)).

Save for extremely exceptional circumstances all competition vehicles must use a 2 digit competition number.

Organisers may, where there is a duplicity of numbers in an event, require a vehicle to be fitted with an alternate competition number or add a third digit to the competition number.

Please note that circuit racing category competition numbers will automatically expire if the competitor has not held a Motorsport Australia Competition Licence in the preceding 3 years, which will render the number available to other competitors.

## 18. Collation of Results

Motorsport Australia State Council will appoint a Championship Results Coordinator for each year.

**Results:** The Organising Club Scorer must advise the results of the event to the Championship Results Coordinator within three days of the event conclusion. No results are to be published until the Organising Club Scorer and the Championship Results Coordinator are agreed on the correctness of the results but must be within six days of the event conclusion.

Notwithstanding any such agreement results may be varied by the Organising Club scorer and the Championship Results Coordinator following a submission from any competitor who believes they have been aggrieved by the published results.

## 19. Judicial Cameras

It is compulsory that all vehicles entered in any Tasmanian Circuit Racing Championship event and recommended that vehicles entered in the Regularity Series fit Judicial Cameras in accordance with this regulation.

- Competitors will be required to supply their own camera that records in high definition on an SD card. Mounting brackets will need to be approved by the Chief Scrutineer
- The camera and its associated equipment will be installed in the Car with the camera pointed in a forward direction with a field of vision sufficiently wide to record clearly, and without obstruction always, the Driver's view of the racetrack ahead. Likewise additional and/or rear facing cameras (if fitted) should give a clear view of the track.
- The Competitor is responsible to ensure that the camera is switched on and functioning in the correct manner prior to the Car entering the Circuit for all practice, qualifying, warm up and racing sessions at an Event and that it is turned off at the end of the session.
- Access to the camera must be provided to the Event Stewards via the Clerk of Course and Authorized Event Judicial and Scrutiny Personnel at any time upon request. This may include any additional and/or rear facing camera footage if fitted.
- No person other than the Event personnel authorised by the Event Stewards shall interfere with the camera, other than to remove and replace the flash card.



- Competitors are permitted access to the video images recorded by the cameras, however the footage is “strictly for private internal Team purposes”; that is, it cannot be sold, licensed, broadcast, published, commercially exploited or otherwise publicly displayed or distributed, including in any case via internet during the event, or afterwards if explicitly requested by the Event Stewards.
- When requested, Competitors must immediately provide the SD card to the Event Stewards via the Stewards authorised personnel.
- At all times the images recorded remains the property of Motorsport Australia.
- All camera SD cards must have their relevant Competition number clearly marked on the card.
- Camera SD cards must remain in the camera for 30 minutes after a session has ceased, unless the Event Stewards have requested it.
- No footage is to be deleted from the SD card until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the Event without the written permission of the Event Stewards
- Should a competitor be unable to provide the vision from a Judicial Camera when requested the matter will be referred to the Stewards who may impose a penalty.

## **20. Driving Standards Observers**

The Tasmanian State Council of Motorsport Australia may appoint as necessary Driving Standards Observers to the Championship or to Individual Race Meetings and for either specific categories or for all categories. If so appointed, competitors will be advised either in the Event Supplementary Regulations or by Bulletin at the Event.

## **21. Social Media**

No competitor is permitted to undertake live video or audio streaming from either their competition vehicle or trackside during the event.

## **22. Code of Driving Standards for ALL Competition**

It is the responsibility of all drivers to drive in a manner to reduce the risk of accidents and be considerate of other competitors and their investment in their cars.

**Please refer to Article 7 (Code of Driving Conduct) in the Circuit Racing Standing Regulations of the Motorsport Australia Manual.**