

Taunton Motoring Club Ltd

Navigational Scatter Regulations

Background:

These popular events form the next step on from treasure hunts towards competitive motorsport. Although there is a level of competition the events are sociable, and well suited to standard road cars. 'Scatters' have proved to be a good learning ground and an introduction to working off a map for both drivers and navigators - many TMC road rally crews progressed from navigational scatters.

Format:

Events are normally run in darkness and are covered by specific rules issued by MSUK. In brief these are:

1. There is no single route to be followed – other than the start and finish locations the route between points is free.
2. Crews are only required to visit 75% of the points listed.
3. Ample time will be allowed to visit the required number of points.
4. The majority of points should not be directly accessible without leaving the car.
5. There is no element of timing on the public highway, except for an overall time limit to arrive at the finish destination. Speed limits should be adhered to. Any driving that is likely to bring the sport into disrepute could lead to a ban from future events.
6. The event SRs (Supplementary Regulations), issued by the organiser at least one week before the date of the event, will provide details of the format / start & finish times / entry fee / any equipment required (including O/S map numbers) and an estimate of likely mileage.

Entry requirements:

All participants (driver and any passengers) must be members of Taunton Motoring Club Ltd. Annual membership can be taken out at the first event and a reduced price is available for family membership and for part years. Both driver and Navigator will need a current MSUK competition licence. The minimum level is the RS Clubmans Licence which is available free at:

www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/

Events are held under the national competition rules of MSUK and an MSUK 'Clubmans Permit' will be available for inspection from the club secretary. The points to be visited will be submitted to the RLO in advance of the event. All competitors (and any passengers) will be required to 'sign on', using the official MSUK paperwork, before starting the event.

Competing Cars must have:

A valid MOT and be taxed (as required by RTA)

All drivers must have valid insurance for the vehicle they are using.

Standard wheel arch extensions only.

All major internal trim must be in place (headlining, door panels, carpets and seats).

No spotlights (or auxiliary lights) to be fitted – unless standard equipment for the make and model, in which case they must remain turned off for the duration of the event.

No advertising or competition numbers displayed.

Quiet exhaust – excessively noisy cars will not be permitted to enter (this will be judged by the organiser).

Please note:

These events are run as a navigational scatter; please refrain from any publicity that refers to rallying or racing on the public highway as this could adversely affect the reputation of TMC.

The use of any form of satellite navigation, GPS or mobile phones (other than in an emergency) is not considered to be in the spirit of the event and will result in a penalty.

If you have any questions – please ask the organiser in advance!