



Micra Challenge



MICRA CHALLENGE 2024 – REGULATIONS

Article 1.0 Announcements

The Micra Challenge 2024 is promoted and organised by Ballynahinch & District Motor Club Ltd.

The main aim for the Micra Challenge is to provide low-cost competition for competitors (drivers and co-drivers) of Micra K11 rally cars (see Appendix A: Technical Eligibility Regulations). The rallies selected for inclusion in the Challenge will test competitors on single venue race circuits, tarmac events on closed public roads and forest-based gravel roads.

In addition to the Micra Challenge which is open to all eligible cars that comply with the Micra Challenge Technical Regulations, there will be a Category for Standard Micras that also comply with BTRDA Rally First Technical Regulations – these are effectively standard cars with a maximum engine capacity of 1400cc with suspension upgrades permitted (non-canister) and upgraded differential in addition to standard rally safety modifications. Please note that Micra Kit Cars are not eligible for the Standard Micra Category. [Note that one make tyre restrictions applicable to BTRDA do not apply to the Micra Challenge]

The Micra Challenge Coordinator shall be Gavin Campbell.

In the case of any dispute relating to the Micra Challenge it will be referred to the following panel of three Micra Challenge Stewards appointed by BADMC: David Meeke, Ray Linton, Lewis Boyd. The first named is the Chairman of the Stewards and in the event of non-availability of any of the Stewards BADMC shall appoint a replacement.

The Micra Challenge will be run in compliance with the International Sporting Code (and its appendices), the General Prescriptions Applicable to all FIA Challenge Rallies, the provisions of the National Sporting Regulations, which comply with the FIA Regulations and these Micra Challenge Regulations (including the accompanying Technical Eligibility Regulations).

The Challenge shall run under Motorsport UK Championship Permit No: **CH2024/RALLY072**

The Micra Challenge is open to those who hold a suitable Competition Licence issued by Motorsport UK or Motorsport Ireland or Non-Motorsport UK / Motorsport Ireland Licence holders who hold a current Eligible Grade Licence with permission from their ASN and who are fully elected members of Ballynahinch & District Motor Club.



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Article 2.0 Eligible Events

1. 17th February	* Kirkistown	NI Championship
2. 9th March	* Bishopscourt	NI Championship
3. 6th May	* Mayday Stages	(SVR. St Angelo)
4. 18th May	Tour of the Sperrins	NI Championship (closed roads)
5. 20th July	Tyrone Stages	NI Championship (closed roads)
6. 7th September	Lakeland Stages	NI Forest Challenge
7. 19th October	Maiden City	NI Forest Challenge

* Denotes events counting for the Standard Micra awards

If any of the above events fail to run on the date(s) listed above, it shall cease to be a round of this Challenge. In this case the organisers reserve the right to nominate a replacement event which will be notified to all registered competitors by email and on social media.

Organisers of qualifying events retain the sole right to select and accept entries for the event. The Challenge organisers cannot be held responsible for any competitor not getting an entry, for any reason. It is a competitor's responsibility to obtain Event Regulations and make his/her entries and it is recommended that competitors submit entries promptly.

Article 3.0 Scoring

On each round all Micra Challenge competitors who are classified finishers will be allocated the following points:

• Highest Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	15 points
• Second Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	12 points
• Third Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	10 points
• Fourth Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	9 points
• Fifth Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	8 points
• Sixth Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	7 points
• Seventh Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	6 points
• Eighth Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	5 points
• Ninth Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	4 points
• Tenth Placed Registered Driver / Co-Driver	-	3 points
• All other finishers	-	2 points
• All those who start but don't finish an event	-	1 point

Additionally, the Standard Micra category will be marked separately using the same points on the first three events.

For competitors to be eligible for Micra Challenge Awards the following criteria must also be noted:

- Competitors must compete on at least one of the forest-based events (Rounds 6 and 7).
- No bonus or joker points will be awarded to competitors on any round of the Challenge.



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For competitors to be eligible for the Micra Challenge Standard Category Awards the following criteria must also be noted:

- Only the first three (single venue) events shall count for the Micra Challenge Standard Category Awards.
- All scores will be counted.

Updated points tables will be emailed to registered competitors after every round (as long as they have provided an email address when registering).

For the purposes of Micra Challenge points, the following definition of Counting Events shall apply (except in the case of ties – see Article 6.0):

- 7 events run - 5 to count
- 6 events run - 5 to count
- 5 events run - 4 to count
- 4 or 3 events run – All to count
- If less than 3 rounds run, there shall not be a Challenge.

Article 4.0 Awards

The Challenge Coordinator shall email provisional Challenge results after the final round that will become final after 7 days.

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End of year awards will be allocated to the top three registered drivers and co-drivers, with the driver and co-driver with the most points being allocated first place and so on.

Article 5.0 Prizes

Trophies will be awarded to the top three registered drivers and co-drivers.

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The organisers may present additional awards at their discretion.

Article 6.0 Tie-break

In the event of a tie-break between competitors for end of year awards, the place will be allocated to the competitor with the highest score on the first scoring round of the Challenge. (i.e. if Competitor A scores points and Competitor B scores less points, does not start the event or fails to finish, then Competitor A will be the winner. If A starts and non-finishes, or doesn't score, and B does not start, then A wins the tiebreak.). In the event that neither competitor competed on this event then the second round shall be considered and so on until a result is confirmed.



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Article 7.0 Penalties

Should any car be found to be ineligible for the class entered on any Challenge event, or if any competitor is excluded from the Challenge or a Challenge event for fraudulent or un-sportsmanlike behaviour, or bringing the sport into disrepute, all points scored by both crew members to date may be forfeited. Additionally, any registered competitor who brings the sport into disrepute through the un-authorized use of private and/or Forest Service lands will result in the forfeiture of any points awarded (to-date) and the annulment of their registration for this Challenge.

Article 8.0 Registration

Drivers and co-drivers will each be required to register separately for the Micra Challenge in advance of competing in the Challenge. Registration shall be online at www.Rallyscore.net and will be subject to a registration fee of £40. The registration fee includes one set of Challenge car decals. Points shall only be awarded for results gained after registering.

Registered competitors must also be a member of Ballynahinch and District Motor Club and they may apply to join the Club when registering on Rallyscore at the discounted rate of £10 (normally £15). This membership will be the only Club membership required to compete on all rounds of the Challenge.

Competitors must display Challenge decals clearly on the car in the locations to be specified by the Challenge Co-ordinator. Failure to display Challenge decals as directed may result in Challenge points being withheld. This will be a decision by the Challenge Stewards, based on circumstances.

8.1 Specific Challenge Regulations

8.1.1 By registering for the Challenge all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (Appendix B).

8.1.2 Where any reports of disrespectful conduct are judged to be well founded the Challenge organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the Challenge Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of Challenge points and/or race bans through to Challenge Expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.

8.1.3 It is imperative that we promote the safety and wellbeing of young people and adults at risk. In addition to this all participants must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and abusive language and harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any such incidents must be reported to the Challenge Coordinator and/or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report Motorsport UK. Details of the Motorsport UK Policies and Guidelines are available at www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre by selecting Policies and Guidelines.



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Article 9.0 Publicity and Marketing

It is anticipated that there will be marketing and promotion of the Micra Challenge using online tools and specialist publications. By registering for the Micra Challenge, competitors agree to the use of images of competing cars and competitors being used by the organisers for the promotion of the Challenge.

Article 10.0 Addresses

BADMC website: [www. http://ballynahinchmotorclub.com](http://ballynahinchmotorclub.com)

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APPENDIX A: TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

1.0 Introduction

The eligibility criteria for the 2024 Micra Challenge have been derived to make the competition as open as possible and to enable competitors to make use of available equipment.

It is anticipated that a wide range of car specifications will compete together with a specified maximum engine capacity being the overall constraint on car performance.

The Micra Challenge retains the right to modify these regulations by Bulletin per W1.1.8 in the spirit of fair competition. Competitors will be notified in writing in advance of any changes being introduced.

2.0 Criteria

All Micra Challenge rally cars must meet all relevant Motorsport UK requirements for this class of vehicle and have all required safety equipment, and in addition the following criteria are mandatory:

1. Rally cars must be based upon the Nissan Micra K11 (approximate manufacturer date 1993 – 2003).
2. Rally cars must use a Micra K11 16v engine with maximum engine capacity of 1400cc.
3. Induction systems are free with the only constraint being that forced induction systems are not permitted (i.e. no turbo or super-charging).
4. Rally cars must use a standard K11 gearbox casing (either distributor or coil pack) but gearbox internals are free.
5. Limited slip differentials are free, as is the choice of crown wheel and pinion.
6. Front and rear braking systems are free.
7. Front and rear suspension systems are free.
8. Rally cars can be either standard track width or wide track (Kit Car specification).
9. Wheel diameters are free but must have a maximum width of 7 inch.
10. Tyre makes and compounds are free.
11. Bodywork may be standard manufacturer steel panels or fibreglass replacements where permitted by Motorsport UK regulations.
12. All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK Category 1 logbook/ vehicle passport requirements.
13. Side and rear windows may be replaced with polycarbonate in accordance with Motorsport UK guidelines.

BTRDA Rally First Technical Regulations can be found at <https://www.btrdarally.com/btrda-rally-first-technical-regulations/>

3.0 Technical Scrutiny



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A Motorsport UK eligibility scrutineer will be appointed by the Challenge Coordinator and will have the authority to inspect all rally cars at any counting round to ensure compliance with the Micra Challenge Eligibility Criteria including the Standard Micra category.



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4.0 Eligibility Appeals

Competitors may appeal the suitability of another competitors' vehicle subject to adherence to standard Motorsport UK procedures for such events (C7.2).

In the event that a competitor's vehicle is found to not be in compliance with the Micra Challenge Technical Criteria the competitor will have all points for the season removed and they will therefore be ineligible for end of season awards.

APPENDIX B: RACE WITH RESPECT



A socially minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code:

Motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect
#RaceWithRespect

The Values

- Respect
- Fair play
- Integrity
- Good Manners
- Self-Control

I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play your part in keeping the sport safe through your actions.
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters.
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.