



## RWYB Rules & Regulations

If the race vehicle is a standard road car or bike then except for the probability of needing to wear a helmet (see below), there are few other rules that will apply.

In the event of a vehicle being deemed too dangerous to participate, RWYB officials reserve the right to withdraw it from the event on the grounds of the duty of care for others and the rider/driver.

### General

A full valid recognised driving licence or MSA/ACU licence is required to sign-on. (As from the 8th June 2015 you will no longer be able to sign on using the paper counterpart of the photocard driving licence due to the DVLA abolishing this document. Paper driving licences issued before the photocard in 1998 and the photocard itself remain valid.)

Before you go on to the track you need to visit the signing on office to sign a declaration form and pay your signing on fee.

Any nitro vehicles must give us at least 3 days notice if they wish to run at a RWYB.

The venue carries a zero tolerance policy on using vehicles under the influence of drugs or alcohol, this applies for anyone taking passenger rides on the dragstrip too.

The driver/rider must not be suffering from any medical condition, that may affect their ability to drive safely. The participant must not be pregnant or have had major surgery in the last 3 months.

Re-fuelling in the staging lanes is strictly prohibited. When refuelling in the pits please ensure you do so safely. If any participant has a problem on the dragstrip and/or thinks there is possibly a fluid leak, they must stop as soon possible, at the side of the track (next to the wall). A marshal will attend to check the vehicle and assist in removing from the track if required. The same applies if a participant comes into contact with the wall, loses control or spins.

Please note that if you and your vehicle have taken part in MSA/ACU competition, the safety rules and equipment required at a RWYB is the same as any MSA/ACU race event. Participants can now sign on with their relevant MSA/ACU licences.

The track manager retains the right to refuse track access to any vehicle they deem to be unsafe.

### Cars

**Seat belts are mandatory.**

**Arm Restraints are mandatory for all open top and windowless vehicles.**

**A safety helmet that is fit for purpose is compulsory for ALL competitors. Exceptions to this rule are street cars running under 110mph. Helmets are compulsory in all open top vehicles regardless of speed.** The driver/rider must declare that their vehicle is safe and complies with the necessary rules and regulations. All vehicles taking part must be fit for purpose.

Roll cages are strongly recommended for all vehicles running quicker than 12 seconds over a quarter mile.

Please note: if you need to install a cage, please consult a specialist or the National Drag Racing rulebook to ensure it is fitted safely and correctly (see RWYB website for details).

An SFI spec neck brace is recommended for ALL competitors using a helmet and compulsory for anyone travelling 130mph and faster.

It is recommended that there is a secondary braking system for all vehicles travelling faster than 150mph, this can be a parachute or mechanical braking system in addition to a hydraulic system.

A 5 point harness is strongly advised for vehicles capable of 145mph+. This rule will be enforced in the next couple of years. (Date of writing - 2017)

A HANS device is strongly advised for vehicles travelling 170mph and faster. This rule will be enforced in the next couple of years. (Date of writing - 2017)

It is highly recommended that all fuel systems and tanks are separated from the driver. There should be at least a bulkhead between the driver and the fuel lines and tank, if this is not possible it is highly recommended that a fire suit and helmet is worn regardless of speed.

The use of space saver tyres is strictly prohibited.

It sounds basic but it is mandatory that you have all of your wheel nuts on your wheels! Your car has been designed with 4 or 5 nuts for a reason and there is certainly no performance gain achieved by running with less so don't try it or you will be turned away!

Suitable fire suits are mandatory for vehicles running on methanol or nitro and highly recommended for vehicles with nitrous systems.

**Windows must be fully up when on the dragstrip.**

The only exemptions to any of the above rules is if your vehicle is fully compliant with ALL MSA/FIA drag racing regulations.

## Bikes

Riders of motorcycles, quad bikes, go karts and anything else deemed similar by the track manager are required to wear suitable protective clothing. ALL limbs need to be suitably covered. Leathers are highly recommended but jeans and a protective jacket is acceptable on slower bikes (a bike you would ride to the track for example). Gloves are mandatory.

No pillion passengers (including trikes and quads) are allowed with the exception of purpose built, race bikes with sidecars.

## Hints and Tips

Participants are to plan their run; if they are not planning on doing a burnout then they should drive around the water box. Not only will driving through it wet your tyres and reduce traction but you will also be dripping water onto the racing surface which we'll then have to dry off after you.

Ensure that you have enough fuel. Of course you don't want to go up the strip with a full tank of gas as that can add a lot of weight to the car and slow you down but please make sure you have enough to complete your run. Unfortunately we don't have an onsite petrol station (although we do sell cans of race fuel in the Pod Shop) so you should also think about getting home!

You should frequently check your oil level but this is particularly important on a track day when you'll be running your vehicle flat out.

We can't allow any vehicles on the drag strip if there is liquid of any description on the racing surface so please check your vehicle for leaks of any description before running. Our marshals do check vehicles when you first get on the drag strip so if they spot anything you won't be allowed to run until it's been rectified.

We're not saying you need a show winner to get on track but please ensure your vehicle is clean – particularly the tyres. The condition of the racing surface is crucial in drag racing so if you're vehicle is caked in mud, don't be surprised if you're turned away to clean it up.

The drag strip is used for racing, not the rest of the facility so please be sensible when travelling to and from the pits. The speed limit is 10mph so please abide by this rule – this rule also applies in the pairing lanes and return road.

## Passengers

Passengers must be over 17 years of age (photo ID required).

A maximum of one passenger at a time in the front seat only.

Passenger rides are only permitted to vehicles travelling less than 130mph at the finish line.

Any Safety rules and regulations enforced on the driver are also enforced on the passenger.

Any safety equipment must be fit for purpose and of an equal level to the driver.

Keep all body parts (hands, arms, legs, long hair, etc.) within the passenger seat at all times.

Keep your seatbelt on until the car comes to a full and complete stop and you are told that it is safe to get out.

If the car stops for any reason, stay seated and await guidance from the driver or marshals. If for any reason you have to leave the car in an emergency look out for the other race vehicle and support vehicles that maybe approaching.

Anyone participating must be of a suitable stature to ensure that all of the safety systems work effectively, this includes safety equipment, seat size and seat belts.