

# **EAST MIDLANDS ASSOCIATION OF MOTOR CLUBS**

## **CONSTITUTION and GENERAL RULES**

### **1 Title:**

- 1.1 The name of the Association shall be the 'East Midlands Association of Motor Clubs Ltd' hereafter referred to as the EMAMC

### **2 Objectives:**

- 2.1 The objective of the EMAMC is to assist as a liaison between the Member Clubs, the MSA, any adjacent Regional Associations, or any other relevant organisations, for mutual consultation in the furtherance of all Motor Sport activities.
- 2.2 Provide its Member Clubs with information, advice, assistance and access to training on matters connected with Motor Sport.
- 2.3 To encourage Motor Sport by the promotion of Championships and good public relations.
- 2.3.1 Work with the Sports Council and other Regional Associations in producing, maintaining and implementing Motor Sports development plans.

### **3 Membership:**

- 3.1 Membership of the EMAMC is open to any Motor Club. Acceptance is at the discretion of the other member clubs, through the Executive Officers.
- 3.2 Applications to join the EMAMC should be made in writing to the EMAMC Secretary.
- 3.2.1 The EMAMC Secretary will respond by inviting the Motor Club to attend the next Delegates meeting, when reasons for membership can be presented to the Member Club delegates attending the meeting.

### **4 Officers:**

- 4.1 The Executive Officers of the EMAMC who carry voting rights, are as follows:-  
The Chairman (casting vote only), Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Press Officer, Marshals Training Officer and Awards Secretary who are elected annually at the EMAMC Annual General Meeting held in April and additionally, the Life Vice-Presidents.
- 4.1.1 Also carrying voting rights are:  
The Championship Registrars, who are to be elected at the October Delegates meeting for the following Championship year.
- 4.1.2 The other Members of the Executive Committee, who have no voting rights are:-  
The Route Liaison Officers, the Forestry Liaison Officers and Radio Co-ordinators who operate within the EMAMC map areas being 119, 120, 128, 129, 140, 141 and 152.
- 4.1.3 These persons may attend and speak at all EMAMC Delegate and Executive meetings.
- 4.2 The Executive Officers shall have the power to co-opt any additional persons, as they deem necessary.

## **5 Meetings:**

- 5.1** The EMAMC shall hold four (4) Delegates Meetings per year on the second Tuesday of the following months: January, April (Annual General Meeting), July, and October (Election of Championship Registrars).
- 5.2** Additional meetings may be convened if urgent business demands it, or if arranged by the EMAMC Executive.
  - 5.2.1** Twenty-one (21) days written notice must be given of such an Additional Meeting.
- 5.3** The EMAMC will hold its Annual General Meeting in April each year to receive the Reports of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.
  - 5.3.1** The Executive Officers for the following year will also be elected at this meeting.
  - 5.3.2** The EMAMC Secretary shall give all Member Club twenty-one (21) days written notice of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, plus the Agenda and any proposals for inclusion at that meeting, which must have been submitted to the Secretary from Member Clubs at least twenty-eight (28) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 5.4** A quorum shall be 20% of paid up Member Clubs.
  - 5.4.1** Each Member Club may send up to four (4) Delegates per meeting, but are only entitled to one (1) vote per paid up Member Club.
  - 5.4.2** No Delegate may represent more than one (1) Member Club unless written authority from either the Member Club, or the Member Club's delegate, is received by the Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.
- 5.5** All matters put to a vote shall be decided by the simple majority of the paid up Member Clubs present at the meeting.
  - 5.5.1** The Chairperson shall have the casting vote.
  - 5.5.2** In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman will take the Chair at all Delegate / Executive meetings. If neither is present, then the EMAMC Secretary will chair the meeting.
- 5.6** An Extra-Ordinary General Meeting may be called by the Executive Officers, having given Member Clubs twenty-one (21) days written notice, or by written request to the EMAMC Secretary by five (5) Member Clubs.
- 5.7** If a proposal is put forward at a Delegates meeting, it must be by a paid up Member Club delegate.
- 5.8** The Executive Officers may only put forward a recommendation to a Delegates meeting, apart from any alteration needed to the Rules governing the Championships it promotes.
  - 5.8.1** An invitation may be extended by the Executive Officers for the representations of a Body interested in Motor Sport to attend a meeting.

## **6 Subscriptions:**

- 6.1** Subscriptions for each year shall be recommended by the EMAMC Executive during the current financial year, i.e. 1st January to 31st December and subject to approval by the Member Clubs, the increase will be effective from the following 1st January.

- 6.1.1 A minimum of twenty-one (21) days written notice of any proposed increase must be given to Member Clubs.
- 6.2 Any Member Club not renewing their subscription prior to the start of the Annual General Meeting will not be entitled to further voting rights until subscriptions are paid.
- 6.2.1 Clubs who have not paid their Annual Subscription prior to the start of the July delegates meeting may not propose their events for inclusion in the EMAMC Championships.
- 6.3 Any MSA recognised Motor Club joining during a year will pay a subscription for that year calculated in proportion to the number of whole months remaining in the year at the date of election.
- 6.3.1 Any Member Club in arrears of subscriptions, or any other due payments shall cease to be Members at the end of that subscription year.

## **7 Conditions:**

- 7.1 A Member Club must notify the EMAMC Secretary in writing, of the name, address and telephone number of their Club Secretary, Competition Secretary, Treasurer, Chief marshal and EMAMC Delegate(s) on the appropriate EMAMC Club Information form, on the Member Club's own letter headed paper or by email.
- 7.2 A Member club must also inform the EMAMC Secretary in writing of any alteration to their Club Officials during the year.
- 7.3 Membership may also be terminated if, in the opinion of the EMAMC Executive, a Member Club is found guilty of conduct prejudicial to the EMAMC or its objectives.
- 7.3.1 Termination will not take place before the accused Member Club is given an opportunity to defend the charge against it.
- 7.4 It is a condition of Membership that a Member club **MUST** attend one (1) of the four (4) Delegates Meetings per year.

## **8 EMAMC Silver Jubilee Award:**

- 8.1 The EMAMC Silver Jubilee Award will be presented annually to an Individual, Group or Company making the greatest contribution to the development or reputation of Motor Sport within the East Midlands area during a calendar year.
- 8.1.1 Nominations of recipients to be made by Member Clubs.
- 8.1.2 Each Club may make up to two (2) nominations, which should be submitted in writing to the EMAMC Secretary by 30<sup>th</sup> November of the award year.
- 8.1.3 Nominees need not be members of a Member Club or connected directly with the EMAMC in any way.
- 8.1.4 The winner will be selected from the nominees received by the EMAMC Executive Committee. If a nominee is a member of the Committee at the time of selection, they will take no part in the selection process.
- 8.1.5 If no nominations are received from any Member Club, then the EMAMC Executive Committee will make its own nomination.

**9 Rule Changes:**

- 9.1** This Constitution may only be amended at the EMAMC Annual General Meeting or at an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting after twenty-one (21) days written notice has been given to Member Clubs as to the purpose of the notification.
- 9.2** The EMAMC can only be dissolved at an Annual General Meeting or at an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting, where twenty-one (21) days written notice has been given to Member Clubs as to the purpose of the notification.
- 9.2.1** Any funds remaining on dissolution shall be disposed of at the discretion of the paid up Member Clubs to charitable organisations.

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