

PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

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Proposed Regulation

Chapter 16 Autocross and Rallycross

Part B (Rallycross)

Appendix 10 - Technical Regulations

13. Junior Rallycross Vehicles

- 13.1 The only **Category** of **Vehicle** permitted in **Junior Rallycross Events**, other than **Vehicles** complying with the **MDA Junior Minicross Regulations** (as approved by the **ASN**), are those complying with the following:
- Be a **Series Production Car**, front or rear wheel drive complying with the provisions of **Ch.7** and **Arts.1 – 12.11**.
 - Be specifically authorised by the **ASN** by issue of a **Junior Rallycross Vehicle Passport**. The **Vehicle** may not be used in **Competition** until the **Junior Rallycross Vehicle Passport** has been validated by the **ASN** and returned to the **Vehicle** owner.

The engine must be naturally aspirated and must not ~~have a capacity exceeding 1400cc~~ exceed 0.12 BHP / kg (at the driven wheels) maximum power output when originally supplied as a **Standard Part** by the Manufacturer.

Date of Implementation: 01 January 2027

Reason: The proposed amendment updates the Junior Rallycross vehicle eligibility requirements by introducing a maximum power-to-weight ratio of 0.12 bhp/kg at the driven wheels, aligned with the limit currently applied to junior circuit racing categories. This approach maintains an appropriate performance cap for junior competitors whilst modernising the regulation to reflect the evolving range of suitable production-based vehicles available within the marketplace.

The existing provision, which limits eligibility by engine capacity and manufacturer-declared power output, can unnecessarily restrict the pool of suitable vehicles available

to junior competitors. By adopting a power-to-weight ratio, the regulation focuses more directly on vehicle performance rather than engine size alone, recognising that modern vehicles of differing capacities may deliver comparable levels of performance.

The proposed limit of 0.12 bhp/kg maintains the established objective of controlling vehicle performance and speed for junior competitors whilst providing greater flexibility in vehicle selection. This is expected to improve accessibility by enabling a wider range of suitable and affordable vehicles to be used within the category, potentially reducing barriers to entry and supporting competitor participation.

The amendment also promotes greater consistency across Motorsport UK junior disciplines by aligning the permitted performance level with that already established for junior race vehicles. This provides a common and proven benchmark for junior competitor vehicle performance whilst continuing to prioritise safety and driver development.

In addition, implementation from 2027 would facilitate participation by competitors from the established Irish Junior Rallycross category, whose vehicles are built to a comparable performance level. The Irish category has demonstrated strong competitor support and a successful track record, and this alignment would create opportunities for those competitors to participate in UK events without requiring significant vehicle modification. The proposal is therefore expected to support stronger event entries, encourage cross-border participation, and enhance competition within the Junior Rallycross category whilst maintaining appropriate performance controls and safety standards.

The proposal does not seek to increase the overall performance envelope of Junior Rallycross vehicles but instead provides a more effective and equitable method of controlling performance through a measurable power-to-weight limit, whilst retaining the existing emphasis on naturally aspirated production-based vehicles. The amendment is therefore considered to support accessibility, participation, and regulatory alignment, whilst preserving the existing safety objectives of the Junior Rallycross category.