Tyro Trials.

These guidelines describe the manner in which the trial is run. The type(s) of vehicles involved is up to the organisers but the event is intended for first-time eventers and / or the use of standard road vehicles whose owners will not tolerate any damage.

Vehicle eligibility

All Standard Production 4x4 vehicles with Petrol or Diesel engines, mass produced by a motor manufacturer and generally available for normal retail sale or was available via a network of dealers, whether designed principally for the transportation of passengers, commercial use or dual purpose.

Vehicles not classed as standard must be fitted with a standard manufacturer's hardtop, truck cab or a roll bar to MSUK NCR 7.13.10, seat belt regulation MSUK NCR 7.7.6 and MSUK NCR 7.5.5 (external circuit breaker).

Where appropriate the vehicle must possess a valid MoT certificate.

Seats may be replaced but the number of rear seats fitted must comply with those fitted to the vehicle model by the manufacturer. Bumpers must be retained in their original position. Safety improvements may be added to the vehicle.

Driver and Passenger Eligibility.

Drivers must hold a valid full RTA licence (not provisional) in respect of vehicles having more than three wheels (MSUK NCR 20.8.5.1). The SRs may permit entries to be accepted in respect of drivers who are 13 or over without a full RTA licence, provided that the passenger holds a full RTA licence and is a person who has experience of Off Road Trials (MSUK NCR 20.8.5.2). The vehicle may only be driven between observed sections by a crew member who hold a full RTA licence.

All drivers must produce a valid club membership card. More than one passenger may be carried where the driver hold a full RTA licence. Passengers under the age of 18 will not be deemed competitors for the purposes of licenses or club membership and will not be required to sign-on. When their parent or guardian is not present, they will be required to produces a letter of consent from the parent or guardian at 'signing-on' and this letter will be retained by the organisers.

Passengers aged between 2 and 12 years old will be signed on by their parent or guardian.

All passengers shall be properly seated, the seat backs shall be upright and the seat adequately fixed. All occupants must wear approved seat belts at all times.

Only passengers seated in forward facing seats will be allowed, the seat back shall be upright and passenger(s) shall face forwards. The passenger sitting alongside the driver must be at least 12 years of age.

Passengers who occupy the rear seats of the vehicle must not be less than 2 years of age, any child under 12 years of age or 135cm in height must be seated in an approved ‘child restraint’.

Organisation.

Events must comply with the following;

1) The terrain chosen should be such that vehicles should not catch the bodywork on approach, ramp breakover, or departure angles, and consideration should be given to the vehicles entered when laying out sections.

2) The maximum longitudinal gradient shall be 50%. (26½°)

3) The maximum transverse gradient shall be 25%.(14°)

4) The maximum depth of any water shall be 0.3 metre. (about 13")

5) Vehicles must be capable of traversing sections without contacting any trees, bushes or other natural features.

6) No features may be included within sections which are likely to cause damage to the underside of competing vehicles.