

ASSOCIATION OF LAND ROVER CLUBS

President: Mr Denis Bourne



Please Reply to: Simone Birch
1A Duncan Avenue
Huncote
Leics
LE9 3AN

Email:tonybirch@btinternet.com

07786 443474

12th July 2023

Dear All

ALRC General and Scrutineering & Off Road Committee Meetings

Please find enclosed with this letter copies of the ALRC EGM and S&ORC meetings minutes held on the 1st July 2023 and the agendas for the next meetings to be held on the 11th November 2023. These meetings will take place via a Zoom meeting, details will be sent two weeks before the meeting is due to take place.

Ratification of Rule Changes to the ALRC Supplementary Competition Regulations.

After voting on by the member clubs at the ALRC AGM on 18th March 2023 the following rule changes were ratified by the ALRC Council at their meeting on 10th June 2023 for implementation on 1st January 2024.

a. Section E - Road Taxed Vehicle (RTV) Trial-Specific Technical Regulations

E.1.1.1 Soft-top vehicles are permitted to run truck-cab style hoods and 'Bikini' tops. The main hoop behind the driver & gutter must remain in place, the manufacturer's windscreen must be raised and secured in place. The rear flap and sides on the tilt may be secured open.

b. Section E - Road Taxed Vehicle (RTV) Trial-Specific Technical Regulations

E.1.3 The tailgate must be in place and secured. The upper rear tailgate may be removed.

c. Section E - Road Taxed Vehicle (RTV) Trial-Specific Technical Regulations

E.7. Suspension

E.7.1. RTV Modified class, coil spring upper mounts may have spring dislocation/relocation cones fitted.

d. Section E - Road Taxed Vehicle (RTV) Trial-Specific Technical Regulations

E.8. Novice Trialling Class.

E.8.1. A fully compliant CCV is to be used.

E.8.2. The driver must wear a minimum of a 4-point safety belt with two shoulder straps and one abdominal strap.

E.8.3. Novice Trialling Class competitors run last on the sections throughout the day and are not eligible for any awards.

N.B. The driver must be able to reach and operate all the controls of the vehicle whilst correctly seated and belted.

The definition of a novice in Motorsport UK Yearbook:

H.34.1.4. A 'novice' will be a driver who has not previously won an award in a competition of similar or higher status and type unless the SRs specify other conditions.

Scrutineering Safety Update:

Rules for Mudguards / Spats and Safety Belt Mounting

It has been brought to the attention of the ALRC SORC that there appears to be gaps in the understanding of rules for Seat Belt Fixings and Mudguards amongst our competitors. The data reproduced below is taken directly from the Motorsport UK 2023 year book. We hope that this clarifies how vehicles are to be presented at Scrutineering.

The extract from [J] Competitors: Vehicles details the requirements for Mudguards.

[J] Competitors; Vehicles

5.2.6. With the exception of racing cars or cars of A to D be equipped on all wheels with mudguards which present no sharp edges and cover the complete wheel (flange+rim+tyre) around an arc of 120 degrees. This minimum coverage must:

(a) be achieved with a continuous surface of rigid material within which ventilation louvres may be fitted. The tyre must not be visible when viewed from above. When viewed from the rear, the tyre must not be visible above any point 50mm or more above the axle centre line

(b) extend forward ahead of the axle line

(c) extend downward behind the wheel.

The extract from [K] Competitors: Safety details the fixing point requirements for 3 and 4 point harness. It has been noted that competitors are unaware that for a four point harness, each shoulder strap must have a separate anchor point. Two straps cannot go to one fixing behind the Driver/Passenger.

[K] Competitors; Safety

2.1.1. **Three point.** Either one diagonal shoulder strap and one lap strap, or two merged shoulder straps and one lap strap bearing an ECE 'E' mark. With three anchorage points on the chassis/body shell or roll over bar of the vehicle on either side and to the rear of the driver's seat.

2.1.2. **Four point.** Two shoulder straps and one lap strap, with four anchorage points on the chassis/ body shell or roll over bar of the vehicle, one either side of the driver and two to the rear of the driver's seat.

Questions have been raised concerning the correct length for a 100 inch Modified Class vehicle built in compliance to C.8.3 shown below.

Clarification of Vehicle Sizes Chart for 100" Defender / Series Land Rovers

b. General Vehicle Regulations

Section C - Modified Class Vehicle Regulations

C.8.3. 100" wheelbase with Defender or Series bodywork is permitted. All other minimum dimensions as per a Series 1, please refer to the Vehicle Sizes Chart. The silhouette as viewed from the side must still resemble the shape of a Land Rover.

Bobtailed rear bodywork is not permitted.

(Rule A.3.).

Vehicle Sizes Chart entry for 100" Defender/Series:

↓	W/B	Engine capacity, Standard	Door height	Top of front wing to bottom of front bumper	Centre line of front axle to front of front bumper	Length including bumper(s) (Excluding spare wheel.)	Width over-all	Width at bulk-head	Height of back body. 5
100" Defender/ Series	100"	n/a	19"	20½"	22"	148" minimum	60½"	60½"	16½"

Further details on all of the above can be found in the General and S&ORC meeting minutes which can be found on the ALRC website. The minutes are sent direct to the ALRC Council, all club secretaries and delegates, the Scrutineering & Off Road Committee and Log Book Scrutineers but I would be grateful if you could distribute this information to all members of your clubs.

Yours sincerely



Simone Birch

Secretary

For and on behalf of The Association of Land Rover Clubs

cc. All member Clubs, ALRC Council, S&ORC, Log Book Scrutineers & Delegates.