RACE DRIVER SERIES

2 LITRE CLASS REGULATIONS

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BMW Race Driver Series

2 Litre Class Regulations 2024-2025

1. Objective:

Objective of this class is to support and encourage friendly close racing, with the main constraint of engines being limited to 2000cc displacement. Regulations provide for teams to develop and build cars of their liking, allowing for a large scope of possible chassis and power unit combinations.

2. Eligibility:

- **2.1** Entry to the BMW Race Driver Series is by invitation only, at the discretion of the Committee.
- 2.1.1 Competitors are only permitted to enter their vehicle into one class within the BMW Race Driver Series; however, the same car may be shared by two different drivers.
- **2.2** All drivers must have a MotorSport NZ C1 Grade licence, or higher.
- **2.3** All drivers must be a financial member of the BMW Race Driver Series and have a current BMW Car Club NZ Membership.
- 2.4 Presentation of cars must be to a high standard and the organizers reserve the right to refuse entry to cars deemed not up to standard. This requirement also applies to vehicles previously accepted for the BMW Race Driver Series where their condition has deteriorated to the point where this is not of an acceptable standard.

3. Series Entry:

- **3.1** Entry into the Series can be made by visiting www.bmwraceseries.co.nz.
 - (1) Full season entry is \$200, <u>or</u>
 - (2) Per round entry is \$75
- **3.2** By entering the Series, all drivers agree with and shall abide to the Technical Regulations in Part Two of this document, and the BMW Race Driver Series "Culture Document".
- **3.3** The BMW Race Driver Series reserves the right to accept "guest" drivers from time-to-time. Such entries shall have no bearing on the points results.

4. Dates:

4.1 The following dates and venues have been organised for the 2023-2024 season, however may be subject to change due to circumstances beyond the BMW Race Driver Series' control.

Round	Dates	Venue	Club
1	21-22 September 2024	Hampton Downs	NZIGP Inc
2	18-20 October 2024	Manfeild	Manawatu Car Club
3	23-24 November 2024	Hampton Downs	NZIGP Inc
4	4-5 January 2025	Таиро	NZIGP Inc
5	22 February 2025	Hampton Downs	TACCOC Inc
6	29-30 March 2025	Таиро	NZIGP Inc

5. Race Formats:

- 5.1 The 2 Litre Class will be combined with the Open Group C class.
- **5.2 Qualifying:** There will be one Qualifying session.
 - (a) If because of track closure / blockage, weather delays or other external influences, a valid time is not registered for at least 50% of the cars on track for the qualifying session, then all qualifying times will be set aside.

The grid for Race One shall be determined by the points finishing order from the previous round. However, this does not include individual cars that do not get a valid qualifying time because of their own mechanical failure or accident. These cars automatically go to the back of the grid.

Ranking for entrants who did not participate at the previous round will be determined by ballot.

(b) If it is the first race meeting of the season and because of track closure / blockage, weather delays or other external influences, a valid time is not registered for at least 50% of the cars on track for the qualifying session, then all qualifying times will be set aside.

The grid shall be determined by the points finishing order from the previous season's championship finish. However, this does not include individual cars that do not get a valid qualifying time because of their own mechanical failure or accident. Those cars automatically go to the back of the grid.

Ranking for entrants who did not participate in the previous season will be determined by ballot.

- **5.3 Races:** there shall be three races at each round.
 - (1) Race One: shall be a ten-lap scratch race (standing start).
 - (a) The grid for Race One will be set using the fastest to slowest results from qualifying followed by those without valid qualifying times.

Those without valid qualifying times shall be ordered by their points standing in the championship to date. If this is the first round and there are cars without a valid qualifying time they shall be ordered in the rear of the grid by ballot.

Cars that are entered and qualified, but unable to compete in the first race will have their grid place left blank.

- (2) Race Two: shall be an eight-lap, handicap race.
 - (a) The grid for Race Two will be set using "best of meeting" lap times from Qualifying and Race One.
- (3) Race Three: shall be an eight-lap, handicap race.
 - (a) The grid for Race Three will be set using "best of meeting" lap times from Qualifying and Race One, and Race Two.

- **5.4** In the absence of valid Qualifying or Race times for one or more cars, their times will be calculated using historical data. If no such data exists, then they will receive an assessed lap time, as determined by the BMW Race Driver Series Committee.
- 5.5 To discourage "foxing" in Qualifying, Race One and Race Two, drivers will be penalized for "breaking out" of their handicap lap time. If their lap time improves by more than 1.5% per lap, they will be penalised according to the table below for each breakout lap.

Lap	Penalty	Lap	Penalty
1st Lap	-10	5th Lap	-50
2nd Lap	-20	6th Lap	-60
3rd Lap	-30	7th Lap	-70
4th Lap	-40	8th Lap	-80

For the avoidance of doubt a breakout in the first three laps will result in a penalty of -60 points.

- **5.5.1** To allow for changing track conditions across a meeting, usually because of the weather, this breakout will be measured against the average of the field.
- **5.5.2** If a competitor experiences a mechanical failure or other such issue resulting in an unrepresentative lap time, they may nominate a more accurate lap time. The nomination must be submitted in writing (text or email) to the series coordinator within one hour after the race concludes.
- **5.5** Being classified as a finisher of each Race will be in accordance with Schedule Z, Article 11.3.

6. Points:

6.1 Points will be awarded to each Driver based on their overall qualifying result within each Class, at each Round, as follows:

Placing	Points	Placing	Points	Placing	Points	Placing	Points
1st	40	6th	28	11th	18	16th	8
2nd	37	7th	26	12th	16	17th	6
3rd	34	8th	24	13th	14	18th	4
4th	32	9th	22	14th	12	19th	2
5th	30	10th	20	15th	10	20th and lower	0

6.2 Points shall be allocated based on finishing position in each Race as follows:

Placing	Points	Placing	Points	Placing	Points
1st	200	15th	100	29th	60
2nd	185	16th	96	30th	58
3rd	173	17th	92	31st	56
4th	163	18th	89	32nd	54
5th	154	19th	86	33rd	52
6th	146	20th	83	34th	50
7th	139	21st	80	35th	48
8th	133	22nd	77	36th	46
9th	127	23rd	74	37th	44
10th	122	24th	71	38th	42

11th	117	25th	68	39th	40
12th	112	26th	66	40th	38
13th	108	27th	64	41st	37
14th	104	28th	62	42nd	36

- **6.3** Point scores from a competitor's two worst competed race results of the Series will be excluded from their final points tally at the end of the season.
 - (1) Races not competed in will not count as an exclusion unless the competitor at least entered that race meeting and completed the documentation process at the venue.

Should extenuating circumstances exist then the Committee, at its sole discretion, may select any race result as a drop. All other race results will be counted, including any non-scoring races.

- (2) If because of a penalty a driver is penalised from one or more qualifying sessions, races, or even complete meetings, then none of those non-scoring races or qualifying sessions can be "dropped". This applies in the case of both driver behavior issues and technical infringements and is irrespective of whether the penalty was applied by MotorSport NZ Officials, or from within the BMW Race Driver Series.
- **6.4** Should a driver use more than one vehicle during the season, providing the vehicle they have changed to is eligible for the 2 Litre Class, points may be carried over.

7. Penalties:

7.1 These shall be considered minimum possible penalties to be applied by the BMW Race Driver Series committee and are not limited to those written below. The BMW Race Driver Series Committee has the right to impose point penalties for any breaches of the technical regulations, these regulations or the Culture Document.

Item	Penalty
Car not presented for weigh-in	-200 point deduction penalty for
	Qualifying. No points will be awarded for
	that Race
Under the Minimum weight for your class	25 points for each 5 Kilograms under,
	Example: 0.01kg-5kg under = 25 Points,
	5.01kg- 10kg under = 50 points
Livery/Decals incorrect or missing	25 point deduction per item

Anyone found to have threatened or abused an official, volunteer, competitor, or spectator, or to have shown behaviour that, in the eyes of the BMW Race Driver Series, brings the race series into disrepute, will likely face expulsion from the BMW Race Driver Series.

8. Awards:

8.1 Round trophies and overall series trophies shall be awarded.

BMW Race Driver Series 2 Litre Class Technical Regulations (Part Two) 2024-2025

1. GENERAL

- **1.1** Factory built racecars are not eligible, this includes Group A, DTM, 2 Litre SuperTourer, WTCC etc. By factory this refers to cars or kits supplied by BMW Motorsport or recognized works teams. NZ built cars (including NZ Touring cars) are eligible to run within this class.
- **1.2** The following regulations provide a basic outline of the technical requirements for cars running in the 2 Litre class.

Note: Drivers planning to purchase or modify a car to race in the BMW Race Driver Series are strongly advised to contact the BMW Race Driver Series Committee via e-mail <u>bmwraceseries@hotmail.com</u> for confirmation of the car's eligibility before committing to the modification/purchase.

1.3 The BMW Race Driver Series Committee and its appointed agents will be judge(s) of fact regarding general vehicle eligibility for the Series and regarding any specific technical details of those cars. Individual Committee Members cannot give you approval or authority. This must be provided in writing from the Series.

2. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

All vehicles are required to adhere to all current MotorSport New Zealand (MSNZ) regulations in Appendix Two – Safety (Schedule A) and Appendix Four - Races (Schedule Z). You can find the current MotorSport NZ manual online (<u>https://manual.motorsport.org.nz/</u>), including any amendments or subsequent versions issued by MSNZ.

2.1 All vehicles must have:

- (a) A current MotorSport NZ Logbook.
- (b) A MSNZ approved competition seat designed for use with a five-point or six-point harness with appropriate mountings must be fitted according to App Two, Sch A, Part 1, Article 4.7.
- (c) A suitable MSNZ approved five-point or six-point harness mounted as detailed in App Two, Sch A, Article 4.4.
- (d) A MSNZ approved multi-point roll cage compliant with App Two, Sch A, Part 2, Article 4.6 with side intrusion bars is mandatory. Alternative roll cages are acceptable provided they meet the following criteria:
 - (i) The roll cage design, construction and installation must satisfy all MSNZ regulations.
 - (ii) Triangulation between the roll cage front legs and front strut towers is permitted.
 - (iii) Safety cage padding must be fitted as required in Article 4.6 (6).
- (e) Headlamps (if installed) covered with protective tape and comply with any current MSNZ requirements.
- (f) Towing eyes fitted in accordance with Appendix Two, Schedule A, Part One, Article 5.15.
- (g) A MSNZ approved handheld fire extinguisher as per App Two, Sch A, Part One, Article 4.8.

2.2 Frontal Head Restraints (FHR) are mandatory.

- (a) FHR devices must be made to an approved standard and fitted and worn as per Appendix Two, Part One, Article 4.2.
- (b) All occupants must wear an FHR during all practice, qualifying and races that are part of the BMW Race Driver Series. Failure to do so may result in a penalty or disqualification.

3. TECHNICAL / VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

- **3.1** This class is generally open to any model BMW car fitted with a BMW engine (regulated by capacity).
- **3.2** Maximum engine capacity for this class is 2000 cc. The Maximum capacity calculation for this class includes an allowance for a factory over-bore of up to +0.5mm only.
- **3.3** Left or right-hand drive vehicles are eligible including cars that have been converted.
- **3.4** Engines: Must be a production BMW cylinder block and head casting, all other components are free.
 - (a) It is permissible to move the engine within the factory engine bay only. It is not permissible to remove, cut or modify the factory firewall/bulkhead in order to move the engine rearwards in the chassis.
- **3.5 Chassis:** Original unit construction body shells must be used. No space-framed or semi space-framed cars will be allowed. The original floor-pan between the firewall and rear bulkhead (behind the rear seat) must remain as per the manufacturer's original specifications. Save for the fitment of the roll protection, pedal box or exhaust system, further modifications to this area of the floor-pan can only be made with the written permission of the BMW Race Driver Series Committee.
- **3.6 Bodywork:** <u>Outer</u> body panels may be replaced with items of a different design or material (including composites) to that used on the original. This includes the addition of front or rear spoilers, wings, splitters, wheel arch extensions and/or after-market body kits.
- **3.7 Drive train:** Gearboxes must be of BMW original equipment manufacturer but are free in terms of the number of gears and ratios, however gearboxes with a sequential shift type mechanism are not eligible within this class. Differentials are free.
- **3.8 Suspension:** As long as the original configuration is retained (eg McPherson strut, trailing arm) the suspension is free in terms of design and materials used.
- **3.9** Brakes: There is no restriction on type and materials.
- **3.10** Wheels: Rim widths can be no more than 10 inches, but there are no other restrictions in terms of wheel diameter, materials or construction type.
- **3.11 Tyres:** Tyres must comply with the safety and technical requirements of MSNZ and the meeting organisers.

3.12 Weight:

- (a) Minimum post-qualifying & post-race weight including driver for all competing vehicles is 1040kgs. All cars must be presented for weighing as part of the Parc Fermé rules after each qualifying, and race session. Drivers who do not present their cars for weigh-in may receive point penalties and/or be disqualified from the qualifying session or race.
- (b) As long as no other rules are breached regarding vehicle modifications it is at the driver's discretion how and where any additional weight is achieved, subject to App Two, Schedule A, Part 1, Article 6.1 of the MSNZ Manual.

3.13 Parc Fermé

- (a) All cars automatically enter Parc Fermé conditions following any qualifying or race sessions and must proceed immediately to the designated Parc Fermé area, which is the series weighbridge unless specified otherwise. Delayed arrival may be considered an immediate violation of Parc Fermé conditions.
- (b) Only the presence of the driver and one additional team member is permitted alongside their car in the Parc Fermé area.
- (c) Tyre pressures and tyre temperatures may be checked while the car is in line, provided there are no delays.
- (d) Any other checks or alterations to the car are strictly forbidden under Parc Fermé conditions, unless approval is given by a BMWRDS Officials.
- (e) No items are to be added to or removed from the vehicle during Parc Fermé.
- (f) The continuation of Parc Fermé conditions applies until an official notification from a BMWRDS Official or their appointee, and the vehicle, driver and additional team member shall leave the Parc Fermé area immediately following this.
- **3.14** Fuel: There are no restrictions on the fuel used so long as the safety and technical requirements of MSNZ and the meeting organisers are met.

4. VEHICLE LIVERY

- 4.1 All decals shall be applied in accordance with the graphic in Appendix One.
- **4.2** The following **supplied** decals are **mandatory** and shall be fitted as supplied to all race cars at all BMW Race Driver Series Rounds.

(a) Pacific Resort Decal

Applied to both front guards in accordance with Appendix One.

- (b) 2 Litre Decal: to be fitted to both rear side windows.
- (c) Novice Sticker: Must be run in a visible location on the rear of the car. Regardless of previous race experience in other classes, drivers who are new to the BMW 2 Litre Class must carry this sticker for a minimum of three full BMWRDS rounds.

4.3 The following decals are to be **supplied by the competitor** and are mandatory. These must be fitted to all race cars at all BMW Race Driver Series Rounds.

(a) BMW Race Driver Series Windscreen Banner

Using a minimum 100mm of the banner and up to the full width of the banner.

Note: To provide sun shading, additional material may be added below the windscreen banner, to a maximum total depth of 200mm at any point, including the windscreen banner. This additional material shall be a single solid colour in black or plain colour.

(b) Race Numbers

- Must be on both sides of the vehicle and printed onto or included inside the number box. Minimum of 280mm high, stroke of 50mm, solid black on a white background. Font shall be Helvetica, or similar. Shall be located within 40mm of the front of the door panel, and;
- (ii) Must be on both front and rear screens, on the upper corner of the passenger side. Minimum of 150mm high, 20mm stroke, in Helvetica or similar font. Numbers should be white. The current championship leader at the start of the round may elect to use fluoro yellow instead for the duration of the round.

(c) Driver Name

The driver surname at a minimum must be shown on both rear side windows, close to lower edge, minimum of 80mm high, 10mm stroke, white or fluoro yellow/green in Helvetica or similar font.

4.4 Personal Signage:

The following restrictions apply to any personal signage or sponsorship carried on race cars at all BMW Race Driver Series Rounds.

- (a) Front Screen: This area is reserved exclusively for the series sponsor and apart from screen numbers, no other signage can be carried on the front screen.
- (b) Rear Screen: Personal advertising may be fitted to the rear screen, so long as it complies with App Two, Schedule A, Part 1, Article 5.11 (a) of the MSNZ Manual and to Warrant of Fitness regulations (if applicable).
- (c) Number Boxes: No personal signage is to be fitted to the front doors in the area immediately above or below the official race number box, or within 50mm either side of the box. It is permissible however to carry personal signage anywhere on the sills provide it complies with all other regulations regarding signage.
- (d) **Competitive Signage:** No signage for any brands that compete with any of the series sponsors can be carried on the front section of the car.

Note: The front section of the car is defined as being all panels "forward of a line through the rear edge of the number boxes on each door". The Committees decisions on any conflicting advertising are final, as are any decisions to introduce new/additional series sponsors. **APPENDIX ONE**



DECAL PLACEMENT





