

ARTICLES GOVERNING THE 2019-20

MotorSport NZ BNT V8s/BNT V8 Lites CHAMPIONSHIPS

Preamble

MotorSport New Zealand Inc. hereby declares the following articles to be those governing Competitors in the MotorSport NZ BNT V8s Championship and the BNT V8 Lites Championship.

These articles are at all times to be read in conjunction with:

- The National Sporting Code (NSC) and its appropriate Appendices and Schedules, and
- The MotorSport NZ Race Championship General Prescriptions (Schedule CH), and
- The Technical Regulations – Schedule TC1 for BNT V8s, Schedule TL for BNT V8 Lites, and
- Individual Round Supplementary Regulations.

A Championship Permit No: 190619 has been issued in the name of MotorSport NZ.

Note: *All text changes from the previous issue of this Schedule are highlighted such. Text changes for grammatical and/or formatting reasons are not highlighted.*

1 INTERPRETATIONS:

In these Articles the following expressions shall have the meanings set out:

The “**Championship**” means the MotorSport New Zealand BNT V8s Championship categories for vehicles complying with Schedules TC1, and the BNT V8 Lites for vehicles complying with Schedule TL; and

“**Inviting Clubs**” means the MotorSport NZ clubs hosting Rounds of the Championship; and

“**MotorSport NZ**” means MotorSport New Zealand Inc.; and

“**National Sporting Code**” or “**NSC**” means the National Sporting Code issued by MotorSport NZ from time to time; and

“**Round**” means the race meeting at which drivers may score points towards the Championship includes, with all necessary modifications, and

“**Supplementary Regulations**” means so far as they are applicable to the Championship the Standing Regulations set out in the Supplementary Regulations issued for each Round.

2 ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1** All drivers shall hold a C2 Grade Competition licence or higher and if the entrant is other than the driver, an Entrant’s Licence is required in the name of the Entrant.

Note: Under the provisions of the Tasman Visa Agreement between CAMS and MotorSport New Zealand Inc, Australian competitors holding both CAMS General Competition Licences and Tasman Visas may enter any of the NZ Race Championships and be eligible for awards.

2.2 Eligibility shall be for vehicles complying with the specifications issued by MotorSport NZ as follows:

- (1) **BNT V8s:** vehicles complying with Schedule TC1.
- (2) **BNT V8 Lites:** vehicles complying with Schedule TL.
- (3) **BNT V8s Open:** V8 vehicles that do not meet the above Schedule requirements but fit within the "Spirit of the Category" may be permitted to compete at the sole discretion of MotorSport NZ and the NZTC Board. **BNT V8s Open** vehicles will not be eligible for MotorSport NZ Championship points. Vehicles will be eligible for the NZ Touring Cars "BNT V8s Open Cup".

Note: For the BNT V8 Lites Championship a minimum Grid of 5 Cars is required at each Round

2.3 All entrants and drivers shall agree to submit their vehicle to eligibility scrutineering when required by MotorSport NZ Technical Officers or Championship Scrutineers for compliance to Schedules TC1 and/or Schedule A.

3 CHAMPIONSHIP PERSONNEL:

3.1 At each Round the following personnel, and/or their approved assistant, shall have responsibilities and authorities set out:

3.1.1 Championship Administrator: NZ Touring Cars Limited
Address: PO Box 89139
Torbay Auckland 0742
Phone No Rachael Murray: 021 999 664
E-mail: rachael@gr8events.co.nz
Contact: Rachael Murray

Who are responsible for and authorised by MotorSport NZ for:

- (a) The promotion of the Championship; and
- (b) The supply of all Championship decals.

3.1.2 Championship Race Director: Craig Finlayson
Phone No: 06 323 6510
Mobile Phone No: 021 213 7427
E-mail: Craig.finlayson@inspire.net.nz

Who is authorised by MotorSport NZ to undertake the duties outlined in Schedule CH Article 3.1.2.

3.1.3 Championship Coordinator: Gary Lathrope
Mobile Phone No: 0274 522 991
E-mail: gary@gr8events.co.nz

Who are responsible for and authorised by MotorSport NZ to:

- (a) Liaise with Inviting Clubs and MotorSport NZ on matters pertaining to the championship; and

- (b) Ensure correct placement of decals on competing vehicles, and
- (c) Liaise with event Officials on any sporting aspect for the category, and
- (d) Be Judge of Fact, Schedule TC1/TL and Control Parts.

Also required to:

- (a) Attend MotorSport NZ coordination meetings at events
- (b) Attend Stewards meetings at events
- (c) Undertake a category driver briefing at each Round
- (d) Ensure round award winners attend on-track presentations at conclusion of final category race on Sunday

3.1.4 Championship Scrutineers: Maurice Thompson
Mobile Phone No: 0274754338
E-mail: taupomotorsport@gmail.com

Who are responsible for and authorised by MotorSport NZ to:

- (a) Undertake Safety Audits including management of vehicle logbooks; and
- (b) Affix seals as required, and
- (c) Undertake technical eligibility checking; and
- (d) Undertake the duties of a Technical Judge (NSC 86(d)); and
- (e) Liaise with the Championship Officials and Championship Coordinator on any scrutineering or technical conformity issue for the category; and
- (f) Report to the senior MSNZ Technical Officer on duty or Race Director as appropriate at rounds with their proposed technical checking programs and subsequent results prior to the final Stewards meeting.
- (g) Apply Success Ballast as required.

Who may have deputies and assistants to whom they may delegate any of their responsibilities and authorities by way of notice posted on the official notice board at each Round.

3.1.4.1 Parity Tuner: Dave Heerdegen
D-Tech MotorSport, Tauranga
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E-mail: dtechmotorsport@gmail.com

Who is responsible for and authorised by MotorSport NZ to:

- (a) administer the equalisation of performance for BNT V8s vehicles, and
- (b) report to the Championship Scrutineer the results of all parity tuning.

3.1.5 Championship Media Delegate: Freddy Foote
Mobile No: 027 4960 260
E-mail: freddy@f2communications.co.nz

Who is responsible for Media for BNT V8s and BNT V8 Lites.

4 CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE:

4.1 The Championships will comprise the following Rounds:

| Round | Date | Venue | Inviting Club |
|-------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1* | 29 Nov – 1 December | Pukekohe Park | MotorSport NZ |
| 2 | 7 – 9 February | Pukekohe Park | MotorSport NZ |
| 3* | 14 – 16 February | Manfeild CCA | MotorSport NZ |
| 4* | 27 – 29 March | Hampton Downs | MotorSport NZ |
| 5* | 24 – 26 April | Pukekohe | MotorSport NZ |

* Rounds for BNT V8 Lites Championship

MotorSport NZ reserves the right to either cancel or amend any Rounds of the Championship due to force majeure without affecting in any way its powers to award any title.

5 CHAMPIONSHIP REGISTRATION (ENTRY):

5.1 Registration for Entry into the Championships should be made through the MotorSport Online system (<https://possum.motorsport.org.nz>). In submitting registration for Round(s) of the Championship all Entrants and Drivers agree to comply with these Articles and the National Sporting Code including all appendices and schedules to the Code.

Note: Contact the Championship Administrator if Registration will not be made via MotorSport Online system.

5.2 Entry to each Round of the Championships (which is separate to the Championship entry) should be made as follows:

(1) **Round 1 – 4:** through SpeedWorks online entry system (contact the Category Administrator for the link details, rachael@gr8events.co.nz)

(2) **Round 5 only:** by completing the SuperCars Entry form as supplied by the Category Administrator

Any entry will not be deemed valid until payment is received.

Note: Contact the Championship Administrator if entry will not be made via SpeedWorks Online entry system.

5.3 The entry fees (Grid fee, TV and MSNZ Levies) will be as follows;

For BNT V8s Championship Cars:

(1) For Rounds 1,2 & 4 each Round will be \$2,000.00 (GST inclusive) includes a full Pit Lane Garage with power; or \$1,650 (GST inclusive) for a half Garage share with power.

(2) For Rounds 3 & 5 each Round will be \$1,750 (GST inclusive) with a 6mtr x 6mtr marquee with power; or \$1,500 (GST inclusive) for a 6mtr x 4mtr marquee with power.

For BNT V8 Lites Championship Cars:

(1) For Rounds 1 – 3 each Round will be \$750.00 (GST inclusive) marquee or share of Pit Lane Garage (at Round 1 only) is not included in this fee, contact the Category Administrator for cost of marquee or garage.

(2) For Round 4 entry will be \$1,300 (GST inclusive) this includes a 6mtr x 4mtr marquee (a requirement of Supercars) with power.

For BNT V8s Open Cars:

- (1) For Rounds 1,2,3,4 each Round will be \$750.00 (GST inclusive) marquee or a Pit Lane garage or inside the Arena at Round 3 is not included in this fee, contact the Category Administrator for cost of marquee or garage.
- (2) For Round 5 the fee will be \$1,750 (GST inclusive) with a 6mtr x 6mtr marquee with power; or \$1,500 (GST inclusive) for a 6mtr x 4mtr marquee (a requirement of Supercars) with power

5.3.1 Ticket allocation for Supercars April Round will be eight(8) plus One(1) vehicle passes per entry.

5.3.2 All other Rounds will be ten(10) plus two(2) vehicle passes per entry.

5.4 Entry Fees are due as follows (refer also to the entry form):

| Due Date | Amount (includes GST) |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| 20 November 2019 | Full fees for Round 1 * |
| 30 January 2020 | Full fees for Round 2 |
| 5 February 2020 | Full fees for Round 3 * |
| 18 March 2020 | Full fees for Round 4 * |
| 15 April 2020 | Full fees for Round 5 * |

*** BNT V8 Lites Rounds**

5.4.1 The Championship Promoter may consider the acceptance of late entries provided that the entry is lodged in full conformity with entry requirements and is accompanied by an additional late entry fee of \$150.00 per Round (inclusive of GST).

5.4.2 There will be no refunds given once an entry has been processed. Credits against future competition will be considered in exceptional circumstances.

6 AWARDS:

6.1 At the Annual MotorSport NZ Awards Function the following awards will be made:

- (1) The overall BNT V8s winner of the Championship (highest points scorer from all Rounds of the Championship) will be awarded the MotorSport NZ Touring Car Trophy.
- (2) The overall BNT V8 Lites winner of the Championship (highest points scorer from all Rounds of the Championship) will be awarded the MotorSport NZ BNT V8 Lites Trophy.

6.2 At the conclusion of the final Round of the Series the following award will be made:

- (1) **BNT V8s Open Cup:** The overall winner of the BNT V8s Open Vehicles (highest points scorer from all Rounds) shall receive the BNT V8s Open Cup.

7 PRACTICE, QUALIFYING, AND STARTING POSITIONS:

7.1 **Practice:** For Round 1 - 4 a minimum of two(2) practice sessions will be available. For Round 5 one (1) practice session will be available. The Driver may only use their competition vehicle (which they have entered in the Round) in these sessions.

7.1.1 **No testing of a BNT V8s or BNT V8 Lites competition vehicle** will be permitted on the circuit at which the Round is scheduled to be held from Monday to Thursday (inclusive) in the week prior to that Round.

7.2 Qualifying:

- (1) There will be a minimum 20-minute Qualifying at each Round.
- (2) Refuelling is not permitted during any qualifying sessions.
- (3) All BNT V8s, BNT V8 Lites and BNT V8s Open Cars will qualify in the same session.

7.3 Starting Positions:

7.3.1 There will be three(3) races at all Rounds of the Championships.

7.3.2 All BNT V8s, BNT V8 Lites and BNT V8s Open will compete in the same races.

7.3.3 The start of Races One and Two will be rolling starts. There will be a gap between the last BNT V8s vehicle and the grid for BNT V8 Lites (at Rounds 1,3,4 & 5 only) BNT V8s Open Vehicles will start at the rear of each respective Group.

7.3.4 The start for Race Three will be a standing start. The grid for BNT V8s vehicles will be at the front of the grid, there will be a gap between the last BNT V8s vehicle and the BNT V8 Lites (at Rounds 1,3,4 & 5 only) BNT V8s Open Vehicles will start at the rear of each respective Group. All vehicles will start on the same signal.

7.3.5 Starting positions for **Race One (for all BNT V8s – BNT V8 Lites (at Rounds 1,3,4 & 5 only) and BNT V8s Open Cars)** will be determined by the fastest lap times achieved from Qualifying – refer Article 7.2 above - fastest Competitor to the front.

7.3.6 Starting positions for **Race Two:**

- **For BNT V8s – BNT V8 Lites (at Rounds 1,3,4 & 5 only) and BNT V8s Open vehicles:** will be determined by the finishing order of Race One. Any non-finishers will be placed at the rear of the grid in qualifying time order. Any competitors who did not start Race One will then be placed in a final group at the rear of the grid in qualifying time order. BNT V8s Open vehicles off rear of the Grid in finishing order of Race One.

7.3.7 Starting Positions for **Race Three** will be determined using the following method:

- **For BNT V8s – BNT V8 Lites (at Rounds 1,3,4 & 5 only) and BNT V8s Open vehicles:** Competitors will be ranked in descending order using combined Round points in each Group gained by the drivers in Races One and Two of that Round plus any relevant penalties, with the highest scoring driver ranked one.
- In the case of equal points, qualifying times (fastest Competitor to the front) will be used to allocate the higher position.
- BNT V8s Open Vehicles in both Groups will start off the rear of both Grids.

8 RACE DISTANCES:

| Round | Race 1 | Race 2 | Race 3 | Venue |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|
| 1 | 16 laps | 16 laps | 16 laps | Pukekohe |
| 2 | 16 laps | 16 laps | 16 laps | Pukekohe |
| 3 | 14 laps | 14 laps | 14 laps | Manfeild CCA |
| 4 | 14 laps | 14 laps | 14 laps | Hampton Downs |
| 5 | 16 laps | 16 laps | 16 laps | Pukekohe |

8.1 At all Rounds the Race Director, in consultation with the Stewards, reserves the right to amend and/or cancel races in the case of Force Majeure.

9 IN-CAR CAMERA TO MONITOR COMPETITOR BEHAVIOUR (Judicial Camera):

9.1 All BNT V8s Championships and BNT V8s Open vehicles will be required to carry an approved New Zealand Touring Cars Limited in-car camera. The position of fitting this camera takes precedence over any other camera fitted in the vehicle.

9.2 This camera must be mounted in accordance with any instructions issued. The mounting of the camera will be supervised, where required, by the Championship Coordinator or his appointed official.

9.3 It is the Competitors responsibility to ensure the camera is switched on and recording during all Practice, Qualifying and Race Sessions. For cameras not recording Penalty Schedule CH.40.33 will apply.

9.4 At any time during an Event, the Championship Coordinator or his appointed official can access footage from the Judicial Camera.

9.5 The footage is not available to the Competitors unless permission is granted by the Race Director.

9.6 The Promoter will approach Competitors separately with the terms of lease for the official TV broadcast units.

9.7 All rights to all camera footage remains the property of MotorSport NZ at all times.

10 PIT SPACE ALLOCATION:

10.1 A marquee or pit garage where available will be allocated to each Competitor. The Championship Coordinator will issue a notice regarding the terms and conditions of use of all marquees prior to the commencement of the Championship.

10.1.1 For BNT V8 Lites and BNT V8s Open Cars that don't require a marquee or pit garage a position will be allocated in the Paddock Area for these vehicles.

10.1.2 The Championship Coordinator will allocate an area in pit lane for each competitor when they are not in a pit garage.

10.2 Except when required as part of the programme, or for approved technical reasons, Competitors are to have their competition vehicles in this area, for each Round from:

- Saturday: 9am – 5pm
- Sunday: 9am to one(1) hour after conclusion of BNT V8s last race.

The front entrance must be open during these times with the front of the vehicle facing the front opening, except when a vehicle is involved in a track session or in extreme weather conditions.

10.3 Failure to comply with this requirement will incur a fine of \$500.

11 TYRE TYPE, ALLOCATION AND MARKING PROCEDURES:

11.1 Only the Dunlop control tyre (dry and wet specification) as per Schedule TL, Part B & C, Article 13.2, Schedule TC1 are permitted for use at any Round of the Championship.

11.1.1 Only (dry) Dunlop control tyres that have been specifically marked for the current Championship may be used from Qualifying onwards. The tyres will be marked for use on a specified competition vehicle.

Note: *It is not a requirement to have the control wet tyres marked.*

11.1.2 The Championship Scrutineer, in consultation with the Dunlop representative, shall determine the suitability of any (dry) Dunlop control tyre that has not been marked for the current Championship.

11.1.3 The Dunlop control tyres may only be purchased from NZ Touring Cars Limited.

11.1.4 **Practice sessions:** Any marked or unmarked BNT V8s control tyre may be used.

11.1.5 **BNT V8s Open only:** Dunlop tyre is the required tyre to be used within the Championship. Under extreme circumstance, a request can be made to the Championship Coordinator to run an alternative tyre.

11.2 **New “dry” tyre allocation for the Championship:** The maximum number of new “dry” tyres that may be presented for marking for each Round of the Championship are as follows:

(1) BNT V8s Vehicles:

- Round One – eight(8)
- Round Two – eight(8)
- Round Three – six(6)
- Round Four – six(6)
- Round Five – four(4)

(2) BNT V8 Lites Vehicles:

- Round One – four(4)
- Each Subsequent Round entered – two(2)

(3) BNT V8s Open Vehicles:

- Maximum number of shall be no greater than six(6) per round unless otherwise agreed by the Championship Coordinator.

11.2.1 For those Competitors entering the Championship after the conclusion of Round One, the maximum number of “dry” tyres (new and used) that may be presented for marking are as follows:

(1) BNT V8s Vehicles:

- First Round entered after Round One - eight(8) new and four(4) used.
- First Round entered after Round Four - four(4) new and two(2) used.

(2) BNT V8 Lites Vehicles:

- For all Rounds after Round One – two(2) new and six (6) used.

Note: *The used tyres described above for the first and second Rounds entered may be tyres marked from a previous season and are additional to that described in Article 11.3 below.*

11.2.2 Used “dry” Tyres Allocation Round One: the maximum number of used “dry” tyres that may be presented for marking at Round One are:

- (1) For BNT V8s Vehicles: Four(4)
- (2) For BNT V8 Lites Vehicles: Six(6)
- (3) For BNT V8s Open Vehicles: Four(4)

11.3 “Dry” Tyre allocation per Round: The tyres available are limited to those purchased for that Round (refer Article 11.2) and any previously marked control tyre from the current Championship.

11.3.1 For BNT V8s and BNT V8s Open vehicles only: An additional maximum of eight(8) new Dunlop control “dry” tyres can be purchased at each Round, these tyres can only be used during Practice Sessions and Meeting Rides, they will not be marked and cannot be used from Qualifying onwards.

11.4 “Wet” Tyre allocation per Round: There is no controlled allocation of wet tyres per Round.

11.4.1 If the meeting is declared “wet” by the Race Director only “wet” specification tyres may be used.

11.4.2 New wet tyre orders for each Round must be placed with the Championship Administrator no later than seven(7) days prior to the Round at which the tyres are required.

11.5 Specifically prohibited for all tyres are the following modifications:

- Hand cut tread grooves,
- Filing and buffing,
- Tyre warmers,
- Chemical treatments, and
- Any means of artificially enhancing tyre performance.

11.6 Tyre marking: Tyre marking will take place on Friday between 1400hrs–1800hrs at each Round of the Championship at the Dunlop Tyres Compound under the supervision of the Championship Scrutineer.

11.7 It is the Competitor’s responsibility to ensure that tyre markings remain clearly visible. Whenever a tyre marking starts to become illegible, the Competitor must advise the Championship Scrutineer accordingly, who will decide upon the appropriate course of action.

11.8 There will be no credits or returns for tyres purchased that are no longer required.

12 ENGINE CONTROLS / PROCEDURES / PENALTIES:

12.1 Only engines fitted with an ID tag by the Championship Scrutineer may be used in the Championship.

12.2 There is no maximum on the number of engines authorised for use during the series although each engine presented (for use at a Round of the Championship) must be declared to the Championship Scrutineer for the fitment of “C” type seals and identification tag.

12.3 All seals shall be applied in accordance with the individual Category technical regulations.

12.4 Any 'sealed and tagged engine' may be used indiscriminately during the Championship under the following provisos;

(1) The Championship Scrutineer shall be informed prior to any engine change* being made at a round of the Championship.

(2) The identification tag and all applied 'C' seals remain intact.

* An engine change means the substitution of one engine with another in the Competitors vehicle.

13 DRIVER APPAREL:

13.1 Driver Safety Apparel Requirements: All drivers shall wear the following driver safety apparel/equipment when competing at a round of the series to which these regulations apply;

(1) A **protective helmet** in compliance with FIA Standard 8860-2018, or 8860-2010, 8860-2004 or 8859-2015, or SA2015, SAH2010, SA2010 or SA2005.

(2) **Protective clothing** shall be worn:

(a) **BNT V8s:** overall, underwear, balaclava, socks, gloves and shoes in compliance with FIA Standard 8856-2018 or 8856-2000.

(b) **BNT V8 Lites:** overall, underwear, balaclava, socks, gloves and shoes in compliance with FIA Standard 8856-2000, or overall in compliance with SFI 3.2A/5, and underwear, balaclava socks, gloves and shoes in compliance with SFI 3.3A

(3) A **Frontal Head Restraint (FHR)** in compliance with FIA Standard 8858-2002 / 8858-2010 being either a HANS® system or a Hybrid® system.

14 MEETING RIDES:

14.1 Meeting Rides shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Schedule CH.

14.2 At Rounds where Meeting Rides are scheduled for BNT V8s, BNT V8 Lites and BNT V8s Open each competitor entered must comply with the request from the Category Administrator to provide Category Sponsor Rides as detailed.

15. CONTROLLED FUEL:

15.1 The controlled fuel for all BNT V8s will be Gull Force 10, the controlled fuel will be available for purchase from the Gull Fuel location at each Round.

15.2 Only controlled fuel purchased at the Round can be used for that Round.



APPENDIX 1

Decal placements and Sponsorship requirements

Located on inside front cover of portfolio