

ARTICLES GOVERNING THE 2022-2023 NZ Super Truck Championship

Preamble

MotorSport New Zealand Inc hereby declares the following articles to be those governing competition for drivers in the MotorSport NZ Super Truck Championship.

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

- The National Sporting Code (NSC) and its appropriate Appendices and Schedules,
- The Technical Regulations – Schedule TR,
- The Event Supplementary Regulations.

A Championship Permit No. **220442** has been issued in the name of MotorSport NZ.

OFFICIAL RECORD OF AMENDMENTS ISSUED TO THESE ARTICLES

This table records all official Amendments issued during the season relative to these Articles;

Amendment Number	Issue/Effective date	Article reference	Subject / Notes

1. INTERPRETATIONS:

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

The “**Championship**” means the MotorSport New Zealand Super Truck Championship for trucks complying with Schedule TR; and

“**Inviting Clubs**” means the MotorSport New Zealand 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; and

“**Supplementary Regulations**” means so far as they are applicable to the Championship the Standing Regulations set out in Appendix Four, Schedule Z to the National Sporting Code together with the Supplementary Regulations issued by the Inviting Club.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1 DRIVER ELIGIBILITY:

2.1.1 All drivers must hold a C1 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 Trans-Tasman Visa Agreement between Motorsport Australia and MotorSport New Zealand Inc, Australian competitors holding both the appropriate Motorsport Australia Truck Racing Licences and Trans-Tasman Visas may enter any rounds of the Championship and be eligible for awards.*

2.1.2 All drivers and entrants must be financial members of an affiliated MotorSport NZ Club.

2.2 VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY:

2.2.1 Eligibility shall be for trucks complying with the specifications set out in Schedule TR issued by MotorSport NZ, or for invited Trucks complying with the Motorsport Australia Truck Formula - Technical Regulations detailed within the current Motorsport Australia Technical Regulations.

(a) Invited Trucks with a valid Motorsport Australia logbook contesting all Rounds of the Championship shall be exempt from the three(3) event provision of Appendix Two, Schedule A, Article 1.2(3).

2.2.2 All entrants and competitors shall agree to submit their vehicle to eligibility scrutineering when required by the Series Scrutineers and/or Technical Officers for compliance to Appendix Two, Schedule A and Schedule TR.

2.2.3 Classes: There are three classes as follows:

(a) **Class A:** being for trucks with no restriction on engine displacement and a minimum race weight of 5500kg.

- (b) **Class B:** being for trucks with an engine displacement up to 12,000cc and a minimum race weight of 5000kg.
- (c) **Class C:** being for trucks in compliance with Schedule TR Article 17 with an engine displacement up to 7,500cc and a minimum race weight relative to the declared engine displacement.

3. CHAMPIONSHIP PERSONNEL:

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

3.1.1 Super Truck Coordinator: Karen Paddon
Phone No: 03 614 7514
Mobile: 027 273 1671
E-mail: sccc.secretary@xtra.co.nz

Who is responsible for and authorised by MotorSport NZ to:

- (a) Liaise with Inviting Clubs on matters pertaining to the Championship and
- (b) Ensure supply of competition number sets and correct placement of decals on competing vehicles.
- (c) Liaise with event Officials on any sporting aspect for the category.
- (d) Record and publish Championship points schedules.

Also required to:

- (e) Attend Championship Coordinator meetings at events
- (f) Attend Stewards meetings at events, if requested.
- (g) Undertake a category driver's briefing at each meeting
- (h) Ensure Round award winners attend on-track presentations

3.1.2 Super Truck Technical Officer: Daniel Cresswell
Phone No: 029 456 2102
E-mail: danielcresswell74@gmail.com

Who is responsible for and authorised by MotorSport NZ to:

- (a) Undertake Safety Audits including management of vehicle logbooks; and
- (b) Undertake technical eligibility checking; and
- (c) Undertake the duties of a Technical Judge (NSC 86(d)) with respect to weights and measures; and

- (d) Liaise with event Officials and Championship Coordinator on any scrutineering or technical conformity issue for the category.

4. ENTRY:

4.1 Championship entry: Entry into the Championship should be made on the Championship Entry Form as provided with these Articles and submitted to the Championship Co-Ordinator for acceptance.

4.1.1 The Championship reserves the right to accept or decline entries into the series as per NSC 21.

4.1.2 By entering the Championship, all Competitors / Entrants:

- (1) Are deemed to be in acceptance of these Series Articles as they are presented, and
- (2) Agree to comply with these Articles and those of the National Sporting Code, and
- (3) Shall be at all times responsible for the presentation of their competing vehicle with respect to safety requirements under Schedule A, and eligibility requirements under these Championship Articles.
- (4) Shall agree to work with the Championship Co-ordinator in placement of Sponsor decals when required.

4.2 Round entry: Entry to each Round of the Championship (which is separate to the Championship entry) shall be made direct via the Inviting Club as outlined in the Round Supplementary Regulations. Any entry will not be deemed valid until payment is received.

4.2.1 The entry fees for each Round will be communicated via the Championship Co-Ordinator.

5. CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE:

5.1 The Championship will comprise the following Rounds:

Round	Date	Venue	Inviting Club
1	22-23 October 2022	Manfeild	Manawatu Car Club
2	27-29 January 2023	Levels	South Canterbury Car Club
3	18-19 March 2023	Teretonga	Southland Sports Car Club
4	TBC	TBC	TBC

5.1.1 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.

6. ROUND FORMAT:

6.1 Testing: Testing sessions will be available to drivers on the Friday preceding each Round. The Inviting Club will set track hire charges.

Note: Any truck exceeding 160kph or emitting excess smoke in these sessions as per Article 7 of these Articles will be notified.

6.2 Warm up: A warm up session will be held on Saturday and Sunday morning prior to qualifying or race commencement.

6.3 Qualifying: At all Rounds there will be one(1) Qualifying session of 20 minutes duration.

6.4 Race format: Races are schedule to run as follows:

Round	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Venue
1	6 Laps	8 Laps	8 Laps	Manawatu Car Club
2	6 Laps	8 Laps	8 Laps	South Canterbury Car Club
3	6 Laps	8 Laps	8 Laps	Southland Sports Car Club
4	6 Laps	8 Laps	8 Laps	TBC

6.5 Race starting positions: All races will be 2 x 2 rolling starts.

All races will be controlled by the Official Safety Vehicle.

6.6 Start Procedure: Trucks will be released onto the circuit for the positioning lap. At the completion of the positioning lap trucks may be required to stop at the grid but proceed directly on to the formation lap, forming up behind the Official Safety Truck (or car). Trucks are to maintain a 'grid position' of being alongside the truck on the same row. At the appropriate time the Official Safety Truck will exit the circuit, and the pole position truck shall maintain a constant speed. Once the Clerk of the Course is satisfied, the red lights will extinguish, and race starts.

(1) Starting Positions for **Race One** will be determined by the fastest lap time achieved, from Qualifying, fastest driver to the front.

(2) Starting positions for **Race Two** will be determined by the finishing positions from Race One before any penalties are applied, with the fastest driver to the rear (reverse grid format). There shall be no split in the grid.

(3) Starting positions for **Race Three** will be determined by the finishing positions from Race Two before any penalties are applied, with the fastest driver to the rear (reverse grid format).

The reverse grid format may have up to two(2) splits placed in the field at the appropriate points to provide the slower trucks with an opportunity to contest outright race honours.

The appropriate length of time of these splits at each Round will be determined by the Clerk of the Course in conjunction with the Championship Coordinator. This will promote safe and fair competition for the reverse grid format.

6.6.1 Reverse grids:

- (1) Any competitor who fails to finish the preceding race shall start from the back of the grid. In the case of more than one(1) non-finisher, the non-finishing competitor achieving the furthest distance in the preceding race shall be to the front of this group and so on.
- (2) Any competitor who fails to start the preceding race shall start from the back of the grid **behind** any competitors who are gridded in accordance with Article 6.4.1 (1) above. In the case of more than one(1) non-starter, the non-starting competitor with the fastest qualifying time shall be to the front of this group and so on.
- (3) Any competitor who incurs a penalty of exclusion in the preceding race shall start from the rear of the grid **behind** any competitors who are gridded in accordance with Article 6.4.1 (1) and/or (2) above. In the case of more than one(1) exclusion, the competitor excluded first shall be to the front of this group and so on.

6.7 If there are six(6) or fewer trucks on the starting grid at the commencement of Race 2 and/or Race 3, then the Organiser has the right to reduce the race distance of those races to that of Race 1 as described in Article 6.4.

6.8 At all Rounds the Clerk of the Course, in consultation with the Stewards, reserves the right to shorten and/or cancel races in the case of Force Majeure.

7. MAXIMUM SPEED and SMOKE:

7.1 **Maximum Road Speed:** The maximum permitted road speed is limited to **160 kph**.

7.1.1 **Official measurement of road speed:** The maximum achieved road speeds of all trucks will be monitored / recorded during all Test, Qualifying Sessions and Races by the Series Officials and/or Event Officials utilising the following type of measuring equipment:

- a) GPS based speed sensing equipment will be the primary system used, and
- b) Speed measuring laser equipment may additionally be used.

7.1.2 In accordance with Schedule TR Article 4.1, it is the Competitors' responsibility that the GPS unit is operational at all times.

7.1.3 A technical judge shall be appointed as per NSC Article 86 being the delegated Technical Official to determine facts relative to the road speeds attained by competing race trucks.

7.2 **Smoke:** It is forbidden to produce excessive smoke from the engine. Smoke levels shall be measured to E.E.C. standards or equivalent.

7.2.1 A technical judge shall be appointed as per NSC Article 86 being the delegated Technical Official to determine facts relative to unacceptable levels of smoke emissions from competing race trucks.

7.3 Any breach of the Articles contained within Article 7 (Maximum Speed & Smoke) may be subject to penalties in accordance with Schedule P of the MotorSport NZ Manual.

8. RACE RADIO:

- 8.1** It is mandatory for all Teams to have a radio receiver capable of receiving RACE RADIO. Race Radio will be used for all major announcements, including race penalties and to communicate with Team Managers concerning incidents and racetrack penalties.
- 8.2** The frequency is 455.168750MHz.
- 8.3** Any announcement over Race Radio will be considered as having been heard and understood by teams. These announcements are decisions and are binding and will be additional to flag signals to drivers.

9. PARC FERME:

- 9.1** At the conclusion of the qualifying session or races drivers, upon directive from either the Series Scrutineers or Technical Officers, may be required to drive their competing vehicles directly (without any pit crew intervention) from the track to the Parc Fermé, the location of which will be notified directly to the driver.

Note: *Competitors should ensure that all team personnel are familiar with the Parc Fermé regulations and limitations as detailed in the National Sporting Code Article 60.*

- 9.2** No intervention of any kind is permitted whilst in Parc Fermé unless authorised by the Championship Scrutineer and/or Technical Officers.

10. PENALTIES, PROTESTS and APPEALS:

- 10.1** Penalties shall be applied in accordance with the prescribed articles of NSC Part VIII - Penalties.
- 10.2** Any protest or appeal should be lodged in accordance with the NSC and the Competitor shall (as a matter of courtesy) advise the Series Coordinator and the Competitor Relations Officer.
- 10.3** Competitors/ Entrants have the right to lodge a Protest/s in accordance with NSC Part IX – Protests.
- 10.4** Competitors/ Entrants have the right to lodge an Appeal in accordance with NSC Part XI – Appeals.

	BREACH (OFFENCE)	PENALTY
10.TR1	Breach for any conditions detailed around the use and operation of judicial cameras in Article 13 of these Championship Articles.	1. Time Penalty of up to thirty(30) seconds to the race time and 2. Up to six(6) months endorsement of competition licence.
10.TR2	GPS unit been found to be non-operational or found to have been interfered with	Loss of Championship points to a maximum of sixteen(16) points

11. DRIVER APPAREL:

11.1 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 Schedule A, Part One, Article 4.1 for Championship events.
- (2)** **Protective clothing** shall be worn in compliance with Schedule A, Part One, Article 4.3 (1), Lines A or B.
- (3)** A **Frontal Head Restraint (FHR)** in compliance with Schedule A, Part One, Article 4.2.

12. TELEVISION:

12.1 No entrant, driver or team member is permitted to gain access to qualifying or race footage directly from the broadcaster during an event, without obtaining the expressed permission of the Clerk of the Course and the broadcaster's Executive Producer.

12.2 Television In-Truck Camera: In-truck camera(s) for other than private use are permitted only:

- (a)** With the written permission of the Championship Coordinator; and
- (b)** Where all such installations are approved by the appointed Series Scrutineers / Technical Officers; and
- (c)** Only sponsor logos discussed and cleared by the Championship Coordinator will be permitted within the camera's field of vision.

Notes:

- 1.** *Private use is defined as only for use by the Entrant, Driver(s) or Crew and not available for commercial broadcast.*
- 2.** *Written permission for in-truck camera(s) that are outside the scope of private use will detail those logos approved within the camera(s) field of vision.*

13. IN-TRUCK CAMERA (Judicial Camera):

13.1 It is required that all trucks be fitted with 2-cameras, one must be a forward-facing camera and the other must be a rear-facing camera for the 2022-23 season.

13.2 The forward-facing camera must show both the driver/steering wheel and a forward view of the track. The rear must show the view of the track behind.

13.3 The cameras must use SD cards and the files must be compatible with windows media player ie: .avi/.mpeg.

13.4 The Championship Technical Officer or Championship Coordinator will be the only people able to collect the camera cards and logging data after each session in Parc Fermé. Teams may not view the cards or data downloaded until the Clerk of the Course has completed their investigations, the protest / appeal time has expired, or when the results are deemed final.

13.5 Camera Installation: Fitment of cameras must be approved by the Championship Technical Officer.

- 13.6** All competitors must ensure that all cameras are fully functional and switched on at all times while the truck is on-track, e.g. from leaving the assembly area to entering Parc Fermé. Any problems with the operation of the cameras must be reported to the Clerk of the Course and/or the Championship Scrutineer immediately.
- 13.7 Footage Use:** The Clerk of the Course and the Stewards may make use of any such footage provided by the judicial cameras in reaching their decisions on any judicial matters.
- 13.8** In addition to category judicial cameras, where a competitor has fitted their own in-truck cameras, its location and fitment must be approved by the Championship Technical Officer. All video footage must be made freely available to the category officials if and when requested.

14. POINTS:

14.1 Championship Points: Points will be allocated on each Championship Race at each Round to all eligible drivers based on overall finishing order:

Super Truck Championship Points Allocation					
1 st	16	5 th	9	9 th	5
2 nd	13	6 th	8	10 th	4
3 rd	11	7 th	7	11 th	3
4 th	10	8 th	6	12 th	2
				13 th and lower	1

- 14.1.1 Qualifying Points:** Points shall be awarded for Qualifying, as per the table detailed in Article 14.1.
- 14.2 Class Points:** Separate points will be applied to each Class as per the table detailed in Article 14.1 and will be allocated to competitors based on their Class finishing positions in each Championship Race at each Round.
- 14.2.1 Class Qualifying Points:** Separate points shall be awarded in each Class for Qualifying, as per the table detailed in Article 14.1.
- 14.3 Attendance Points:** For each Round, one(1) additional Championship point shall be awarded to a competitor who has entered and attended that Round of the Championship.
- 14.4** The winners of awards including the overall Champion, as detailed in Article 15 below, will be the competitor accumulating the highest overall points scored.
- 14.5** Those competitors awarded first, second and third overall in the Championship shall become ineligible for Class honours and not feature in Class results. All Class points accrued by those three(3) competitors shall be discounted for the purposes of calculating the Class result.

Note: For clarification; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd overall will only be awarded overall honours and not class honours. Any class points those competitors have been awarded will be ignored for the purposes of class winners and not redistributed to the competitors in that Class.

15. AWARDS:

15.1 At the annual MotorSport New Zealand Awards Dinner the Overall Championship winner as determined by overall Championship points awarded from all Rounds of the Championship will be awarded the MotorSport New Zealand Super Truck Race Champion Cup.

15.2 At the conclusion of the last Round of the Championship the following awards will be presented:

- The Class A Trophy
- The Class B Trophy
- The Class C Trophy

**Appendix 1 – REGISTRATION FORM
2022-23 New Zealand Super Truck Championship**

A: DRIVER DETAILS		
Driver's Name		
Physical Address		
Postal Address		
Telephone – Home:	Telephone – Mobile:	Email address:
Competition Licence No:		Expiry Date / /
Emergency Name:	Relationship:	
Contact:	Contact Telephone Number:	
B: VEHICLE DETAILS		
Make & Model:		
Year:	Colour:	Transponder Number:
Capacity in cc	Log Book No:	Declared Class:
C: GENERAL		
<p>I expect to take part in the following Round(s) of the Championship:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Round 1 – Manfeild</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Round 2 – Levels</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Round 3 – Teretonga</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Round 4 – To be confirmed</p>	<p>Name of Sponsors:</p>	
D: DECLARATIONS BY DRIVER		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I confirm that the vehicle details given above are correct to the best of my knowledge. • I confirm that I have read the Articles and Appendices thereto, in particular Schedule TR being the Technical Regulations, and understand and accept the same and I hereby accept and agree to be bound by the Championship Articles. • I consent to the Super Truck Championship Co-ordinator collecting, retaining, storing, using and disclosing the personal information and details provided on this Registration Form and subsequent Race Entry Forms during the course of the Championship for the purposes of event registration, continuing administration of this Championship and promotion of the Championship. • I further consent to Super Truck Championship Co-ordinator disclosing such personal information and details to MotorSport New Zealand Inc and the Championship sponsors for administrative and promotional purposes relating to the running of the Championship. I acknowledge my right to access the personal information and details held by the Co-ordinator for the purpose of correction. This declaration and consent is given in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993. 		
<p>Signature of Driver: Date:</p>		
<p>Please return the completed form by post</p>		
<p>Karen Paddon PO Box 4008 TIMARU 7942</p>		
<p>Or via email to sccc.secretary@xtra.co.nz</p>		