



2026 SOUTHERN AUTOTEST CHAMPIONSHIP



Motorsport UK Championship Permit No: CH2026/A011

The introduction of a split of events into two lists in 2021, one for all day events and the second list, evening events has been very successful and will be continued for 2026. Both have the same basic classes. However, all events will be scored on the basis of the class entered for the championship for the basic points and then the bonus points will depend on all the competitors in the event class beaten on the day. **For 2026 we have introduced a new award for the top under 17 driver as now drivers are starting competing at a much younger age. Also new for 2026 is an award for the best performance by a disabled driver.**

Please note all dates are currently provisional

All day events

28 th February	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC (Tarmac)
11th April	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC (Tarmac)
7th June	Loughborough CC (Tarmac)
21st June	<i>Southern Car Club</i>
19th July	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC (Slalom)
2nd August	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC (Tarmac)
13th September	Tunbridge Wells MC
19th September	Sevenoaks & District MC
31st October	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC (Tarmac)

Evening events (All Grass)

13th May	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC
19th May	Tunbridge Wells MC
21st May	Sevenoaks & District MC
27th May	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC
3rd June	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC
11th June	Sevenoaks & District MC
16th June	Tunbridge Wells MC
25th June	Sevenoaks & District MC
8th July	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC
14th July	Tunbridge Wells MC
23rd July	Sevenoaks & District MC
5th August	Maidstone & Mid Kent MC
11th August	Tunbridge Wells MC

1 Title & Jurisdiction

The Southern Autotest Championship is organised and administered by the Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs (ACSMC) and the Association of South Eastern Motor Clubs (ASEMC), in accordance with the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), the General Rules of the ACSMC and these championship regulations.

2 Officials

In addition to the Championship Secretary each regional association has a representative to look after their Association's interests. For 2026 these are:

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3 Competitor Eligibility

Any paid-up member of a Member Club of the ACSMC or ASEMC in possession of a valid club membership card may register for this Championship. All competitors must also hold a RS Clubman licence as a minimum, which will be free of charge. The RS Clubman licence can be applied for online and aims to encourage more grass roots participation, as well as ensuring all Motorsport UK event competitors are covered by comprehensive insurance. Additionally, licence holders will have access to Motorsport UK's Member Benefits Programme that includes the new upgraded personal accident cover. The application is very straight forward and only takes a couple of minutes to complete. Follow this link: <https://www.motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/> and apply on line.

4 Registration

Competitors may register for the championship on the appropriate registration form or will be automatically registered at their first championship round.

There is no registration fee.

Sole proof of registration is a Championship Registration Card which organisers are obliged to check at qualifying events.

5 Classes

- A. Front wheel drive Touring Cars up to and including 3.66m (12ft) overall length.
- B. Front wheel drive Touring Cars over 3.66m (12ft) overall length and under 4.1m (13ft 5³/₄in)
- C. Front wheel drive Touring Cars over 4.1m (13ft 5³/₄in) overall length
- D. Rear wheel drive Touring Cars
- E. Sports and Sports Kit Cars (including cabriolets running with the hood down).
- F. Specials (Two wheel drive only).

All lengths refer to the overall length which will be determined by reference to www.parker.co.uk or the Parkers Guide for the year concerned or, if not quoted, by the manufacturer's specification.

There will be an award for Road going cars in Classes A to E which must be taxed and must have a valid MOT, if required. The classification is intended for cars normally used on the road and is not for full lightweight autotest cars. The championship retains the right not to accept vehicles in this class.

6 Points

Points will be awarded in 2 parts.

- a. Based on the performance of championship eligible contenders only in the championship classes. Points for all events will be awarded as follows:

1 st	- 10 points	2 nd	- 8 points
3 rd	- 7 points	4 th	- 6 points
5 th	- 5 points	6 th	- 4 points
7 th	- 3 points	8 th	- 2 points
9 th onwards-	1 point		

All starters will score 1 point.

In addition, all competitors will receive

- a) 1 point for finishing and
- b) 0.2 points per competitor beaten in the class as used by organisers for the event up to a maximum of 2.0.

A championship entrant entering more than one car per event may only qualify for points with one car which must be nominated to the championship secretary prior to the event.

As a substitute for one event score any Championship contender who, during the season, acts as an official (including marshalling) on any of the Autotest championships qualifying rounds, may claim 10 points. Registered contenders will receive a form to be used to claim these points which must be signed by a senior named official of the event and returned to the Championship Secretary within 14 days of the event.

The Championship will consist of no more than 25 events, of which a contender's best 7 scores will count. If there are only 8 or 9 rounds run the number of events to count will be 5. If there are 6 or 7 rounds the number of events to count will be 4. If there are 5 or less rounds the number of events to count will be 1 less than the total. Events may be on metalled or grass surfaces.

Ties will be resolved in the following manner:

1. Most championship events contested
2. Most championship class wins
3. Most points scored in all events in the championship

If these fail to resolve the tie, the Championship shall be shared.

7 Awards

The overall champion is the contender who has gained the most points from the number of qualifying events in any one of the championship classes. Awards will be presented as follows:

1 st overall	Doug Worgan Trophy & a Perpetual award
2 nd overall	South Bucks MC trophy & a Perpetual award
Next highest placed competitor with an address North of the Thames	Harrow CC Challenge Shield & a Perpetual award
Next highest placed competitor with an address South of the Thames	Steve Redsell Shield & a Perpetual award
Best road going saloon/sports car in classes A to E	Steve Redsell Cup & a Perpetual award
1 st Class (subject to 3 registrations)	A trophy
1 st Under 25 as on 1 st January 2026 (subject to 3 registrations)	A trophy
1 st Under 17 as on 1 st January 2026 (subject to 3 registrations)	A trophy
1 st Novice (subject to 3 registrations)	A trophy
Best performance by a disabled driver	A trophy
Best performance in Evening Grass events	
1 st overall	ASEMC trophy & a Perpetual award
2 nd overall	Quaife Trophy & a Perpetual award

To win any of the first 5 named trophies the championship entrant must have competed on at least 1 full day event.

A Novice is defined as a person not having been 1st in class or better on more than 2 occasions on a Clubman event or higher where the entry in the class was more than 2.

Additional awards may be announced during the season.

No person may win more than one award in the overall championship other than the U17, U25 or Novice award.

To win an award a competitor must score on at least 4 rounds in the championship. To win a class award a competitor must score on at least 3 rounds in the championship in the same championship class.

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