

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

Begin your racing journey in 5 easy steps.

STEP 1

Become a Racing Member of the Scottish Motor Racing Club at smrc.co.uk/ membership

STEP 2

Pass your ARDS
test & get your
competition licence.
Order your starter
pack from Knockhill
at knockhill.com/
experiences/
competition-licence

STEP 3

Build / Purchase / Hire your car. Speak with our championship representative to decide which option is best suited to you.

STEP 4

Purchase your race wear

STEP 5

Go Racing!

COACHING

As in all sports, coaching is extremely important to support driver's development and enjoyment of their motor racing activities whether you're a seasoned campaigner or a complete beginner.

As a club we offer a coaching service for newcomers and experienced drivers alike. Contact our head coach, Malcolm McNab, for more details: malcolm.mcnab@smrc.co.uk

WWW.SMRC.CO.UK

CONTACTS

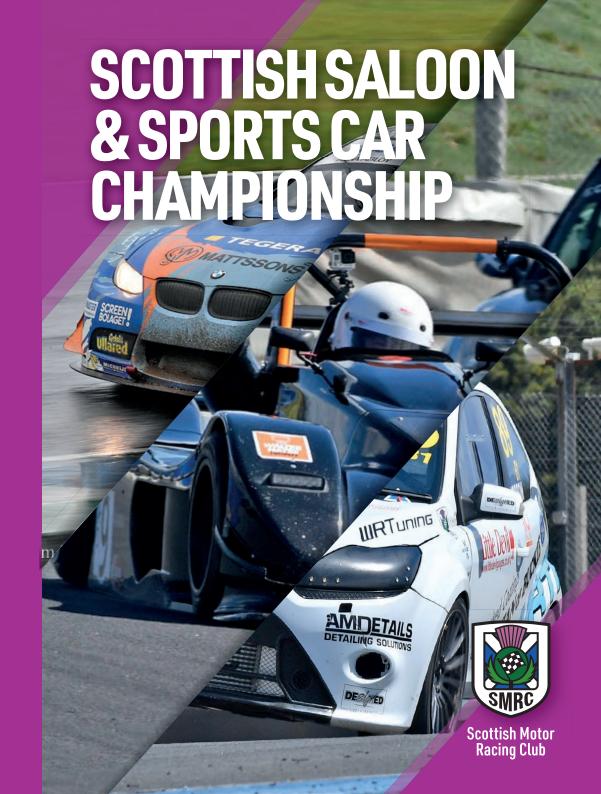
Check out the Saloon & Sports Car section of our website to find the championship regulations and further information.

Email sports.saloons@smrc.co.uk

(Championship Representative) for specific Saloon & Sport Car information, or call 07802 821 239

Or email admin@smrc.co.uk for broader club enquiries

Alternatively, you can contact Steve Burns, SMRC Competitions Director on 07907 293 098



The Scottish Saloon and Sports Car Championship is home for some of the most power-ful and exciting racing cars on a Scottish Championship weekend.

The championship allows almost any car to participate; it is split into 6 different classes (outlined adjacent) to allow drivers to compete against other cars that are of similar performance. The regulations allow a huge amount of freedom, meaning this the ultimate challenge for engineering gurus!

A huge variety of cars have taken part in this championship over the years from 800bhp Ford Focus's to Touring Cars and Mitsubishi Evo's.

CLASSES:

Class A1 - Saloon & Sports Cars (using racing tyres) with four wheel drive and normally aspirated or turbo/ super-charged engines.

Class A2 – Saloon & Sports Cars (using racing tyres) with two wheel drive and normally aspirated or turbo/ super charged engines. Cars in former or existing one make series such as TVR Tuscan and Ginetta are eligible.

Class A3 – Sports Racing Cars, Caterhams, Kit cars and motorcycle engined kit cars (using racing tyres) plus any other car not complying with Classes A1, A2, B1, B2 or B3. Caterhams of any engine capacity, Kit cars up to 3500cc. Class B1 – Saloon & Sports Cars (using treaded road based tyres) including all engine types over 2001cc, and all forced induction engines, and all 4wd cars.

Class B2 – Caterhams and Kit cars over 1401cc and motorcycle engined kit cars and Caterhams of any engine capacity (using treaded tyres).

Class B3 - Saloon & Sports Cars (using treaded road based tyres) including all engine types under 2000cc, no forced induction engines, no 4wd cars.

If you have a track day car or a sprint car sitting in your garage, then this championship represents an ideal opportunity for you to venture into circuit racing.

The Saloon and Sports Car Championship enjoys a qualifying session and two races at each race meeting. Due to the wide variety of cars that are eligible for this championship, it is difficult to provide a meaningful projection on costs for a season. However, as a guide, we have outlined a basic costing for purchasing and running a BMW 3 series 1.8 which is eligible for class B3.

If you are interested in taking part in this championship, we would recommend you speak with our championship representative for guidance and information (sports.saloons@smrc.co.uk)

The costing below, is based on purchasing a car and running it yourself. However, if you don't want to commit to investing in and/or running your own car there are teams who offer **arrive and drive options**. This allows you to hire a car and leave the prepping, cleaning and technical stuff to someone else!

You can either purchase an existing race car or build one yourself. If you're looking to buy a ready-made car, it's worth keeping an eye on the classified section of the SMRC website and the **racecardirect.com** website.

1. ARDS / RACE LICENCE / MEDICAL

In order to get out racing on track, you need to obtain a National B Race Licence from the governing body for motorsport in the UK; Motorsport UK. To gain a race licence you are required to pass an ARDS (Association of Racing Drivers School) test, to help prepare you for your motor racing adventures. Knockhill is Scotland's only ARDS School and tests can be booked through them; the test, starter pack and licence costs £325. Your medical (details of which will be in your licence application pack) should be obtained from your Doctor.

FROM £375 (dependant on medical costs)

2. RACE WEAR

To help keep you safe and comfortable on track, the following approved race wear and equipment is required: Helmet with HANS posts, HANS Device, Racing Suit, boots and gloves. We have negotiated a special discounted entry level package through our partners at Turner Autosport **turnerautosport.com**. Contact them and guote 'SMRC Entry Pack' to select your race kit package.

FROM £799

3. BECOME AN SMRC RACING MEMBER & ENTER RACES

An SMRC racing membership (£50) will enable you to enter the race meetings and will also provide you with exclusive membership benefits as well as an invitation to the end of year awards dinner. You will also want to register for the championship (£100). Entry fees for our race meetings are £275. To offer competitors some variety, we aim to include an away round in the calendar. This is typically to circuits such as Anglesey, Croft or Kirkistown. Any away rounds will have an additional cost which will be specified at the start of the season

£1800 (based on 6 Knockhill race meetings)

4. RUNNING COSTS

Running costs will vary but as a guide you will need 4 tyres (£500), 1 sets of brake pads (£140), 270 litres of fuel (circa £324) and allow £200 for sundries (oils. brake fluid etc).

APPROX. £1200

The total cost for one season of adrenaline filled racing - including buying a car - is estimated to be **no more than £8500** to run in the B3 class (other classes will be more expensive).

