

TRIUMPH SPORTS OWNERS ASSOCIATION (VICTORIA) INCORPORATED

BY-LAWS

These By-Laws are laid down by the Committee of Management of the Triumph Sports Owners Association (Victoria) Incorporated by the authority vested in them under sub-clause 20.2 of the constitution, and are subject to change at the discretion of the Committee as future circumstances may require.

1.0 SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 1.1 Annual subscriptions and charges necessary for the financial well being of the Association will be raised, charged and amended as deemed responsibly necessary by the Committee.
- 1.2 The fees for the 2007 calendar year are as follows:
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| Joining Fee: | \$25 | Payable by Full, Associate, Social and Junior Members. |
| Full Member: | \$70 | Partner of Full Member: \$23 (no joining fee) |
| Associate Member: | \$70 | Partner of Associate Member: \$23 (no joining fee) |
| Social Member: | \$70 | Partner of Social Member: \$23 (no joining fee) |
| Hon. Life Member: | \$0 | Partner of Hon. Life Member: \$23 (no joining fee) |
| Junior Member: | \$10 | |
- 1.3 New members joining the Association between October 1st. and December 31st., inclusive, will be required to pay the full joining fee and annual subscription which will provide membership to the Association to the end of the following year.
- 1.4 New members joining the Association between July 1st. and September 30th., inclusive, will be required to pay the full joining fee and 50% of the annual subscription which will provide membership to the Association to the end of the current year.
- 1.5 Members who resign from the Association, as provided in Clause 7 of the Constitution, and re-join within the same calendar year, will not be required to pay a joining fee. However, membership continuity is lost, a new membership number is issued and a membership badge is not re-issued

2.0 MEETINGS

- 2.1 Special General Meetings: the Association shall meet on the second Thursday of each Month at the rooms at 8.00pm, as notified, except in the following cases:
- In January no meeting shall be held.
 - In such other circumstances as the Executive Committee may direct.

3.0 AUDITORS

- 3.1 An auditor or auditors shall be nominated by the Treasurer and approved by the Committee, provided said auditor(s) is not a member of the Association.

4.0 COMPETITION FEES

- 4.1 Fees for Trials, Rallies, Sprints, Concours and other events will be subject to the supplementary regulations for the event and/or a decision by the Executive Committee.

5.0 COMPETITIVE EVENTS

- 5.1 Holding of events. The Association may conduct Motorkhanas, Autokhanas, Trials, Sprints and Economy Runs, or any other events as the Committee deems fit.
- 5.2 Conduct of events. In all competitive events, the following rules shall be observed:
- Competition rules will be structured under the guidelines of the Club's Mission Statement:

“To encourage competition in and preservation, ownership and operation of Triumph Sports Cars”

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- b) Clerk of Course: The Clerk of Course shall be responsible to the Executive Committee for the organisation and proper conduct of all competition events. He shall be the judge of fact and have the right to modify or cancel any event subject to prevailing conditions.
- c) Alcohol: The consumption of alcohol by competitors immediately prior to or during the running of an event is forbidden. Failure to abide by this rule will result in exclusion from the event.
- d) A competitor may score Class and Driver's Championship points in only one nominated car per meeting. Any competitor shall participate in the same car throughout the year. Should that car become unusable, the Competition Secretary may approve use of another vehicle.
- e) Championship points can be scored by no more than two prior nominated drivers per car per event, except at the discretion of the Competition Secretary, e.g. a family car.
- f) Members are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the relevant regulations in the current CAMS Manual of Motor Sport as these are to be applied in conjunction with the following T.S.O.A. specific regulations.
- g) Each vehicle must be classified by the Competition Secretary (or representative) plus 2 others to establish the appropriate Competition Class before Competition points can be allocated to the driver.

5.3 Competition Class Structure

- a) "Triumph Sportscar" means TR2, TR3, TR3A, TR3B, TR4, TR4A, TR5, TR250, TR6, TR7, TR8, GT6, GT6+,GT6Mk2, GT6Mk3, Spitfire4, Spitfire 4 Mk2, Spitfire Mk3, Spitfire Mk4, Spitfire 1500 and Stag.
- b) "Individual Vehicle Specifications" means the complete set of dimensions, tolerances and mutual positions of components of the model of Triumph Sportscar to which the particular vehicle in question belonged on the day of its first purchase by a member of the public from a Triumph Sales organisation.
- c) Class designations are to be as follows:
 - i) CLASS A: Unmodified 4 cylinder Triumph Sportscar under 1500cc, Spitfire 4, Mk 2, Mk 3, Mk 4 and 1500
 - ii) CLASS A1: Modified cars from the above group.
 - iii) CLASS B: Unmodified 4 cylinder Triumph Sportscar over 1500cc, manufactured before 1975. TR2, TR3, TR3A, TR3B, TR4, and TR4A
 - iv) CLASS B1: Modified cars from the above group.
 - v) CLASS C: All other unmodified Triumph Sportscars. TR5, TR250, TR6, TR7, GT6+, GT6Mk2, GT6Mk3 and Stag
 - vi) CLASS C1: Modified cars from the above group.
 - vii) CLASS D: 8 cylinder Triumph TR7 & TR8 meeting the requirements of 5.4 Unmodified Class or 5.5 Modified Class – modification limits.
 - viii) RACE CLASS: Triumph Sportscars conforming to Race Specifications
 - ix) ASSOCIATE CLASS: All other cars, including Triumph cars exceeding specifications of unmodified, modified and race classes.

5.4 Unmodified Class – Modification Limits:

A Triumph Sportscar shall be deemed "unmodified" if it is within the following limits:

- (a) Cylinder Head and Engine Block: Must be of original type and configuration for individual vehicle. Specifically, each vehicle designated below must carry a Triumph-built engine unit from the list given for it.
 - Spitfire (all models) – any 4 cylinder, 8 valve pushrod Spitfire or Herald engine.
 - GT6 (all models) – a 6 cylinder, 12 valve pushrod GT6 or Triumph sedan engine, excluding any utilising the 2500 crankshaft (e.g. TR5, TR250, TR6 or 2500 sedans).

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TR2, TR3, TR3A, TR3B, TR4, TR4A – a 4 cylinder, 8 valve pushrod TR engine originally from this TR series.

TR5, TR250, TR6 – a 6 cylinder, 12 valve pushrod TR or Triumph sedan engine.

TR7 – a 4 cylinder, 8 valve, single overhead camshaft Triumph engine.

Stag – an 8 cylinder, 16 valve, single overhead camshaft per bank Triumph engine.

Capacity MUST NOT exceed 5% more than factory specifications. Compression ratio, cylinder head gasflow, valve gear manufacture and flywheel are unrestricted. The engine unit must be mounted in the original position, with respect to the chassis or front sub-frame, as per the Triumph factory specifications for the individual vehicle. While it is not the intention to overcomplicate regulations, the spirit of the unmodified class is to encourage competition between cars that are standard or mildly modified and suitable for regular road use. Cars which are believed to contravene the spirit of these rules will be invited to transfer to the modified class.

- (b) Induction system: Must be of original configuration, size and type of carburettors/injectors for individual vehicles, with original specification induction manifolds fitted as required by the cylinder head configuration used. Replacement of jets, needles, choke tubes, etc. is permissible as per stock available from manufacturer at time of manufacture.
- (c) Exhaust system: Exhaust system is not restricted, but must exit rear of vehicle without structural alterations and must comply with 75 dba noise level restrictions.
- (d) Transmission: Gearbox and diff are to be as per original standard specifications.
- (e) Suspension and Braking systems: Must retain original attachment points and geometries. Original ride height can be varied by no more than 25mm. Original suspension spring layouts (i.e. coil and/or leaf springs) of individual vehicle must be preserved. Suspension connecting linkages and joints must be of original component type for individual vehicle. Sway bar modifications and camber compensating devices are permitted. Shock absorbers may be of any manufacture or type. Suspension bushings are unrestricted. Brakes must be of original diameter and configuration, i.e. drum/drum or disc/drum.
- (f) Road Wheels and Tyres: Wheel rims must be of original diameter but may exceed original width specifications for individual vehicle by no more than 1.5 inches (38mm.). Tyres must be road tyres of not less than 60% aspect ratio and must have a wear rating of not less than 160. The use of tyres without a visible wear rating number will be at the discretion of the Competition Secretary (or representative) plus two others. For current users of tyres outside the stated requirements, a period of grace is granted. All competitors must comply with the new regulations for the 2001/2002 competition year.
- (g) Chassis and Body: Chassis must not be modified in any way from original specifications for individual vehicle. General body profile and full body and interior trim, excepting seats, must be maintained as for individual vehicle in original specifications. Passenger seating may be removed in competition events when passengers are not being carried. Roll bars/roll cages are permitted and recommended. Windscreens must not be removed except for TR2, TR3, TR3A & TR3B models where the vehicle has a removable windscreen as an original Triumph factory fitment.

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- (h) General: Triumph Sportscars presented for competition which otherwise conform with these rules should also be essentially roadworthy and registrable with operating brake lights, indicators, seat belts of approved design and uncranked window glass. General and supplementary regulations of each separate competition event will also be observed.

5.5 Modified Class - Modification Limits

A Triumph Sportscar that exceeds the specifications under Section 5.4 above will be accepted in the Modified Class if it does not exceed any of the specifications given in this section.

- (a) Engine and Cylinder Head: Any engine designs for each model's particular stock block configuration actually used by Triumph in any production Triumph sportscars in accordance with 5.4(a) are permissible. Any modifications to these engine designs are likewise permissible. "Engine Designs" includes only contemporary engines manufactured by Triumph, Saab, British Leyland, Rover or Buick which are directly related by design history and/or common castings to engines used by Triumph in production Triumph Sportscars. Engine mounting position is unrestricted.
- (b) Intake and Exhaust systems: Unrestricted.
- (c) Suspension and Braking systems: Chassis attachment points must match original specifications for individual vehicle. Suspension connecting linkages and joints must be of original component type for individual vehicle. Braking systems, bushings, sway bars and shock absorbers are unrestricted.
- (d) Road Wheels and Tyres: Wheel rims may exceed original width specifications for individual vehicle by no more than 1.5 inches (38mm.). Diameter specifications are unrestricted. Tyres must be road tyres of not less than 60% aspect ratio and must not be racing tyres of any description.
- (e) Chassis and Body: Must originate from a Triumph Sportscar in accordance with 5.3 above and must retain its general body profile. Bolt-on windscreen frames and front and rear bumpers may be removed. Front exterior panels (and their supporting panels as required) may be replaced with fibreglass or aluminium substitutes of similar external shape. Roll cages are permitted. Brake lights, indicators, seat belts of approved design and uncranked window glass are required.
- (f) Transmission: Gearbox must be of Triumph origin. Differential is unrestricted.
- (g) General: General and supplementary regulations of each separate competition event will also be observed.

5.6 Race Class - Modification Limits:

Triumph Sportscars complying with the specifications of the Modified Class as detailed in 5.5 except for the following:

- (a) Suspension: Replacement systems such as Rose-jointed race suspensions are acceptable. Modifications in geometry and chassis attachment points are acceptable.
- (b) Road Wheels and Tyres: Wheel rim width: (i) Up to 2 litres – Maximum width is 8.5 inches. (ii) Over 2 litres – maximum width is 10 inches. Race tyres are permitted.
- (c) Chassis and Body: Must originate from a Triumph Sportscar. Windscreens may be removed. Exterior panels (and their supporting panels as required) may be replaced with fibreglass or aluminium substitutes of similar external shape. Must be fitted with a roll bar/roll cage and approved harness when running slicks. Brake lights are required.

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(d) General: General and supplementary regulations of each separate competition event will also be observed. Members are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the relevant regulations in the current CAMS Manual of Motor Sport.

5.7 Associate Class:

AC1 Any Triumph Sportscar exceeding the specifications of the Unmodified, Modified and Race Classes will be acceptable in Associate Class, as will any non-Triumph vehicle in which club members wish to compete. General and supplementary regulations of each separate competition event must be observed.

AC2 Any Triumph sedan complying with the modification limits as set out in Clause 5.5 Modified Class – modification limits. Triumph sedans exceeding Clause 5.5 specification shall default to AC1 and be treated as non Triumphs.

5.8 Ladies Class:

In addition to their eligibility to compete in the classes defined above, women will also be eligible for an annual Ladies Class trophy based on a cumulative points score as per the other classes.

6.0 TROPHIES AND CLASSES

6.1 A trophy shall be awarded at the next Special General Meeting following a competition event, or at the Annual Presentation Night, to the fastest overall T.S.O.A. Triumph driver on the day.

6.2 At the Annual Presentation Night, an outright winners trophy (Eddie Duckett Memorial Trophy) and an outright runner-up trophy shall be awarded annually as well as annual trophies in each of the classes as provided in clause 5.3 C (i) to (viii).

6.3 Trophies for any other event shall be subject to the supplementary regulations for the event and/or to the approval of the Committee and shall be presented at the next Special General Meeting or at the Annual Presentation Night.

7.0 LICENCES

7.1 Association Membership is required for each competitor at Association events and must be produced on demand.

7.2 C.A.M.S. Basic Licences: are required for all events run under C.A.M.S. permit.

7.3 C.A.M.S. Licences: Members wishing to obtain T.S.O.A. approval for C.A.M.S. licences must place their application before the Membership Secretary.

8.0 CHAMPIONSHIP POINT SYSTEM

8.1 Each calendar year a Championship shall be contested in the following categories:

"Triumph Sports Driver": Outright, Class A, Class A1, Class B, Class B1, Class C, Class C1 & Race Class.

"Associate Driver".

"Lady Driver".

"Champion Clubman".

These Championships will be decided on a points basis awarded at events as below.

If no one driver has competed in a minimum of twenty five percent of the Class Championship events for the year, then the championship shall not be awarded for that Class in that year.

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8.2 Drivers Championship

Points will be awarded within each class from ten points for the fastest down to one point. Irrespective of the number of entries in each class, the minimum number of points that can be awarded to a competitor is one point. Associate Class drivers are not eligible to receive outright Drivers Championship points.

8.3 Ladies Championship

- a) In addition to their eligibility to compete in the classes defined above and the Open Drivers Championship, ladies will compete for the Coral Coleman Memorial Open Ladies Championship Trophy. Associate Class vehicles may not be driven to score points for this trophy.
- b) Points will be awarded within this class from ten points for the fastest down to one point. Irrespective of the number of entries, the minimum number of points that can be awarded to a competitor is one point.

8.4 Clubman's Championship

Criteria for the allocation of clubman's points.

The Clubman's Championship is an annual T.S.O.A. award of the highest significance as it recognises a sustained individual effort in club service and involvement. Clubman's Championship points are allocated in a period between successive Annual General Meetings ie. September to September. T.S.O.A. events for which points are to be awarded are denoted by "C" in the T.S.O.A. calendar published in TRaction.

It is important that relatively simple criteria be established for points allocation. This will ensure that it is easily understood by the membership and that accurate points tallies are able to be allocated and recorded.

An important role of the Membership Secretary is to accurately assign Clubman's Championship points to all participating members at all T.S.O.A. events and to maintain an up to date record of Clubman's Championship points at all times. On occasions when the Membership Secretary is unable to attend a function for which points are to be allocated, the Membership Secretary must delegate the task of recording attendance and involvement of members to a responsible T.S.O.A. member. The written record of attendance and involvement is passed to the Membership Secretary as soon as possible after the event so that the allocation of points is made and the permanent record kept.

Clubman's Championship points are to be allocated as per appendix 15.

It is the responsibility of every member who attends an event or performs a service for T.S.O.A., to ensure that the Membership Secretary is informed of the attendance or service performed so that points are allocated as appropriate.

Points are not awarded in the following cases:

- a) Introduction of new members by members of the committee.
- b) Introduction of a Social or Junior Member.
- c) Introduction of a wife / partner member.
- d) Articles submitted by a committee or sub-committee member in his official capacity.
- e) Committee or sub-committee members attending a committee or sub-committee meeting.

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