



2009 LBVCR Entry Regulations

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

- 1.1. **The Royal Automobile Club** will promote the **2009 London to Brighton Veteran Car Run (LBVCR)** which will take place on Sunday 1 November. This annual commemoration of the Emancipation Run of 1896 is a demonstration of reliability and endurance, not of speed.
- 1.2. The length of the Run is approximately 60 miles (96km) and will start from Hyde Park in central London and finish at Preston Park, Brighton (Formal Finish) and Madeira Drive, Brighton (Ceremonial Finish).
- 1.3. The event is organised and promoted by **Motion Works (LBVCR) Limited** on behalf of **The Royal Automobile Club** under a Certificate of Exemption and authorisation issued by The Motor Sports Association No: (TBA) and held under the General Regulations of The Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Supplementary Regulations.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. The event is open to:
 - 2.1.1. Four-wheeled cars, tricars and motor tricycles manufactured up to 31 December 1904 and holding a current Certificate of Date or Certificate of Eligibility issued by The Veteran Car Club of Great Britain (VCC) and Veteran Car Services Limited Dating Panel (VCS).
 - 2.1.2. Vehicles that were accepted by the organisers for the 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 or 2008 LBVCR. (Subject to any recent re-dated vehicles by the VCS)
- 2.2. Exceptionally, the following may also participate;
 - 2.2.1. Vehicles which have, in the past, been issued with a Certificate of Date or a Certificate of Eligibility by the VCC or VCS showing the date of the car as 1904 or earlier and have participated on a previous run.
 - 2.2.2. Vehicles out of period as invited by the LBVCR Steering Group.
- 2.3. Any person holding a driving licence valid for use in the UK. That person will be the driver of the car and the nominated entrant. Any entry proposed by a legal entity will be deemed to be represented by the nominated driver in all matters.
- 2.4. Eligibility of vehicles entered other than those accepted for the 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 or 2008 LBVCR and those holding a current VCC/VCS dating certificate will be subject to any necessary dating clarification.
- 2.5. Entrants of vehicles (other than those accepted for the LBVCR in 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 or holding current VCC/VCS dating certificate) must submit documentary evidence of the date of manufacture including **two different and current photos** of the complete vehicle and photographs of the engine and chassis numbers. These photographs may be retained by the organisers.
- 2.6. Acceptance of a vehicle in this or a previous LBVCR is not necessarily considered as proof of its age or eligibility.
- 2.7. It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure that the vehicle is in a road worthy condition. All cars must meet the legal requirements to run on public roads in the UK. **Trade Plates are not permitted.**
- 2.8. All participating cars must have front (white) and rear (red) lighting either fitted to the car or temporary lights that can be attached in poor light conditions. **Temporary lighting can be of modern manufacture.**
- 2.9. Commercial vehicles (Vans, Lorries, Buses) and Motorcycles (with or without sidecar) are not eligible to participate.

3. PROGRAMME

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| Monday 2 March | - Entries Open |
| Thursday 30 April* | - First Close of Entries |
| Monday 1 June* | - Second Close of Entries |
| Wednesday 9 September | - Publication of list of Entrants |
| Wednesday 30 September* | - Last Close of Entries |

Sunday 1 November

- 06:00hrs - Paddock Opens, Hyde Park
- **06:54hrs - First Cars Start, Hyde Park (Official Sunrise Time)**
- 08:45hrs - Start Closes, Hyde Park
- 09:54hrs - Preston Park Check Point opens
- 10:00hrs - Madeira Drive Opens, Brighton
- 16:15hrs - Preston Park Check Point closes
- 16:30hrs - Madeira Drive Closes, Brighton

* Note - penalties apply for late entries after 30 April (See Section 5)

4. FORMAT

4.1. Assembly & Start:

- 4.1.1. Vehicles will assemble and start in Serpentine Road, Hyde Park, London. A Souvenir Plaque will be awarded to the first driver of each car starting.
- 4.1.2. The starting order will be determined by a combination of horsepower and the age of vehicles entered. The earliest vehicles will start first. The published starting order is definitive.
- 4.1.3. The first cars will start at Official Sunrise Time (**06:54hrs**) with cars departing in batches at intervals of no more than two minutes. Participants start times will be published in the Souvenir Programme and on the Official Website (www.LBVCR.com).
- 4.1.4. All cars must be in their allocated assembly area parking space 30 minutes before their starting time.
- 4.1.5. Cars, trailers & commercial vehicles are not permitted inside the boundary of Hyde Park.
- 4.1.6. Exceptionally the unloading of trailers is permitted on North Carriage Drive between 06:00hrs and 08:30hrs on Sunday 1 November. Parking is not permitted except in authorised areas; any unattended vehicles could be clamped or towed away by the authorities.
- 4.1.7. Any vehicle that differs from the information given on the entry form may not be permitted to start the Run.
- 4.1.8. Children participating as passengers on the Run must remain with their guardian and Veteran car at all times whilst inside the Hyde Park, Crawley and Brighton paddocks.**

4.2. The Route:

- 4.2.1. The length of the Run is approximately 60 miles (96 km) and will be sign-posted with blue RAC signs from the Start at Hyde Park to the Finish at Madeira Drive. Participants will receive full details of the route which passes through Croydon and Crawley town centres with official coffee stop and check point at The George Hotel in Crawley High Street.
- 4.2.2. The maximum average speed permitted is 20 mph. This will be determined from the participant's start time to their arrival at Preston Park, Brighton. Arriving before their allowed time has elapsed will result in the entrant's exclusion.
- 4.2.3. All drivers are required to obey the Highway Code & all instructions of Police Officers & Officials of the event.**
- 4.2.4. Driving Standards Observers appointed by the organisers will monitor the progress of the entrants along the route. Their reports may result in penalties (see item 13. Penalties) being applied by the Clerk of the Course in cases where driving is considered to be in a manner likely to bring the event into disrepute.**

4.3. The Finish:

- 4.3.1. The Official Finish of the event will be at the Preston Park, Brighton check point. The ceremonial finish will be at Madeira Drive, Brighton. The first driver of each car finishing before the official closing time at Preston Park will be awarded a commemorative medallion and individual certificate. Where possible, a professional colour photograph of their car arriving at Brighton will be supplied.

4.4. Results:

- 4.4.1. A list of entrants that completed the Run having visited the checkpoints and arrived at Brighton before the control closed will be displayed at the Event Office at Brighton. This list will also be available on the official website (www.LBVCR.com) after the event.

5. ENTRIES

- 5.1. Entries may be made by completion of the enclosed official entry form. The declaration must be signed and posted, faxed or e-mailed to the organisers by 30 April (first closing date) to confirm the entry.
- 5.2. The organisers will accept the first 375 entries as they are received subject to the vehicles being eligible. The remainder of entries will be accepted and confirmed at the second closing date (1 June). The Organisers are hoping to be able to accept all valid entries, but reserve the right to limit the number of starters in the interest of safety. The maximum entry to be accepted is 550.

- 5.3. Second close of entries is on Monday 1 June which must include the appropriate (post 30 April) Late Entry Administration Fee. Any entry made after this time (up to 30 September latest) must include the maximum Late Entry Administration Fee. Entry at this time will only be accepted after the consultation by the Organisers with The Royal Automobile Club and may not be listed in the Souvenir Programme and will start at a time designated by the Organisers.
- 5.4. Please note that the Fast Track Entry Form does not equate to automatic eligibility and entry.
- 5.5. **Other than entries of the 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 events the organisers request each new entry to be accompanied by two different (approx 15cm x 10cm) photograph prints of their vehicle. This is for the purposes of publicity as each car entered, by the closing date, will feature in the Official Programme and Website. The organisers will retain these photographs, one of which must be a 3/4 front picture and both must be copyright free. Photographs of any major changes to vehicles are also requested.**
6. **ENTRY FEES**
- 6.1. **Entry Fee (per car)**
- 6.1.1. All cars entered from the UK and Europe = £150
- 6.1.2. All cars entered and shipped from outside Europe specifically for the event = £35
- Plus – Late Entry Admin Fee to be added to above Entry Fee**
- Entries received after 30 April but by 1 June = £75
 - Entries received after 1 June but by 30 September = £275
- Plus – £20 administration fee for new entries that do not hold a valid VCC/VCS Dating Certificate.**
- Notes:**
- All entries require entry fee & late entry admin fee if applicable.
 - All entries require payment in UK Sterling ONLY.
- 6.2. Each entrant will receive 4 personnel passes, 2 participant vehicle numbered plates, 1 route information card and 1 Official programme. Additional personnel passes (limited to a maximum of 2 per car entered) may be purchased at £10 per pass.
- 6.3. The Entry Fee will be refunded in full, in the case of the event not taking place, or in the case of an entry not being accepted (less an Administration Fee of £35 plus any applicable dating/eligibility fee).
- 6.4. In the case of an entry being withdrawn before close of entries (30 April), a full refund less an Administration Fee of £35 plus any applicable dating/eligibility fee will be made. After this date, no refund will be made.
- 6.5. It is the responsibility of the entrant to contact the Entries Secretary if formal acknowledgement of any entry form is not received within 21 days of posting.
- 6.6. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse the entry of an entrant or driver, without giving reasons for refusal.
- 6.7. Any changes of vehicle must be notified to the Organisers in writing. No change of vehicle can be made after 17:00hrs on Monday 31 August.
7. **IDENTIFICATION**
- 7.1. Participants will be provided with two vehicle numbered plates (approx 7.5" x 5.8" / 19cm x 15cm), which must be clearly displayed in forward and reverse facing positions on the vehicle for the duration of the Run. Provision of a suitable mounting is recommended.
- 7.2. Tender vehicles must display the official vehicle pass clearly in the windscreen when arriving at the tender vehicle parks.
- 7.3. Participants and Tender Vehicle crews will be provided with identity passes to enable them to gain access to areas of the event where a pass is required. These should be worn at all times as admission will not be granted without one.
- 7.4. No advertising, trade sign or promotional display may be carried on the participating vehicles, other than that on the official numbers supplied by the organisers.
8. **EXITING MADEIRA DRIVE, BRIGHTON AFTER THE EVENT**
- 8.1. From 16:00hrs to 17:00hrs only, participants in their Veteran cars will be formally permitted to exit Madeira Drive under the FINISH arch in the direction towards the entry roundabout. **At any other time exit from Madeira Drive is via Dukes Mound only.**
9. **OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE (TENDER VEHICLES)**
- 9.1. **Tender vehicles (vehicles with trailers and commercial vehicle transporters) are not permitted on the official Veteran car route of the event. The presence of these vehicles following the route is a major cause of delay to participants.**
- 9.2. **For tender vehicle parking on Madeira Drive, Brighton, on the Friday, Saturday or Sunday a tender vehicle pack must be purchased. This requirement will be strictly enforced.**
- 9.3. Tender vehicles supporting entrants and having registered with the Organisers will be issued with identification that will admit them to pre-arranged vehicle parking areas on the route and at Brighton. Participating cars are permitted only one tender vehicle. They will also receive details of the official tender vehicle route. This route has access points to the official route of the Run at Croydon, Crawley and other locations, where passenger changes and emergency maintenance can take place. Locations have event officials on duty.
- 9.4. Driving Standards Observers on the route will report tender vehicles causing unnecessary obstructions to the Clerk of the Course. Infringement of this regulation could result in the entrant and/or driver concerned being excluded from the results and forfeit of the finisher's awards for this year's event.
- 9.5. Official event recovery vehicles, in cases of temporary breakdown or steep inclines, may tow the Veteran cars on the Run, no penalty applies.
- 9.6. The entrant/first driver is deemed responsible for the conduct of their tender vehicle.
10. **TENDER VEHICLE PACKAGES:** (See options list on Entry Form)
- 10.1. **PACK 1** – Single towing vehicle with or without vehicle trailer. Parking will be as usual at the end of Madeira Drive. Pack includes "Vehicle" access pass sticker, route details, one Official programme & official identification for two people. One pack per entrant at £35
- 10.2. **PACK 2** – For a towing vehicle and trailer (or Commercial vehicle) with capacity for more than one vehicle. Pack includes "Vehicle" access pass sticker, route details, two Official programmes and official identification for four people. One pack per entrant at £60
- 10.3. From 2008 Tender Vehicle Parking on Madeira Drive is restricted to 240 Tender Vehicles allocated on first order basis. Please see further bulletins for information on any secondary locations.
11. **OFFICIALS OF THE MEETING**
- Clerk of the Course and Event Logistics – Jeremy Howkins
 - Meeting and Entries Secretary – Karen Cunningham
 - Media Officer – Jeff Carter
 - Chief Official, Hyde Park – Pete Harding
 - Chief Official, Croydon – Roger Sawyers
 - Chief Official, Crawley – David Ross
 - Chief Official, The Hills – Heskeith Ernden, Derek Jenkins
 - Chief Official, Preston Park – Bernard Cottrell
 - Chief Official, Brighton – Tony Johnstone
12. **GENERAL INFORMATION**
- 12.1. **Attended car parking is available in central London,** on the nights of 30 and 31 October (6ft 10" / 2.8m height limit, non-refundable). See options list on Entry Form
- 12.2. The organisers insure the parties and other parties as necessary against all third party risks whilst participating in the sections of the event on private land. This cover will come into effect at the start of the Run and will cease at the end of the Run, or at the moment of retirement or exclusion.
- 12.3. Entrants and all drivers must have valid insurance covering them against liability for both personal injury and damage to the property of third parties on the public road sections of the Run, in accordance with the Road Traffic Act.
- 12.4. International entrants having enquiries about insurance matters for the run should contact the Organisers early for further information.
- 12.5. All prices shown in this document include VAT
- 12.6. **The annual London to Brighton Veteran Car Run is owned by The Royal Automobile Club and advised by its Steering Group for the event which includes elected members of the participants.**
13. **PENALTIES**
- 13.1. Following penalties may be applied by the Clerk of the Course for the reasons shown:
- Start refused**
- 4. Format – Different vehicle
 - 7. Identification – Advertising
 - 7. Identification – Participant number not displayed
- Forfeit of finisher's award**
- 4. Format – After the finish has closed
 - 9. Outside Assistance (Tender Vehicles)
- Exclusion**
- 4. Format – Time Schedule
 - 4. Format – Driving Standards
- Unsporting behaviour**
Queries must be made in writing to the Clerk of the Course by 17:00hrs on Sunday 1 November.
14. **ORGANISERS** (on behalf of The Royal Automobile Club)
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 - Event Logistics – Jeremy Howkins
 - Event Entries & Functions – Karen Cunningham
 - Event Media Officer – Jeff Carter
 - Event Sponsorship – Mark Pollard

Ends.

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