

Get Started In Club Motorsport

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How do I get started?

All you need is your everyday road car, basic apparel, and a passion for motorsport.

Participate in thrilling, non-competitive and no pressure Sprints around a circuit, race against the clock at a Hillclimb, or test your reflexes and car's agility with an Autotest.

Getting started in motorsport is as simple as:

1. Joining a Sporting Car Club
2. Get a Speed Licence
3. Find an Event to Enter

1 Joining a Sporting Car Club

To be eligible for a Motorsport Australia competitor licence, you will first need to become a member of an Affiliated Car Club. Search for all car clubs using our online [Club Finder](#).

It's a good idea to do a bit of research and have a look at what kind of events clubs are involved with. Our [event calendar](#) may be helpful with this. Please note not all clubs list their events here, so also consider checking out club websites or Facebook pages.

Tip

You don't necessarily have to drive the same make of car as the club you join – for example - you don't have to drive a WRX to become a member of the Impreza WRX Club. Look for a club that runs events you are interested in and in an accessible location to you.

2 Get a Speed Licence

Once you have found your club and joined up, you are ready to apply for your Speed Licence.

You can apply for this online via our [Member Portal](#) or by downloading the PDF version of the application form at motorsport.org.au/licence/introduction

3 Find an Event

Your new car club will no doubt have a list or calendar of events that they are either running or have members participating in and can provide some guidance as to a suitable entry level event. You also might like to again refer to the [event calendar](#) to find upcoming events.

You can normally find information on how to enter an event on the website of the organising club, promoter or championship organiser.

Before entering an event, you will need to read the Supplementary Regulations. In simple terms, each event has a set of 'Supp Regs' which outlines the rules and requirements as well as details such as a schedule for the event.

The Supp Regs will be available to you on entering an event and will contain the information required for you to make an entry. The Motorsport Australia online Event Entry System (available through the Motorsport Australia Member Portal) is most used by clubs, but other entry methods both on and offline are also used.



Vehicle requirements

And where to find them

The rules and regulations of Motorsport can seem overwhelming when starting out, but they are there for your safety and for the fairness of the sport and you don't need to know the manual inside out.

The basis of all regulations is the Motorsport Australia National Competition Rules (NCR) and all competitors should at least be familiar with the base requirements of Motorsport Australia.

Motorsport Australia National Competition Rules can be found at:
motorsport.org.au/regulations/manual/ncr

In terms of vehicle requirements, there are generally three levels of regulations that may apply depending on what event type you are looking to do. The general regulations include:

1. **Supplementary Regulations** for that particular event will reference the regulations that you will need to consider i.e., Sprint, Hillclimb, Motorkhana, Khanacross etc.
2. **The Speed Event Appendix** or the Autotest Appendix - which has the Standing regulations for the event types i.e., Sprint, Hillclimb, Khanacross or Motorkhana (Autotest) etc.
3. **The Technical Appendix** – which provides regulations to cover what a vehicle and a driver require. These are further split into specific documents for specific cases such as requirements for a vehicle in all competitions, apparel which includes helmets etc.





What to look for on your Vehicle

There are two main considerations with your vehicle – compliance and safety – though they often overlap.

Safety matters are covered in the regulations published by Motorsport Australia in the [Technical Appendix](#). For Speed Events (Sprints and Hillclimb) this includes both Schedule A and Schedule B both of which will then refer to other applicable Schedule depending on the type of event and the vehicle itself. Other Schedule cover requirements such as Schedule D for Apparel (including helmets), Schedule H for Fire Extinguishers and Schedule I for

Safety Harness which includes the use of road type seat belts where applicable.

In all cases the vehicle must be in suitable and presentable condition for the event such as brakes and tyres in good condition, no fluid leaks and no loose objects in vehicle.

Tip

A vehicle which carries legitimate Road Registration issued by a relevant State/Territory authority is provided some dispensation regarding certain items of compliance in comparison to a dedicated motorsport vehicle that is unregistered.

FAQ

Can I use my daily drive / everyday road car to compete?

Yes! As long as your car is in a safe roadworthy condition, you can drive your road car in many entry level events such as Motorkhanas, Hillclimbs and more. (Please note that vehicle requirements vary depending on the event, and to ensure that you familiarise yourself with the relevant event regulations.)

Do I need a logbook?

As per Schedule L of the Motorsport Australia Manual, a logbook is required at all race meetings, state level and higher speed events, rallies (other than introductory) and off-road events. For non-speed events such as Motorkhana and Khanacross and club and entry level speed events such as Hillclimb and Sprints, a logbook is not necessary.

More information regarding logbooks is available at motorsport.org.au/regulations/logbooks

Where can I buy a helmet, motorsport apparel or safety items?

Racer Industries is a valued partner of Motorsport Australia, and you will be able to find many of your motorsport essentials available for purchase at racerindustries.com.au



Becoming a Motorsport Australia Official

Not ready to get behind the wheel? One of the best ways to learn more about the sport and how it all works and to build confidence is to sign up as a Motorsport Australia Official.

Clubs are always happy to welcome more volunteer officials into their ranks.

Officiating is not limited to flagmarshalling, but involves multiple different disciplines and roles such as scrutineers, stewards, event secretaries, timing officials, rally stage officials, clerk of course and race control officials just to name a few.

Becoming an Official will also give you the opportunity to be a part of some exciting big events such as the Shannons SpeedSeries, the EROAD Australian Rally Championship, the BFGoodrich Motorsport Australia Off Road Championship, Repco Supercars events and the Australian Formula 1 Grand Prix.

However, it's often in grassroots club motorsport that most Officials say they find fulfilment as a volunteer and a sense of belonging in the motorsport community.

You can sign up as an Official online
motorsport.org.au/officials



Contact us

Have a question? Our team at Motorsport Australia is available to assist. Below are some key contacts that are available to help.

Motorsport Australia Hotline 1300 883 959

Member Services

For all member enquiries, including licences (both competitor and official), logbooks, historic and technical, email memberservices@motorsport.org.au

Technical Department

For all enquiries relating to vehicle regulations, compliance and safety, email technical@motorsport.org.au

Development Team

For all enquiries relating to participation programs, clubs, and community engagement, email development@motorsport.org.au

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