

APPENDIX 36

Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Series MIJRS

Introduction

This series forms one part of the Motorsport Ireland Rally Academy.

This initiative is to promote and assist junior competitors focused on developing their motorsport future.

This dual surface series is aimed at Junior drivers competing in the following classes:

J1000 cars (Class 21),

J1600 (Class 16,)

Rally5 Cars (Class1)

Rally4/R2 cars (Class 2)

All drivers must hold an MI competition licence and comply with the age requirements for J1000 as set out in Appendix 1 Article 2.11

The age limit will be reduced over the coming years in relation to J1600, Rally5 and Rally4/R2. This is to facilitate prize winners being able to utilize their award in the following year and beyond. This also enables the MI Rally Academy to promote the tiered structure in moving from J1000 through J1600, Rally5 and Rally4/R2 then onto Rally 2/R5

This will allow drivers to be eligible for junior competition both nationally and internationally once they have moved through the MI Rally Academy tiered structure. This age reduction applies to the MIJRS only and not other Junior categories within MI events and or championships.

2023	J1600 & Rally 5 Under 24	Rally4/R2 Under 25
2024	J1600 & Rally 5 Under 23	Rally4/R2 Under 24

ARTICLE 1.

1.1 Format.

1.2. The Dual Surface Series will consist of tar and gravel events.

1.2.1 For J1600, Rally 5 & Rally 4/R2, all competitors must start a minimum of two events on each surface. (See 4.6 below)

1.2.2. For J1000 all competitors must start a minimum of 3 gravel events and 1 tarmac rallysprint. (See 4.6 below)

1.3 In the event of the cancellation of a scheduled round the promoters will issue a bulletin to advise competitors & reserve the right to nominate an alternative event.

ARTICLE 2.

Eligibility

2.1. J1600 & Rally 5 Under 24

The Driver must be under 24 years of age on the 1st of January in the year of the award.

2.2. Rally4/R2 Under 25

The Driver must be under 25 years of age on the 1st of January in the year of the award.

2.3. J1000:

J1000 Drivers and their Co-Drivers must meet the criteria set out in Appendix 1 Article 2.11

2.4. Eligibility for the Series is reserved to those who hold a current Competition License issued by Motorsport Ireland.

2.5. J1000 competitors must hold a Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Licence for the entirety of the series.

2.6. Only cars in Class 21 (J1000) Class 16 (J1600), Class1 (Rally5) and Class 2 (Rally4 /R2) are eligible. Regulations published on the MI website Appendix 29.1

ARTICLE 3.

AWARDS

3.1.1. J1600, Rally5 and Rally4/R2

1st Overall Driver (in each Class)

- Nomination for The Billy Coleman Award Shortlist
- Winner's Trophy
- Training, coaching and support up to the value of €15,000 as part of the Motorsport Ireland Rally Academy the following year.

2nd Overall Driver

- Trophy
- Support up to the value of €3,000

3rd Overall Driver

- Trophy
- Support up to the value of €2,000

3.1.2. J1000

1st Overall Driver

- Winner's Trophy
- Coaching and support up to the value of €2500

2nd Overall Driver

- Trophy
- Support up to the value of €1,500

3rd Overall Driver

- Trophy
- Support up to the value of €1,000

3.1.3 All award support will be sanctioned by Motorsport Ireland and its Rally Academy.

The Motorsport Ireland Rally Academy will work alongside The Billy Coleman Award.

The Co-Ordinator of the Billy Coleman Award is Sean McHugh 087 2798119
seanmac135@hotmail.com

3.1.4 If there are not at least 3 eligible award winners in each of the above classes then the award may not be issued. (New Rule to identify a minimum number of eligible award winners at the end of the series. This is being introduced to eliminate the possibility of an award with a high Euro value being won in a poorly contested class)

ARTICLE 4.

GENERAL RULES. The series will be run in accordance with the FIA International Sporting Code, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland and its appendices with regard to these regulations which are specific to this series.

4.1. Substitution of events, or alteration of dates will be permitted in the case of 'force majeure' at the discretion of the Motor Sport Council (MSC). (GCR 12)

4.2. All cars complying with the class as per Article 2.3 of these regulations are eligible for the series.

4.3. Promoting Clubs Responsibilities: The club will provide the Registrar with a class-based list of entries and reserves prior to the publication of the entry list.

4.4. The Series Coordinator is:

Name: John Quill,

Telephone: 087 9299590,

e-mail: johnsquill@gmail.com

4.5. The interpretation of the rules shall rest with the Series Coordinator in consultation, where necessary, with Motorsport Ireland. Any decision will be subject to the approval of the Motor Sport Council, subject to the overriding right of appeal under the GCRs of Motorsport Ireland.

4.6. Registration

The series Registrar is:

Name: Elaine Shinnors

Telephone: 087 8221067

e-mail: elainehgns@yahoo.co.uk

4.6.1. Competitors must register for this series by email, to the series registrar prior to starting their first event of the series. The series registrar will confirm receipt of valid completed MIJRS registration form by digital correspondence. If the competitor has not received this receipt, it is their responsibility to make this known to the registrar before starting their first event of the series.

4.6.2 Once registered, it is not a requirement that you sign on for the series at subsequent rounds.

4.6.3 Drivers register and score points on an individual basis. On registering, they agree to be bound by these regulations and any amendments subsequently issued.

4.6.4 Registration for the series will close at the start of Round 5.

4.6.5. Points will Not be awarded retrospectively.

4.6.6 Registered competitors who are unable to meet the minimum criteria will not be awarded any further points & will not be eligible for any award.

4.7. Competitors must display Series decals, as required by the promoters, these must be clearly displayed on both sides of the car located above the wheel line. If series decals are not on competitor's cars or competitors refuse to carry decals, series points cannot be scored for that event.

4.8. Scrutiny Requirements. See Appendix 2 of the current yearbook.

4.9. Series Results. The Series Registrar will issue latest standings by email to registered competitors after each round. Results will also be posted on www.motorsportireland.com

ARTICLE 5.

POINTS SCORING

5.1. Points will be awarded as follows based on the final published results of each round.

5.1.1. Scoring:

1st 10 points, 2nd 8 points, 3rd 7 points, 4th 6 points, 5th 5 points, 6th 4 points, 7th 3 points, 8th 2 points, 9th and below 1 point. Each Starter thereafter will be awarded 1 point.

5.1.2 J1600, Rally5 and Rally4/R2: A maximum score consisting of each competitor's best performance in 5 out of 8 events will count. These being the 2 best Gravel results, 2 best Tar results and best other result.

5.1.3 J1000: A maximum score consisting of each competitor's best performance in 4 out of 6 events will count. These being the 3 best Gravel results and 1 best Tar result.

5.2. If the number of counting rounds is reduced, for any reason, the series Co-Ordinator may, in consultation with Motorsport Ireland make a recommendation to the Motorsport Ireland Motor Sport Council (MSC) as to what amendments should be made to the regulations for the series. This will take into account at what point during the series the number of counting rounds is reduced. All registered competitors will be notified in writing within 14 days of the MSC reaching a decision.

5.3. Ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of wins, and failing this, the greatest number of second places etc, until the tie is resolved. If further ties remain, they will ultimately be decided on the basis of performance in the sequential order of events, i.e. the first event will count first, and so on.

5.4. In events that offer a Super rally option competitors will be allocated points as per their finishing order in class.

5.5. If an Event has to be curtailed due to Force Majeure, Series Points will only be awarded if 50% of the Stage mileage has been completed.

5.6. Following posting of provisional results for the series, competitors will have 7 days to lodge queries with the Series register (via email). Results will become final 7 days from the date they are posted.

5.7. Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the Series Organisers/ Co-Ordinator.