

By-Laws of The Mini Seven Racing Club



General

- 1.1 All references to the "Club" in these By-Laws refer to The Mini Seven Racing Club, a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales as company number 5519135.
- 1.2 These By-Laws are supplementary to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of The Mini Seven Racing Club.
- 1.3 The principal activity of the Club shall be the promotion of motor racing championships for the following categories of car, and for any sub-classes of these categories:

Mini Se7en Formula Mini Se7en 'S' Class Mini Miglia Formula Mini Libre Formula

Participation in these racing categories shall be restricted to full racing members of the club.

Membership

- 2.1 All memberships of the Club, other than Honorary Life Membership, shall be for a period of twelve calendar months commencing on 1 January and shall be subject to payment of an annual subscription of an amount determined by the Directors. In accordance with Section 3.1 of the Articles of Association, no person shall be admitted as a member of the Club unless his or her application for membership has been approved by the Directors.
- 2.2 Categories of membership shall be as follows:

2.2.1 Ordinary membership

Ordinary members shall be entitled to vote at all General Meetings of the Club during the period covered by the subscription paid, excluding voting on changes to technical or sporting regulations proposed under Section 5 of these by-laws. They shall also be entitled to participate in all social activities of the Club and to receive all publications, either printed or electronic, issued by the Club for its members. Ordinary membership may be upgraded to full racing membership at any time on payment of the appropriate additional subscription.

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2.2.2 Full racing membership

Full racing members shall be entitled to the same membership privileges as Ordinary Members and in addition will be:

- (a) registered as competitors in one or more of the racing categories promoted by the club.
- (b) entitled to vote on changes to technical or sporting regulations proposed under Section 5 of these by-laws.

2.2.3 Life membership

The Directors may, at their discretion, award honorary life membership of the Club to any member who has rendered special service to the Club or who in their opinion is deserving of the distinction. Honorary members shall not be liable to pay subscriptions under rule 2.1 but shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of Ordinary membership, including the right to attend meetings, vote at elections, including changes to technical or sporting regulations proposed under Section 5 of these by-laws, and be nominated for committee or other office.

Honorary life membership of the club shall automatically be granted to all life members of the Mini Se7en Racing Club (registered under the Friendly Societies Act 1974) as at 31 December 2005.

2.3 All paid-up memberships

All new memberships taken up after the completion of the last racing event of any year will run to the end of the following calendar year.

2.4 **Reduced membership fees**

At the discretion of the Directors, reduced fees may be offered to persons applying for full racing membership after 50 per cent of the racing season has been completed. Other discounted membership categories may be promoted from time to time.

2.5 Withdrawal of membership

Notwithstanding the initial acceptance of an application for membership, the Directors may, at their discretion, withdraw or suspend the membership of any person, either indefinitely or for a specified period. Such action will be taken if a member, or persons for whom that member is deemed responsible, has been found, by a majority decision of the Executive Committee to have committed actions detrimental to the Club and its members. Such conduct will include any actions considered to bring the club into disrepute, including internet and social media postings, and driving standards breaches that result in penalties or disciplinary action from Motorsport UK or other national governing body.



Club President and Vice President

3.1 The positions of Club President and one or more Vice Presidents shall be honorary positions appointed by the Directors and shall carry no executive responsibility for the club's management and no rights or privileges beyond those of Ordinary membership.

Executive Committee

4.1 The day-to-day operations of the Club shall be governed by an Executive Committee, elected annually by the Club. The Committee will consist of the following posts:

Club Chairman Commercial Manager Competition Co-ordinator (Championship Co-Ordinator) Membership Secretary Financial Controller (Treasurer) Representative of the Mini Miglia Class Representative of the Mini Seven Class Representative of the Mini Seven S-Class Representative of the Mini Libre Class Technical Sub-committee Chairman Safeguarding Officer

An individual member of the committee may hold one or more of the above posts.

- 4.2 The Executive Committee may, at its discretion, form sub-committees or co-opt additional members to manage specific projects.
- 4.3 All voting at General Meetings is to take place by secret ballot, or by show of hands or by equivalent electronic means. The method of voting will be specified in the notice of the meeting.
- 4.4 All nominations of candidates for election to the Executive Committee must be received in writing by the Company Secretary at least fourteen days before the Annual General Meeting. If no nominations for a specific Executive Committee position have been received by this date, the existing Executive Committee may have the options of:
 - (a) deeming the existing holder of the position to be re-elected, subject to confirmation of their willingness to continue in that position
 - (b) extending the deadline for nominations
 - (c) accepting nominations from the floor of the Annual General Meeting
 - (d) co-opting additional Executive Committee members subsequent to the Annual General Meeting



Racing regulations

- 5.1 Technical and sporting regulations for the racing categories promoted by the Club shall be made available to all members on demand.
- 5.2 Any amendments to technical or sporting regulations, other than those imposed by National or International governing bodies, or safety regulations considered to be *force majeure*, shall be approved by the Club in general meeting. Such resolutions must be approved by a simple majority of the Full Racing Members present and entitled to vote.
- 5.3 Such amendments to technical regulations shall come into force twelve months after approval by the Club except in the following circumstances:
 - (a) amendments required in the interest of safety may come into force immediately
 - (b) amendments required as an urgent response to the non-availability of certain components may come into force immediately.
 - (c) This by law 5.3 may be suspended temporarily by a two thirds majority vote, i.e. a minimum of 66.67% of the votes cast when amendments are proposed that are considered by the Executive Committee to require immediate implementation in the interest of maintaining or developing levels of support and/or competition in any or all of the racing categories promoted by the Club.
 - (d) As an exception to By-Law 5.2, no proposals for amendments to technical regulations affecting the Mini Seven S-Class, other than those imposed by National or International governing bodies, or those required for safety reasons, will be implemented for the racing seasons 2025 or 2026 – i.e regulations in force for the 2024 season will be fixed for three years.
- 5.4 Amendments to sporting regulations shall come into force for the racing season immediately following approval by the Club.
- 5.5 All amendments to technical and sporting regulations passed by the Club shall be subject to approval by Motorsport UK or other national governing body.
- 5.6 Any Full Racing Member is entitled to propose amendments to technical and sporting regulations. Such proposals must be submitted to an Executive Committee member a minimum of one calendar month before the General Meeting at which the proposal is to be discussed.
- 5.7 All proposals received in accordance with 5.6 above will be reviewed by the Executive Committee in consultation with the original proposer. At the discretion of the Committee, proposals may be modified, merged or withdrawn to ensure that all proposals presented to the membership are appropriately worded for adoption as technical or sporting regulations, if passed under 5.2 above.



Financial statements

6.1 The Directors will be responsible for preparing annual financial statements that meet all current statutory requirements applicable to the Club and comply with current UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Meetings

- 7.1 The board of directors shall meet a minimum of twice annually. Some, or all, of the members of the Executive Committee shall be invited to attend these meetings at the discretion of the directors.
- 7.2 The executive committee shall meet at appropriate intervals.
- 7.3 General meetings will be held as follows:
 - (a) an Annual General Meeting. This meeting will deal with the appointment of directors and the executive committee, the approval of annual financial statements and alterations to these by-laws. All current paid-up club members are entitled to attend and vote at this meeting.
 - (b) an Annual Technical Discussion. This meeting will deal with proposed amendments to the technical and sporting regulations governing the racing categories promoted by the club. All current paid-up club members are entitled to attend this meeting. All current paid-up Full Racing Members are entitled to vote on proposals.
 - (c) Such Special or Extraordinary General Meetings as are called in accordance with the Articles of Association.
 - (d) Notices of General Meetings shall be deemed to have been delivered in accordance with the Articles of Association if they have been delivered electronically to the current e-mail address advised by each member. It will be the member's responsibility to ensure that any changes to e-mail addresses are notified to the Membership Secretary.
 - 7.4 Meetings held under 7.1 to 7.3 above may, at the discretion of the Committee, be held in a specified physical location or using an appropriate online medium, or as a hybrid physical/online meeting.

Jurisdiction over sporting competitions

8.1 All motor sporting events and championships promoted by the Company shall be held under the jurisdiction of The Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association Limited (Motorsport UK), or other appropriate national governing body.



8.2 If any conflict should arise between these by-laws and the regulations of Motorsport UK or other sporting authority, then the Motorsport UK regulations will take precedence.

Changes to these by-laws

9.1 Once adopted by the club in general meeting, these by-laws will be binding on the Club unless withdrawn or amended at a subsequent general meeting. Any member of the Club may propose an amendment to these by-laws and such proposals will be presented to the club at the next Annual General Meeting.

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