

PART 3: National British Championships 1/32 scale

1 The Association shall each year hold a meeting or meetings to decide the National British Champion for 1/32 scale slot racing in the following classes.

- (a) Individual Formula 1 (BSCRA Class 1).
- (b) Individual Sports/GT (BSCRA Class 2).
- (c) Individual Saloon (BSCRA Class 3).

In addition to the above three overall Championships, which are open to all grades of driver, there will be the following separate finals

In Classes 1, 2 and 3 at the Nationals Open to Main Grade (including Intermediate Grade and Clubman) drivers only.

In Class 3 (Saloon) at the Nationals Open to Intermediate Grade (and Clubman) drivers only.

- (d) Individual Production Class (BSCRA Class 4).
- (e) Club Teams.
- (f) A Super Production race may be run

NOTE Best presented body / Constructors awards will be included – see section 4.

2. Individual Championships

2.1 Overall, - all BSCRA members are eligible to race in the Overall Championships.

2.2 Main Grade: all BSCRA members are eligible for Main Grade except:

- i) The Overall National Champions in each open class in the last five years.
- ii) Any finalist in the Overall National Championships in each open class in the last two years (with the current eight lane track, this means the top eight).
- iii) The top 5 drivers in both the 1/32 and 1/24 British Open Championship in the previous 2 seasons. *(Note the top 5 in the 2003/4 1/32 BOC will be ineligible for Main Grade for the 2004/5 and 2005/6 season; the top 5 in the 2003 1/24 BOC will be ineligible for Main Grade for the 2004/5 and 2005/6 season)*
- v) The previous year's Main Grade National Champions in each open class.

2.3 Intermediate Grade: all BSCRA members are eligible for Intermediate Grade and Production except:

- i) Previous National Champions in Production, Intermediate Grade Saloon, Division 2 Saloon, Novice Saloon or Formula 32 (pre 1983).
- ii) Anyone aged over sixteen on January 1 of the Championship year concerned who the last 10 years has finished above the bottom 10 places in an overall individual National Championship with less than 50 competitors. AND / OR in the top 40 in an overall individual National Championship with 50 or more competitors
- iii) Anyone aged under sixteen on January 1 of the Championship year concerned who has finished in the top 24 places in an overall individual National Championship in the last 10 year.
- iv) Anyone who has ever been in the premier grade.
- v) Anyone who has ever been in an overall individual National Final.
- vi) Anyone who has been in the British Open Championship Grade B in the last 10 years.

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- 2.4 Clubman: all BSCRA members are eligible for Clubman Production except:
- i) Anyone who has won the Nationals Production championship.
 - ii) Anyone who has raced in a Nationals Intermediate grade final (formerly known as novice saloon final)
 - iii) Anyone who is not eligible for Intermediate grade ("Main Grade" or "Premier" drivers)
 - iv) Anyone who has finished above the bottom 5 places in an overall individual National Championship with less than 50 competitors AND / OR in the top 45 in an overall individual National Championship with 50 or more competitors at the Nationals in any two years in the last 20 years
 - v) Anyone who raced in 4 Clubman (or Novice Production) National Finals
 - vi) Anybody in the current ISRA World Ranking list with more than 0.99 points
- NOTE 1 : Competitors who qualify for both overall Individual National Finals and Production may race in all applicable events in that year.
- NOTE 2 : Competitors who qualify for the overall or Main Grade National Final as well as the Intermediate Grade National final may race in both finals.
- NOTE 3 : Competitors who qualify for both the overall and Main Grade National Final may only race in the overall final.
- NOTE 4 : Overall Individual National Championships are 1/32 Sports/GT, F1 and Saloon
- NOTE 5 : The Championship year concerned is the year when the result was achieved, not the current year
- NOTE 6: Open individual class at the Nationals are Saloon, F1 and Sports/GT. They do not include Production, Novice Saloon, the Cub Team championship or the Production Challenge..

2.5 Allocation of National Qualifiers

- (a) The overall National Champion in each 1/32 class (Saloon, Formula 1, and Sports/GT)
- (b) The top 5 points finishers in the 1/32 BOC, will qualify for the 1/32 Nationals in all 3 class. (If one National Champion is in the top 5 BOC places, the 6th. place BOC driver will qualify etc.). After these 6, 7 or 8 places are allocated, the remaining Nationals places will be distributed as follows.
- (c) Saloon Overall: A total of 70 places are allocated.
13 places in each class shall be allocated in as near as possible direct proportion to the Area's membership not eligible for the Main Grade who have not qualified in (a) or (b) above.
The council may allocate an extra place to the Area organising the National Championship.
The remaining places in each class shall be allocated to the Areas in as near as possible direct proportion to the Area's membership eligible for the Main Grade who have not qualified in (a) or (b) above.
- (d) Formula 1 and Sports/GT Overall: A total of 50 places are allocated.
13 places in each class shall be allocated in as near as possible direct proportion to the Area's membership not eligible for the Main Grade (Premier drivers) who have not qualified in (a) or (b) above.
The council may allocate an extra place to the Area organising the National Championship.

The remaining places in each class shall be allocated to the Areas in as near as possible direct proportion to the Area's membership eligible for the Main Grade who have not qualified in (a) or (b) above.

- (e) Production: Thirty places shall be allocated to the Areas in as near as possible direct proportion to the Area's membership eligible for Production.
- 2.6 The membership for each Area is that registered at February 1st preceding the National Finals. In order to qualify for the individual National Championships drivers must be BSCRA registered members by February 1st that year.
- 2.7 Each Area shall arrange at least two meetings among its members to decide the qualifiers and shall inform all interested members of such arrangements.
- 2.8 In Area meetings the organisers shall arrange for sufficient heats and semi-finals (or sub-finals) to be held to enable at least the first six competitors to gain Championship points.
- 2.9 During the heats at the National Finals all drivers shall Marshall the heat following their own. Should they fail to do so when asked then their best heat time in that class shall be forfeit. Drivers may be excused from marshalling at the discretion of the race controller.

3. Club Team Championship

- 3.1 Each club may enter one team in the National Club Team Championships, provided that the club is affiliated to BSCRA by February 1 of that year. Where an area is not represented by a team and there are insufficient drivers from any one club in that Area to form a team, a club from that Area may race by using one guest driver who is a registered member of that Area. The other drivers in the team must all be BSCRA registered members of the club at the time of the event. The same drivers need not be used in each event.
- 3.2 Teams shall be required to enter the National Team Championship Final in advance, paying an entry fee which shall be non-returnable even if the team do not race. The Council shall set the fee and entry date, which shall be at least one month before the race.
- 3.3 The Association shall organise whatever additional meetings are necessary to reduce the number of teams entering to that which can be catered for at the National Finals meeting.
- 3.4 To participate in any team event leading up to and including the National Finals a member's permit must show him to be a member of the club he/she is driving for.
- 3.5 Any person who has raced for one club in an event leading up to the Team Championship shall not race for another club in the Team Championship during the same season.
- 3.6 The race format shall be as follows:-
- i) Each Team shall consist of four drivers and one car. The chassis may not be changed during the race but teams will be allowed one spare motor and 3 spare bodies.
 - ii) The National Team Race shall be run with all the teams competing in one race, with rest periods as necessary. The running time for each team will normally be 3 hours running time, except where there are more than 12 teams or when the time available at the venue dictates shorter duration.

- iii) In all team races leading up to and including the Team Race Final each driver shall race for an equal period of time and each team shall race on each lane for an equal period of time. For the purposes of this rule "race" shall include repairing the car or waiting for it to be repaired if this is necessary during the driving periods. Repairs to the car may only be made during the running time of the race.
- iv) The winners will be the team covering the greatest distance. Ties shall be decided by the distance covered in the segments starting with segment 1.
- v) Driver changes are only permitted at the times designated by the Race Controller. The track shall be switched off during driver and lane changes.
- vi) At the National Team Race, all competing teams will have both their car impounded as necessary to ensure equal preparation time.

4. Best Presented Body and Constructors Championships

- 4.1 At the National Individual Finals each year there will be a best presented body prize for each class of racing (Production, Overall Saloon, Formula 1, and Sports/GT). The best presented body awards at the Nationals shall be judged by a panel of 3 judges selected at the meeting. Only drivers competing in the class are eligible to enter. Only bodies painted by the driver are eligible. Bodies may only be entered in one class and may not be entered in subsequent years. The winning car must complete one heat with at least 70% of the laps of the fastest heat in that class.
- 4.2 At the National Individual Finals each year, a trophy may be awarded for the best constructed car overall. This shall be judged giving credit for all the work carried out by the constructor. The winning car must complete one heat with at least 70% of the laps of the fastest heat in that class. Final judging shall take place after the heat to ensure that items are not used which are practical on a genuine slot car. The organisers have discretion to award this trophy, and it is unlikely to be awarded in years where the chassis are largely constructed of edm or laser cut parts.
- 4.3 At the National Individual Finals each year, a trophy may be awarded to the constructor of the most successful cars. The results will be decided on a points basis, 24 for first .. 1 for 24th. in each of the 3 overall classes, and each constructors 3 best placed cars in each class are eligible for points. The organisers have discretion to award this trophy, and it is unlikely to be awarded in years where the chassis are largely constructed of edm or laser cut parts.

5 General

- 5.1 The track used in all events leading up to the National British Championships must have a minimum of four lanes and be not less than 15 m to the lap, marked out in sections of 1/10th. of a lap or less.
- 5.2 All cars competing in the National Finals shall be scrutineered before competing and, if they do not comply with the Car Standards, shall be excluded.

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