



The ACU National Road Rally – 6th & 7th July 2024

Announcement

Permit No ACU 203374

The ACU National Road Rally 2024 is a road-based event for **UK residents only** who are qualified riders of mopeds, scooters, motorcycles, three-wheelers, quadricycles and motorcycles and scooters with sidecars.

The ACU National Road Rally is an excellent opportunity for you to test your navigational abilities against other enthusiastic riders on all types of machines on some of England's finest roads.

To keep up to date with developments and news about the rally as they happen, please visit; www.nationalroadrally.co.uk or our Facebook page.

Supplementary Regulations

1 Definition

The Auto-Cycle Union (ACU) will promote a 'navigational scatter rally', known as the ACU National Road Rally over the weekend of 6th and 7th July 2024 and it will be held under the following:

ACU National Sporting Code 4th Edition.

Motor Vehicles (Competitions and Trials) Regulations 1969 - Regulation 3(5)

Motorsport UK Yearbook 2024 – 68th Edition.

Supplementary Regulations and any further instructions issued to riders.

The event will be open to all **UK residents** who are riders of mopeds, scooters, motorcycles, three-wheelers, quadricycles and motorcycles and scooters with sidecars who have passed the appropriate Department of Transport driving test or are otherwise exempted from displaying 'L' plates.

Riders can be unattached (do not have to be a member of a club or organisation) and Competition licenses are not required. ACU membership will be granted to all riders and passengers for the duration of the ACU National Road Rally.

All references to 'riders' in these Regulations (and other ACU National Road Rally documentation) include drivers where appropriate.

Reference to 'the Rally' in these regulations will include the ACU National Road Rally, The Daytime Rally and The National Rally, which may be integral parts of the ACU National Road Rally.

2 Officials

Clerk of the Course.

Tim Fairbrother Licence No ACU 46615

Deputy Clerk of the Course.

Chris Fairbrother Licence No ACU 14863

Secretary of the Meeting.

Alan Penny Licence No ACU 6849

Entry Secretary.

Chris Fairbrother

Control Team

Peter Covill, Marc Whitmarsh, Ian Baxter, Maurice Andrews

3 Event Descriptions

3.1 Controls

Control types are defined as follows:

First control	Competitor's starting control
Last control	Competitor's finishing control
Selected Control	Identified by a square surround to control number on matrix and maybe manned during the hours shown on the control information. NRR stickers will be available from these controls during the hours shown in the control details.
Standard Control	Other controls

Riders are required to record the number displayed on the Day Glo Control sign.

This should be recorded on the control card together with the control name, points from last control and time of arrival.

This information will be required to complete the online submission within seven days after completion of the event.

Riders will choose their own start and end Control but must not visit **any** control twice.

NO Control may be visited twice during the event, regardless of whether it is a start, finish, standard or selected control.

The points allocated between Controls vary and will have a value of between 20 & 50 points.

Control locations will be printed in the Control Detail List, which will be available online together with the Final Instructions from the 24th June 2024 by going to "myNRR" on the website and using the unique number allocated when entering.

3.2 The ACU Daytime National Road Rally - Saturday or Sunday.

Riders will select their category, (Chrome, Bronze, Silver or Gold) and route to comply with their chosen category on **one day only**.

The start time will be between 0900 and 1000 hours on Saturday with a finishing time no later than 2200 hours on the Saturday **or** on Sunday a start time between 0600 and 0900 hours, with a finishing time no later than 1800 hours.

The maximum points achievable are 325 on Saturday and 225 on Sunday.

Riders will choose their own start and end Control but must not visit **any** control twice.

NO Control may be visited twice during the event, regardless of whether it is a start, finish, standard or selected control.

Please remember your start and end control count as two controls visited, but **cannot** be the same control.

Riders must reach their final control by the closing time stated above.

The Chrome category requires the rider to visit 5 controls and collect between 120 and 175 points.

The Bronze category requires riders to visit a minimum of 8 controls and collect between 180 and 220 points.

The Silver category requires riders to visit a minimum of 11 Controls and collect between 225 and 285 points.

The Gold category requires riders to visit a minimum of 13 Controls and collect between 290 and 325 points

Rest breaks of a minimum of 15 minutes and totalling 60 minutes must be taken.

The maximum riding time between breaks is 6 hours or 200 miles riding – whichever comes first.

Please take care and do not ride when tired and take a rest break.

3.2b The ACU National Road Rally – Saturday and Sunday.

Riders will select their category which will require riding on both Saturday and Sunday, (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Special Gold, or Platinum) and route to comply with their chosen category.

On Saturday riders will start between 0900 and 0920 hours with a finishing time no later than 2200 hours.

On Sunday riders will start between 0600 and 0900 hours with a finishing time no later than 1800 hours.

No control can be visited more than once over the weekend.

Riders will choose their own first and last controls.

NO Control may be visited twice during the event, regardless of whether it is a start, finish, standard or selected control.

Please remember your start and end control count as two controls visited on each day.

The maximum number of points to be recorded for day 1 is 335 and for day 2 is 225

The Bronze category requires the rider to achieve between 300 and 395 points and visit a minimum of 13 controls including at least 1 selected control.

The Silver Category requires the rider to achieve between 400 and 495 points and visit a minimum of 17 controls including at least 1 selected control.

The Gold category requires the rider to achieve between 500 and 540 points and visit a minimum of 21 controls including at least 1 selected control.

The Special Gold will require the rider to achieve EXACTLY 540 points and visit EXACTLY 23 controls including at least 2 selected controls.

The Platinum will require the rider to achieve EXACTLY 560 points and visit EXACTLY 24 controls including at least 2 selected controls.

Rest Breaks of a minimum of 15 minutes and totalling 60 minutes must be taken each day.

The maximum riding time between breaks is 6 hours or 200 miles riding – whichever comes first.

Please take care and do not ride when tired

3.4 Penalties

Riders will suffer penalties as follows:

(a) Exceeding the maximum points for a category.	Disqualification
(b) Travelling between Controls where no link is shown.	Disqualification
(c) Visiting any Control more than once.	Disqualification
(d) Travelling more than 6 hours/200 miles without taking a rest break.	Disqualification
(e) Committing a reported road-traffic offence.	Disqualification
(f) Failing to take the rest breaks listed for the Category.	Disqualification
(g) Arriving at your Last Control after closing time.	Disqualification
(h) Publishing or Displaying Control Codes on social media prior to the closing date for route submission.	Disqualification

4 Entries

Entries will open on 1st June 2024.

The closing date for online entries is 4th July 2024.

Individual Entry Fee	£36.00
Passenger Entry Fee Minimum Age 16 Years	£15.00
Team Entry Fee	Free (<i>once individual entry made</i>)
RTA Insurance as item 7 Insurance	Free

Entries can only be made via the on-line the Entry Page and payment method on the ACU National Road Rally Website www.nationalroadrally.co.uk

Entry Fees will not be returned unless the event is cancelled

Online entries will be added immediately to the ACU National Road Rally Website entry list and will not be acknowledged by post.

Any administrative and entry queries must be made by email to the Entry Secretary at nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk with the rider number quoted on the Website.

Riders are reminded that information requested on the entry form is for information only and will not affect the results but will be used to decide the awards.

All riders and passengers will, whilst taking part in the event, be covered against personal accident risks and third-party risks for those parts of the event on private ground.

All riders must have valid insurance, as stipulated in The Motor Vehicles (Compulsory Insurance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2019, for their vehicles for that part of the event taking place on the public highway.

Details of extra insurance cover provided by the organizers are given in Clause 7 of these Regulations.

Final Instructions, Matrix Map and Control Detail List will be available to download from the Website from **27th June 2024** by using the unique number included in the confirmation email that was issued when you entered.

Riders and passengers will have to reaffirm agreement to the ACU National Road Rally declaration before these documents can be downloaded.

The Entry List will not be dispatched as a separate item before the Rally but will be on the ACU National Road Rally Website and updated at regular intervals.

All passengers must be declared on the entry form for insurance purposes.

A passenger may also share in the driving (vehicle insurance permitting) and will be eligible for a passenger award. Change of passenger may be made after the closing date providing that notification is made by email prior to the closing date.

If you change your email address please inform the Entry Secretary, by email to; nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk

Team entries

Team entries may be made by Clubs, the Services (e.g., Royal Navy, Marines, Army, Air Force, Civil Police, Customs and Excise), Private teams (any eligible entries), other Clubs, Motorcycle Manufacturers, or Dealers.

All teams shall consist of three eligible riders, except for dealer teams, which shall consist of two riders, and shall all be identified on the entry form.

A rider shall not be eligible for more than one team competing for the same award but may be changed after the closing date as long as the replacement rider has already been accepted as an entry.

Any such changes shall be made by email by the entry closing date to nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk

5 Awards

Finishers in each category will receive the appropriate category award.

Riders can only win one award, excluding Team Awards.

OTHER AWARDS

Team Diploma	Each team entry where all riders finish
Passenger award	Each passenger whose driver achieves an award

After the Rally the Results will be combined with the Entry list so that they can be viewed on the ACU National Road Rally website www.nationalroadrally.co.uk.

6 Protests

Processing of the Results will be completed by the 1st September 2024.

Any protests against the results must be made within 14 days of this date and must be accompanied by the protest fee of £100.00 to nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk

Simple mathematical errors or claims against non-inclusion in the results can be rectified by contacting the ACU within this time period but need not be the subject of a formal protest and no fee will be required to nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk

The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld, a protest not accompanied by the protest fee will not be considered.

7 Insurance – The ACU Road Traffic Act insurance scheme for Participants

Vehicles and motorcycles must have a valid motor insurance policy which provides as a minimum, Third Party Liability cover that complies with The Motor Vehicles (Compulsory Insurance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2019.

You should check that your Motorcycle Insurance covers you for this event.

Although the event is not a race and speed plays no part; some Insurance Companies refuse cover because you are taking part in a 'Rally'.

You are therefore strongly advised to check with your Insurer before taking part.

If your Insurer cannot provide cover, we can help.

The ACU have arranged free of charge third party RTA insurance as blanket cover across the whole membership to cover any competitor, marshal or official signed on for an ACU permitted event which, for the duration of the permit, will allow them to use any motor vehicle in connection with the event where the event is in areas of the event where the Road Traffic Act is deemed applicable.

Passengers:

Over the years we are aware that many Passengers take their turn in riding; this change of position can help reduce tiredness brought about by long stints on the front, even though you comply with the compulsory rest breaks.

It is essential that Passengers check they are Insured whilst driving in the Rally.

Although many Passengers who own a motorcycle have cover to "ride other motorcycles with the owner's permission", they may not be covered whilst riding in the Rally.

8 Data Protection Act

ACU Data Protection Information

From time to time, we may like to send you information about other events we organise.

We promise we will never pass on your details to other organisations for commercial or marketing purposes.

Under the Data Protection Act, you may let us know, at any time, or by indicating in the appropriate section of the entry form if you do wish us to contact you regarding our other events.

9 Fundraising

The option to fundraise is left to individual competitors.

Riders who can show that they have raised £250.00 or more can apply to the Event Secretary, after the Rally, to have their entry fee refunded to nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk