



## British Lawn Mower Racing Association Supplementary Regulations for 'The 12 Hour'

This event is an endurance racing mower invitation race.

This year supporting Pancreatic Cancer Action UK

Race starts at 19:00 on 16/8/2025

Scrutineering 09:00, Practice 14:00, Public gate opens 15:00, Qualifying 15:30, Pit walk 17:00  
Catering, public attractions, music and a beer tent.

Five Oaks Farm, Five Oaks, RH14 9BA

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Mower Categories / Class

### **GROUP TWO**

Roller driven with a towed seat fully complying with current BLMRA rules.

### **GROUP THREE**

Small garden ride on, wheel driven with seat on mower fully complying with current BLMRA rules.

### **GROUP FOUR**

Wheel driven with engine in the front and covered by an obvious bonnet fully complying with current BLMRA rules.

### **TOURIST**

Visiting racing mower with an engine up to 18hp that does not conform fully with BLMRA rules and will therefore not be competing for the Templar trophy. They must conform to the rules of one of the other lawnmower clubs in Europe

### **VETERAN**

All drivers must either be over 50 or have not raced for 5 years. Due to this rule these teams will be allowed up to 6 drivers and will therefore not be competing for the Templar trophy.

Three drivers per mower. Driver changes can be made as often as you wish, but only in the pits. Drivers must be over 18 and must have previous race experience in a BLMRA recognised event, preferably in the last two seasons. If not, contact the organisers beforehand.

There will be trophies for each class, but the coveted Templar trophy is for the first fully BLMRA compliant mower to complete 12 Hours.

The race will start at 19:00 and end when the first qualifying mower completes 12 hours under its own power, unless special circumstances cause an earlier ending, in which case it will be the leading BLMRA compliant mower on the lap before the race is ended.

Contact [info@blmra.co.uk](mailto:info@blmra.co.uk)

## **Team commitments**

These events now cost over £30,000 to run. The organising team take a week's holiday and put in hundreds of hours of their own time in the 8 months build up to ensure that entrants have an enjoyable and successful event.

Please be polite, courteous and, of course, helpful.

Please read this document carefully together with the BLMRA Rules and Regulations (if you do not have a copy, please download from [www.blmra.co.uk](http://www.blmra.co.uk)). Scrutineering will be strict, but it will be solely the entrant's responsibility to present a mower that is fully legal and remains legal until the end of the race, when the winners will be subject to further scrutiny. If you are in any doubt about the legality of your mower for the race, please contact the organisers well beforehand using contact details above.

Please endeavour to be on site by a least Friday due to the scale of this event.

**Entry Fees** including insurance premium:

<b>Before 15th June:</b>	<b>£330</b>
<b>From 16th June – 15th July:</b>	<b>£360</b>
<b>After 15th July:</b>	<b>£420</b>

### **Drivers**

All drivers on the entry form must be at least endurance members of the BLMRA  
3 drivers per team apart from Veteran Class where they may need up to 6!

### **Helpers Rota**

Every team will be required to supply an able bodied person for ½ a day to help set up the event on Thursday/Friday before the event or Monday after the event.

The person will be required to choose either a morning or afternoon slot. If you are able to help us for longer, please do let us know, your help would be gratefully received.

### **Event Deposit**

Any teams completing a helper's slot on the Monday will be required to submit an Event Deposit of £100.00. It will be collected at signing on and will be forfeited if the helper does not fulfil their commitment.

### **Charity**

We are supporting Pancreatic Cancer Action UK this year and will assist each team in setting up a Just Giving page attached to the main 12 Hour page.

We would like each team to try and raise as much as possible for the charity.

### **Media**

If you are approached by any members of the media, then you must inform the BLMRA prior to the event.

### **Marshalling**

Once the organisers have calculated the marshalling requirements, each team will be required to supply a marshal for the required number of sessions. The rota will include practice and qualifying sessions. These marshalling slots will be assigned by the organisers. These marshalling duties are compulsory for all team entrants even if you have withdrawn your mower from the race due to breakdown.

All marshals must sign on at race control before going track side.

There will be two marshal Training/Briefing sessions on the Saturday, one before practice and a second before the race for any who could not attend the first one. All nominated marshals will be required to attend.

## **Pits and Paddock**

You will be able to build your pit from the Thursday of the race week. If you are unable to complete this task by Saturday morning, you will have to seek permission from the race organisers prior to race week.

Each team will be allocated a pit area, with a minimum 3 metre frontage. You may only have one vehicle behind your pit, and it will have to fit into the area provided.

The pit road must be always kept clear for emergency use.

Two other support vehicles, per pit, may be parked in the paddock. All other vehicles will have to be parked in the public parking area.

Camping is permitted from the Wednesday evening, on the understanding that you may be asked to move later in the week; there will be no facilities.

## **Safety**

The Pits are potentially dangerous areas, and it will be the **entrant's responsibility** to keep the area around the pit free from wandering spectators. While our officials will do as much as possible, they are not paid professionals, they are there so that you, the competitor, can have a good event. Please help them as much as you can, so we can keep the race free of accidents.

Children must be kept under control and away from the track area during build up and take down as there will be heavy plant operating. **Under no circumstances** are they allowed trackside or in the pit lane when the track is live. They **must wear high viz clothing** when track side.

Track side of the barriers will be **strictly limited to signed on team personnel, officials and media**. All must **wear high viz clothing** when track side

**NO ONE is allowed on track or is able to cross track unless they have signed on**

The BLMRA event Risk Assessment document is available on request

## **Security**

You are responsible for your equipment and vehicles in the paddock and pits area. You, your party, your equipment and your vehicles are present at the event entirely at your own risk.

## **Technical**

### **Event Briefing**

Everyone must attend the briefing as it will cover emergency procedures for the whole event, not just the track.

### **Scrutineering**

It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure the mower fully complies with the club rules and these supplementary regulations. If you are not sure, ask.

Mowers must be scrutineered before going out onto the track for Practice. Scrutineering will concentrate on safety and eligibility. You will be issued with a pass, which must be displayed on the mower.

Post-race scrutineering will take place on the top 3 placed machines in each class immediately after the race has finished. You will be directed to Parc Ferme. Any machine failing to comply will be excluded from the results irrespective of the fact that they had passed initial scrutineering.

## Race Numbers

Race numbers will be issued well before the event.

Race numbers are allocated in groups according to the class entered.

These race numbers **must be black**, about 6" tall, on a **white background** and be visible from front, back and sides.

Although electronic lap counting is in use, it is in the competitor's own interest to ensure that their numbers are clearly visible for organiser recognition throughout the race. So keep them clean and bring spares

## Lights

As part of the track will be in total darkness, all mowers must have white headlights focused on the ground not more than 10m in front. These lights must be set so they do not dazzle mowers on the parallel track. Mowers will be black flagged if the lights are deemed to be too bright or dangerous to on-coming mowers. They must also have two rearward facing, red, non-flashing tail lights, as far apart as possible so as to indicate the width of the machine. Team Managers note: Mowers must have at least one forward light and both rear lights working at all times during the hours of darkness. If you allow your mower to continue regardless, you will be penalised at the Clerk of the Course's discretion.

## Transponders

AMB MX transponders must be carried by all mowers and attached in an approved position. You must charge your transponder prior to racing. Do not take it off charge until needed. If you do not have a transponder, a limited number will be available for hire at £6 with a security deposit. The hirer will be completely responsible for the return of the transponder in good working order at the end of the race. Mounting clips will be available to purchase at £5 each.

Remember that for this race the detection loops are in the ground, not suspended above the track, so transponders must be fixed **vertically** and if possible with a clear view of the ground. They should be fitted no more than 50cm from the ground and must be cable tied on firmly. Your transponder must be fitted for scrutineering but should be put back on charge when you have finished. You may have more than one transponder fitted at the same time.

## Fuel Tanks

The scrutineering team will be measuring the fuel tank capacity to ensure it is 4.5 litres or less; this will apply to all Group 3 and 4 machines. Cut and shut fuel tanks are not allowed.

Fuel tanks can only have **one** outlet.

If you have doubts about any issues regarding the compliance of your mower please contact [info@blmra.co.uk](mailto:info@blmra.co.uk)

## Engines

The BLMRA may check the legality of engines at any point during or after the event. This may involve retaining the engine until it has been examined.

If an exhaust pipe is fitted between the engine and the standard exhaust silencer, the pipe **must** have a maximum internal diameter of **29mm throughout** its full length.

You must inform the organisers if you change your engine during the race. They may wish to inspect your replaced, or replacement engine, for legality.

## Noise limit

All mowers **MUST** comply with the 90dB limit; any machine that does not comply during the race will be returned to the pits and will remain until it complies

Noise checks will be carried out at scrutineering and during the race. The current maximum is 90dB; this will be measured 1 metre from the tailpipe at 90 degrees to the machine at 2/3 throttle.

### **Mud Flaps**

You will be asked to supply mud flaps at scrutineering which you will be asked to fit if required. Mudflaps must be of substantial construction over the entire width of the tyre and remain within 50mm of the ground at all times.

### **Fire extinguisher**

You will need to provide a large, tested and in date fire extinguisher (dry powder, CO<sub>2</sub> or foam), which will be checked at scrutineering.

### **Pit Lane**

The pit lane must be kept clear at all times. It is an active part of the track, not a viewing area. Refuelling and driver change are allowed in the pit lane but repairs must be carried out in the pit garage.

### **Refuelling**

Closed canister, engine off, fire extinguisher ready.

Think about safe fuel storage, both yours and adjacent pits. Along the pit lane there will be a lot of fuel and it needs to be kept away from repair activities in the pit garage.

### **Tourist Class**

BLMRA standard safety rules will apply; maximum engine size is 18hp air cooled.

An inlet restrictor may be required by the organisers in order to limit speed.

This is a night race and to limit disturbance to our neighbours all machines need to comply with the 90dB sound regs.

Entries for the Tourist trophy will be on a strictly limited basis.

Remember, entrants in the tourist class will NOT be eligible for the overall honours.

For further technical queries:

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