

# 2021 NORASPORT BRITISH SUPERMOTO/SUPERLITE CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS

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#### 1 - Title & Jurisdiction

The ACU/NORASPORT British Supermoto/Superlite Championships are promoted and organised by NoraSport Supermoto Ltd (hereafter referred to as NoraSport) in accordance with the NoraSport Sporting Code, NoraSport Standing Regulations, NoraSport Technical Regulations, these Championship Conditions and any further Instructions issued, or Official Announcements made during the championship.

#### 2 - Championship Officials

Race Director/C.O.C David Dearden
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#### 3 — Classes

The following classes will be featured in the 2021 Championship; Riders should choose **ONE** sub-category.

# Saturday Programme NoraSport Club Championship

National Championship\*:+++ Any solo machine, 1 or 2 cylinder, capacity between 124cc & 950cc

(This Championship incorporates National Championships for Novice,

Clubman and Elite riders.)

The EVO championship\*: Non-Fuel injected machines subject to technical restrictions.

NPS Give it a Go\*:+++ For competitors new to Supermoto, Tarmac only. Trophies only.

Laycock Motors Ladies Cup^\*: Female riders any age from 11, any machine, Trophy & Points.

The Academy Class\*\*\*: For Junior riders age 11 -14 up to 150cc 4 stroke or 85cc 2 stroke.

Mini Bike\*\*\*: Solo's up to 160cc as detailed in the separate class regulations

# Sunday Programme ACU British Supermoto Championship

**The British Championship:** Any solo machine 1- or 2-cylinder, capacity between 124cc & 950cc

Over 45\*: Any solo competitor born prior to 01/04/1976

**Clubman\*:** Qualification see separate section in championship details.

**Novice Cup\*:+++** For competitors in their first full season of racing.

British Lites\*:

Any solo machine with a cylinder capacity up to 124cc (2S) 250cc (4S)

S6 Superlite\*:

Fully Homologated Superlites with an approved 600 Rotax engine

Fully Homologated Superlites with an approved CBR900 engine

Fully Homologated Superlites with an approved CBR1000 engine

- \*These classes are subject to a minimum age limit of 14yrs, unless sanctioned by the Race Director.
- \*\*These classes are subject to a minimum age limit of 16yrs, unless sanctioned by the Race Director.
- \*\*\*Younger competitors allowed subject to an observed test session.
- +++ Competitors will be placed in this class based on observation & previous experience.
- ^ This is now an ACU British Championship and will take place during the National races on Saturday

# **Championship Details**

To compete in the Saturday Club championships, riders must hold a 2021 NoraSport annual or 1-event licence.

The National Championship is open to all competitors, there will be three championship classes, Novice, Clubman and Elite, riders may be seeded, based on experience, past results and observation. Riders will qualify in 1-3 qualifying sessions depending on numbers, races will be split based on entry numbers into 2 or 3 races, qualifying position will determine which group a rider is placed in. The top three from B (& C) group are promoted to the group above, the bottom three finishers are relegated to the group below. The top three overall points scorers on the day will receive trophies regardless of class entered, there will also be trophies awarded to the top novice and clubman. Riders will gain points in their class that will lead to winning the National Championship for their respective class.

**The EVO championship** is open to any Supermoto bike non-fuel injected, (Aprilia SXV 450 & 550 are permitted). Machines must have been commercially available to the general public in Europe. A series scrutineer will be appointed whose decision on eligibility issues will be deemed final. Entrants must pre-register their machines for this class to ensure eligibility. All bikes in this class must be pre-2010 models.

NPS Give it a Go, this class is aimed at riders wishing to try their hand at Supermoto or are building confidence to compete in other classes, the first meeting entered the one event licence is included in the entry fee, subsequent meetings will require either an annual NoraSport licence or one event licences. On the grounds of safety and for maximum enjoyment for all competitors this class is now moving back to its original format, trophies for the top 3 riders on the day will be awarded but there is no annual championship, riders who decide that Supermoto is for them should compete in the National Championship Novice Class. This class will be all tarmac.

**Laycock Motors Ladies Championship** incorporated into the National races, this will be an ACU British Championship for 2021. Open to any female rider age 11 upwards on any capacity bike there will be a trophies for the top three finishers and at the end of the season there will be trophies for the top three points winners.

**The Academy Championship** is open to any rider aged 11-14 years old and is a NoraSport Championship, riders can compete on converted Moto-X bikes up to 85cc 2 stroke or 150cc 4 stroke. Entrants younger than 11 will be considered but must undergo an observed test to be arranged with the Race Director.

**Mini Bike Championship**, open to all qualifying machines as laid out in the specific technical regulations for the class.

To compete in the Sunday National Solo Championships, which carry a full ACU British title riders must hold a current NoraSport annual or 1-event and ACU Supermoto licence. Superlite drivers must hold a current NoraSport annual or 1-event licence.

The British Supermoto Championship is open to all entrants holding the correct licence.

Riders not holding the correct licence may compete but will not be eligible for Championship points. An ACU logo must be displayed on the front number board.

Competitors will have two timed qualifying sessions, the fastest recorded lap from either session will determine the group and grid position, the groups and positions will be displayed after the final session.

It is envisaged there will be 3 groups A B & C, although this is subject to change based on number of entries and the track in use. The fastest 20 riders will form group A, the second fastest 20 will form group B and the balance will form group C and D. The first two riders in the B,C & D races will move up a group for their next race. There will be no relegation of riders down a group although the Race Director can move riders based on safety concerns and riders can request to move down a group if they want. After round 2 the first 10 riders in the championship will be seeded to Group A although their grid positions will be based on their qualifying times which may lead to more than 20 riders in anyone group, at subsequent rounds the Top 10 riders in the championship going into the next round will be seeded into Group A.

For the final A race of the day the first 8 riders on the grid will have their positions reversed, so the rider who finished 8<sup>th</sup> in A race two will be on pole and the rider won A race two will start from 8<sup>th</sup> on the grid.

# A Superpole qualifying session for the fastest 4 qualifiers will be held, the winner of Superpole will gain 1 extra championship point.

The rider with most points at the end of the year will be crowned the British Supermoto Champion, there will also be subcategories within the championship that carry full British Titles as outlined above.

A Novice is a rider competing in their first full season of Supermoto races. If a rider has previously competed in 5 or more Norasport events they cannot be classified as a Novice, however subject to the Race Directors discretion riders may be able to compete in the Novice class having competed for a longer period. However, the Top 5 riders in the 2020 Novice Championship must move into the Clubman category. The top three finishers in the Clubman championship must move into Elite class, however a rider previously classified as an Elite Rider and who has not finished in the overall top 15 of the British Championship for the previous season can elect to drop back to the Clubman class. Please note a competitor may elect to ride in a higher category class but cannot decide to ride in a lower category if they do not meet the criteria laid out. The Race Director will make the ultimate decision on the eligibility of a competitor.

Superlite races will be based on qualifying rather than machine type, after qualifying Superlites will be split into two groups based on qualifying times, A & B. The first two finishers in the B races will be promoted into the following A race and the last two finishers in the A race will be demoted to the following B race. Points will be awarded to each class finisher whether in the A or B races as per the championship points laid out in these conditions. If numbers dictate one group may be formed with no relegation or promotion.

All machines must comply with NoraSport Supermoto Technical Regulations and competitors are reminded of the number board requirements to distinguish between different sized machines, which may be racing at the same time.

All machines must carry the correct allocated race number, failure to comply with this rule will result in removal of points gained in that race. Should exceptional circumstances arise during a meeting that means the correct numbers cannot be displayed then the rider or a representative should inform timekeeping BEFORE taking to the track.

## Number board requirement

- All solo machines white background with black numbers.
- Over 45's Blue numbers may be used
- Academy rider's blue backgrounds with white numbers and the letter A after the number
- Evo machines Yellow backgrounds with black numbers
- Superlites Black background with White numbers clearly displayed on the side of the car.
- Previous Years Champions Red background with White numbers\*\*

\*\*The overall British Champion shall have first choice of the number one plate (red background with white number); if he does not want that number, he may use the Red-White combination for his chosen cherished number. Other class winners may use the number 1 plate if it isn't claimed based on this hierarchy Over 45, Clubman, Novice, 2-Stroke, Lite. For Superlite S9 – S6.

Competitors can retain their previous season numbers if by the season opening round, they have renewed their NoraSport licence. After this all numbers will be offered on a first come first serve basis.

#### 4 - Competitors Eligibility & Insurance

All British Solo, Minibike and Superlite classes are open to invited competitors, who hold a current NoraSport Membership/Competition Licence. All solo riders must also hold a current ACU Supermoto licence, or current local FIM associated motorsport organisation Supermoto licence if resident outside ACU jurisdiction and have start permission and repatriation insurance to compete if they wish to compete in the British Championship races.

The organisers undertake to insure each competitor, indemnifying him against any third-party claim arising out of the races or official practice and qualifying, excluding claims by other competitors, entrants, sponsors or mechanics. You will not be covered by the Club or organising bodies, by any form of insurance for personal injury or machine damage however caused.

Public Liability cover is in place.

You are strongly advised to seek your own personal injury and cover which can be provided through the NoraSport advanced licence.

# 5 – Entries

Entries must be made online at https://nora92.com/event/norasport-bssc-championship/

Entry fees are Solos One day £115, Two days £185. Mini Bikes/Academy £65. Superlite Race One Day £150, Practice & Race £220, Double header £250. Entries should be made not later than 7 days before the date of the meeting in question. These fees include a £3 admin fee for. Competitors may enter on the day of the event, subject to a £15.00 surcharge.

If a Competitor prefers to pay on the day of a meeting, then no surcharge will be applied **providing the Secretary of** the meeting is informed of their intended participation 7 days before the event.

Refunds of entry fees will be made in the event of a competitor's non-participation in the event. For clarification of doubt, If the competitor successfully passes Technical Inspection but does not make the practice or qualifying sessions, they will be deemed not to have participated in the event and are eligible for a refund. Where a competitor suffers a mechanical failure or an accident during practice or qualifying, even if this is within the first metre of the track, on the first lap of the practice or qualifying session, they will be deemed to have participated in the event and will therefore not qualify for a refund.

All refunds will carry an admin fee of £15.00, this admin fee can be reduced to £5 if the entry is carried over to a later meeting. In these circumstances an official credit note will be issued.

#### 6 - Championship Rounds

Please visit the Norasport website (www.norasport.com) for the 2021 Race Calendar. The closing date for each event is 7 days prior to the Saturday of the Race Weekend.

#### 7 - Championship Races

The British Championship will consist of 9 rounds, the 8 rounds with the highest points total will be used to calculate championship positions. If a competitor is suspended from competing, then any rounds that may occur during the suspension period **CANNOT** be used as a dropped round and the lowest round outside the suspension period will be discarded. For the Club (National) Championships all rounds will count.

#### The final round will have double points in all classes.

Each round will start with practice and/or qualifying followed by three championship races. The qualifying session will be timed to determine the group and grid positions for the first race of the day. Grids for the following races are determined by the results of the previous race, however for the final race of the British Championship the finishing order will be reversed for the final grid for the first 8 competitors in Race 2. Competitors may race in groups determined by the organisers. Seeding of competitors may occur. No competitor may practice at a Championship venue within seven days of a Championship round unless the practice is officially sanctioned by Norasport, failure to comply with this rule will lead to deduction of the Championship points from the meeting where the breach occurred. If due to climatic or other force majeure the full-time table cannot be completed, then championship points will be awarded as decided by the Race Director whose decision will be final.

#### 8 - Points Scoring

Points will be scored for each championship race, the aggregate number of points accumulated in the 3 races will determine the overall result. In the event of a tie the winner will be determined by the best result achieved in the final race of the day, if that race was a dead heat then the preceding race will determine the result. If dead heats occur in all three races then the best qualifying time on the day will be the determining factor.

Championship points will then be added to the finishing order. If there is a tie at the end of the season, the winner will be decided by the greater number of race wins, if still unresolved, then the greater number of 2nds, 3rds and so on will be considered. If the situation is still unresolved, the earliest win of the season will be the deciding factor.

All Saturday Solo & all Superlite races will be allocated points as follows:

35 points for a race win, 32 for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 30 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 28 for 4<sup>th</sup>, 26 for 5<sup>th</sup>, 25 for 6<sup>th</sup> and then decreasing by 1 point down to 0 points.

The aggregate number of points accumulated in the 3 races will determine the overall result.

The overall positions will then be awarded championship points in the same manner as the individual races. All Sunday solo races will be allocated points as follows:

50 points for a race win, 48 for 2nd place, 46 for 3rd place, 44 for 4th place, 42 for 5th, 40 for 6<sup>th</sup> continuing to 32 points for 10th place and then decreasing by one point thereafter down to 0 points. The aggregate number of points accumulated in the 3 races will determine the overall result.

The overall positions will then receive championship points as follows:

50 points for 1st, 48 for 2nd place, 46 for 3rd place, 44 for 4th place, 42 for 5th, 40 for 6<sup>th</sup> and then decreasing by two points until 10th thereafter decreasing by 1 point down to 40th position.

#### 9 - Finish of a Race

For all ACU/NORASPORT Championship Races, to comply with regulation 13 of the NORASPORT Supermoto/Superlite Standing Regulations; every competitor appearing on the official race results must have completed a minimum of **75%** of race distance, regardless of distance behind the winner, to be classified as a finisher for championship points.

#### 10 – Awards

Trophies will be awarded to competitors based on total points scored on the day in each group/class. The number of trophies will be based on the number of competitors in the class Presentation of these trophies will be at the end of each day's racing. Failure to attend the presentation without notifying race control of the reason not to attend will mean the forfeiture of the championship points. At the end of the season, Championship Trophies will be presented to the top five highest championship points scoring competitors in all classes. Additional place trophies may well be announced prior to the presentation evening.

#### 11 - Circuit/Venue Entry

To enter any circuit/venue all competitors must hold a Norasport annual or one event licence which will be required to gain entrance. Personnel may also need a circuit admission pass or authorisation issued by the

circuit owners. An allocation of 3 passes per competitor will be supplied with the Final Instructions for each meeting, where appropriate.

#### 12 - Technical Inspection

Inspections may take place as advised in the Final Instructions. Machines will be checked for eligibility. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure their machine complies with the regulations and is safe for competition; however, an inspector may refuse to verify a machine on grounds of eligibility/safety. Any machine involved in a serious accident should be re-inspected. No competitor will be deemed to have finished a race until the machine has been submitted and passes a final examination if so required by the organisers.

#### 13 - Replacement Machines

Competitors may change machines during a meeting if the replacement machine has been technically inspected by authorised personnel in compliance with Regulation 12.

The competitor must display the correct race number on the machine used otherwise points will not be issued for the respective race. Should exceptional circumstances arise during a meeting that means the correct numbers cannot be displayed then the rider or a representative should inform timekeeping BEFORE taking to the track

#### 14 – Licences

Competitors must produce their ACU and NoraSport Competition Licences (or their foreign equivalent, see rule 4.) for inspection at signing on. Competitors may be fined or refused permission to start, if they are unable to produce their licences. Any monies from fines imposed will be donated to the ACU Benevolent Fund.

## 15 – Results

All practice timesheets, grids and result sheets are deemed provisional until all machines are released by the technical stewards after post practice/race controls and/or after completion of any judicial or technical procedures. In any event, all results are deemed provisional until a period of 30 minutes has elapsed to allow for protests.

#### 16 – Medical

The organisers reserve the right for the Chief Medical Officer to carry out a medical examination of any competitor, at any time during the meeting, to ascertain his/her fitness to compete. The Chief Medical Officer's decision is final and cannot be overruled.

#### 17 – Briefings

All competitors must attend the pre-race briefings as notified in the Final Instruction/Timetable, this is compulsory. Failure to attend may result in disqualification from the meeting. Random competitors may be called for to prove attendance.

#### 18 - Tyre Warmers

Tyre warmers are allowed inside the assembly area but NOT on the start grid unless sanctioned at a specific meeting by the Race Director.

#### 19 - Pit Lane

Travelling in the reverse direction with the engine running is prohibited and may result in disqualification from the meeting as with anywhere on the race circuit. Competitors may be called up to 3 times for their race and may be subject to refusal to the pre-grid if arriving after their final call. All competitors **MUST** be in the pre-grid area at least 5 minutes before the scheduled start of their race. If the warm up lap has started before a competitor has entered the assembly area then they **MUST** start from the back of the grid.

#### 20 - Paddock and spectator areas

Competitors must make themselves aware of the safety of others. The movement of race machinery in the paddock must be at walking pace. Only competitors who have signed on to compete at the meeting may ride or drive vehicles in the paddock. No unauthorised competitors will be permitted, and no other forms of motorised transport will be permitted. Failure to comply with this condition will result in exclusion from the meeting. Each circuit may impose their own additional restrictions in the interest of safety. All animals are strictly prohibited from race meetings.

#### 21 - Adverse Weather Conditions

In accordance with the NoraSport Supermoto Standing Regulations Section 17, the Race Director may declare a wet session or race if climatic conditions make such action appropriate. In the event of such an interrupted practice session or race, there will be a minimum of delay before the start process begins again. The Race Director may omit the 'off-road' section of the course from the track layout, at any time, if climatic conditions make such action appropriate. Ultimately it is the competitors' responsibility to make sure they are aware of track conditions and make sure their machine and equipment are suitable and ride/drive accordingly to those track conditions.

#### 22 – Missing a race

In a race where relegation or promotion is made and a competitor is unable to make the start of the race they must join from the pit lane and complete as many laps as possible to determine their finishing position. If the competitor is unable to make the race before the race is completed then they will have deemed to have forfeited that race and must start from the rear of the grid of the lowest race in the next set of races.

#### 22 - Penalties

Penalties because of any successful technical protest or, because of any other action by a competitor during the meeting, for which the Race Director has decided that a penalty is applicable, will be implemented immediately.

#### 23 - Interpretation of the rules

Any interpretation of the rules for these Championships rest on the decision of the Race Director and any appointed committee for that purpose, this will always be in line with the original spirit intended.

#### 24 - Protests and Appeals

There are appropriate written rules for compliance for the above in section 18 of the NoraSport Sporting Code.

#### 25 - Safety

Safe operation of your machine is your responsibility! Dangerous driving may result in exclusion. See black flag in general regulations.

All forms of motor-sport are dangerous, and the ultimate responsibility for your safety lies with you — the competitor. All foreseeable steps will be taken to assist you in the understanding of the "Rules of Competition". At NoraSport we operate an "open door policy" and actively encourage all competitors to discuss any aspect of their concerns or lack of understanding of the way our race series operates. Any member of the team will always be happy to help or find the answer to your query. Please ride within your capabilities at all times and get used to expecting the unexpected — incidents do happen. If, in the event of an incident, you leave the circuit onto the outfield/run off area, from there it is your responsibility not to endanger other competitors whilst re-joining the race. Any inconvenience to others' or places gained from such manoeuvres will be penalised at the discretion of the Race Director or Clerk of Course. Be aware of the format on the day, and don't be late to the pre-grid area. You will be given ample notice, but the responsibility to be where and when required is down to you — the competitor.

Although we recognise that Motor Sport is a stressful pastime and emotions run high NoraSport Supermoto Ltd will not tolerate any physical or verbal abuse against its officials, marshals, support staff, circuit employees or anyone associated with the running of the meeting. Please remember the people involved in the running of the meeting are voluntarily giving up their time to allow you to compete in your chosen sport and any breach of this ruling will result in immediate removal of the offending parties from the meeting.

PLEASE REMEMBER SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT.

Treat others as you would like to be treated yourself.

ENJOY YOUR RACING WITH NORASPORT!