



## **MSA HISTORIC RALLY VEHICLE IDENTITY FORMS**

### **GUIDANCE NOTES**

#### **1. Introduction**

Under MSA Regulations an MSA Historic Rally Vehicle Identity Form (HRVIF) is required for any vehicle entered in a competition as a Historic Stage Rally Vehicle.

An HRVIF does not confirm that the vehicle meets the regulations applicable to Historic Rally events. It is a sporting document that sets out the vehicle owner's declared specification for the vehicle.

As a principle, vehicles are to be of a specification used in period and to incorporate only modifications used in rallying in period. It is the vehicle owner's responsibility to provide acceptable proof in respect of modifications made or fitted to the vehicle.

#### **2. Application**

The application forms are available for downloading from [www.msauk.org](http://www.msauk.org). Alternatively contact the MSA sales desk on 01753 765000 to request that they be posted to you. The application should be completed using black ink, writing clearly.

A number of colour photographs are required. These may be chemical prints or be good quality digital photographs printed on photographic quality paper, or digital images emailed to [technical@msauk.org](mailto:technical@msauk.org) (please reference your name and vehicle registration in the email subject). These are to be of the required size, 130mm x 90mm, in focus and a true representation of what they depict. The prints required are:-

- a) A  $\frac{3}{4}$  front view of the car taken with the car static, on its wheels, doors closed, unoccupied with a clear uncluttered and contrasting background. The view to be such that the front and the **Right Hand** side of the car can be seen. By clear and contrasting background photographing a red car against a plain white wall is fine, a white car against a white background is not. Note that registration number plates are to be in accordance with regulatory requirements (see [www.dvla.gov.uk/media/pdf/leaflets/v796.pdf](http://www.dvla.gov.uk/media/pdf/leaflets/v796.pdf))
- b) A  $\frac{3}{4}$  rear view of the car, the view to be such that the rear and the **Left Hand** side of the car can be seen. taken in the same conditions as noted in a) above.
- c) A view of the luggage compartment (Boot) from the rear looking in.
- d) A view of the ROPS (Roll Cage) taken through the rear window, or in the case of a hatchback, through the open boot aperture.
- e) A view of the ROPS (Roll cage) though the drivers door.

- f) A view of the dashboard as seen by the driver, to include the instruments.
- g) A view of the front suspension side on, taken by removing a front wheel and taking the shot looking squarely into the wheel arch such that the hub, brake drum or disc and calliper, the springing medium and shock absorber are shown. Where a car is equipped with McPherson struts the shot is to show the bottom of the strut, the spring platform and the bottom of the coil spring.
- h) A view of the front suspension with the steering on full lock to show the suspension arms behind the brake disc, taken by removing a front wheel and taking the shot looking at 45 degrees into the wheel arch such that the hub, suspension arms the springing medium and shock absorber are shown. Where a car is equipped with McPherson struts the shot is to show the bottom of the strut, the spring platform and the bottom of the coil spring.
- i) A view of the front suspension side on, taken by removing a front wheel and taking the shot looking squarely into the wheel arch such that the hub, brake drum or disc and calliper, the springing medium and shock absorber are shown. If the car is equipped with semi-elliptic springs such as to show the springs either side of the brake components.
- j) A view of the engine taken from the left hand side.
- k) A view of the engine taken from the right hand side.
- l) A view of the whole engine bay taken from the front of the vehicle in case of a front engine car or the rear of the vehicle for a rear engine car. This image should show the whole engine bay to include radiator, suspension top mounts and all engine ancillaries.

You must also submit a copy of the Vehicle Information section from the V5c Registration document (Please do not send the original V5c document).

The completed application is to then be forwarded together with the fee, currently £83.00, to:-

Motor Sports Association Ltd  
Motor Sports House  
Riverside Park  
Colnbrook  
SLOUGH  
SL3 0HG

**Attention: Technical Department**

### **3. Processing of the Application**

On receipt of the application it will be reviewed by the MSA and if it is considered to be correct and the photographs of acceptable quality, the form will be allocated a reference number and "signed off". The original copy of the form will be retained on file at the MSA and a high quality copy perforated with the words "MOTOR SPORT ASSOCIATION" will be forwarded to the vehicle owner.

Unless there are technical queries then applications will normally be turned round within 21 days of receipt.

#### **4. Use of the HRVIF**

The HRVIF is required to be produced every time the vehicle is used in a Historic Stage Rally event authorised by the MSA. Scrutineers may record details of checks carried out. Details of any changes of specification are to be entered on the specification change sheet and the document returned to the MSA with replacement photographs, if appropriate, so that the file copy can also be updated; please note there is a charge of £33.00 for the issue of an amendment.

#### **5. Registered Historic Rally Vehicle Sticker**

Once your HRVIF has been issued, an accompanying Registered Historic Rally Vehicle Sticker must be affixed to the vehicle. These stickers are supplied and affixed by Historic Stage Rally Championship Eligibility Scrutineers, and this will normally be done at the first event where the vehicle is presented for scrutineering. The Eligibility Scrutineer will check the vehicle for compliance with the issued HRVIF, and if satisfied will affix the stickers to the rear section of the front wings (one each side). The stickers are individually numbered, the sticker number will be recorded on the HRVIF in the Record of Eligibility Checks section and the number relayed to the MSA for inclusion on the database.

An MSA licenced Eligibility Scrutineer may remove the MSA Stickers if the vehicle is found not to comply with (R)49-49.11.4

#### **6. Validity of the HRVIF**

The HRVIF will remain valid for a period of 10 years from the date of issue or such time as the registered owner of the vehicle changes.

#### **7. Change of Ownership**

If the vehicle is sold the persons to whom the HRVIF was issued should complete the Change of Ownership Advisory Sheet section of the document with the details of the new owner and return the whole HRVIF document to the MSA. The MSA will then contact the new owner to advise how to reapply.