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2018 BMW DRIVER'S CUP CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS & RULES

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The Series is a one-make racing series for the classic BMW E30 3-series coupe or sedan from the 1980's. Predominantly based on the 325i model specifications, only limited modifications are permitted in order to provide an enjoyable, affordable entry-level touring car category. The aim is for a circuit racing series that provides close competition and an emphasis on driver ability and development rather than driver expenditure.

E30 Racing Inc. (ABN 93 432 017 512) is the legal entity behind E30 Racing and the BMW Driver's Cup, and has sole responsibility for the approval of the regulations and representing competitors in the category.

These Regulations & Rules (hereafter referred to as the "Regulations") govern the BMW Driver's Cup for 2018.

The 2018 BMW Driver's Cup Regulations

1. The 2018 BMW Driver's Cup ("**the Championship**") is an individual driver's championship.
2. Competitors are required to adhere to all Rules & Regulations of E30 Racing Inc., including:
 - (a) These Championship regulations;
 - (b) The E30 Racing Technical Regulations;
 - (c) The E30 Racing Driving Standards; and
 - (d) Any other rules and regulations of E30 Racing Inc. as introduced by the Committee from time to time in accordance with the Constitution of E30 Racing Inc.
3. **Entry** – Competitors must hold either Full Membership or Single-event Membership of E30 Racing Inc. to be eligible to enter in any round of the Championship. Upon submitting an entry to any official round of the Championship, competitors are automatically entered into the Championship and will accrue points toward the Championship in accordance with these Regulations, provided the competitor and their vehicle meet the eligibility requirements for E30 Racing.
4. **Vehicle Numbers** – Competitors **must** maintain the same racing number throughout the Championship season unless required to change their number at the request of the race meeting secretary due to a number clash in the event of a mixed grid with another category. The E30 Racing Inc. Membership Officer maintains a register of available racing numbers and competitors should check the availability of their desired racing number and register the number with the Membership Officer ahead of the commencement of the Championship season.

The racing number “1” is reserved for the immediate past BMW Driver’s Cup Champion (ie. in the preceding year) and shall not be utilised by any other competitor. In the event that the defending champion does not compete in the Championship in the following year, the number “1” shall be reserved and shall not be used by any other competitor.

5. **The Points System** for the 2018 BMW Driver’s Cup will be as follows:

- (a) **RACE POINTS** - For each race of a round of the Championship, points are awarded in accordance with the points table below to competitors based on their official finishing position (“**Race Points**”). At the end of the round, the Race Points earned over the round are then added up to provide an overall Race Points tally for the round (eg. A Competitor who finishes 1st, 4th and 2nd in the 3 races of a round will be awarded 25, 18, and 22 points respectively, making an overall Race Points tally of 65 points).
- (b) Competitors must finish a race and be classified in the official results in order to be awarded Race Points for that race. Competitors who are designated as “Did Not Start” (DNS) or “Did Not Finish” (DNF) will not earn any Race Points for that race. Competitors who are subsequently disqualified or excluded from the results of a race will also not be awarded any Race Points for that race.
- (c) **Mixed grids:** In the case of races where competitors may be mixed with other categories of vehicles, Race Points will be awarded **ONLY** to eligible competitors who are driving vehicles that comply with the E30 Racing Technical Regulations, and in the order in which they finish, relative only to the other E30 race cars in that race, and any invitational vehicles or vehicles from other categories will not be included. (ie. The first competitor in an E30 Race car across the line will receive 25 Race Points, the next competitor in an E30 Race car will receive 22 points and so on until all competitors finishing that race have been awarded Race Points as per clause 4(a)).
- (d) **Championship Points** - In order to maintain parity between different rounds of the championship that may have a different numbers of races within each round, “**Championship Points**” are awarded to each competitor based on their finishing position in the overall Race Points tally for the round. The Championship Points awarded for each round are also quantified in accordance with the table below (eg. The competitor with the highest overall Race Points tally for the Round will be awarded 25 Championship Points, the competitor with the second highest overall Race Points tally for the round will be awarded 22 Championship Points, and so on).
- (e) The Championship Points awarded to each competitor for each round are added to provide the overall Championship standings.
- (f) Competitors who compete as a “**B driver**” in the annual E30 Racing Endurance event, which is part of the Championship, are not eligible to earn points for that round. Only the “**A driver**” of the Endurance event team will be awarded points toward the Championship.
- (g) For the purpose of the calculation of the final Championship Standings at the end of the Championship, all competitors will “drop” their worst (ie. lowest scoring) round result from the overall Championship points tally. Competitors are entitled to ‘drop’ a round that they did not

compete at during the Championship. If, however, a competitor is disqualified or excluded from a round (ie. the whole race meeting), then that competitor may not 'drop' that round result as part of the calculation of the Championship standings, and will be required to 'drop' the next worst round result.

(h) The Winner of the 2018 BMW Driver's Cup will be the competitor with the highest Championship Points tally (after deducting the 'dropped round' and any other Championship Points penalties that may be applied during the Championship).

(i) **Points Table:**

BMW Driver's Cup Points Table – Race Points and Championship Points

Position	Points	Position	Points
1st	25	11th & 12th	10
2nd	22	13th & 14th	9
3rd	20	15th & 16th	8
4th	18	17th & 18th	7
5th	16	19th & 20th	6
6th	15	21st & 22nd	5
7th	14	23rd & 24th	4
8th	13	25th & 26th	3
9th	12	27th & 28th	2
10th	11	29th & 30th	1

6. **Penalties** – Competitors may receive Race Points and/or Championship Points' penalties for breaches of the E30 Racing Technical Regulations, E30 Racing Eligibility Standards or E30 Racing Driving Standards during the Championship. The application of those penalties and any rights of appeal are set out in those documents and should be read in conjunction with these Regulations. Any Race Points or Championship Points penalties incurred by competitors will be applied to the Championship standings and be included in the calculation of the overall Championship. The application of Race Points or Championship Points penalties will also be noted in the round results and Championship standings published by E30 Racing Inc. as soon as practicable following the completion of a Championship round.

7. The E30 Racing Inc. Committee reserves the right to exclude any competitor from the Championship if it forms the opinion that::

(a) the conduct of the competitor (or the vehicle used by the competitor) is not 'within the true spirit' of the Championship; or

- (b) the competitor's continued participation or recognition in the Championship Standings would cause harm or detriment to the legitimacy of the Championship; or
- (c) the competitor's continued participation or recognition in the Championship Standings would adversely affect the official sponsors of E30 Racing Inc.

Where an occasion arises that necessitates a decision by the E30 Racing Inc. Committee on any exclusion of a competitor, it will be decided by a vote of the committee, with a single vote cast by each committee member, with the result of the vote decided by a majority. If a committee member has a conflict of interest in the determination of the outcome of such decision, they shall abstain from the vote (the issue of whether a conflict of interest exists – whether actual or perceived – will be determined by the Secretary of E30 Racing Inc. and that decision shall be final).

8. **Rookie Award** – in addition to the BMW Driver's Cup Championship, there will also be an E30 Racing Rookie Award at the end of the Championship year to recognise the best finishing "Rookie" competitor in the Championship. To be eligible to win the Rookie Award, competitors must:
 - (a) Not have competed in more than two (2) previous official rounds of the BMW Driver's Cup in any previous years (excluding as a co-driver at any previous years' Endurance rounds of the E30 Racing Championship);
 - (b) Not have previously competed in more than 2 official events/meetings in any other CAMS or ASSA affiliated circuit-racing category at State level or higher, or any other equivalent level circuit racing category in another country (sprint meetings, track days, regularities and sprint-karting are excluded);
 - (c) Have competed in a minimum of three (3) rounds of the Championship in the year in which they are eligible to win the Rookie Award.
9. The standings for the Rookie Award will be calculated in accordance with the BMW Driver's Cup Championship Points (as per clauses 4 & 5), however the Rookie Award standings will be calculated on the basis of all results and there will be no 'dropped' round for the purpose of final standings for the Rookie Award.
10. **Qualifying Award** – the competitor with the most pole positions awarded in qualifying sessions during the Championship will be presented with the E30 Racing Qualifying Award. In the event of a tie (ie. Two or more competitors receive an equal number of pole positions during the season), the holder of the most second places in qualifying would win, with a further countback until a winner emerges. If the countback procedure fails to produce a result, the E30 Racing Committee will nominate the winner according to such criteria as it thinks fit within the spirit of the award.
11. **Amendments to these Regulations** - the E30 Racing Inc. Committee reserves the right to revise, amend or supplement these Regulations if required during the course of the 2018 Championship if such revisions/amendments/supplements are deemed necessary to:

- (a) clarify the intention of the Regulations;
- (b) remove any ambiguity or inconsistency in the application and interpretation of the Regulations;
or
- (c) to ensure the Regulations continue to reflect the spirit and objectives of the E30 Racing category.

In the event of any amendment to these Regulations, the Committee will immediately publish to all current financial members the revised Regulations together with an explanatory memorandum clearly setting out what has been amended in the Regulations and the purpose of such amendment.

Approved by E30 Racing Inc. Committee on ** February 2018

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