

1. EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

- 1.1 Expressions of interest (EOI) for the 2024 777 Endurance Crown open at 10.00am on Monday, 27th May. Competitors must submit an EOI online. Only fully completed EOI forms will be accepted.
- 1.2 The first 60 fully completed EOIs will be accepted; EOIs received after this will be placed on a waiting list in the order they are received.
- 1.3 Co-Driver details are not required at time of EOI. Entrant and Driver 1 must be fully completed at time of submission.
- 1.4 EOIs will be accepted in order of submission time and payment.

2. THE 777 ENDURANCE CROWN

- 2.1 The 777 Endurance Crown is open to selected automobiles from Motorsport Australia Category 2B, 2F, 3E, 3H, 3J and 3K. These Categories include Production Cars, Production Sports, Improved Production, SA Tin Tops, BMW E30s, Porsche 944s, Mazda MX5s, Circuit Excels and Nissan Pulsars. Other automobiles may be permitted on a case-by-case basis. The race will run over a distance of 4 hours on the 7.77km GT Circuit at Shell V-Power Motorsport Park.
- 2.2 The event organisers reserve the right to reject an entry based on the car being too fast or inappropriate for the event.
- 2.3 The event organisers reserve the right to reject an entry if the car has demonstrated a lap time quicker than **3m 35 seconds. (TBC)**

3. PRACTICE

- 3.1 All drivers must practice in their nominated car.
- 3.2 To be permitted to start the race, all drivers must complete at least two laps in practice or seek special dispensation from the Clerk of the Course.

4. QUALIFYING AND GRID POSITIONS

- 4.1 Qualifying will be divided up into two segments: Q1, and Q2. All drivers entered in each car are permitted to drive in qualifying and all qualifying results will be determined by the best time achieved by each car, regardless of which driver set the time.
 - 4.1.1 Q1 (40 minutes) – all automobiles participate; with positions 13 through to 60 eliminated at the end of the session and allocated into their grid positions. All lap times for the remaining competitors will be cleared for Q2.
 - 4.1.2 Q2 (15 minutes) – the top 12 cars will participate in Q2, with their grid positions are determined based on fastest lap times.

- 4.2 There will be a five-minute break (starting from when the last car enters pit lane) between Q1 and Q2.
- 4.3 Refuelling at any stage from the commencement of Q1 to the conclusion of Q2 is not permitted.

5. TYRES

- 5.1 Each Automobile shall only use a tyre listed on the Production Car Tyre List, in accordance with Schedule E.
- 5.2 The same tyres must be used throughout all qualifying sessions.
- 5.3 Tyre changes during the race (i.e., during a pit stop) are permitted.
- 5.4 A full threaded wheel nut must be used with a minimum of 9 full turns to engage the wheel on the hub.
- 5.5 Each wheel must be retained by a minimum of four (4) individual wheel nuts.

6. STARTING DRIVER NOMINATION

- 6.1 All drivers must nominate their starting driver for the 777 Endurance Crown by notification in writing to the Race Secretary prior to 5pm on Saturday, 23rd November 2024.
- 6.2 Failure to nominate the starting driver by this time will result in the automobile commencing the race at the rear of the grid with Driver A.

7. ORDER OF START

- 7.1 Starting positions will be determined by the qualifying order.

8. START PROCEDURE

- 8.1 When instructed by an official, each Automobile will leave for 1 reconnaissance lap to the grid. A Driver must not stop to carry out a practice start during this lap including when leaving the marshalling area and/or at the exit of the Pit Lane. When an Automobile arrives at the grid it must stop in its allocated position. Pit crew may then approach it.
 - 8.1.1 When 3 minutes remain before the formation lap, a warning will be sounded and a “3 Minute” board displayed by the Starter.
 - 8.1.2 When 2 minutes remain before the formation lap, a warning will be sounded and a “2 Minute” board displayed by the Starter. The exit of the Pit Lane will be closed at this time. Except for any necessary crew member or official, the grid will be cleared of all personnel.
 - 8.1.3 When 1 minute remains before the formation lap, a warning will be sounded and a “1 Minute” board displayed by the Starter. The grid will be cleared of all personnel.

- 8.1.4 Any Automobile not having reached the rear of the grid by the “1 minute” signal must enter the Pit Lane from where it may join the race from the exit of the Pit Lane under the direction of an official after the field has passed.
- 8.1.5 When 30 seconds remain before the formation lap, a warning will be sounded and a “30 Second” board will be displayed by the Starter.
- 8.1.6 When the green flag is displayed by the Starter, each Automobile may then proceed on a formation lap led by the Automobile on pole position.
- 8.2 The race will feature a *Championship Rolling Start*.

9. BLUE WARNING LIGHTS

- 9.1 The organisers may issue the Class A automobiles a flashing blue light which must be fitted to that entry. This is to warn other competitors & assist flag marshals in identifying the faster cars in the field. No other cars are permitted to have flashing lights fitted.

10. RACE RECEIVERS

- 10.1 All drivers and co-drivers will be required to use race receivers during competition all warmup, practice, qualifying and racing sessions.
- 10.2 During competition, the race receiver system will be used to advise drivers of on-track issues, Safety Car and emergency response automobiles entering the circuit together with other relevant information.
- 10.3 All automobiles must have a fully functional Race Receiver.
- 10.4 Teams are not permitted to relay messages from Race Control to the automobile in lieu of a Race Receiver.
- 10.5 The nominated Team Manager must also have access to a race receiver so that they are aware of instructions from race control to drivers on the circuit.

11. SAFETY CAR

- 11.1 The 777 Endurance Crown will employ the use of two (2) Safety Cars, which may be used individually or concurrently.
 - 11.1.2 Should an incident occur that requires the deployment of the Safety Car(s), the Safety Car(s) may enter the circuit from the Main Pit Lane Exit Road and/or from the East Circuit Pit Lane Exit Road located between turns 24 and 25. All cars will line up in single file behind the Safety Car(s) maintaining a maximum distance of five car lengths from the car in front.
 - 11.1.3 The speed of the Safety Car(s) will be managed by Race Control as required.
 - 11.1.4 Once the field is under control behind the Safety Car, The Safety Car Observer may signal to following cars to overtake the Safety Car. This is to ensure the leader (or other relevant

car) is directly behind the Safety Car for the re-start, or two bring the two fields of vehicles together behind one Safety Car.

- 11.1.5 When the Safety Car is directed to leave the circuit, the flashing lights will be turned off prior to Turn 34 and it will enter Main Pit Lane via the Main Pit Entry Road.
- 11.1.6 Pit Lane will be closed normal during Safety Car conditions, except for automobiles that require emergency repairs or refuelling. Any pit stop that commences under Safety Car conditions will not count toward a CPS.
- 11.1.7 Pit Exit will be closed as the Safety Car exits Turn 35 until the car at the end of the Safety Car Train passes Main Pit Exit.
- 11.1.8 All laps completed under Safety Car conditions will be counted as race laps.

12. DRIVERS

- 12.1 A driver may only enter in (1) car in the event. There will be no cross-entries.
- 12.2 All drivers will be allocated a driver ID sticker. That sticker must be placed on the helmet in a position that can be easily visible by Marshalls.
- 12.3 Each automobile entering the 777 Endurance Crown will be driven by two (2), three (3) or four (4) drivers.
- 12.4 No individual driver may complete more than 60% (144 minutes) of the race distance.

13. CLASS STRUCTURE

- 13.1 Class Structure for the 777 Endurance Crown will be determined by the fastest qualifying lap time of each car in any two segments of qualifying.
- 13.2 There will be four classes in total. If any car records a lap time faster than the fastest time for their class on more than three (3) occasions in Qualifying and one (1) in Racing, they will be penalised as per rule 25 F or 25 G.
- 13.3 No car is permitted to go faster than **3:35.00** at any time during the weekend, including official practice, qualifying, or the race. Any car which goes faster than 3:30.00 will receive warnings for the first two infringements and will be excluded from the meeting upon the third infringement. Any times faster than **3:35.00** in official practice or qualifying will be disallowed.
- 13.4 With the approval of the Clerk of Course, a competitor may nominate in writing to the Race Secretary to move up one (1) class, no later than 10am on Sunday, 24 November 2024.
- 13.5 The Clerk of Course & Event Promoter reserves the right to re-allocate automobiles into Classes based on previous lap times recorded, including times from practice at the event, or previous events.
- 13.6 Trophies and Prizemoney will be awarded to the top three competitors in each class.

14. COMPULSORY PIT STOP (CPS)

14.1 The minimum number and time of CPS for all cars will be as follows:

Class	Qualifying lap time	Number of CPS
A	3:35.0000 to TBC	3 x 5min + 1 x 2.5min
B	TBC	3 x 5min
C	TBC	2 x 5min + 1 x 2.5min
D	TBC	2 x 5min

14.2 The window for Compulsory Pit Stops will be open from 20 minutes after the lead automobile crosses the start line to commence the race, until 3 hours and 40 minutes after the lead automobile crosses the start line to commence the race.

14.3 The opening and closing of the CPS Window will be indicated by a Siren and Pit Open or Pit Closed Board displayed at the Starters Gantry.

14.4 If the Safety Car is deployed during the CPS Window, the CPS Window will not be extended.

14.5 Compulsory Pit Stops cannot be completed during Safety Car periods.

14.6 Pit Stops outside of the CPS are permitted at any time.

14.7 Failure to attempt a CPS will result in a penalty, in accordance with 25 B.

14.8 The driver's safety harness must be securely fastened before the automobile leaves its allocated pit bay.

14.9 All equipment and crew, with the exception of the car controller must be behind the prescribed control line and inside the pit lane garage before an automobile may leave its allocated pit bay.

15. DRIVERS BRIEFING

15.1 A special driver's briefing for the 777 Endurance Crown competitors will be held in the Level 3 Members Lounge at 10am on Sunday, 24 November 2024.

15.2 It is compulsory for all drivers and the nominated Team Manager to attend.

16. PIT LANE ALLOCATION

16.1 Entrants will be required to stipulate which other team / competitor they wish to be paired with at the time of entry. Otherwise, Pit Lane Garage allocation will be allocated in the order of receipt of completed entry.

16.2 Care must always be taken not to interfere with any other competitor or crew.

- 16.3 Any automobile reversing under power in Pit Lane will be excluded from the event; however, pushing an automobile backwards when it is safe to do so is acceptable.

17. OTHER PIT STOP REQUIREMENTS AND MAINTENANCE IN PIT LANE

- 17.1 A Car Controller should be appointed for each automobile, who is responsible for the safe conduct of any pit stop and specifically for the safe release of the automobile at the conclusion of the pit stop.
- 17.2 Should a driver change be performed, only the drivers may assist each other to exit and enter the automobile.
- 17.3 No driver changes may be performed whilst re-fuelling. For the purpose of clarity of this rule, “whilst re-fuelling” will be defined as the moment the fuel cap or flap is opened is removed or a refuelling apparatus has made contact with the automobile.
- 17.3 The Car Controller may only cross the prescribed line into pit lane within one-minute prior to the pit stop.
- 17.4 A maximum number of five (5) crew members will be permitted to cross the prescribed line to attend to an automobile during pit stops. This does not include drivers assisting each other when changing drivers.
- 17.5 If repairs or adjustments are required underneath the car, jack stands must be in place after the automobile is raised.
- 17.6 Jacking (lifting) equipment is limited to one (1) only manually operated hydraulic trolley jack. The removal and replacement of wheels must be done with either a manual wheel brace or a battery-powered tool.
- 17.7 No work is to be conducted on the automobile whilst re-fuelling is taking place. For the purpose of clarity of this rule, “whilst re-fuelling” will be defined as the moment the fuel cap or flap is opened is removed or a refuelling apparatus has made contact with the automobile.

18. FUEL

- 18.1 Only fuel sold at the circuit is permitted for use. 98 RON, Elf Racing 102 and E85 will be available for purchase at the circuit fuel pumps.
- 18.2 Competitors may store up to 120L of fuel per automobile in any garage at any time.
- 18.3 Competitors may opt to have the Event Organiser supply and refill their automobiles during the event at an additional cost of \$50 per pitstop, plus the retail cost of fuel (only applicable for 98 RON)

19. RE-FUELLING

- 19.1 All refuelling is to be done in accordance with *Motorsport Australia Circuit Race Appendix – Refuelling in Pitlane, Part 2 State/Club Competition*.
- 19.2 At all times refuelling of the automobile must only be carried out in Pit Lane or the area designated as a refuel zone.
- 19.3 Competitors must provide one (1) x up to date, tagged and fully functional dry powder fire extinguisher (of a minimum capacity of 4.5kg with 9kg fire extinguishers being strongly recommended) per car under their control.
- 19.4 At all times when filling or emptying refuelling devices in the pit lane garage, each crew member must be attired in accordance with Technical Appendix - Schedule D for a refuelling. An attendant with a 4.5kg fire extinguisher be present.
- 19.5 The car must be connected to the other grounding connection (earthed) for the duration of all refuelling operations.
- 19.6 Teams are permitted to practice their refuelling outside of 777 Endurance Crown session times, provided that all personal are properly attired and *Motorsport Australia Circuit Race Appendix – Refuelling in Pitlane, Part 2 State/Club Competition* is applied.
- 19.7 The Team Manager must notify the designated officials of an automobile's intended refuelling no less than one (1) lap before attempting the stop. Failure to do so will be penalised in accordance with 25 A.
- 19.8 It is compulsory for any pit stop where re-fuelling is taking place to take 5:00 (five-minutes) from the time the car crosses the pit-entry control line to the time it crosses the pit-exit control line.
- 19.9 When refuelling is to be conducted, the Automobile's engine must be switched off, the Driver must exit the Automobile to the pit garage before the refuelling process may commence, and the Driver to enter the Automobile may not exit the pit garage until the refuelling is complete.
- 19.10 No other work on the car may take place during re-fuelling.
- 19.11 Competitors spilling fuel on the ground during refuelling will be penalised in accordance with 25 C.
- 19.12 Competitors may opt to have the Event Organiser refuel their automobiles during the event at an additional cost of \$50 per pitstop, plus the retail cost of fuel (only applicable for 98 RON)
 - 19.12.1 If utilising the Event Organiser for refuelling, the Team Manager will notify the Event Organiser via an online portal no less than 4 laps prior to their desired pitstop time.
 - 19.12.2 Competitors utilising the Event Organiser for refuelling will be notified of their pitstop one (1) lap prior to their designated pitstop. Refuelling will be carried out in a designated refuelling area in front of Garages 33 and 34.
 - 19.12.3 The Team Manager must be present to observe the refuelling taking place.

19.12.4 Competitors utilising the Event Organiser for refuelling will be stationary in the refuelling area for 2:30 (two-minutes and thirty seconds) before being released to transit to their own allocated pit bay to complete their CPS.

19.12.5 Competitors utilising the Event Organiser for refuelling may complete their driver change in the refuelling area in front of Garages 33 and 34 once refuelling is completed.

20. PIT CREW

20.1 All crew members must complete The Bend Indemnity form and received a wristband to be in the Pit Lane. Failure to do so will result in the associated competing automobile being excluded from the event.

20.2 No more than two (2) persons per race automobile may be at the signalling wall at any time.

20.3 Children under the age of 16 years will not be permitted in pit lane unless they're competing in the event as a nominated driver.

21. RECOVERY

21.1 If an automobile stops on the track during a race or practice, the driver must stay in the automobile *or* retire to a safe place until the recovery crews arrive, returning to their automobile to assist the recovery crews when instructed.

21.2 Any competitor in an automobile being towed must have their safety equipment on until they return to the pit lane.

21.3 An Automobile that stops on the Circuit during a race and is returned to the pit/paddock area by officials may be repaired to the satisfaction of the Technical Delegate and continue in the race.

22. IN CAR CAMERAS

22.1 A limited number of In-car video cameras will be made available for Competitors with guaranteed access to the event broadcast at a cost of \$800 per camera.

22.2 Teams utilising these in-car video cameras as part of the broadcast will be permitted to display their sponsors on a dashboard panel.

22.3 Entrants are not permitted to broadcast live footage from in-car cameras during the event.

23. SPONSOR DECALS

23.1 Each automobile must display sponsor decals provided by the event organiser.

23.2 Failure to display the sponsor decals provided in accordance with the instructions will result in the automobile not being permitted to enter the circuit.

24. TWO WAY RADIOS / PIT CREW RADIOS

- 24.1 The use of two-way communications (or single way) is encouraged.
- 24.2 Competitors using pit to driver communication must supply the event organiser with their frequencies before 5pm on Friday, 17th November 2024. Failure to do so will result in a penalty at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.

25. PENALTIES

Section	Infringement	Penalty
A	Failure to complete CPS correctly OR within CPS window	Five (5) minute penalty
B	Failure to attempt CPS (per offence)	Ten (10) minute penalty
C	Fuel spillage during refuelling	Five (5) minute penalty
F	Third infringement of class breakout (practice & qualifying)	Loss of fastest lap & moved to class above.
G	Infringement of class breakout (race, per offence)	Five (5) minute penalty

26. PRIZE MONEY

- 26.1 The Total prize pool for the 777 Endurance Crown is \$5,000.
- 26.2 The prize money will be Electronically transferred into the account nominated by the entrant within 10 business days of the conclusion of the event.
- 26.3 The Entrant must provide the bank account details to the event promoter within 5 business days of the conclusion of the event.
- 26.4 If the Entrant fails to provide the bank details for the electronic transfer within the time specified, the prize money will be forfeited.
- 26.5 Prize Money will be allocated to each class winner based on the table in 29.3.2, after all penalties have been applied, at the conclusion of the race, based on the official results as provided by the Chief Timekeeper to the Event Promotor.
- 26.6 Class Winner Prize Money Table

	1st	2nd	3 rd
Pole	\$200	n/a	n/a
A	\$750	\$300	\$150
B	\$750	\$300	\$150
C	\$750	\$300	\$150
D	\$750	\$300	\$150

- 26.7 Should any Stewards hearings change the event results, the promotor reserves the right to change the prize money allocation, post event.