



Sustainable Club Motorsport

An Introduction to Bath Motor Club's Environmental Management System

Bath Motor Club is committed to the protection of the environment, reducing the detrimental impact of its events on the environment and improving the sustainability of motorsport in the UK. We operate an Environmental Sustainability System (BESS), and are the first UK Motor Club to be awarded the Motorsport UK Sustainability Accreditation for this. We ask all our members and event competitors for support in this, to follow these actions to manage our significant environmental aspects during each event:

- CO2 and Climate Change. We are investigating ways to reduce the CO2 impact of our events. But where we can't do more, we make a small environmental donation with every entry to offset the CO2 produced by your vehicle on the event, and that of all the Bath Motor Club organisers and marshals. We invest this fee in a local tree planting scheme to create a new permanent native deciduous forest. Over time this will offset the carbon produced, and achieve net-zero carbon for all our events. In 2021, for example, this amounted to over 36,000 miles or 21 tonnes of CO2 (using data from Carbon Independent). That year our members physically planted more than enough trees which, as this permanent forest grows over the next 10 – 15 years, will sequester this carbon within our share of this new, properly maintained 10,000 tree forest established by Bath-based organisation, Co-forest. Together we are planting more new trees for each subsequent year, for each year's event mileage.
- For further information, refer to Co-Forest: <https://coforest.co.uk/>
- Carbon Independent: <https://www.carbonindependent.org/49.html>
- Waste. We make every effort to eliminate or reduce waste from every event, and ask you to do the same. Please avoid printing unnecessarily and ensure that any waste you produce is taken home. Do not leave anything at the venue or en-route, take it home to recycle.
- Noise. Depending on the event, either MSUK limits or normal road going vehicle noise levels are required at all times. Noise is strictly monitored and if your vehicle is found to be excessive you will be asked to rectify it at once. Please drive considerately whenever on the public road and in sensitive areas.
- Land and water protection. We must protect the event sites and routes from environmental damage.
 - Please avoid refuelling during the event. Petrol is available locally. If permitted, a site will be set up and managed, please use this and take great care, and if any spillage of any quantity of any hazardous liquid occurs report it immediately to Bath Motor Club, and use a spill kit quickly.
 - Please report any significant damage to land, hedgerows, flora and fauna to the organisers. If it is necessary to wash your vehicle please use the minimum of water. Pressure washers are not permitted.
- Environmental awareness. Bath Motor Club promotes environmental sustainability as widely as possible, to our friends and associated organisations in Motorsport, and to the public. We encourage you to spread the word about what we are doing and the importance of motorsport meeting the challenge of Climate Change.
- Thank you for your help in our sustainability challenge! If you have any questions or need more information, please speak to our Environmental Champion, Andy Cross.