

Sedgemoor Model Boat Club

Fast Electric Mini Mono RTR Class Rules

(Amended April 2024)

This class is for Ready To Run (RTR) or Almost Ready To Run (ARTR) Mono Hull RC Fast Electric boats.

Any boat that has been raced in this class between 1st January 2019 and 31st December 2020 will be permitted to continue to race, however that boat may not be replaced by another of the same design if it no longer complies to all parts of rule 3.

The boat will require a safety loop to be fitted and a number plate to enter a race – see rules 11 and 12.

Hereafter all references to cost are for pound sterling retail prices including VAT but excluding postage and packaging costs.

PERMITTED BOATS:

1. Joysway Super Mono X V2 Brushless Power Speed Boat
2. Volantex Vector SR48 Brushless RTR Racing Boat
3. Any other boat meeting the following criteria:
 - Must be a ARTR or RTR “off the shelf model” available to buy from a UK based commercial supplier at a price not exceeding £150.00 at the time of purchase.
[ARTR & RTR defined at end of document]
 - Of mono hull design.
 - The overall length including rudder, prop shaft, turn fins and any other transom mounted appendages must not exceed 450mm
 - Shall not be modified in anyway after purchase in a way which may improve its performance (ie; installing additional turn fins, trim tabs, steps or flood chambers.) These includes any reduction or increase to its overall length.

BATTERIES:

4. Any battery included with the model does not have to used, new ones may be purchased, but in all cases, they must not exceed the limits listed below as specified by the manufacture on the battery;
 - i. 2S1P or 2S2P LiPo, nominal voltage 7.4v, maximum capacity 2600mAh
 - ii. 3S1P or 3S2P LiPo, nominal voltage 11.1v, maximum capacity 1800mAh

HARDWARE:

5. The hardware is defined as the propeller shaft, rudder, rudder servo, mount and linkage, trim tabs, outrigger bracket and any other fittings to the hull.
These may be replaced if damaged or worn but must not be greater or less than 10% of the original size and must be of a similar design and/or shape. These parts may be replaced using a different material. ie; a plastic rudder for a metal one.
6. The original motor, motor mounting bracket, coupling and/or ESC (if included) may be replaced due to wear, damage or to upgrade to improve the boats performance but must not exceed a cost of £25.00 unless OEM
7. The ESC may be of any type and size but must not exceed a cost of £30.00 unless OEM
8. The original propeller may be modified (ie; edges reshaped, trimmed and/or balanced) it may be replaced with any type, material and size but must not exceed £20.00

9. The hull may be repaired after damage but only to restore it as close as is possible to its original design and shape by using similar materials.

TRANSMITTER AND RECEIVER;

10. Any type or make of 2.4G, 40mhz or 27mhz TX and RX may be used. Where supplied with the RTR model they do not have to used, one or both can be replaced as required.

SAFETY LOOP (REQUIRED FOR ALL BOATS)

11. The boat must be fitted with a “safety loop” colour red outside the hull, which when pulled will disconnect the battery supply to the motor. The loop must be fitted outside the hull in a position which is easily accessible to disconnect and must have a diameter of at least 20mm.

RACE NUMBER (REQUIRED FOR ALL BOATS)

12. Boats must carry an upright number plate. The number figure must be black with the lines at least 8mm in width on a white background at least 75mm high x 60mm wide. The number plate itself must not exceed 100mm from its top to the boats deck line not including the boats top/lid. The number for each boat class will be the final placing the entrant achieved in that class in the previous year’s Wednesday night series.

SELF-RIGHTING

13. If required the number plate may be used to aid the self-righting of the boat. Foam material may be attached to the number plate to a maximum of 25mm thick, but this must not exceed 75mm high x 60mm wide under any circumstances. The number must still be clearly visible and comply to rule 12
14. No other aids such as a flood chamber or additional large tops are permitted for self-righting unless they were included in the original boat design.

RACE COURSE AND TIME

15. **Race Course & time**

Race duration will be 5 minutes to include a 10 second “Mill Start” (see below) in a clockwise direction around an oval course. The exact size and position of the buoys will be decided by the meeting OOD.

Whenever possible there will be a course consisting of 4 marker buoys set out in a large rectangle shape. There will be center marker used for the start/finish line and for lap counting.

16. **Mill Start**

All boats will have a 10 second “mill time” to circle around the bottom right-hand buoy in a clockwise direction. They must have launched and cleared the start/finish line area within the first 5 seconds; anyone that fails to do this must join in behind the last placed boat as the race starts. No boat may stop dead in the water or cross the start line before the start is called, any boats that do will have 1 lap deducted from their race score.

The lap counting starts only after the mill start is completed.

DEFINITIONS

ARTR is defined in these rules as a model supplied with a complete hull already built but may require the minimum of assembly of a few parts before it is ready to race.

It must include all fittings, hardware, motor, propeller and shaft, rudder and rudder servo and only needs a receiver (RX), transmitter (TX) and batteries. Most are supplied with an Electronic Speed Controller (ESC) but that does not need to be included.

RTR is the same as ARTR but normally requires little or no assembly and may or may not also include the RX, TX, ESC and battery.