SOMERSET COUNCIL

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1988 – SECTION 33

CONSENT FOR USE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY IN A MOTOR VEHICLE TRIAL OR SCRAMBLE/RALLY

In accordance with Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1988, the SOMERSET COUNCIL (hereinafter called "The Council") HEREBY CONSENT to the promotion of a Motor Cycle Trial event organised by the Exmoor Motor Club (hereinafter called "The Club") on footpath/bridleways/restricted byways nos. WL 6/22, WL 6/34, DU 10/31, DU 10/28, DU 10/56, DU 10/4, WL 6/41, DU 4/38, WL 12/15, WL 12/17, WL 12/23, WL 19/44, WL 19/28, WL 19/37, WL 21/25, WL 21/31, WL 21/10, WL 14/19, WL 29/12, WL 29/5, WL 13/12, WL 13/1, WL 13/6, WL 13/16, WL 25/2, WL 25/34, WL 25/41, WL 25/33/1, WL 32/24, WL 32/9, WL 32/10, WL 32/7, WL 25/39 on the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way for the Parishes of Cutcombe, Exford, Exton, Luccombe, Luxborough, Selworthy & Minehead Without, Porlock, Timberscombe, Winsford, Withycombe, Wootton Courtenay on 29th November 2026 subject to compliance with the following conditions:

(1) That throughout the period of the trial or scramble the officers and members of The Club shall ensure either by stationing authorised persons along the said footpath(s),bridleway(s) or restricted byway(s) (hereinafter called "the highway") as may be necessary or otherwise that adequate warning of apprehended danger is given to any person (not being a person taking part in the trial or scramble) lawfully using the highway: and except as aforesaid shall not hinder or obstruct any person using the highway. All authorised persons along the highway must carry a copy of this consent to produce if challenged.

(2) The officers and members of The Club shall be responsible for making good any damage to the surface of the highway or to any walls, fences, stiles, bridges, gates, drains, watercourses or other wayside fixtures arising out of the said trial or scramble. If this is not done within a reasonable time after notice had been given, The Council shall have the right to carry out the work and charge the cost to The Club.

(3) That no motor vehicle shall take part in such a trial or scramble unless there is in force in relation to such vehicle a policy of insurance in respect of third-party risks.

(4) The officers and members of The Club shall indemnify The Council against any legal liability in respect of any claims arising out of this consent and any expenses to which The Council may be put in defending any claim. If The Club is affiliated to the Royal Automobile Club or Auto-Cycle Union the production of a certificate that the Master Policy No. 363035/No. 363025 issued by the National Employers' Mutual General Insurance Association Limited covering the Royal Automobile Club/Auto-Cycle Union in respect of motor sport, and which inter alia includes cover against the legal liability of any local authority whose permission is necessary for the holding of an event has been extended to the officers and members of The Club in respect of the trial or scramble in question, shall be sufficient evidence of acceptance of responsibility and of intention to indemnify The Council.

(5) The officer and members of The Club shall be responsible for seeing that litter deposited on the highway is removed after the trial or scramble.

(6) Warning notices must be installed on roads approaching off stage sections.

(7) The applicant needs to satisfy themselves that the proposed event complies with the UK Government's current Covid restrictions.

Dated this 23rd day of November 2026.

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Note: 1) Any person who fails to comply with any of the above conditions is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds.

2) Please publish details in local press near to date of rally.