
LONDON-SYDNEY MARATHON - OUTLINE REGULATIONS - THE CLOWES CUP

The following is a summary of the Regulations. The Regulations take precedence over this summary

DEFINITION OF THE EVENT. The Clowes Cup is a regularity event where competitors try to attain a set average speed over sections of demanding roads, both tarmac and gravel. Spirited, safe driving is required – it is not about outright speed. The event will be organised and run in accordance with the Regulations. Entry is by invitation.

ROUTE. The event will start from London on Saturday 5th June 2004 and will finish in Sydney on Sunday 4th July 2004. The distance will be about 15,000 kms and will include approximately 60 regularities or tests some held on roads closed to other traffic. The route will be as shown in a Road Book using “tulip” diagrams which are simple drawings of road junctions etc. showing the distances and direction to go.

ELIGIBLE CARS. There will be three classes:

- Class 1 - Classic Cars (1950 - 1977)
- Class 2 - 4x4 recreational vehicles
- Class 3 - Other suitable vehicles.

All vehicles must be properly licensed for use on the public highway.

The size of the vehicle must be no greater than 517cm long x 219cm wide x 200cm high (including any roof racks or boxes) for loading into the Antonov cargo plane.

No special preparation is needed. Any modern 4x4 vehicle should be ready to tackle the event as it comes out of the showroom. For other vehicles, sump and tank guards are recommended. Other preparation is optional.

ELIGIBLE COMPETITORS. Any person with a current driving licence. Non-driving passengers without a licence are permitted. The minimum number in a crew is two and the maximum four.

ENTRY FEES. Entries close on 31st December 2003. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry application without giving any reason. The entry fee for 2 crew members and car is US\$36,000, which may be paid in instalments:

On application	\$ 1,000.00
On acceptance	\$ 3,000.00
On or before:	
30 th April 2003	\$10,000.00
31 st August 2003	\$12,000.00
31 st January 2004	\$10,000.00

Entries paid in full before 30th April 2003 will qualify for a discount of US\$2,000.

The entry fee includes: shipment of car in a 40ft container from Sydney to London, 2 economy class air

tickets from Sydney to London, airlifts for crew and car from Turkey to India and India to Australia, all sea ferries, a twin-share hotel room with breakfast every night of the event, personal accident and medical insurance for two crew members, two tickets for the Welcome Dinner in London and the Awards Dinner in Sydney, two packs of event clothing.

For one or two additional crew members the following package is available: twin-share room with breakfast for every night of the event, all air lifts and ferries, tickets to the Welcome Dinner and Awards Dinner and two event clothing packs. The cost is US\$ 3,000.

An entry is deemed to be the property of the first named driver while it is fully paid. At the point it ceases to be paid according to the schedule the entry is declared forfeit and it and any fees paid revert to become the property of the Organisers. At no time may the entry be passed on or transferred to another party without the written approval of the Event Director.

The initial application fee is non-refundable. In the event of competitor cancellation, refunds of the balance paid will be:

On or before:	
1 st June 2003	30% refund
1 st August 2003	20% refund
1 st November 2003	15% refund
Thereafter	No refund

In the unlikely event of cancellation of the event by the organisers, entry fees paid will be refunded in full.

The Organisers reserve the right to increase the entry fee by up to a maximum of 8% to cover any unforeseen event or the need to re-route the event.

VEHICLE INSURANCE. Competitors must ensure that they have Third Party Insurance cover for their vehicle for the whole event.

AMENDMENTS. The Organisers reserve the right to cancel or postpone the event, or part thereof, to amend the regulations and the route in accordance with any condition and circumstance, which may arise.

ADVERTISING. There will be no limitations as to the amount or size of advertising or signwriting other than provision must be made for the Organisers advertising and vehicle identification.

VEHICLES FOR HIRE OR BUY-BACK. The Organisers are in discussion with a major manufacturer who may be willing to offer brand new 4x4 vehicles to competitors on a rent or buy-back deal. This may appeal to competitors not wishing to use their own vehicles. Details will be published as soon as the information is available.
