



# Singapore Motor Sports Association

## Race Vehicle Application Procedure

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### **Importing a Race Vehicle**

#### **Overview**

The importing of a "Race Vehicle" consists of 3 general parts.

1. To prepare the necessary documentation and inspection by Singapore Motorsports Association (SMSA) for approval.
2. Sending the vehicle to LTA for inspection.
3. Obtain the approval letter from LTA and Race Vehicle Log Book from SMSA upon approval.

#### **Preparation**

To apply for the importation of a Race Vehicle, applicant should prepare the followings:

1. Obtain and fill up Race Vehicle Registration form.
2. Possess a valid SMSA membership. Membership application form is available from SMSA. ([www.smsa.org.sg](http://www.smsa.org.sg))
3. Invoice of the Vehicle purchase and Bill of Lading. Chassis and engine numbers should be clearly indicated in the Bill of Lading and invoice. The invoice should be in the name of the applicant. If invoice is not in the name of the applicant, applicant must provide all the invoices from Bill of Lading to the Purchase of the Race Vehicle from the original importer.
4. The Race Vehicle should be welded or bolt fitted with a roll cage. Not applicable for motorcycles.
5. 5 photos (Size 3R) of the Race Vehicle (cars) e.g. front, rear, sides, engine and interior with roll cage.
6. 5 photos (Size 3R) of the Race Vehicle (motorcycles) e.g. front, rear, sides, engine and chassis number if visible.
7. Applicant will bare all taxes or GST required by Singapore Customs for their Race Motor Vehicle(s).

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## Inspection

The Race Vehicle must be presented to SMSA and LTA for inspection within 30 days upon application with SMSA.

1. Race vehicle must pass SMSA inspection prior to sending Race Vehicle to LTA for inspection. Please contact SMSA for an inspection appointment 3 days in advance. Applicant is required to tow the Race Vehicle to SMSA's appointed location for inspection.
2. Applicant can opt for an "on-site" SMSA inspection at a fee of S\$150.00. Please contact SMSA for an inspection appointment 3 days in advance.
3. Should your Race Vehicle fail the SMSA inspection, you will be required to return for re-inspection of your vehicle at a fee of S\$50.00 for every subsequent "towed-in" re-inspection or S\$100.00 for every subsequent "on-site" re-inspection.
4. For "on-site" inspections as well as re-inspections, SMSA appointed inspector will collect all payment made in cash or cheque payable to Singapore Motor Sports Association at site. Official receipt will be mail to you within 14 days.
5. After completion and passing of SMSA inspection, applicant can tow the race vehicle to LTA for inspection. You may tow the vehicle to the car park located at Sin Ming Drive.



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6. Proceed to LTA information counter and request for race vehicle inspection and registration. LTA officers from LTA vehicle engineering department will proceed to car park with the applicant to inspect the race vehicle and take photos (roll cage/engine number/chassis number/racing harness/racing seat/engine bay and exterior of vehicle) of the race vehicle. **(Note: Prior to inspection, applicant should ensure that chassis and engine number is easily accessible and visible during inspection for photo taking. You may be require to remove parts such as radiator hose, air filter intake pipe and etc if the view to the chassis or engine number is obstructed.)**
7. After completion of LTA inspection, proceed back to LTA with the officers. LTA will issue you an official LTA approval letter to state that *"The said vehicle does not comply with LTA's technical requirement and cannot be use on any public roads. The race vehicle is to be used for motor racing and related events only. It should be permanently kept in a private compound when not needed for racing. It can only be towed or transported to or from the racing venue."*
8. Applicant is required to submit a copy of the LTA official approval letter to SMSA to finalize the race vehicle registration process.

## Inspection Criteria for Race Vehicle

1. Roll cage must be welded or bolt fitted to the Race Vehicle. Not applicable for motorcycle.
2. The Race Vehicle should not have any other seats other than the ones for the driver and co-driver (if any). Both driver's and co-driver's seats must be racing bucket seats with a 5-point seat belt harness.
3. For Race Vehicle (motorcycles), they should not have any turn signal lighting, pillion seat, license plate frame holding bracket and side mirrors.
4. Engine number and chassis number must match Purchase Invoice or Bill of Lading. Applicant is required to show the location of the chassis and engine number during inspection.
5. Changing of engine to one of a higher capacity without homologation papers or that which defers from the chassis number is prohibited, e.g. importing a Mitsubishi lancer 1.6GLXi (CS) chassis with a 4G63 EVO engine or a Honda Civic (EG) chassis with a K20 Engine is prohibited. **However, certain chassis and engine combinations are allowed based on the rules and regulations of the type of race. Such applications will be processed based on a case-by-case basis; it is strongly recommended that the applicant consult with SMSA prior to importing such a Race Vehicle. Please note that the Race Vehicles of all successful applicants will be subject to the rules and regulations, and scrutineering of the race organizers.**

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## Approval

An approval letter and a Log book will be issued by SMSA to the applicant after the Race Vehicle has passed the LTA inspection. Both the approval letter issued by LTA and the SMSA Log Book must be produced for renewal each year. If either of the documents is lost, the owner must make a police report and produce the police report before a replacement Log Book will be issued. There will be an administrative fee of \$50 for replacement/revalidate of SMSA Log Book and all authorities release letters.

## Limitation

Each SMSA member is allowed to import up to 2 units of Race Vehicles per calendar year.

- First car - \$320 Bike - \$160
- Second car - \$640 Bike - \$320
- Subsequent Vehicle is subject to approval from SMSA.

Each corporate member is allowed to import 10 Race Vehicle per calendar year.

- 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> car - \$320 per car Bike - \$160
- 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> car - \$640 per car Bike - \$320
- Subsequent Vehicle is subject to approval from SMSA.

## Transfer of Ownership

### Transfer Fees

If the owner sells or transfers their Race Vehicle to another person, there will be a transfer fee incurred as follows:

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| 1. Within first calendar year  | car | - \$500 | Bike | - \$250 |
| 2. Within second calendar year | car | - \$400 | Bike | - \$200 |
| 3. Within third calendar year  | car | - \$300 | Bike | - \$150 |
| 4. Within fourth calendar year | car | - \$200 | Bike | - \$100 |
| 5. Fifth calendar year onwards | car | - \$100 | Bike | - \$50  |

The new owner is required to obtain the original LTA approval letter and SMSA Log Book from the previous owner and submit to SMSA office. New owner is required to fill up a new Race Vehicle application form. New owner is required to possess a valid SMSA membership during the duration of the Race Vehicle ownership.

A copy of the purchase agreement between the seller and buyer is required for the ownership transfer registration.

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## **Renewal**

All Race Vehicle owners are required to renew their SMSA membership annually at SMSA's office to validate the ownership of the Race Vehicle.

Required documents for renewal are as follows:

1. A valid SMSA membership;
2. The original approval letter from LTA and original SMSA Log Book; and
3. Details pertaining to location Race Vehicle(s) are kept.

**Please renew your SMSA membership before the expiry date. Owners of Race Vehicles who fail to renew their memberships are required to pay a revalidation fee equal to the numbers of years that of unpaid membership fee including entrance fees. SMSA reserves the right to reject all application submissions such as ownership transfer or service related to the off road vehicle (such as participation in SMSA events) from members whom have not renewed their membership. Off Road Vehicles will be reported to LTA and their Race Vehicles deemed illegal if they are not validated with SMSA annually.**

## **Scrapping/Exporting of Race Vehicles**

Race Vehicles which have been scraped or permanently exported should have the relevant supporting documents and must provide such information to SMSA.

## **Contact Us**

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**Website :** <http://smsa.org.sg>

### **SMSA Counter Service Hours**

Monday to Thursday 1:00pm – 5:30pm

Friday 11am – 5:30pm

(Closed on Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays)

### **Nearest MRT Station**

East West Line — EW15 Tanjong Pagar Exit A

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