

## Vintage Motorsports Council License FAQ

### What is the Vintage Motorsports Council (VMC)?

The VMC is an umbrella organization for the many independent organizations devoted to vintage racing across North America. VARAC is a founding member of the VMC, and sends a representative to its annual meeting.

Other member organizations include ;

Historic Sportscar Racing HSR (Road America)

Put-In-Bay Road Race Reunion PiRRR (Put-In-Bay)

Sportscar Vintage Racing Association SVRA (Indy, Sebring, Watkins Glen,...)

Vintage Racer Group VRG (Summit Point, Watkins Glen, ...)

Vintage Sports Car Drivers Association VSCDA, (Grattan, Road America, ...)

Vintage Sports Car Club of America VSCCA (Lime Rock, Mount Equinox Hill Climb)

Waterford Hills Road Racing, Inc. WHRRI (Waterford Hills)

The VMC has a website at <http://www.the-vmc.com/>

### Who issues the VMC license?

VARAC can issue a version of the VMC license. As well, the VMC will issue a national vintage competition license which is accepted at other vintage clubs across the country.

The requirements and application process are essentially the same for the two types of license.

### Is a VARAC VMC license accepted the same as a 'national' VMC license ?

The VARAC VMC license, as well as the CASC-OR regional license, is accepted at VMC member club events across North America as proof of current competition credentials. [Note that certain clubs may also require purchase of a local club licence or membership.] To race in Europe you should apply for a National GDS-ASN Canada license.

### What is the VMC license good for?

In Ontario, the VMC license is only accepted at events run by VARAC - for example, the VARAC Vintage GP at Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (Mosport) in June, and the Peter Jackson Trophy Races at Shannonville in August.

As well, it is accepted in Quebec at Le Circuit Mont Tremblant for the Spring, Summer, and Fall Classic events at which VARAC usually fields grid(s).

Several US events at which VARAC members often compete will also accept the VMC license. For example, the WHRRI event at Waterford Hills, the VSCDA event at Grattan, and the PiRRR event at Put-In-Bay.

### What is the VMC license not good for?

Since the CASC-OR is not a vintage motorsport organization, they do not accept the VMC license. That means that you cannot enter any CASC-OR regional race weekend without a full

CASC-OR regional competition license if you reside in Ontario, or its equivalent (SCCA, ASQ, FIA) if you live outside of Ontario.

It doesn't matter that you are competing on a grid composed fully of VARAC cars running under vintage racing rules, it's a CASC event and you need a CASC license. [Note that most of VARAC's grids run at CASC-OR regional race weekends.]

### **Do I need a VMC license?**

If you already hold a CASC-OR regional competition license (or equivalent from SCCA, ASQ, FIA if you live outside Ontario), then you do not need a VMC license to join a VARAC grid at any event (including the events organized annually by VARAC).

If you do not hold a CASC-OR regional competition license (or equivalent) and you only wish to compete at vintage-only events (for example only the VVGP), then the VMC license offers a low cost alternative to a regional competition license. At the time of writing, the VMC license was \$25, and the CASC license was \$282.50

### **What do I need to get a VMC license?**

1) Membership in a club that is affiliated with the VMC (like VARAC).

2) A current medical.

The word 'current' is no longer defined on the VMC website. But in 2021 it meant less than 13 months old if the applicant is over 60 years of age, less than 2 years old if the applicant is between 35 and 60 years of age, or less than 5 years old if the applicant is 18 - 35 years of age on the date of application. [Note that this is not the same definition used by the CASC, who require (for example) that anyone over 60 must submit a medical done in the same calendar year as the license application.]

VMC had their own medical form, but it has disappeared from their website. The VARAC Membership Director can supply a copy of the form. For the VARAC VMC license, we will accept any medical form that includes a physician's signature stating that an applicant is 'physically and psychologically fit to drive a racing vehicle in competitive events at high speeds' (or words to that effect).

3) Proof of competence on a race track.

Generally this means at least two years of competition experience. Eligible drivers will typically have held a CASC-OR Regional 'Driver A' license (or the equivalent from FIA, SCCA, ASQ, or other) in good standing (i.e. not under probation or suspension) for at least two years, and within the previous five years. Eligible drivers must also have competed without serious incident in the past 12 months. 'Serious incident' means at-fault collision with another car or serious damage to a car resulting from contact with a stationary object (e.g. a wall).

### **How do I get a VMC license from VARAC?**

Whether renewing your membership or applying for new membership on-line (at <https://varac.ca/membership/become-a-member/>), simply select the option of 'Membership with VMC License'. A \$25 fee for VMC license is charged over and above your \$50 annual

membership dues.

If you are already a VARAC member and wish to apply for a VMC license after renewing, there is a separate \$25 option on the renewal website.