

# Motor racing and classic car enthusiasts visiting Silverstone should be prepared for unexpected battery failures, reminds CTEK

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Thousands of enthusiasts of historic cars and racing will be making their way to Silverstone for the Silverstone Classic and 2012 Formula 1 Santander British Grand Prix during July so CTEK, global manufacturer of smart battery chargers, is reminding those travelling to be equipped for an unexpected battery failure (<http://www.ctek.com/gb/en/page/whycharge/battery-failure>).

A large number of vintage cars will be travelling to the UK circuit for the Silverstone Classic (20-22 July), the world's biggest annual classic motor racing festival, specifically to take part in one of the vast displays. Classic cars, in particular, can be more susceptible to breakdowns and battery issues compared to their modern counterparts, often due to them being stored in a garage and not driven on a daily basis.

Exhibitors, or anyone who has chosen to visit the three-day event in their historic model, should be fully prepared for any battery difficulties by carrying a charger with them. The CTEK XC0.8 is a compact, fully automatic 4-step smart battery charger (<http://www.ctek.com/gb/en/page/whycharge/smart-battery-charger>) that has been specially designed for vintage cars. It maintains 6V batteries from 1.2-100Ah and is suitable to be left connected for long periods of time; its 'smart' nature not only tops up the charge when required but it also maintains the battery.

Jan-Ulf Soderberg, head of brand and marketing at CTEK, advises: "When travelling in a classic car, or any vehicle for that matter, miles away from home, it's always best to be prepared. If the worst happens and a breakdown due to battery failure occurs when visiting an event, such as the July racing weekends at Silverstone, drivers can reach for their charger and ensure they get back to their campsite or hotel safely.

"Nevertheless, undertaking regular battery maintenance by routinely using a smart charger at home is always the best precaution; plus, CTEK chargers also recharge batteries, meaning they help to extend a battery's life."

Whether racing fans are visiting the prestigious Northamptonshire circuit in either a classic or modern car, or using another type of vehicle, such as a motorbike or campervan, there is a suitable CTEK charger to take on the journey.

For more information on CTEK's products, including its 12V battery charger (<http://www.ctek.com/gb/en/page/whycharge/12v-battery-charger>) range, suited to service most car, caravan, boat and truck batteries, please visit [www.ctek.com](http://www.ctek.com).

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