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Art. 1 Introduction

Name of the event: Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge
Date of the event: 22 - 27 November 2026

Art. 1.1 Preamble

This rally will be run in compliance with the FIA International Sporting Code (Code) including appendices, the FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations (FIA CCRSR) including appendices, the WADA/NADA Codes, and the FIA Anti-Doping Regulations, as amended from time to time. The National Road Traffic Regulations of the countries the event passes shall apply. Unless provided otherwise by these Supplementary Regulations, the provisions of the above Rules and Regulations shall apply.

Any modifications, amendments and/or additions to the Rules and Regulations shall be made in the form of numbered and dated bulletins. Bulletins will be issued by the Organiser, up to the commencement of administrative checks with the approval of the FIA, after the administrative checks by the Stewards of the meeting. Exceptionally, modifications to the itinerary may be made by the Organiser. Additional information will be published in the Rally Guide. All FIA regulations can be found at https://www.fia.com/regulations.

The various documents will be written in English. In case of any discrepancy the English text will be binding. The FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations are available at: https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/100

Art. 1.2 Length of Selective Sections

Stage 1	226 km
Stage 2	330 km
Stage 3	286 km
Stage 4	258 km
Stage 5	219 km
TOTAL	**1,326 km**

Art. 1.3 Overall numbers and total distance of the itinerary

Number of Stages	5
Number of Road Sections (Liaison)	10
Number of Selective Sections	5
Total distance of the itinerary	1,931 km

Art. 1.4 Route terrain on Selective Sections.

Gravel/dirt tracks	10%
Open desert	57%
Dunes	33%

Stage 1	Safety Type Open
Stage 2	Safety Type Open
Stage 3	Safety Type Open
Stage 4	Safety Type Open
Stage 5	Safety Type Open

Art. 2 Organisation

Art. 2.1 Championships and titles for which the Rally counts

FIA World Rally-Raid Championship for Manufacturers	FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Teams
FIA World Rally-Raid Championship for Drivers	FIA World Rally-Raid Championship for Navigators
FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Stock Drivers	FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Stock Navigators
FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Challenger Drivers	FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Challenger Navigators
FIA Rally-Raid Championship for SSV Drivers	FIA Rally-Raid Championship for SSV Navigators
FIA Rally-Raid Championship for SSV Manufacturers	FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Stock Manufacturers
FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Master Drivers	

Art. 2.2 Approvals

ASN registration number / Visa	Visa No.: EMSO-2026-100	Issued on: 11th September 2026
FIA VISA	Visa No.: WRC-26-05-260930	Issued on: 30th September 2026

Art. 2.3 Organiser's name, address and contact details

Organiser: Emirates Motorsports Organization
Organiser's representative: Bryan Gener
Street/P.O. Box: Al Wuheida Street, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Post code/city: 5078 / Dubai
Phone: + 971 4 2961122
E-mail: entry@emso.ae

Art. 2.4 Organising Committee

Khalid Ben Sulayem
Mahir Badri
Ronan Morgan
John Spiller
Adel Sarris
Cesar Abou Chacra
Bryan John Gener

Art. 2.5 Stewards of the Meeting

	Name
Chairperson of the Stewards:	Dmitry Makhenya (KAZ)
FIA Steward	Andrew Kellitt (GBR)
ASN Steward	Loay Al Bijaly (OMN)
Secretary to the Stewards	Sonia Martinez

Art. 2.6 FIA Delegates & Observer

	Name
FIA Sporting Delegate	Jérôme Roussel
FIA Technical Delegate	Christophe Vely
FIA Technical Delegate Assistant	Clément Clerc
FIA Technical Delegate Assistant	Mohand Abdelmoula
FIA Opening Car Crew	Thierry Magnaldi / Jean Paul Cottret

Art. 2.7 Senior Officials

	Name	License no.
Route Director	John Spiller	O26 00050
Clerk of the Course	Ronan Morgan	O26 00051
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Bobby Willis	O26 00551
W2RC Delegate	Benoit Soulas	
Event Director	Bryan Gener	O26 02508
Event Manager	Cesar Abou Chacra	O26 03731
Chief Safety Officer	John Paul Corpuz	O26 04044
Chief Scrutineer	Cormac Hassett	O26 03134
Chief Medical Officer (CMO)	Dr. James McBride	O26 04118
NAV-GPS Officer	ERTF team member	
Competitors' Relations Officer (CRO)	Fady Aoun	ASN-STW-026-005
Deputy Competitors Relations Officer (DCRO)	Jerome Joseph	O26 00669
Chief Timekeeper	Matsport team member	
Results	Matsport team member	
Press Officer	Natalia Sosa Medina	O26 01199
Chief Sweep Team	John Mitchell Ross	O26 00899
Chief Marshal	Muhammad Sarwar	O26 03830

Art. 2.8 Locations

Al Ain	Rally HQ - Ayla Grand Hotel Al Ain – Business Center, 1st Floor *09:00 on 19 November to 14:00 on 23 November and 09:00 – 21:00 on 27 November*	24° 13.470'N 55° 46.985'E	
Al Ain	Service Park - Al Ain Municipality Office *09:00 on 19 November to 18:00 on 23 November and 09:00 – 22:00 on 27 November*	24° 14.325'N 55° 44.295'E	
Al Ain	Scrutineering Location - Al Ain Municipality Office, Parking Lot	24° 14.243'N 55° 44.260'E	
Madinat Zayed	Bivouac, Mohammed Khalaf Al Mazrouei St. *16:00 on 22 November to 12:00 on 27 November*	23° 39.113'N 53° 42.197'E	

	Name of Contact	Phone	Email
Al Ain:	*Andreja Prel*	*+971 54 793 6025*	*andreja@emso.ae*
Madinat Zayed:	*Cesar Abou Chacra*	*+971 56 204 3011*	*cesar@emso.ae*

Digital Notice Board (DNB) Sportity: **26ADDCFIA**

Art. 3 Programme in chronological order and locations

Date		Location
Friday 21 August		
	Issuing of Rally Guide	Event Website & Sportity
TBC September		
	Publication of the supplementary regulations	Event Website & Sportity
Friday 6 November		
24:00	Closing date of entries	Event Website
Thursday 12 November		
12:00	Publication date of entry list	Event Website & Sportity
Thursday 19 November		
09:00	Bivouac/Service Park open	Al Ain Municipality Office - Parking
09:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ open	Ayla Grand Hotel Al Ain – 1st Floor
Friday 20 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ open	Ayla Grand Hotel Al Ain – 1st Floor
Saturday 21 November		
08:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Open	Ayla Grand Hotel Al Ain – 1st Floor
08:00 - 16:00	Administrative checks (optional for FIA W2RC crews)	Al Ain Municipality - Theatre
08:00 - 16:00	Collection of rally safety tracking system	Al Ain Municipality - Theatre
08:00 - 20:00	Opening of media centre and media accreditation	Al Ain Municipality - Theatre
08:30 - 19:00	Scrutineering/Sealing & marking of components for non-FIA W2RC crews (optional for W2RC crews)	Al Ain Municipality Office – Parking
19:00 - 20:00	Pre-Event Press conference	TBC
20:00 - 21:00	Mandatory Drivers' briefing	TBC
Sunday 22 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Open	Ayla Grand Hotel Al Ain – 1st Floor
07:00 - 11:00	Administrative checks for FIA W2RC crews	Al Ain Municipality - Theatre
07:30 – 11:30	Scrutineering for FIA W2RC crews	Al Ain Municipality Office – Parking
10:00	Team Managers' meeting (by invitation only)	TBC
12:00 – 13:00	Re-scrutineering for FIA vehicles which did not pass	Al Ain Municipality Office – Parking
13:30	Publication of list of crews authorised to start	DNB
14:00 – 16:00	Shakedown for W2RC Crews	TBC
16:00 – 17:00	Shakedown for other Crews	TBC
16:00	Bivouac/Service Park open	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
16:00	Publication of start list for Ceremonial Start	DNB
16:30	Pre-Start Holding Area Opens	Parking lot next to Service Park
17:30	Pre-Start Holding Area Closes	Parking lot next to Service Park
18:00 - 21:00	Ceremonial Start	Al Ain Municipality Office – Next to Service Park
18:00	Publication of start list for Stage 1	DNB

Monday 23 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Open	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
TBC	Start of Stage 1	Al Ain Municipality - Parking
TBC	Finish of Stage 1	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
18:00	Bivouac/Service Park closes	Al Ain Municipality - Parking
19:00	W2RC Medal Ceremony and Drivers' briefing	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
19:30	Publication of start list for Stage 2	DNB
Tuesday 24 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Open	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
TBC	Start of Stage 2	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
TBC	Finish of Stage 2	Al Sila Marathon Camp
19:00	W2RC Medal Ceremony and Drivers' briefing	Al Sila Marathon Camp
19:30	Publication of start list for Stage 3	DNB
Wednesday 25 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Park Open	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
TBC	Start of Stage 3	Al Sila Marathon Camp
TBC	Finish of Stage 3	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
19:00	W2RC Medal Ceremony and Drivers' briefing	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
19:30	Publication of start list for Stage 4	DNB
Thursday 26 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Open	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
TBC	Start of Stage 4	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
TBC	Finish of Stage 4	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
19:00	W2RC Medal Ceremony and Drivers' briefing	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
19:30	Publication of start list for Stage 5	DNB
Friday 27 November		
07:00 - 22:00	Rally HQ Open	Ayla Grand Hotel Al Ain – 1st Floor
09:00 - 22:00	Bivouac/Service Park open	Al Ain Municipality Office - Parking
TBC	Start of Stage 5	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
12:00	Service Park closes	Madinat Zayed Bivouac
13:00	Finish of Stage 5	Al Ain Municipality Office – Parking
14:00	Ceremonial Finish	Al Ain Municipality Office – Next to Service Park
14:30	Final scrutineering, immediately after arrival in the finish (following the marshals' instructions)	Al Ain Municipality Office – Parking
17:00	Publication of Provisional Classification	DNB
	Publication of Final Classification After the Stewards have declared the Classification final.	DNB
18:00	Post Event Press Interviews	On the Podium, Location TBC
18:30 – 19:30	Prize-giving ceremony	TBC
19:30	W2RC Season Prize Giving	TBC

Art. 4 Entries

Art. 4.1 Closing date for entries

See programme in chronological order (SR Art. 3) and FIA CCRSR Art. 17

Art. 4.2 Entry procedure

Art. 4.2.1 Entry submissions

Entries must be submitted in accordance with the FIA CCRSR Art. 16 to Art. 18. See also FIA International Sporting Code Art. 3.8 - Art. 3.14

An electronic entry application (Internet) will be available on the organisers' website:

https://abudhabidesertchallenge.com/

The entry form must be accompanied by a copy of the valid competitor's licence. If one of the drivers will be the competitor, he must hold a valid a competitor's licence and a driver's competition licence.

Competitors wishing to score points in the FIA World Rally-Raid Championship must register on https://registrations.fia.com/w2rc and pay their W2RC registration fee before the closing of entries for this event.

Competitors already registered for the World Championship must nominate the crew(s) nominated to score points on https://registrations.fia.com/w2rc

Art. 4.2.2 Driver declaration and undertakings

FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations, Article 1.1.7: "All competitors taking part in a Championship event must ensure that their drivers and navigators sign the driver declarations and undertakings form as attached in Appendix XI."

Please print, fill in and sign the Driver's Declarations and Undertakings available at: https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/100 (under RELATED DOCUMENTS)

The completed and signed Driver's Declarations and Undertakings must be handed to the organiser at the administrative checks.

Art. 4.3 Number of competitors accepted and vehicle classes

Art. 4.3.1 Number of competitors accepted

The number of competitors shall be limited to: 100

The minimum number of entered automobiles required is: 20

If that number is not reached, the Organiser may cancel the competition after obtaining the FIA's approval.

Art. 4.3.2 Groups/Classes of vehicles

Group *Groupe*	Class *Classe*	Vehicle *Véhicule*
FIA ULTIMATE (ULT)	T1+	Prototype Cross-Country Vehicles 4x4 complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 285-11 *Véhicules Tout-Terrain Prototypes 4x4 conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 285-11*
	T1.1	Prototype Cross-Country Vehicles 4x4 complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 285 *Véhicules Tout-Terrain Prototypes 4x4 conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 285*
	T1.2	Prototype Cross-Country Vehicles 4x2 complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 285 *Véhicules Tout-Terrain Prototypes 4x2 conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 285*
	ULTS	SCORE Truck or Buggy vehicles approved by the FIA (see Art. 8.4) *Véhicules SCORE Truck ou Buggy approuvés par la FIA (voir Art. 8.4)*
FIA STOCK (STK)	STK	Series Production Cross-Country Cars complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 284 *Voitures Tout-Terrain de Série conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 284*
	T2.1	Series Production Cross-Country Cars complying with 2024 Appendix J, Art. 284 *Voitures Tout-Terrain de Série conformes à l'Annexe J 2024, Art. 284*
	T2.2	Series Production Cross-Country Vehicles with expired homologation, complying with 2024 Appendix J, Art. 284 *Véhicules Tout-Terrain de Série à l'homologation expirée, conformes à l'Annexe J 2024, Art. 284*
FIA CHALLENGER (CHG)	CHG1	Lightweight Prototype Cross-Country Vehicles complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 286 (turbo up to 1,050cc) *Véhicules Tout-Terrain Prototypes légers conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 286 (turbo jusqu'à 1050 cm^3)*
	CHG2	Lightweight Prototype Cross-Country Vehicles complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 286 (NA up to 1,050cc) *Véhicules Tout-Terrain Prototypes légers conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 286 (atmo jusqu'à 1050 cm^3)*
	T3.U	Lightweight Prototype Cross-Country Vehicles complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 286-14 *Véhicules Tout-Terrain Prototypes légers conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 286-14*
	CHGS	SCORE UTV vehicles approved by the FIA (see Art. 8.4) *Véhicules UTV SCORE approuvés par la FIA (voir Art. 8.4)*
FIA SSV (SSV)	SSV1	Cross-Country Side-by-Side (SSV) Vehicles complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 286A (turbo up to 1050cc and atmo from 1050cc to 2000cc) *Véhicules « Side-by-Side » (SSV) Tout-Terrain conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 286A (turbo jusqu'à 1050 cm3 et atmo de 1050 cm3 à 2000 cm3)*
	SSV2	Cross-Country Side-by-Side (SSV) Vehicles complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 286A (atmo up to 1050cc) *Véhicules « Side-by-Side » (SSV) Tout-Terrain conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 286A (atmo jusqu'à 1050 cm3)*
	T4	Modified Production Cross-Country Side-by-Side (SSV) Vehicles with a FIA Technical Passport issued before 31.12.2025 and complying with 2024 Appendix J, Art. 286A *Véhicules « Side-by-Side » (SSV) Tout-Terrain de Série Modifiés avec un passeport technique FIA émis avant le 31.12.2025 et conformes à l'Annexe J 2024, Art. 286A*
FIA TRUCK (TRK)	T5.1	Prototype Cross-Country Trucks complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 287 *Camions Tout-Terrain Prototypes conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 287*
		Production Cross-Country Trucks complying with 2019 Appendix J, Art. 287 (see Art. 8.5.1) *Camions Tout-Terrain de Production conformes à l'Annexe J 2019, Art. 287 (voir Art. 8.5.1)*
	T5.U	Prototype Cross-Country Trucks complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 287-13 *Camions Tout-Terrain Prototypes conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 287-13*
	T5.2	Race Service Trucks complying with the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 287 – Appendix 1 *Camions d'Assistance en Course conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 287 – Annexe 1*

See also FIA CCRSR Art. 8 for additional provisions.

Art. 4.4 Entry fees/entry fee packages

With organiser's optional advertising (see also FIA CCRSR Art. 20)						
	Ultimate/Stock		CHALLENGER/SSV		FIA - TRUCK	
✓ Included – X Not included	UAE	OVERSEAS	UAE	OVERSEAS	UAE	OVERSEAS
Tracking and Timing (MARLINK) – *A deposit of €1500 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment	X	X	X	X	X	X
Navigation and Sentinel (ERTF) - *A deposit of €1,700 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of Electronic Road-Book	X	X	X	X	X	X
Public Liability Insurance 3rd Party (Off Highway) Insurance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Medical / Hospitalization / Repatriation Insurance	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
3rd Party (On Highway) Insurance	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
Wristband for Bivouac catering and accommodation (desert tent only)	2	2	2	2	3	3
Fuel (From Feb 22 - 27 in Bivouac)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Regular Rate Entry Fees (Until 6th November 2026)	18,899 AED	9,699 USD	16,299 AED	6,899 USD	19,899 AED	10,499 USD
Without organiser's optional advertising: (see also FIA RRSR Art. 20)						
	USD Entry Fee +50%					

Art. 4.5 Service Crews and Service Vehicle Entry fees

All Competitors, Service Crews, Media, Officials and Organization personnel will all be identified with coloured wristbands that they will receive at Documentation.
For service vehicle and service crews attending the event, the following fees will apply:

Item	Cost (AED)	Cost (USD)
Vehicle Pass (GVV up to 3000kgs): Rally Plate No. (Access to Bivouac + Service Road Book)	1,763	479
Truck Pass (GVW over 3000kgs): Rally Plate No. (Access to Bivouac + Service Road Book)	3,493	949
Crew UAE BASED with residence visa: Catering wristband for all event days (1 person)	2,388	649
Crew OVERSEAS: Catering wristband for all event days with repatriation insurance (1 person)	2,677	729
Optional: Additional set of Service Road Books	1000	275

Entry fees for Service Crews and Service Vehicles are valid to 6th November 2026 and need to be paid before 18th November 2026. Payments made at Documentation will be increased by 10%. All entries MUST be submitted online via https://registration.emso.ae/

The registration of the Service Crews and Service Vehicle is COMPULSORY. Only registered people/vehicles may access the bivouac.

Please note that the EMSO will no longer organize UAE visas for Service Crews.

Please refer to Rally Guide page 39.

Art. 4.6 Payment

Any entry not accompanied by the entry fee shall, according to Art. 3.9.3 of the FIA International Sporting Code, be considered null and void. The entry fee shall be paid by cheque attached to the entry form or by bank transfer to the account indicated below (in the latter case, adequate proof of payment must be attached to the entry form):

Organiser's bank details:

Account Name:	EMIRATES MOTORSPORT ORGANIZATION
Account Number:	101 5664 7808 01 (AED Account)
IBAN:	AE43 0260 0010 1566 4780 801
Account Number:	102 5664 7808 02 (USD Account)
IBAN:	AE51 0260 0010 2566 4780 802
Swift Code:	EBILAEAD
Bank Name:	Emirates-NBD
Bank Address:	PO BOX 777 Baniyas Rd. Deira Dubai, UAE

Please email to rocelle@emso.ae a copy of the bank transfer for reference and reconciliation purposes.

Art. 4.7 Entry fee refunds

The entry fee shall be refunded in full

- if the event does not take place
- to teams whose entry application is rejected

The organiser may partially refund entry fees if a competitor cannot take part in the event due to a duly proved case of force majeure.

Art. 5 Insurance Cover

The entry fee includes cover for civil liability of the competitor and all registered service crew from 21 November 2026 up to (and including) 27 November 2026. Competitor vehicles are covered for Civil Liability towards Third Parties (Road Legal), from (and including) 20 November 2026 up to (and including) 27 November 2026.

The insurance company is Dubai National Insurance & Reinsurance (P.S.C).

Contact:

Tel:	+971 4 596 9666
Email:	info@dni.ae
Address:	P.O. Box 1806, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Web:	www.dni.ae

This cover provides for a maximum liability, in respect of any one claim or series of claims resulting from one accident, of AED 38,888,000 (USD 10,581,800).

Damages to rally and/or service cars as well as the liability of a crew member towards other crew members are not covered by the insurance provided by the Organizers.

An accident & sickness emergency medical and repatriation expense is included in the entry fee for competitors and registered service crew to a level of AED 626,000 (USD 170,572) with an excess of AED 15,000 (USD 4087).

Art. 6 Advertising and Identification

See Appendix 3 of these Supplementary Regulations “Decals and positioning of supplementary advertising”.

The organiser will provide each crew with the advertising and identification panels, which must be affixed to their vehicles in the stated positions prior to scrutineering.

Art. 6.1 Obligatory organiser’s advertising

Advertiser	Field of activity
Rulers Representative Court Al Dhafrah Region	Region Government Authority
Abu Dhabi Sports Council	Sports Council in Abu Dhabi
Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC)	Distribution Petrol Supplier
Emirates Motorsports Organizer (EMSO)	ASN/Organiser
Abu Dhabi Culture and Tourism (DCT)	Abu Dhabi Tourism Authority

Art. 6.2 Optional organiser’s advertising

Advertiser	Field of activity
General Command of the Armed Forces	Government Military
Abu Dhabi Police	Police Authority
Toyota - Al Futtaim*	Vehicle Manufacturer
Abu Dhabi Municipality (Al Dhafrah Region)	Government Authority
Abu Dhabi Municipality (Al Ain Region)	Government Authority
Abu Dhabi Department of Health	Government Health Authority
Abu Dhabi Distribution Company	Utility Company
Abu Dhabi Sports TV	TV Channel and Production
Abu Dhabi Ports	Government Port Authority

* Competitors may refuse the “Toyota- Al Futtaim” optional advertising without incurring any penalty or increase of the entry fee.

Art. 6.3 Driver and Navigator Identification

The members of the crew will be identified by means of an identity bracelet.

Art. 6.4 Special national requirements

Advertisement of drugs, drug use or any alcohol related content is prohibited.

Art. 7 Tyres

Art. 7.1 Regulations regarding tyres which may be used during the rally

See Art. 10 and Art. V1 - 10.6.4 of the FIA 2026 CCRSR.

Tyres for Platinum / Gold drivers with T1+ cars must be: BF Goodrich 37X12.5 R17 ALL-TERRAIN KDR3 EVO 2.0

Art. 8 Fuel

All type of fuel must follow Appendix J Art. 252.9. (FIA CCRSR Art. 56).

Art. 8.1 Technical Requirements

See Appendix J Art. 252.9 and FIA CCRSR Art. 56.

Art. 8.2 Fuel and Refuelling Zones

Diesel and 98 Octane Fuel are available at commercial filling stations close to the bivouacs.

Challenger and SSV competitors must obtain their fuel from these commercial filling stations near the bivouacs, and other commercial filling stations mentioned in the roadbook.

Al Ain	ADNOC Service Station | Al Jeemi (857)	24° 14.721'N 55° 43.207'E	
Madinat Zayed	ADNOC Service Station | Marabia Aldafra (742)	23° 36.840'N 53° 43.092'E	

Remote Refuels

98 Octane fuel will be supplied by the Organiser at Remote Refuel Locations on the Selective Section (to those applicable vehicles).

Art. 9 Administrative Checks

Art. 9.1 Documents to be presented:

See Art. 22.2 of the FIA CCRSR

To keep the time required for the administrative checks to the necessary minimum, make sure to bring and present the following documents:

- Competitors' licence
- Driver's and navigator's competition licences (if the driver should be the competitor, he/she must also hold a competitors' licence)
- Driver's and navigator's ID cards/passport
- Driver's and navigator's valid driving licences valid for the vehicle entered
- ASN authorisation for foreign competitors (if required)
- Completion of all details on the entry form
- Driver declaration and undertakings forms, signed by the driver and the navigator
- Vehicle registration papers
- Authorisation of the owner of the vehicle (if different from the competitor)
- Entry fees payment confirmation

Art. 9.2 Timetable

See programme (SR Art. 3)

A Bulletin will be issued specifying each crew's scheduled time.

A time control will be in place at the entrance to the administrative checks, any vehicle and/or crew arriving more than 15 minutes later than the scheduled time will incur a penalty of €50 for every 15 minutes of lateness.

Art. 10 Scrutineering, Sealing and Marking and Installations

See Article 23 and Article 24 of the FIA CCRSR.

Art. 10.1 Scrutineering, venue and time

Cars may be presented at scrutineering by a representative of the team. See programme (SR Art. 3).

Art. 10.1.1 Scrutineering, mandatory documents

- Car's complete original FIA Homologation Document (if applicable)
- FIA Technical Passport
- SOS / OK board (DIN A3 format)
- Original Safety Cage Certificate (if applicable)

The installation of the tracking system and the NAV-GPS will be checked at scrutineering.

Art. 10.1.2 Timetable for scrutineering

See programme (SR Art. 3)

A Bulletin will be issued specifying each crew's scheduled time.

A time control will be in place at the entrance to scrutineering, any vehicle and/or crew arriving more than 15 minutes later than the scheduled time will incur a penalty of €50 for every 15 minutes of lateness.

Art. 10.2 Drivers' safety equipment

All items of clothing including helmets and FHR (Front Head Restraint) intended to be used, must be presented for scrutineering. They shall be checked for compliance with Appendix L, Chapter III.

According to FIA CCRSR Appendix IV , the vehicles must be equipped with a medical kit from FIA Technical List No. 83, which must be placed inside the car and a survival kit according to the defined Safety Type according to FIA 2026 CCRSR Appendix IV – 2.1 & 2.2.

Art. 10.3 Safety Flag

In accordance with Art. 8.5.3 of the FIA CCRSR, on all the stages, vehicles in the Ultimate, Challenger, SSV and Stock groups must be fitted with a flexible flagpole extending at least 3 meters above the ground, and a red/orange coloured, partially reflective flag measuring at least 30 cm in height displayed at the top of the pole.

All relevant vehicles must be presented at the pre-event scrutineering fitted with their safety flag.

Art. 10.4 Installation of the Safety Tracking System and Navigation System

Art. 10.4.1 Safety Tracking System (FIA CCRSR V1 Art. 12.1)

All vehicles must only be fitted with the Safety Tracking System(s) provided by the Organiser. The instruction for the use of the Tracking System is in the Appendix 5 of these Supplementary Regulations.

The event will use the Iritrack system. All rally competitors must have this system fitted to pass Scrutineering.

The Competitor must visit the Marlink website to order brackets and cables for this equipment.

https://eshop.marlink.com/en/products.html

For further information and orders please contact:

Marlink: Tel : +33 (0)1 48 84 34 14 / Email : services.events@marlink.com

The Iritrack tracking cost is NOT included in the entry fee.

A €1500 deposit will be taken by credit card by Marlink for the safe return of the devices at administrative checks.

The manual switching on, without safety reasons, of the alarm of the tracking system (red button) will be reported to the Stewards.

Art. 10.4.2 Navigation System (NAV-GPS - FIA CCRSR Art. 12.2)

Competitors are obliged to be equipped with one or two Navigation System(s) (NAV-GPS) downloaded with the waypoints given by the Organiser. See Art. 12.2.1 of the FIA CCRSR.

ERTF will provide navigation and Sentinel for competitors. The cost of these devices is NOT included in the entry fee and must be paid directly to ERTF.

For Information about the ERTF system and to place your order, please visit the supplier's website:

www.ertf.com and click on the ADDC event link.

All navigation equipment must be installed as per ERTF instructions. In case of any questions, you must contact ERTF directly for clarification.

Art. 10.4.3 Connection of Systems (FIA CCRSR Art. 12.3)

It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that the Safety Tracking System(s) and the NAV-GPS always remain permanently connected and switched on with the antenna connected throughout the duration of the competition.

Art. 10.4.4 GPS Data Logger

Vehicles selected by the FIA after the publication of the entry list may be equipped with a GPS Data Logger to monitor their performances during the event.

Art. 10.4.5 FIA On Board Surveillance Camera (FIA OBSC)

Vehicles selected by the FIA will be equipped with an FIA OBSC to monitor all activities inside the vehicle during the event.

Art. 10.5 On-Board Cameras

See FIA CCRSR Article 11. All cameras will be marked during the pre-event scrutineering as set out in FIA CCRSR Art. 11.2.1.

Competitors wishing to use an on-board camera must supply the Organisers (technical@emso.ae) with the following information no later than 10:00 on 21 November:

- Competitor's Name
- Vehicle Number
- Competitor's address
- Use of footage

Art. 11 Other procedures and regulations

Art. 11.1 Drivers' Briefings

See programme (SR Art. 3)

At the first briefing of the event, the participation of at least one crew member is compulsory.

Art. 11.2 Pre-Start Area

Before the ceremonial start, all the competing vehicles will be assembled in a pre-start area, into which vehicles must be driven before the start time as detailed in a Bulletin.

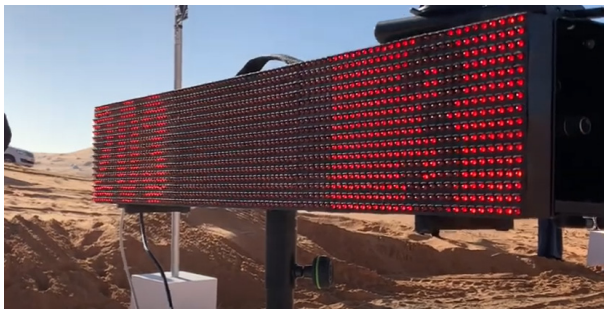
A time control will be in place at the entrance to this area and any crew arriving more than 15 minutes later than the scheduled time will incur a penalty of €50 for every 15 minutes of lateness.

Art. 11.3 Ceremonial start procedures and order

There will be a Ceremonial Start at the Al Ain Municipality Office – Next to Service Park, after the shakedown. Details will be issued in a Bulletin.

Art. 11.4 Electronic start procedure at Selective Sections

See Art. 42.2 of 2026 FIA CCRSR



System description:

- Shows Race Number and last 15 seconds countdown
- Shows Race Number and GO word – GO blinking for 3 seconds

In the event of having to use a manual start procedure, article 42.3 will apply

Art. 11.5 Finish procedures

Details will be advised in a Bulletin.

Art. 11.6 Permitted early check-in.

The competitors are authorized to check-in at the Time Control at the end of a Stage, ahead of time without incurring a penalty.

Art. 11.7 Official time used during the rally.

Official time of the Rally is local time in Abu Dhabi UTC+3

Art. 11.8 Servicing of vehicles

Art. 11.8.1 Service Areas / Bivouacs

The speed of vehicles in the service parks/bivouacs may not exceed 30 kph.

From TC P0 onwards, service of a competing car may only be carried out in Service Areas (Service Parks and Bivouacs) and road sections as permitted under the FIA CCRSR.

Art. 11.8.2 Flexi Service

Flexi service does not apply to the event.

Art. 11.8.3 Service allowed in Selective Section

See Art. 49.1.3 of the FIA CCRSR.

Art 11.8.4 Marathon Stage

Stage 2 will be run as a marathon stage (see CCCSR V1 Art.49.3.1).

Art. 11.9 Shakedown

A Shakedown will be organised on Sunday 22 November. For procedures see Art. 29 of the FIA CCRSR.

Art. 11.10 Special procedures and activities

Art. 11.10.1 Availability of participants

Competitors and drivers who parked their vehicles in the Parc Fermé upon passing the finish line, must remain available by phone (mobile) until the Final Classification has been posted.

Art. 11.10.2 Classification

The Final Classification will not be distributed after the event. The final classification will be published on the website on the Digital Notice Board www.Abudhabidesertchallenge.com

Art. 12 Identification of officials

Official Title	Tabard Colour
Safety Marshals	Orange shirt
Post Chiefs	Orange shirt with blue tabard
SS Commander	Orange shirt with red tabard
Competitor Relations Officer	Red with text “CRO”
Medical Personal	White with text “Medical”
Timekeeper	Orange with white stripe and text “Timekeeping”
Scrutineer	Black with white stripe and text “Scrutineer”
Media	Green with white stripe and text “Media”

Art. 13 Prizes

MEDALS BY THE PROMOTER	
FIA World Rally-Raid Championship daily stage winners	
TROPHIES BY THE PROMOTER	
1st FIA World Rally-Raid Championship for Drivers	1st FIA World Rally-Raid Championship for Navigators
1st FIA World Rally-Raid Championship for Manufacturers	
1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Stock Drivers	1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Stock Navigators
1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Stock Manufacturers	
1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Challenger Drivers	1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Challenger Navigators
1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for SSV Drivers	1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for SSV Navigators
1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for SSV Manufacturers	
1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Teams	1st FIA Rally-Raid Championship for Master Drivers
TROPHIES BY THE ORGANISER	
Overall Classification ADDC (Driver and Navigator)	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
Group Awards	
Stock Group	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
Challenger Group	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
SSV Group	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
Ultimate Group	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
Truck Class	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
Other Awards:	
Women Classification*	1st (Two trophies)
GCC Classification**	1st, 2nd, 3rd (Six trophies)
* Both members of the crew must be female. ** Additional classification will be drawn among crews, where both the driver and navigator hold a passport from GCC countries.	

Art. 14 Final checks / Protests / Appeals / Fines

Art. 14.1 Final Checks

Time and location: see programme (SR. Art. 3)

Any teams required to undergo final checks must immediately follow the instruction of the marshals in charge, even if this prevents them from proceeding to one or more time controls (TC). The complete original FIA homologation form, the FIA Passport and other necessary certifications must be available for final checks.

Art.14.2 Protest deposit

The protest deposit is: €1000.00

If a protest requires the dismantling and re-assembly of a clearly defined part of the car, any additional deposit will be specified by the Stewards upon a proposal of the FIA Technical Delegate.

Art. 14.3 Appeal deposit

The appeal deposit for an international appeal is published on the FIA website: https://www.fia.com/international-court-appeal

All protests and/or appeals must be lodged in accordance with Articles 13 and 15 of the Code and, where applicable, with the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

Art. 14.4 Fines

In accordance with Article 12.8 FIA International Sporting Code, the payment of the fines must be made online, within 48 hours of their notification, at the following address: https://fiafines.fia.com

Any delay in making payment may entail Suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

Appendix 1 Itinerary

To be issued in a Bulletin.

Appendix 2 Names and photographs of the Competitors Relation officers and their schedules

Name: Fady Aoun
Mobile: TBA in a Bulletin
Language Spoken: Arabic, English, French



Principal Missions

Inform the competitors and play a mediating role at all times.

The competitors' relations' officer must be able to be easily identified by the competitors.

Presence During The Rally

When the secretariat is opened, they should have the secretary of the meeting draft a schedule of their duties which shall be posted on the Notice board of the rally and which shall include:

- Presence at Scrutineering
- At the Secretariat of the Meeting
- At the Start of the rally
- At regrouping halts
- In the Parc Fermé at the end of sections
- Near the Parc Fermé at the finish (the latter being dependent on the rally timetable).

Function

- Give accurate answers to all questions asked
- Provide all information or additional clarifications in connection with the regulations and the running of the rally.

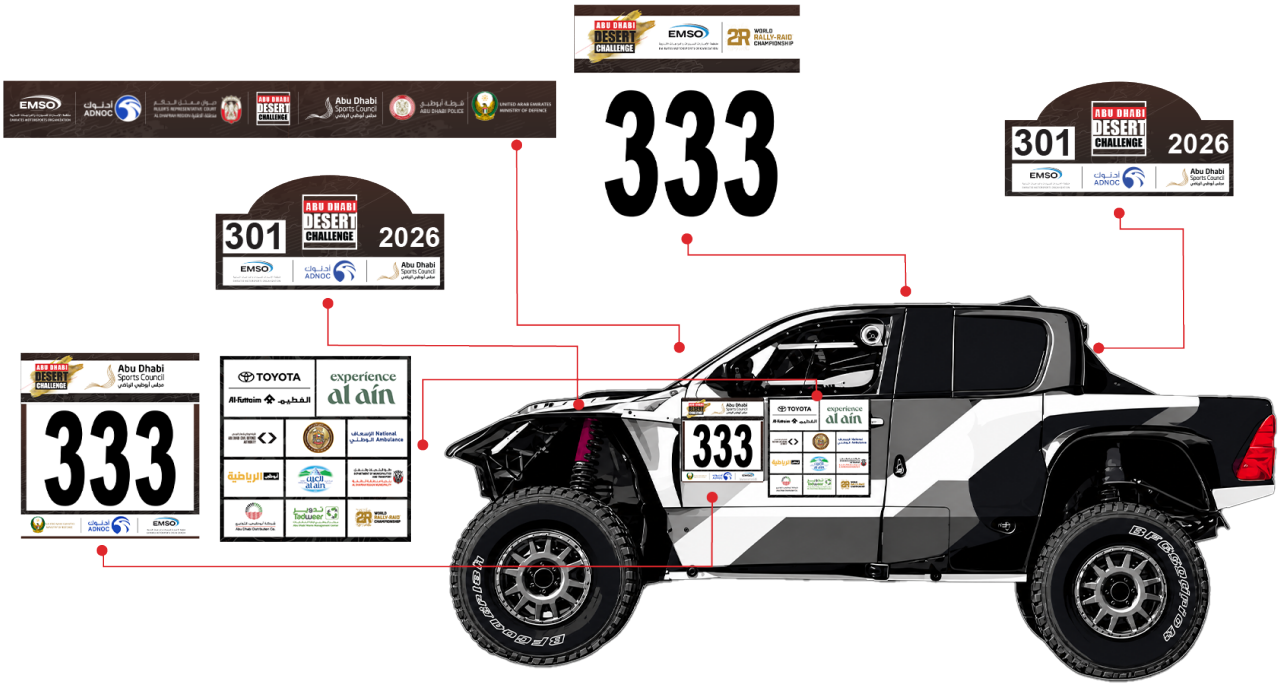
Mediation

Avoid forwarding questions to the stewards, which could be solved satisfactorily by a clear explanation, with the exception of protests (for example, clarify disputes over times, with the assistance of the timekeepers).

The competitors' relations officer shall refrain from saying anything or taking any action, which might give, rise to protests.

Appendix 3 Decals and positioning of supplementary advertising

See Art. 6.1 and 6.2.





Obligatory Advertising

Rally Plate

These plates must be affixed, parallel to the wheel axle, to the front and rear of the Vehicle.

Size of rally plates (width x height):

General: 43x21cm
Groups Challenger/SSV front plate: 19x18cm

Competition Number (front door and roof panels)

These panels must be affixed to the right and left sides of the vehicle, on the front door, in the area between the wheel arches provided they are fully visible from the side, and on the roof of the Vehicle, readable in the direction of travel.

Except for the optional advertising panels, no advertising stickers may be directly attached next to the race number panels.

Size of race number panels (width x height):

Groups Ultimate/Stock: 36x36cm

Groups Challenger/SSV: 30x30cm

Group Truck: 48x48cm

Compulsory Windscreen Band

This compulsory windscreen banner is 10 cm high and 110 cm long and must be affixed to the upper part of the windscreen. No other advertising sticker may be affixed under it. The windscreen banner cannot be divided.

Dashboard Stickers

These stickers, designed to remind crews of safety-related information, must be visibly displayed on the dashboard.
Size of dashboard stickers: 12 x 8cm.

Optional Advertising

Teams must ensure that the optional advertising is properly displayed throughout the rally. It must be affixed to the right and left sides of the vehicle, as close as possible to the number plates, in the area between the wheel arches provided they are fully visible from the side.

For Groups Challenger/SSV, a metal bracket fixed to the rear rollbars can be added to allow the correct affixing of these panels.

Size of optional advertising panels (width x height):

Groups Ultimate/Stock: 36x36cm

Groups Challenger/SSV: 30x30cm

Group Truck: 48x48cm

Appendix 4 Extracts from FIA ISC Appendix L relating to overalls, helmets and any other safety requirements

All competitors are reminded of Appendix L of the FIA International Sporting Code, in particular its Chapter III - Drivers' Equipment.

Helmets (Appendix L, Chapter III, Art. 1)

All crews must wear crash helmets homologated to one of the FIA standards listed in Appendix L.

Frontal Head Restraint (FHR, Appendix L, Chapter III, Art. 3)

All crews must use FIA approved FHR systems homologated to FIA standard 8858.

Approved FHRs, anchorages and tethers are listed in Technical List N° 29.

See also helmet compatibility chart in Appendix L, Chapter III, Art. 3.3.

Flame-resistant clothing (Appendix L, Chapter III, Art. 2)

All drivers and navigators must wear overalls as well as gloves (optional for navigators), long underwear, a balaclava, socks and shoes homologated to the FIA 8856-2018 (Technical List N° 74). Please pay special attention to the prescriptions of Art. 2 concerning embroidery and printing on flame-resistant clothing (manufacturer certificates etc.) **as well as concerning the correct wearing of the clothing elements! See also FIA CC Rally Sporting Regulations, Article 47.1.**

For competitions taking place in extreme heat, it is recommended that a cooling system be used (connected, for example, to the underwear designed for that purpose and homologated according to the FIA 8856-2000 standard or to the FIA 8856-2018 standard).

Biometric Devices (Appendix L, Chapter III, Art. 2.1)

Drivers may wear a device to collect biometric data during racing.

- If the biometric device is integrated into a protective garment homologated to FIA Standard 8856, the garment shall be homologated to FIA Standards 8856 and 8868-2018.
- If the biometric device is a stand-alone device, then the device must be homologated to FIA Standard 8868-2018 only. This device must be worn in addition to the garment homologated to FIA Standard 8856.

Wearing of jewellery (Appendix L, Chapter III, Art. 5)

The wearing of any type of jewellery, such as but not limited to neck chains, bracelets or watches is prohibited during the competition. Exceptions to this rule, providing the CMO and/or Medical Delegate do not consider that due to size or location they may delay rescue or hinder emergency care, are:

i The wearing of watch(es) by navigators, on the condition that the watch(es) is worn over the overall,

ii The wearing of a single band-style ring providing it does not restrict the natural range of motion of the hand, and

iii The wearing of body piercing(s) providing they are not worn in and/or around the oral cavity.

Related Links:

FIA International Sporting Code and appendices: https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/123

FIA Technical Lists: https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/761

Appendix 5 Iritrack User Instructions

MARLINK

USER GUIDE IRITRACK



PUSH 3 SECONDS

SEND AN ALARM TO PC COURSE
YOU REQUIRE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
For you or another vehicle
ONCE PUSHING :

Rescue pops us, alarm is processing by the Pc Course.
Every push on the RESCUE button must be followed by a communication with the PC Course.

PUSH 3 SECONDS

PHONE CALL TO PC COURSE
Can take few minutes to establish the connexion.

PUSH 3 SECONDS

SEND AN ALERT TO INFORM PC COURSE YOU MAKE A STOP BEING SAFE
Mechanic, technical issue, ...

MARLINK

USER GUIDE IRITRACK

Led « EVENT » is flashing during phone call or text message reception



SEND A TEXT MEESAGE

1 ▼ + « OK » to enter in the messages list
2 Select your message using the arrows
3 Push twice on « OK » to send
- *Yes / No*
- *Need water*
- *Emergency, need medical help*
- *Many injured*
- *Mechanical issue / Out of gas*
- *Lost, ...*

Appendix 6 Instructions for the use of the car-to-car communication system

Each rally vehicle has to be equipped with a GPS UNIK 4 / Sentinel kit from ERTF

The order forms for ERTF are available on the website link: https://www.ertf.com/rallye.asp?NumRal=77

Please see user instructions:

https://www.ertf.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/2026-unik4-auto-user-guide-web.pdf