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BULLETIN 1 IS PUBLISHED IN SPORTITY, please read it carefully there are changes that affect the Supplementary Regulations of the Race.

1/ SERVICE PARK GENERAL PROCEDURES

- Only vehicles with **Service** sticker will have access to the Service Park. **Auxiliary** sticker vehicles may be parked in the adjacent car park.
- Speed limit within service park is strictly 30 km/h (Art. 82.16.5 of 2024 FIM Baja World Cup Sporting Regulation)
- The competitors must protect the ground during maintenance on their machine with an environmental mat. The competitors and their assistance are responsible for bringing their waste to the collection point. Any infraction to this rule will be punished by a fine of 200 EUR. (Art. 82.29 of 2024 FIM Baja World Cup Sporting Regulation)
- Waste oil / fluids / disposal drums will be available close to every competitor's space, it is forbidden to dispose of any fluids by any other method.
- Power will be available in service park.

2/ SERVICING OF VEHICLES

- Service is permitted at the service park only (Art. 11.10 of IQB SR)
- Timed service areas (maximum time)
Friday, 01 November after Stage 1 section 2 (TC2A* > TC2B*): 02.00h

3/ KM 0,00 OF ROAD SECTION A

A sign **km 0,00** placed at a STOP signal immediately after the Service Park gate indicates the exact location of the origin of the next road section distances.

4/ START AREAS (Art. 11.2 of IQB SR as amended in Bulletin no. 1)

Vehicles will be assembled in a pre-start area in two different occasions:

Thursday, 30 November	Before TC0 (start of Stage 1 Section 1 / Prologue)	15 minutes before its scheduled time to start
Friday, 01 November	Before TC1B (start of Stage 1 Section 2)	



5/ PARC FERMÉ

- Competitors must bring one environmental mat and use it in the Parc Fermé underneath of their vehicle. (Art. 82.8.23 of 2024 FIM Baja World Cup Sporting Regulation)
- Riders must enter their vehicles into the Parc Fermé:
 - On Friday 01 November, riders must entering their vehicles for an overnight parc fermé
 - On Saturday 02 November, at the end of the race.
- Vehicles are subject to Parc Fermé rules where no intervention is possible, even by the riders (Art. 82.26. 4 and Apendix I of 2024 FIM Baja World Cup Sporting Regulation)
 - at a start area
 - at a neutralisation zone
 - at a regrouping zone
 - at any control zone

6/ REFUELLING (Art. 8 of IQB SR)

Refuelling area close to Service Park

Inside Lusail International Circuit (LIC) premises riders may refuel only at the designated refuelling area close to the Service Park.

On Friday, refuelling must be done before entering the overnight parc fermé as this will not be possible after exiting the parc fermé for the start of next section.

The official refuelling zone at the bivouac will be operational during the following periods:

Wednesday, 30 October	14.00h / 18.00h
Thursday, 31 October	08.00h / 13.00h & 14.00h / 19.00h
Friday, 01 November	05.30h / 08.00h & 13.00h / 19.00h
Saturday, 02 November	06.00h / 11.00h

It is not authorized the use of vehicles to transport fuel to the official refuelling zone at the bivouac.

Remote refuelling zones

- The organiser will provide **FUEL**, an environmental mat and fire suppression system.
- The responsibility for refuelling (conformity and quantity) is on the competitor alone.
- Only actions directly involved in the refuelling of the competing vehicle are permitted. Only competitors still in the competition are allowed to help other competitors.

Remote refueling locations

Stage 1 section 2: Before DSS2A after Road Section

Stage 1 section 2: km 122,50 during a Neutralization Zone (00:30)

Stage 2 section 3: Before DSS3A after Road Section

Stage 2 section 3: Km 125,29 during a Neutralization Zone (00:20)

7/ PROLOGUE

Competitors are reminded that the mandatory itinerary of the Prologue is defined in the Road book by the road direction diagrams and between the road direction diagrams, by the road/track if it exists



Each box of the road book will correspond to a WPP (Opening radius: 100 m / Validation radius: 20m) and in case of a missed waypoint, the penalty of 2' will apply (Art. 82.11.23 of 2024 FIM Baja World Cup Sporting Regulation).

The route of the Prologue will be marked with a number of QMMF flags – maroon colour on the right side and white colour on the left side of the route – each one associated to a metallic fence.

Any touch on a metallic fence and/or the associated flag as well as a deviation from the route limits defined by the flags will be penalised as indicated in Art. 11.5. of IQB SR.

8/ CHOICE OF START POSITIONS FOR STAGE 1 AND CEREMONIAL START

The Ceremonial Start will take place on 31 October by 19.20h at Katara and all drivers are requested to wear their approved overalls.

Vehicles must be ridden by the rider to the holding area, where they will enter between 17.45h and 18.00h. The route to be followed from the bivouac to the holding area and back to the bivouac is available in the Rally Guide.

No service is allowed inside the holding area.

The choice of start positions for Stage 1 Section 2, involving the riders classified in the first ten positions of the Prologue, will take place at 18.45h in the same location as the Ceremonial Start.

9/ START INTERVALS

Stage 1 Section 1 Prologue (Thursday)

- 1-minute interval between all competitors

Stage 1 Section 2 (Friday) and Stage 2 (Saturday)

- 2-minute interval between the first 10 riders in the start list
- 1-minute interval between the next 10 riders in the start list
- 30-seconds Interval between the remaining competitors

10/ ROAD BOOK – DELIVERY (Art. 11.9 of IQB SR as amended in Bulletin no. 1)

Stage 1 Section 1 / Prologue

- At the start of the section (TC0)

Stage 1 Section 2

- For the first road section and SS2A: at the start of the section (TC1B)
- For SS2B and the second road section: after refuelling zone (SS2 - Km 122,50), after refuelling during neutralization of 30 minutes.

Stage 2 Section 3

- For entire Stage (road sections and selective section) : at the start of the (TC2D)

11/ SAFETY EQUIPMENT

CAMEL BAG (Art. 82.28.3 of FIM Baja World Cup Sporting Regulation):

For the entire course, the wearing of a camel bag with the capacity of (at least) 2 litres of drinking water, is compulsory, under pain of disqualification.



12/ ITINERARY - SAFETY

Even if the baja route has been designed to avoid any possible conflict with the population and/or groups of animals, in open desert these may travel unexpectedly so competitors must pay special attention and avoid as much of possible camps, farms and camel groups vicinity.

Hors-piste situation!!!

- During a «hors-piste» (off-track) sector, every rider may choose their own route and, consequently, may find dangerous situations not described in the road book.
- Particularly during the last sector of SS3 (from the km 125,74 end of refuelling / neutralisation), riders must be permanently prepared to face unexpected situations, such as but not limited to sharp dunes and muddy or even flooded areas.
- In some cases, the direct route may be not the fastest or the safest one; it is up to the rider to evaluate at any moment the different options and the risks involved in each one of them.

Accident on a selective section

- In the case of an accident where urgent medical attention is required, the **SOS** switch on the emergency console (safety tracking system) must be activated as soon as possible.
- In the case of an accident where immediate medical intervention is not required, or of a vehicle stopping for any other reason on or beside a Selective Section, whether temporarily or permanently, the **OK** switch on the emergency console must be activated within one minute.

Bottles of water will be available from the timekeepers and/or marshals at the start and finish of the selective sections and at the finish of neutralizations and transfer zones.

Have a Safe Baja!

Virginia Gómez Fdez.
Clerk of the Course