

CUP Iron Mule Rally

Supplemental Regulations

August 25-26, 2023

Felch, MI



Event Website: https://www.cuprally.com

NRS Event Website: https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/event/2023/CUP-Iron-Mule-Rally

The General Regulations and Rules are available on the NASA web site: <u>https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/rules</u>

The NASA Rally University is available at: https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Rally-University

Welcome Message

The Organizing Committee is excited to present a brand-new rally to NASA Rallysport. The CUP Iron Mule Rally. A gravel Rally in the heart of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Mostly flowing, technically challenging and firm county roads welcome you to test your skills and above all, have a great day in the woods.

CUP Iron Mule Rally will include Jemba course notes, open recce and SxS class!!!

Welcome to da U.P da Eh!

Announcement

CUP Iron Mule Rally will be run in compliance with the NASA Rally Sport General Regulations for Rallies (GRR'S). Per section 2.2.2 of the GRRs, the regulations governing the conduct of a rally sprint are the same as those governing a stage rally

Modifications to this document will be made by bulletins posted to the event website. During the event, bulletins may also be distributed electronically via text, email, Sportity App, or other means. There will be no physical notice board. Bulletins during the event may be provided at controls when needed. If this does occur a crew member will be asked to sign a form to acknowledge receipt.

This event will use the Sportity App to keep interested parties informed. The app is available in iPhone and android app stores. The password for this event is "**CUPIM23**".

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1 Schedule of the Rally

The official schedule may be found online at

https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/event-schedule/337

The online schedule includes GPS links where possible. A copy of the schedule for information is included below.

Schedule - Competitor

Tuesday August 22			
07:30PM	09:30PM	CUP Iron Mule NCO	Virtual Zoom Meeting
Frida	y Au	gust 25	
10:00AM	06:00PM	Cup Iron Mule Recce	CUPIM Stages
10:00AM	11:00AM	Recce Registration	Felch Community Center
06:00PM	09:00PM	Competitor Registration	Felch Community Center
06:00PM	09:00PM	Tech Inspection	Felch Community Center
Satu	rday	August 26	
08:00AM	09:00AM	Competitor Registration	Felch Community Center
08:00AM	09:00AM	Tech Inspection	Felch Community Center
09:00AM	11:00AM	Service Area Opens	Felch Community Center
11:30AM	11:45AM	Drivers Meeting	Felch Community Center
12:01PM	12:02PM	1st Car Start CUP Iron Mule	Felch Community Center
02:40PM	03:20PM	Service 1 (40 minutes)	Felch Community Center
06:10PM	06:50PM	Service 2 (30 minutes)	Felch Community Center
09:20PM	09:40PM	1st Car Finishes CUP Iron Mule	Felch Community Center
11:00PM	11:59PM	Cup Iron Mule Awards	Felch Community Center

2 Event Description

2.1 Place and Date of the Event

Name of the event:	CUP Iron Mule Rally
Place of the event:	Felch, MI
Event Website:	www.cuprally.com
Date of the event:	August 25-26, 2023

- 2.2 Titles for Which the Rally Counts Atlantic Rally Cup
- 2.3 Location of Rally Headquarters Felch Community Center
- 2.4 Location of the Operations Center Felch Community Center

- 2.5 Location of Start and Finish Rally start will be at the MTC Out from the Service Area. Finish will be at the final MTC into the Service Area.
- 2.6 Location of the Awards Ceremony Felch Community Center
- 2.7 Location of Service Area Service area will be located on the grounds of the Felch Community Center, Felch, MI. Service locations will be marked.

2.8 Road Surface

The course has gravel and dirt roads. Stages vary from fast, wide, and smooth to tight and technical. This rally has it all...

2.9 Event Details

Total distance of the course	117 miles
Number of special stages	11
Total distance of the special stages	110 miles
Number of sections	3

Organization

2.10 Organization Committee

Chairman of the Rally	Roger VanDamme	rgvandamme@gmail.com
Clerk of the Course	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Volunteer Coordinator	Lynn Wolf	skibum.lynn@gmail.com
NASA Rally Sport Director	Perry Seaman	perry@nasarallysport.com

2.11 Senior Officials

NASA Rally Sport Steward		TBD
Clerk of the Course	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Chief of Controls	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Chief of Communications	Kevin Deloughary	kdeough@gmail.com
Chief of Scoring	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Chief Scrutineer	Chris Czyzio	chrisczyzio@aol.com
Registrar	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com

3 Entries

3.1 Opening and Closing Dates

Reserved Entry Begins	Friday, July 1, 2023 8:00 AM EST
Early Entry Begins	Friday, July 14, 2023, 11:59 PM EST
Regular Entry Begins	Friday, August 5, 2023, 11:59 PM EST
Entry requires approval after	Sunday, August 20, 2023, 12:01 AM EST

Entry and payment must be received by these times to be eligible for the prices listed. Instant credit card payment can be made at <u>https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/account</u>

3.2 Entry Fees

Entry fees include participation in shakedown.

Reserved entry	\$550.00
Early entry	\$600.00
Regular entry	\$725.00

3.3 Entry Procedure and Paperwork

Reserved entry pricing is available to competitors that entered Hardwood CUP Rally 2023 or McCreary Gravel Rally 2023.

The entry pricing is available only to competitors who have entered and paid in full by the deadline above. Submitting an entry without payment is not sufficient to obtain regular entry prices. Entries after the deadline above will require review and approval for acceptance to the event.

All entry details and payment are handled within your account at <u>https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/account</u>. Also available within your account is immediate credit card payment of the entry fee. Your entry will only be secured with payment in full.

Check through the entry details within your account and ensure that they are filled out. Please note that items are manually verified by a person and will not immediately change status from red to green as you enter information. Check back later for status. All items must be green before race day except for social media handles.

Your account never goes away, if you have previously raced or volunteered with us please take the time to use your existing account for your entry and find your codriver's and crew chief's correct account to associate with your entry.

Note that you will also need a NASA Membership, NASA Rally License, and an approved NASA Rally Medical. These things are also obtained through your account on the NASA Rally Sport website. New medical forms are due no later than 0800 on August 14, 2023 to allow time for processing and review. Please adhere to the deadline, however later forms may attempt to

make arrangements with <u>medform@nasarallysport.com</u>. Questions regarding many rally topics including the medical form are answered in the rally university at <u>https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Rally-University</u>.

New Competitors are encouraged to enter early to ensure they are invited to Novice Competitor Orientation and can get their entry paperwork together.

3.4 Novice Competitor Orientation

Competitors who have not completed three Novice Competitor Orientations (NCO) will need to attend the CUP Iron Mule NCO. Your status may be checked within your entry online if you are unsure.

The NCO will be held online via a zoom call on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. It is your responsibility to ensure that you attend the NCO before the event. No novice competitor will be allowed to participate in recce or race without attending the scheduled NCO. Others who are not competing are welcome to attend along with you for future credit or just for information. The details for the meeting are included at the end of this document.

NCO meeting details will be posted as an event bulletin

3.5 Event Cancellation

The organizers reserve the right to cancel the event if insufficient entries are received prior to the rally. Note that the organizers are committed to the success of this rally, even with few entries and do not take any decision to cancel lightly.

3.6 Number of Entrants Accepted

The current schedule can accommodate approximately 25 entries. Entries over that number will be evaluated for impact to the event before the entry is approved.

3.7 Eligible Classes

Classes below will be scored per the NASA Rally Sport GRRs.

Event classes:	Open AWD Heavy, Open AWD Light, Open 2WD Heavy, Open 2WD Light, Side-by Side
Atlantic Rally Cup Classes:	AWD, 2WD

3.8 Side by Sides

SxS vehicles that comply with section 6 of NASA Rallysport GRRs can compete at CUP Iron Mule Rally. Other similar vehicles may be classed as SxS at the discretion of the organizers.

3.9 Rally Solo

Rally Solo entries will be accepted for this event.

3.10 Refunds

Entry fees shall be refunded in full if the event is canceled.

Entry fees shall be refunded in full if the organizer refuses the entry.

Entry fees shall be refunded minus \$100 if the competitor withdraws their entry prior to the opening of onsite registration. There are no refunds after opening of onsite registration Entry fees will not be refunded for any competitor/team who is required to attend the Novice Competitor Orientation, fails to attend, and then wants to start the rally. In all cases, processing fees will not be refunded.

In all cases, entry fees will be refunded electronically via transfer or other means convenient to the organizer in a timely fashion.

4 Advertising

4.1 Organizer Supplied Advertising

If the organizers supply an advertising sticker package for CUP Iron Mule Rally, it must be displayed from scrutineering until the end of the awards ceremony, without exception.

4.2 Identification numbers

The size and location of the space for vehicle numbers is governed by the NASA GRR"S. All stickers, vinyl, paint, patches or graphics containing text, logos, or numbers of alternate sanctioning bodies must be removed or completely and neatly covered. Blue painters tape is not considered neatly covered.

5 Fuel

Fueling is permitted in your service area if the vehicle is on the ground, no one is in the vehicle, it is not running and crew or volunteer is actively manning a fire extinguisher. A tarp must be placed under the vehicle to refuel. It is recommended that a catch pan be used while fueling. Be prepared to clean up any fuel spills immediately.

No fuel arrangements have been made. Competition teams are responsible for acquiring their own fuel sources.

Regular octane fuel (87) and Premium octane fuel (92) is available at the Da Hardwood Store about 10 miles away in Hardwood.

Regular octane fuel (87) is available at Nordic Grocery about 1.5 miles away north of Felch on Co Hwy 581.

6 Testing & Shakedown

No testing is allowed within Dickinson County, with definitions and penalties as per the NRS GRRs at <u>https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/rules</u>

CUP Iron Mule Rally will not provide a Shakedown stage.

7 Reconnaissance (Recce)

The organizer will provide Jemba stage notes. During the reconnaissance, each team will make their own notes or modifications to the supplied Jemba stage notes only. It is strongly recommended teams participate in recce.

7.1 Registration Schedule

Friday August 25, 2023 and Saturday August 26, 2023, per the event schedule. All competitors must register before recce to avoid penalties under NASA GRR 2.15.

- 7.2 Reconnaissance Vehicle Insurance It is important to note that the vehicle used for reconnaissance must be covered by insurance in accordance with NASA GRR section 2.3.2. Recce vehicles must be included in the registered vehicle list.
- 7.3 Reconnaissance Vehicle Identification The event may issue identification stickers for recce vehicles. If issued, instructions for placement will be provided during Recce check in.
- 7.4 Reconnaissance Schedule Reconnaissance will be permitted August 25th only. A schedule will be published via bulletin

Reconnaissance Speed Limit Speed limit during recce is 30 mph.

During both recce and the rally any interaction with any regulatory agency resulting in a traffic ticket or citation that would reflect poorly on the Rally, may be subject to DISQUALIFICATION with no refund. Judgment of fact is solely at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. The decision is final and there is no process for appeal.

Competitors are reminded that stage roads will be open to normal traffic during reconnaissance and that they must drive in a manner that does not endanger or inconvenience other traffic. Either law enforcement or event officials using any method can and will check speed compliance.

Competitors are reminded that all stages are run in both directions. <u>YOU WILL</u> <u>ENCOUNTER TWO WAY TRAFFIC</u>. Do not ignore the published schedule.

7.5 Reconnaissance Vehicle

No competition vehicle may be used for reconnaissance. No reconnaissance vehicle may have decals or numbers unless provided by this event.

8 Administrative Checks and Registration

8.1 Location Felch Community Center.

8.2 Times

See the rally schedule above.

8.3 Documents to be presented

The following items will be checked at registration:

- Online entry (driver info, co-driver info, vehicle info, license, etc.) with all required information completed.
- Event waivers will be presented for signature.

8.4 Competitor Packet

Competitors may download to their device (smart phone, tablet, laptop etc.) the most current supplementary regulations and bulletins. A road book may be sent, via email, to all the competitors before the event. A printed road book will be available to all competitors at registration.

New competitors will receive car vinyl package at registration upon completion of all administrative checks and signature of required waivers. Your first set of vinyl is free. For 2023, the door backers were redesigned and existing competitors will receive the first set free. Windshield banners for existing competitors are available for purchase at registration for \$15 as usual.

There will be no "Service Packet".

9 Scrutineering

Scrutineering time and location is found on the rally schedule. Scrutineering will check the safety and eligibility of the vehicles to compete. Vehicles may also be checked for general roadworthiness, verification of VIN, or other aspects of vehicle legality. All safety gear to be worn by competitors (fire suit, helmet, head restraint) must also be presented with the vehicle for examination.

9.1 Log Books

Log books may be retained by the Chief Scrutineer. If retained, log books must be picked up at the end of the event. The Chief Scrutineer will be made aware of any DNFs and those vehicles will be inspected before the log books are returned. Following the event, any remaining log books may be mailed to you at your expense by contacting the Chief Scrutineer. Please ensure

you get your log book before you leave the event. No logbooks will be issued at this event unless prior arrangements are approved by the chief scrutineer well ahead of time.

9.2 Parc Exposé

There is no scheduled Parc Exposé at CUP Iron Mule Rally.

10 Start of the Rally

- 10.1 Publication Times of Starting Order After close of registration Friday August 25th, 2023.
- 10.2 Official Time

CUP Iron Mule Rally is located in Central Time Zone. Official time will be synchronized to the atomic clock broadcast as displayed on a scoring tablet. This will be available at registration. For Android users you may also find official time on the NASA Rally Sport Clock app in the Google play store.

- 10.3 Ceremonial Start There will not be a ceremonial start
- 10.4 Official Start Location Felch Community Center
- 10.5 Official Start Time See the stage schedule on the NASA Rally Sport website

10.6 Maximum Permitted Lateness

The MPL for competition vehicles is 15 minutes or as determined by the Clerk of the Course for special cases.

10.7 Notification of Traffic Violations

Any competitor who receives a traffic violation or discovers that their Team has received a traffic violation, must notify the Clerk of the Course as soon as possible. Penalties will be awarded as per NASA Rally Sport GRR's or as determined by event officials. Any crew or team failing to take documented action to notify the Clerk of the Course at the next service or time control immediately following the receipt of the traffic violation may be subject to the additional penalties up to exclusion from the event and loss of rally license.

10.8 Retirement

Any crew retiring permanently from the rally must report such retirement to the organizers/stewards as soon as possible or by using the electronic communication (text message, email, online inquiry system). Any crew failing to comply will be liable to a sanction at the Stewards' discretion.

10.9 Re-Starting

CUP Iron Mule Rally is all about seat time but there are limited opportunities for returning a vehicle to the field. The only point at which any reentry will be considered is during a service period. The vehicle must be re-inspected by the Chief Scrutineer and approved by the Steward and the Clerk of the Course. The vehicle will be scored as a DNF.

Competitors will be re-inserted as close to their previous position as possible.

CUP Iron Mule will utilize the NASA Rallysport Red Flag procedure.

11 Service Areas

11.1 Location

Felch Community Center, Felch, MI (will be marked as described above Section 2.7 of this document.)

- 11.2 A tarp must be used under the vehicle when being serviced. Refueling is considered service. Any spills of liquids must be immediately contained, cleaned up and properly disposed.
- 11.3 Access Times for Service Vehicles

Service team members may enter and begin set-up in the service area on August 26th Starting at 9:00 AM

Vehicles not registered for service may not enter the service area. All individuals, including team members, crew, and any spectator, must sign the event waiver and wear a bracelet demonstrating that the waiver has been signed. There will be ample parking close to the service area for non-registered vehicles.

11.4 Trash disposal

All trash must be removed. Pick up your trash and the trash of others. Trash left behind will be removed and teams responsible may be fined to pay for cleanup. Never mind the public shaming that will be executed. Remember, we are guests of the community. Leave your service area cleaner than you find it.

12 Trophies and Prizes

Will be awarded. How many will be based on number of entrants.

13 Results

13.1 Publication of Provisional and Final Results Provisional and final results will be posted on the NASA Rally Sport website in accordance with the NRS GRRs.

14 Stage Maps

Official maps will be published in advance of the event, do not use online maps previously available on the website unless it specifically indicates it is OFFICIAL with a date printed on it or contained in official published documentation (Route Book, etc.).

