



Race & Rally Stages Rally 2024 Marshals Information



Thank you very much for agreeing to marshal at the Race & Rally Stages Rally. Marshals are a key part of the rally team, and the rally wouldn't run without you.

Your job is to keep yourself and others safe on the stage. Safety at the event, and especially out on the live stages, is our main concern.

More experienced marshals will be used in the appropriate places with buddying arrangements in place on the stage for new and less experienced marshals. Experienced marshals may be asked to buddy up with new marshals as part of their training.

Marshal training/briefing has been arranged at your signing on location, as advised by your Stage Commander.

To ensure you are covered by Motorsport UK insurance, you are required to sign-on, this can be done online at www.rallyscore.net

Don't forget;

Appropriate clothing, food and drink as you may be on duty for several hours in extreme conditions

REPORTING TO YOUR STAGE

When you arrive at Bishops court, report to the Chief Marshal (Andy Frater) at the Marshals Office and you will be given your duties and a short briefing.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MOTORSPORT UK MARSHAL TABARD AT ALL TIMES WHILST OUT ON STAGE AND UNTIL THE STAGE IS CLOSED. If you don't have one, please flag that up to Andy. You should ensure that you know –

- **Where the nearest radio car is to your location (this is also the red flag point);**
- **Who to contact in the event of any concerns you have about safety issues arising on stage (by radio or mobile phone):**
 - **Rally Control (Brian Crawford, Clerk of the Course 07497 894933)**

OUT ON STAGE

Several safety cars will pass through the stage prior to the 0 car and first competing car. These cars are-

LIST OF SAFETY CARS FOR THIS EVENT (should be the only cars on the Stage):

- Stewards
- 00 / Spectator Safety
- 0 (David Greer / Gary McDonald)
- Accountability / Sweeper Car (after the last competing car)

In order to communicate with the Safety Cars, marshals should use the FIA specified gestures below to indicate whether you are satisfied with the safety situation at your location (All OK) or whether you have any problems (Stop, I need support). The two gestures are shown below:



All OK



Stop I need support

Marshals are the means of controlling safety on a stage and will often be in the front line if an incident happens.

Please bring a whistle if you have one. You should blow your whistle whenever you hear an approaching car including the Safety Cars. This whistle is to be used to advise the spectators and other marshals in your location of the approach of a vehicle, whether that is an official car, a safety car or a competitor.

- Ensure spectators stay in designated spectator viewing areas at your location or otherwise in safe locations – preferably several metres back from the stage at all times;
- Take control and move spectators where you want them to be as they start arriving – BE POLITE BUT FIRM. Use peer pressure from other spectators if someone refuses to move;
- Be aware of the arrangements for media access;
- Do not take photographs or video or share any information on social media whilst marshalling – stay alert at all times;
- If there is a delay to the stage or a temporary halt, find out what is happening and keep spectators informed– they will be less likely to move;
- Keep everyone off the live stage – remember to use your whistle to alert others of approaching cars. Always ensure that spectators are in a safe place and kept back from the edge of the stage – preferably several metres back.

NO-ONE IS ALLOWED TO STAND IN PROHIBITED AREAS AT ANY TIME – SPECTATORS, MARSHALS OR MEDIA.



These areas will be shown by Motorsport UK notices B, C and D and/or red & white tape and include box junctions intended as run off areas for cars that fail to make a turn and generally the outside of bends. However, be aware that rally cars can leave the stage at any point so be alert at all times.

If you have concerns about safety on stage or spectators/media refuse to move from an unsafe location, make this known to your Stage Commander. A decision will be taken on whether to suspend or stop a stage and you will be supported by The Stage Commander and Clerk of the Course in taking this action – we want to support a good competition, but safety always comes first.

RED FLAGS

A red flag system will be in operation on the event on all stages. Ensure that you know the location of the nearest red flag to you (at the Radio car) and who will display it if required. The decision will be taken by the Clerk of the Course and communicated to radio locations. Any marshal displaying the red flag must wear a tabard and hold the flag stationary without waving it. Competitive cars, on seeing the flag, are required to slow down to a non-competitive speed as a rescue vehicle may be on stage. PLEASE DISPLAY THE RED FLAG TO THE MOTORSPORT UK STEWARD !

IF AN INCIDENT HAPPENS

You should remember the following:

- Stay calm and assess the situation – your own safety is the first priority;
- Ensure spectators are kept back – where there are several marshals, ensure that some remain to control spectators and guide them to avoid positions of danger.
- When an incident happens, **a marshal's primary responsibility is to act as a look out** to allow another person to assess the needs of the competitor;
- If the incident has created a blockage or partial blockage and there are sufficient marshals on the stage, an additional marshal should go further up the stage to warn approaching cars;
- If the incident involves assisting competitors ensure that you have a lookout, that you are in a safe position, that the SOS/OK board carried by all competitors is being shown and ensure that someone takes and displays the warning triangle approximately 100 metres down the stage. The SOS board should be shown at the vehicle itself if a competitor needs medical assistance;
- Report circumstances as quickly as possible to radio crew if nearby or stop the next competing car and ask them to report:
 - Car number;
 - Whether blocking stage;
 - Any medical assistance required;
 - Any other relevant information.
- Replace any damaged stage furniture and ensure stage is kept clear of spectators.



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AT THE END OF THE STAGE

- Wait until given the message to stand down;
- Your Deputy Stage Commander will open the road by driving the Stage with a “ROAD OPEN” sign on their car.
- If driving on the stage always drive in the direction the competing cars took and not the wrong direction (WD) back down the stage;
- If you can, dismantle stage furniture and leave at the end of the stage.

Thank you very much for marshalling and enjoy the event!

Brian

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