

# Hardwood CUP Rally

# **Supplemental Regulations**

# June 17, 2023

Hardwood, MI



Event Website: <u>https://www.cuprally.com</u>

NRS Event Website: https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/event/2023/Hardwood-Cup-Rally

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

The NASA Rally University is available at: <a href="https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Rally-University">https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Rally-University</a>

#### Welcome Message

The Organizing Committee is excited to present the Hardwood CUP Rally. A gravel Rally in the heart of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Mostly wide, flowing, firm county roads welcome you to test your skills and above all, have a great day in the woods.

New to Hardwood Rally, for 2023, is the addition of open recce and SxS class!!!

Welcome to da U.P da Eh!

#### Announcement

Hardwood CUP 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 "**HCUP23**".

# **Supplemental Regulations Section Order**

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# 1 Schedule of the Rally

The official schedule may be found online at

https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/event-schedule/331

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

# **Schedule - Competitor**

Tues	day J	lune 13	
07:30PM	09:30PM	HCUPR NCO	Virtual Zoom Meeting
Frida	y Jur	ne 16	
10:00AM	06:00PM	HCUPR Recconacense	HCUPR Stages
10:00AM	11:00AM	Recce Registration	Hardwood Community Center
06:00PM	09:00PM	Competitor Registration	Hardwood Community Center
06:00PM	09:00PM	Tech Inspection	Hardwood Community Center
Satu	rday .	June 17	
08:00AM	11:00AM	Competitor Registration	Hardwood Community Center
08:00AM	11:00AM	Tech Inspection	Hardwood Community Center
11:30AM	01:00PM	Service Area Opens	Kime Backlund Rd
12:45PM	12:50PM	Drivers Meeting	HCUP Service Area
01:01PM	01:02PM	1st Car Starts HCUP	HCUP Service Area
03:30PM	05:30PM	Service	Kime Backlund Rd
08:00PM	08:40PM	1st Car Finishes HCUP (Estimate)	HCUP Service Area
09:00PM	11:00PM	HCUP Party & Awards	Hardwood Community Center

# 2 Event Description

2.1 Place and Date of the Event

Name of the event:	Hardwood CUP Rally
Place of the event:	Hardwood, MI
Event Website:	www.cuprally.com
Date of the event:	June 16-17, 2023

- 2.2 Titles for Which the Rally Counts Atlantic Rally Cup
- 2.3 Location of Rally Headquarters Hardwood Community Center
- 2.4 Location of the Operations Center Hardwood CUP Rally Service Area

- 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 Hardwood Community Center
- 2.7 Location of Service Area

Service area will be located on Kime Backlund Rd, Hardwood, MI. Service locations will be marked. Keep the center and left side of the road open for traffic. The road is very wide.

2.8 Road Surface

The course has gravel and dirt roads. Stages vary from fast, wide, and smooth to some tight, twisty.

#### 2.9 Event Details

Total distance of the course	85 miles
Number of special stages	6
Total distance of the special stages	77 miles
Number of sections	2

# 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	Saturday, April 8, 2023 8AM EST
Early Entry Begins	Friday, April 22, 2023, 6 PM EST
Regular Entry Begins	Friday, May 13, 2023, 6 PM EST
Entry requires approval after	Sunday, June 11, 2023, 11:59 PM 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	\$530.00
Early entry	\$575.00
Regular entry	\$675.00

3.3 Entry Procedure and Paperwork

Reserved entry pricing is available to competitors that entered Hardwood CUP Rally 2022 or Sandblast 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 June 5, 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 Hardwood CUP Rally 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, June 13, 2023. It is your responsibility to ensure that you attend the NCO before the event. No novice competitor will be allowed to 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.

## 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 Hardwood CUP 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 Hardwood CUPRally, 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.

#### 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. 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) is available near the service area. Higher octane fuel is not available locally at this time

#### 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>

Hardwood CUP Rally will not provide a Shakedown stage.

## 7 Reconnaissance (Recce)

The organizer will NOT PROVIDE stage notes. During the reconnaissance, each team will make their own notes. It is strongly recommended teams participate in recce. Detailed videos may be available 2 weeks before the event for paid entrants.

- 7.1 Registration Schedule Friday June 16, 2023 and Saturday June 17, 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.
- 7.3 Reconnaissance Vehicle Identification The event may issue identification stickers for recce vehicles. If issued, instructions for placement will be provided via bulletin.
- 7.4 Reconnaissance Schedule Reconnaissance will be permitted June 16<sup>th</sup> only. A schedule will be published via bulletin

Reconnaissance Speed Limit and Advisory Notes 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 turn around stages. YOU WILL ENCOUNTER TWO WAY TRAFFIC. 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

Hardwood 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 as desired.

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.

In an effort to control congestion in and around the Hardwood Community Center, it is requested that teams not bring transport trailers onto the community center grounds. Trailer unload and parking instructions will be provided via bulletin.

#### 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 Hardwood CUP Rally.

#### 10 Start of the Rally

10.1 Publication Times of Starting Order After close of registration June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

#### 10.2 Official Time

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 Hardwood CUP Rally Service Area on Kime Backlund Rd

#### 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

Hardwood CUPRally 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 following the single

service. 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.

#### 11 Service Areas

#### 11.1 Location

Kime Backlund Rd, Hardwood, MI (will be marked as described above Section 2.8 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 June 17th Starting at 11:30 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 around 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.).



NCO Meeting Details:

Leo Seaman is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Hardwood CUP Rally Novice Competitor Orientation Time: Jun 13, 2023 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84260141413?pwd=YmlvOGgvVStqZzcyY1VmdjkxREJGdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84260141413?pwd=YmlvOGgvVStqZzcyY1VmdjkxREJGdz09</a>

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