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To: All Competitors

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Dear Competitor,

Thank you sincerely for your entry and for supporting the **Wexford Volkswagen Stages Rally 2026**. We hope you have a **safe, enjoyable and successful weekend in the Sunny Southeast of Ireland**.

Your **official seeding** is now available on the **Sportity App**.

Sportity Password: **WVSR2026**

Requests for reseeding can be submitted using the following form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLNkh7_Wh_DyUwa0AYvx9gUf5p3qnRUZArxO1k55smq6pCPA/viewform?usp=header

The deadline for reseeding requests is **11:00 hrs on Wednesday 9th September 2026**.

If you are unable to start the event, please contact the **Entries Secretary, Margo Doyle, on +353 87 246 5623**, no later than **17:00 hrs on Friday 11th September 2026**.

Competitors are also reminded to refer to **Item 4.2 of the Event Regulations** in relation to withdrawals.

1. **RECONNAISSANCE SIGN-ON (RECCE):** This is based in the Event HQ, Whites Hotel, Abbey Street, Wexford (**EIRCODE Y35 C5PF**) on the following dates and times:

Reconnaissance Sign-On @ HQ	Times
Thursday 10th September 2026	@ 08:00 to 11:00 in Rally HQ
Friday 11th September 2026	@ 08:00 to 11:00 in Rally HQ

2. **RECCE SIGN-ON – COMPETITION LICENSE:**

Competitors, please bring your Competition Licence to Recce Sign-On for checking. This will assist the Rally Office personnel and help speed up Documentation Scrutiny.

3. **RECONNAISSANCE: (RECCE):**

Reconnaissance will only be permitted during the times specified by the Organisers.

Recce Sign-On at Rally HQ will be available as follows:

Recce (Allowed On Stage Times)	Times
Thursday 10th September 2026	@ 09:00 to 17:00
Friday 11th September 2026	@ 09:00 to 17:00

Competitors are reminded that a **maximum of three passes over each Special Stage is permitted**.

Recce identification stickers must be clearly displayed on both the front and rear of the registered recce vehicle at all times during reconnaissance.

Competitors must comply with all reconnaissance regulations, speed limits and instructions issued by Event Officials.

4. RECONNAISSANCE – SPEED & CONDUCT:

The **maximum permitted speed during reconnaissance is 60 km/h**, unless a lower speed limit is indicated by a road traffic sign or by a written instruction issued by the Organisers.

Competitors are advised that **random speed checks will be carried out during reconnaissance.**

DO NOT IGNORE THE RECCE SPEED LIMITS.

Please drive carefully and show consideration for **local residents and other road users at all times.** Garda speed checks may also be in operation along the route.

Traversing any Special Stage in the wrong direction is strictly prohibited.

Breaches of the reconnaissance regulations may result in **penalties being applied in accordance with the applicable regulations** and may also be reported to **Motorsport Ireland for further consideration or disciplinary action.**

PLEASE TAKE EXTRA CAUTION DURING RECCE

Residents along our Special Stages have specifically asked that **all competitors and recce crews respect the local area and drive with particular care**, particularly as there are **many children and elderly residents living along the routes.**

The continued cooperation and goodwill of our local communities is **essential to the running and future of our event**, and we need the full support of every competitor and recce crew.

Please drive responsibly, respect residents and other road users, and remember that all roads remain open to normal traffic during reconnaissance.

Your behaviour during recce reflects not only on you and your team, but also on the **event and the wider sport.**

Please help us protect the future of rallying on these roads.

STAGE 1 – LOCATION 5 (CHICANE)

IMPORTANT: The bales at this location are **HEAVY BALES.**

THEY ARE SOLID AND THEY WONT MOVE EASY!

5. CHASE CARS / OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE:

THE USE OF CHASE CARS IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN AND WILL BE STRICTLY MONITORED. PENALTIES WILL APPLY. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTION TO THIS RULE.

Competitors are reminded that **no outside assistance is permitted**, other than assistance solely for the purpose of re-joining a stage where permitted. **Servicing is only permitted within the designated Service Park**, as defined in the Event Roadbook.

No team, service or support vehicles are permitted to be parked at, near or in the vicinity of any stage exit, or anywhere along the road sections. The presence of such vehicles may be deemed to constitute **servicing or outside assistance outside the designated Service Park** and will be dealt with in accordance with the penalties prescribed in the current **Motorsport Ireland Yearbook**.

All stage exits will be continuously monitored. **Stage Exit Marshals will be appointed as Judges of Fact** for this purpose and will monitor and report the presence of any team, service, support or associated vehicles.

Competitors are responsible for ensuring that **all team members, service crews and support personnel** are fully aware of and comply with this requirement.

- Parc Ferme is located on the Quay Wexford - **Eircode: Y35 K6A0**. Competitors are reminded that carrying out of any works on cars within Parc Ferme is strictly prohibited.
- Final Control and Parc Ferme Sunday evening is on Wexford Quay front.

6. TRAILER PARK:

The Trailer Park is in Hertz in Ferrybank Wexford. **Eircode: Y35 C851**

7. ONLINE SAFETY BRIEFING:

The **Competitor Safety Briefing** is now available on Sportity – **WVSR2026**.

All competitors are required to **watch the Safety Briefing in full** and complete the online declaration confirming that they have **viewed and understood the briefing**.

8. SCRUTINY & IRDS / BRDS REQUIREMENTS:

It is the responsibility of all competitors, **particularly overseas crews**, to ensure that they are fully familiar with and comply with the **scrutiny requirements applicable to Irish events**.

Competitors must also ensure that they meet the relevant **IRDS / BRDS insurance requirements** and that they are included on the **current IRDS / BRDS database**, where applicable.

You are not insured until you have completed the above sign-on process.

You are therefore strongly advised to complete this before signing on for Recce, and it must be completed before unloading your rally car.

Full details and relevant information are available on **Sportity – WVSR2026**.

9. Judge of Facts: Appointment Allocation:

JUDGE OF FACT AREA	JUDGE(S) OF FACT
Recce Monitoring	Bryan Roche, Aileen O'Connor, Cian Murphy, John Joe Sinnott, Joe Kelly, Martina Culleton, Eoin Longworth, Richie Stafford, Dee Donohue.
Road Section / Route Compliance	Esther Kirwan, Joe Kelly, Eoin Longworth, Mag Fielding, Pierce Hendrick, Richie Stafford
Ceremonial Start Compliance	Dermot Roche, Owen Cardiff
Parc Fermé Compliance	Cormac Kehoe, Bryan Roche
Scrutiny Compliance	Jack Doyle, David Forde
Service Area Compliance	Peter O'Brien, Jack Doyle, Veronica Culleton, Martina Culleton, Jack Doyle, Jack Murray, Marc Wall, Aidan Murray
Refuel Area Compliance	Esther Kirwin, Peter O'Brien, Jack Doyle, Jack Murray, Marc Wall, Aidan Murray
Tracking System Fitting Compliance	Brendan Flynn, David Forde, Terry Hegearty

10. MECHANICAL SCRUTINEERING:

Mechanical Scrutineering will take place at:

Wexford Quay Front

Time: 14:00 – 19:00 hrs

Eircode: Y35 K6A0

Coordinates: N 52.35099, W -6.345408

RALLYCAR UNLOADING: all rally cars must be unloaded at the designated trailer park at hertz before proceeding to scrutiny. Hertz Eircode: Y35 C851

NO UNLOADING OF RALLY CARS IS PERMITTED IN WEXFORD TOWN.

Competitors must unload at the designated Hertz location and then drive the rally car to Mechanical Scrutineering.

Following Mechanical Scrutineering

Once Mechanical Scrutineering has been completed, the competing car must proceed **IMMEDIATELY** to **Parc Fermé**.

Competitors must then attend **Documentation Scrutiny promptly and no later than 30 minutes after completing Mechanical Scrutineering**, to assist with the efficient running of the sign-on process and avoid delays.

11. SERVICE PARK ACCESS:

Competitors and service crews may access the **Service Park** during the designated times outlined below. Access outside of these times will not be permitted unless specifically authorised by an Event Official.

Service Area	Date	Access Time / Note
Friday	Friday 11/09/2026	17:00 - 19:00 (No security overnight, vehicles / equipment left at owners risk)
Saturday	Saturday 12/09/2026	Opens 06:30
Saturday	Saturday 12/09/2026	17:00 - 19:00 (No security overnight, vehicles / equipment left at owners risk)
Sunday	Sunday 13/09/2026	Opens 07:00

12. SERVICE AREA – WASTE & CLEANLINESS:

All competitors and service crews **MUST** remove all litter and waste from their allocated service area.

Bins will be provided throughout the Service Area – **PLEASE USE THEM.**

Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their service crews leave their allocated area clean and tidy. Failure to comply with this requirement **may result in a penalty being applied to the relevant competitor in accordance with the applicable regulations.**

13. SERVICE AREA – GROUNDSHEETS & SPILLAGES:

All service crews must have and use a **non-porous groundsheet with minimum dimensions of 3m x 5m** beneath the competing car while servicing.

THE USE OF A SUITABLE GROUNDSHEET IS MANDATORY.

Any fuel, oil or other fluid spillage must be **dealt with immediately by the crew and reported to the Service Area Manager.**

Failure to comply with these requirements **may result in a penalty in accordance with the applicable regulations.**

14. SERVICE AREA – SMOKING & VAPING:

Competitors are reminded of the following service park rules:

Competitors and service crews are reminded that the Service Area is strictly a:

NO SMOKING / NO VAPING AREA:

This applies for the duration of the event.

All competitors and service personnel must also comply with the applicable **Motorsport Ireland requirements and protocols relating to Rally Service Areas.**



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15. RALLY TRACKING:

All competing cars are required to carry an approved **Rally Tracking System (RTS)**. The tracking device must remain correctly installed and operational for the duration of the event.

Tracking devices can be collected at **Mechanical Scrutiny-In** and **MUST be fitted to the competing car before presenting for Mechanical Scrutineering**.

Further information and fitting instructions are available on **Sportity – WVSR2026**.

A POWER LEAD IS MANDATORY FOR THE TRACKING SYSTEM. [Order here](#)

Competitors who require a power lead must order one using the link provided by the Organisers.

Competitors are responsible for the **safe keeping, proper use and return of the tracking device** while it is in their possession. Failure to return the device, or its return in a damaged condition, may result in the competitor being invoiced for the **full replacement cost**.

Return of Tracking Devices

For competitors who **complete the event**, the tracking device will be removed and returned by the Tracking Team in **Parc Fermé following the Final Control**.

Any competitor who **fails to finish the event** must return their tracking device, in good condition, to the **Rally Office at Whites Hotel no later than 18:00 hrs on Sunday 13th September**.

Tampering / Interference

Any unauthorised interference with, tampering with, removal of or adjustment to the Rally Tracking System is strictly prohibited.

Any such occurrence will be reported to the **Clerk of the Course and/or Stewards** for consideration and may result in penalties being applied in accordance with the applicable regulations.

16. REFUEL AREA:

Competitors are responsible for ensuring that all members of their crew comply with the applicable **Motorsport Ireland Refuelling Regulations**, which are available on the Motorsport Ireland website and on the event **Sportity App – WVSR2026**.

Refuelling Location

For competitors using their own fuel, refuelling must take place **within the designated Refuel Area (RA)**, the entrance to which is located directly after **Service Out**.

THERE IS STRICTLY NO REFUELLING PERMITTED WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA.

All fuel within the Refuel Area must be dispensed using either:

- **Self-refuelling, or**
- **The approved refuelling rig/system.**

The Refuel Area will be divided into **numbered bays**. Competitors and team personnel must follow the directions of the Refuel Area marshals and use the bay allocated to them.

Fuel Access & Storage

Fuel may be brought into the Refuel Area via the **Service Exit Gate** during the following times:

Date	Fuel Access Time
Friday 11 th September 2026	18:00 - 20:00
Saturday 12 th September 2026	07:00 - 08:30
Sunday 13 th September 2026	07:00 - 08:30

Competitors are encouraged to use a **suitable trolley** to safely transport fuel drums within the Refuel Area.

All fuel drums must be **clearly labelled with the competitor's competition number** and stored only within the **designated fuel storage area**.

ALL EMPTY FUEL DRUMS MUST BE REMOVED BY THE COMPETITOR/TEAM. No empty fuel drums are to be left within the Refuel Area. Failure to comply may result in a penalty.

Access & PPE:

For self-refuelling, controlled access to the Refuel Area will be permitted for a **maximum of two team personnel per competing crew** to carry out or assist with the refuelling operation.

All personnel involved in refuelling operations must wear appropriate **PPE**, including:

- Long trousers
- Long-sleeved top
- Closed footwear
- Gloves
- Balaclava

Refuelling Procedure

Fuel must be **dispensed by pump only – pouring of fuel is not permitted**. Every precaution must be taken to prevent fuel spillages.

During refuelling:

- The vehicle **engine must be switched off**.
- The **driver and co-driver must exit the vehicle** before refuelling commences.
- All instructions issued by the **Refuel Area Manager and Refuel Area Officials** must be followed.

Prohibited Activities

There is strictly:

NO SMOKING OR VAPING within the Refuel Area.

NO E-SCOOTERS OR ELECTRIC BIKES within the Refuel Area.

Commercial Filling Stations:

Any competitor using an **approved commercial filling station** must complete the **RF1 Form referred to at 10.4 on Sportity** and comply with all applicable event and Motorsport Ireland regulations.

17. SUPER RALLY REGULATIONS:

Super Rally Regulations will apply to this event.

Competitors intending to re-join the event under Super Rally are responsible for ensuring that they have **read and fully understand the applicable regulations and re-start procedures**. Please refer to the relevant section of the Event Regulations.

A dedicated **Super Rally Coordinator** has been appointed to assist competitors and monitor compliance with the re-start procedures.

Super Rally Coordinator: Winnie Sheil

Contact: +353 (87) 620 9312

All Super Rally enquiries and re-start requests must be directed to the Super Rally Coordinator.

18. SCRUTINEERING – SPOT CHECKS

Event Scrutineers will carry out **spot checks at Stage Starts** throughout the event.

Particular attention will be paid to the **correct fastening of safety harnesses** and the **correct wearing/use of FHR/HANS devices**.

Competitors are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that all required safety equipment is correctly fitted and used at all times.

19. PARC FERME - Competitors are reminded that **all competing cars are required to enter and remain in Parc Fermé** in accordance with the applicable Parc Fermé regulations and event instructions.

20. PACENOTES - Pacenotes for this event are available from the usual **third-party providers**.

The Organisers are not involved in the preparation, production or sale of pacenotes and **accept no responsibility for their accuracy or otherwise**.

21. CEREMONIAL START:

All crews are invited to participate in the Ceremonial Start, which will take place on Monck Street, Wexford, on Friday 11th September at approximately 19:00 hrs.

Cars will leave Parc Fermé in **seeded order from 18:50 hrs** and proceed to the Ceremonial Start in accordance with the Road Book and instructions issued by event officials.

Timecards will not be used for the Ceremonial Start.

Following completion of the Ceremonial Start, competitors must **return directly to Parc Fermé**.

Wexford, on Friday the 11th September at approximately 19.00. Cars will leave Parc Ferme in seeded order from 18.50hrs and proceed to the Bullring (refer to Road Book) where they will gather for a welcoming party. Timecards will not be used for this. Cars are to return to Parc Ferme immediately afterwards.

CEREMONIAL START – COMPETITOR WARNING

NO BURNOUTS, WHEEL SPINNING OR UNNECESSARY HIGH REVVING WILL BE PERMITTED AT ANY TIME WHILE ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN THE CEREMONIAL START.

Such behaviour **will not be tolerated by the Clerk of the Course.**

The Ceremonial Start is expected to attract a large number of spectators, including **young fans and families**. Competitors are therefore asked to act responsibly, follow all instructions issued by event officials and show consideration for the safety and enjoyment of everyone attending.

Please respect the event, its officials, local residents and, most importantly, **the safety of our spectators.**

22. 00 CARS – SCRUTINY:

All 00 All **00 cars** are requested to present for Scrutiny **before 16:00 hrs.**

23. LOCAL CREWS – SCRUTINY:

All **local crews** are requested to present their cars for Scrutiny **as early as possible** to assist with the efficient running of the Scrutiny schedule.

24. TIMECARDS:

It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that their **competition number is correctly entered on their timecards** and that the **correct class** is recorded.

25. FINAL CONTROL / PARC FERME:

The Final Control and entry into Parc Fermé is compulsory for all crews.

All crews must comply with the instructions of event officials and the applicable Parc Fermé regulations.

26. RECONNAISSANCE – SPEED LIMIT:

Competitors are reminded that the reconnaissance speed limit must be strictly observed at all times.

Any competitor found to have exceeded the permitted recce speed limit on any Special Stage will **be refused permission to start the event and will forfeit their entry fee**, in accordance with the applicable regulations.

Any such breach will also be **reported to the competitor's ASN.**

The Organisers reserve the right, subject to the applicable regulations, to **refuse future entries from competitors who seriously or repeatedly breach reconnaissance requirements.**

25. CONDUCT TOWARDS OFFICIALS:

Abuse, intimidation or unacceptable behaviour towards any rally official, including Judges of Fact, will not be tolerated and may be reported and dealt with in accordance with the applicable regulations.

Competitors are reminded that our officials and marshals are **volunteers who freely give their time to make the event possible**. Please treat all officials with the **courtesy and respect they deserve.**

26. COMPETITION NUMBERS:

Please note the following format regarding competition numbers:

Category	Numbering
Main Field	1-199
Juniors	201-299

IMPORTANT: You are rallying on closed public roads with the goodwill and cooperation of local residents.

If Instruction No. 5 is ignored, it could put the entire rally at risk before it even starts.

Please take this seriously and ensure the instruction is fully respected.

- [Refer to Appendix 1 for Rally HQ / Scrutiny / Parc Ferme / Ceremonial Start Map.](#)
- [Refer to Appendix 2 for Trailer Park Location.](#)
- [Refer to Appendix 3 for Service & Refuel Area.](#)
- [Refer to Appendix 4 for Car Decal Instructions.](#)
- [Refer to Appendix 5 for Event Safety Message](#)

Finally, **have a fantastic weekend here in the Sunny Southeast**, from all of us at **Wexford Motor Club**.

We hope you enjoy the stages, the atmosphere and everything the weekend has to offer.

Stay safe, enjoy the rally, and we look forward to welcoming you to Wexford!

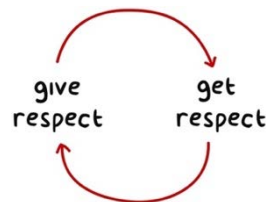
Yours in Motorsport,



Graham Scallan

Clerk of the Course

Wexford Volkswagen Stages Rally

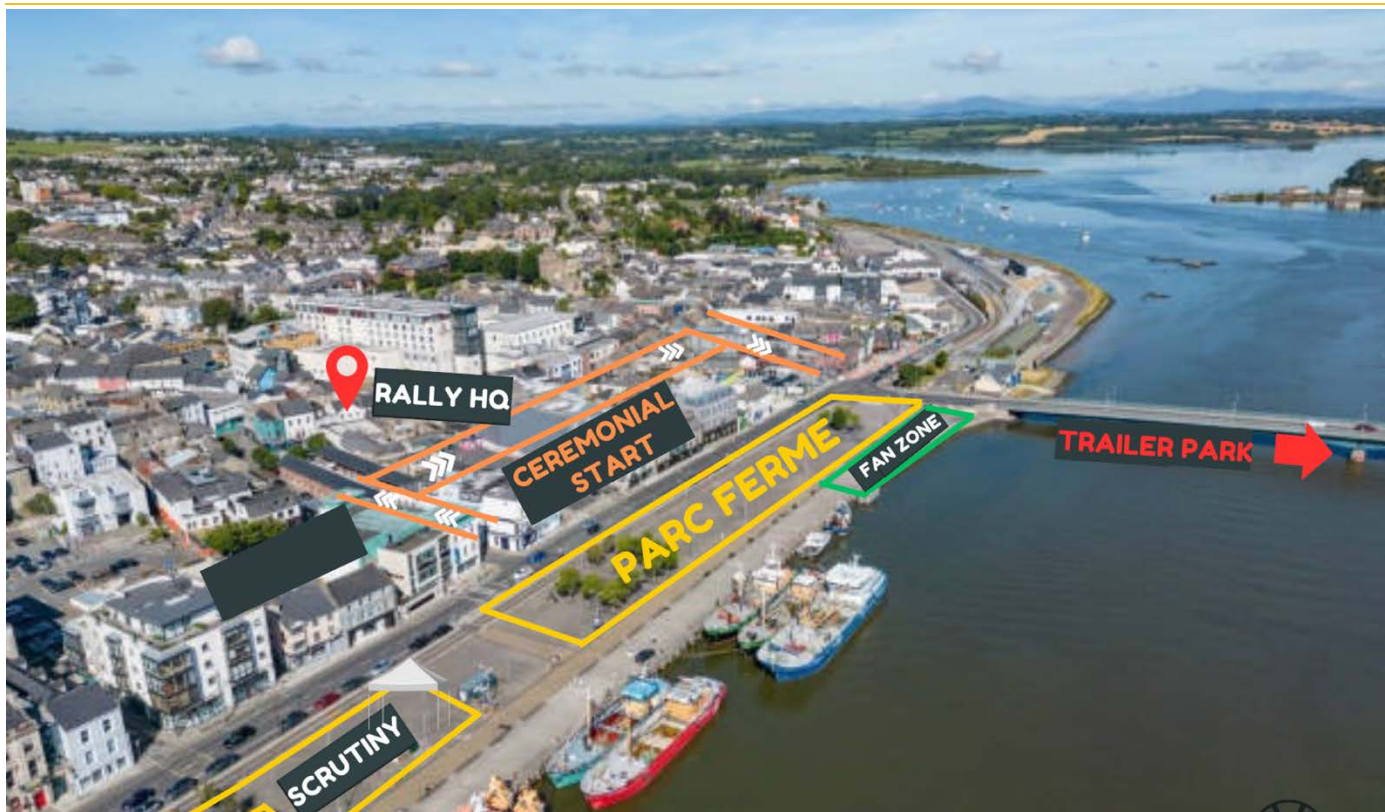


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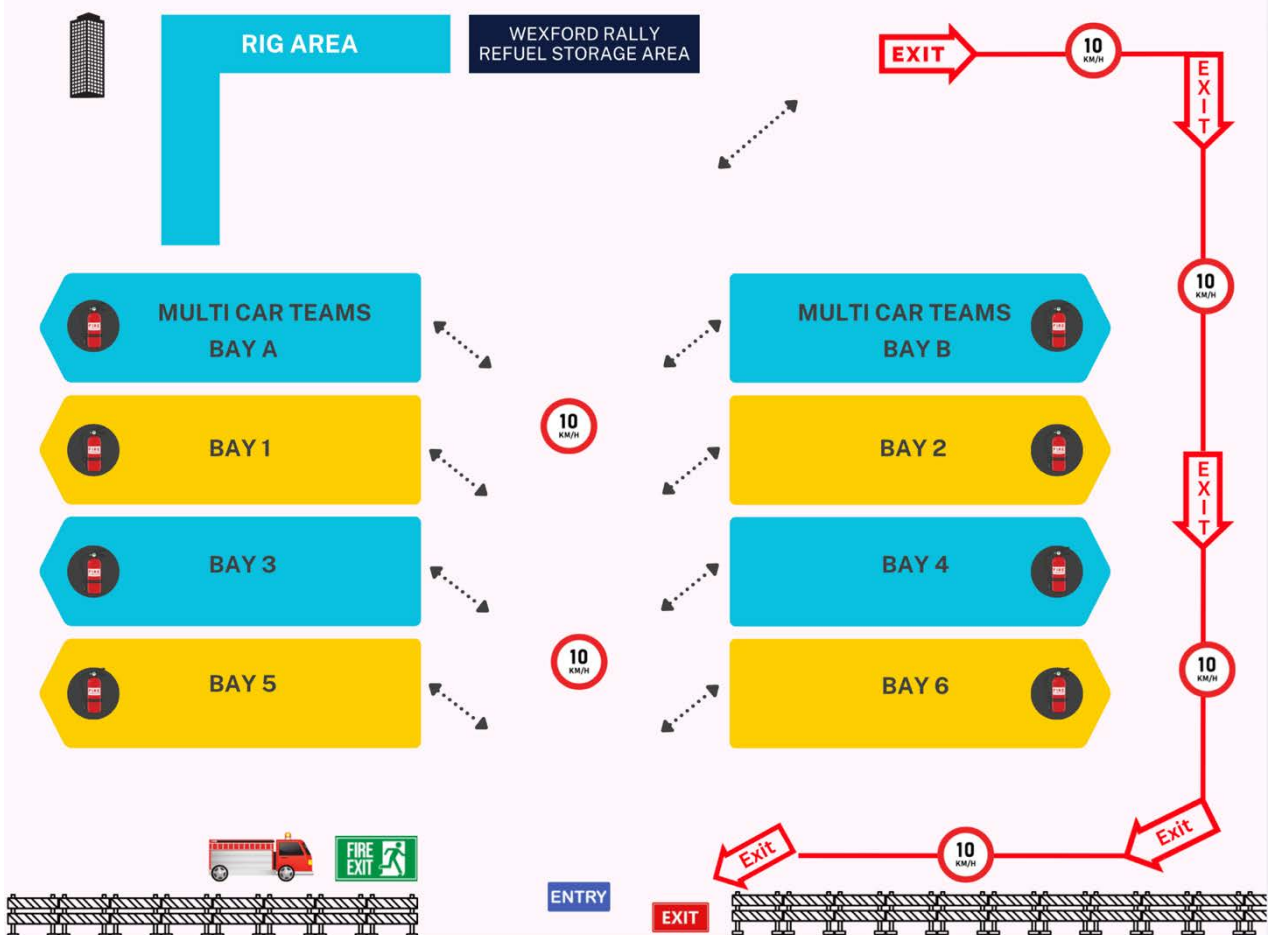
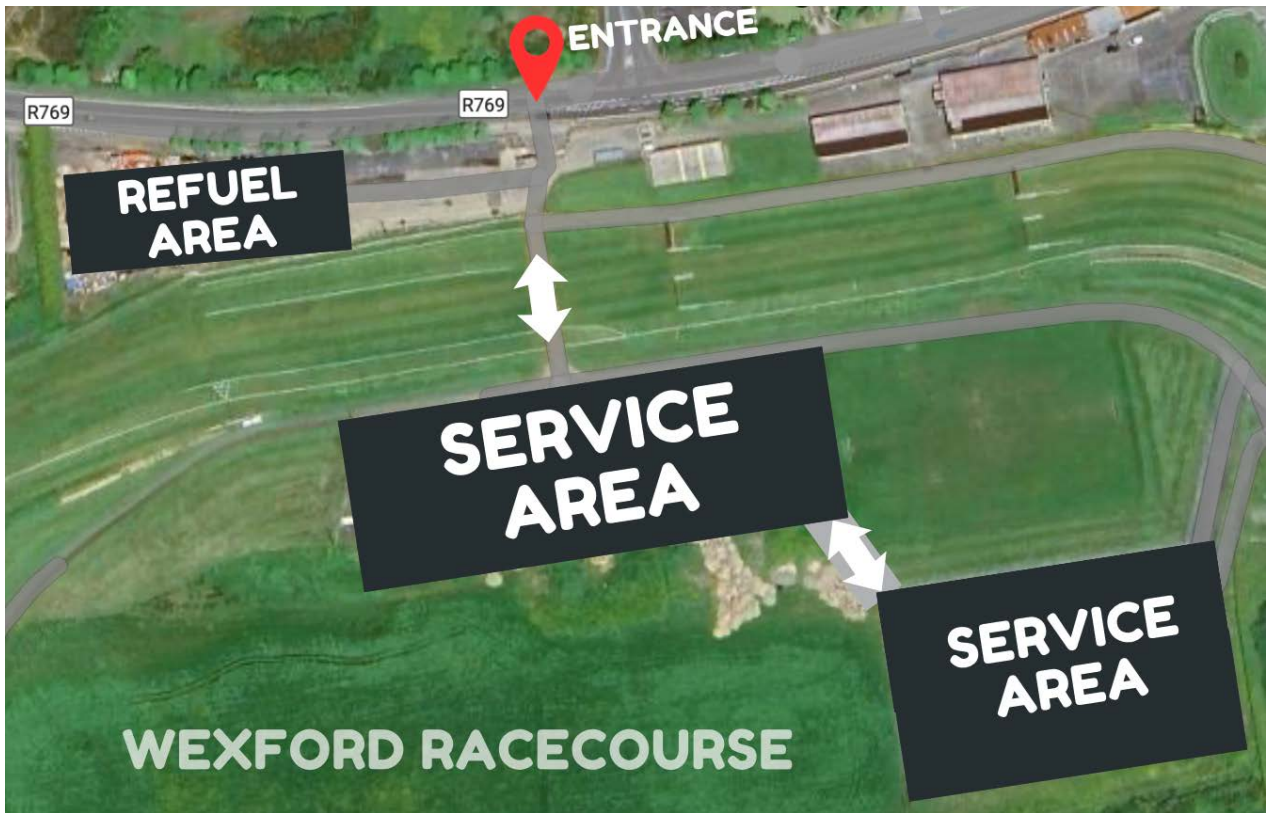
Appendix 1: Rally HQ / Scrutiny / Parc Ferme / Ceremonial Start:



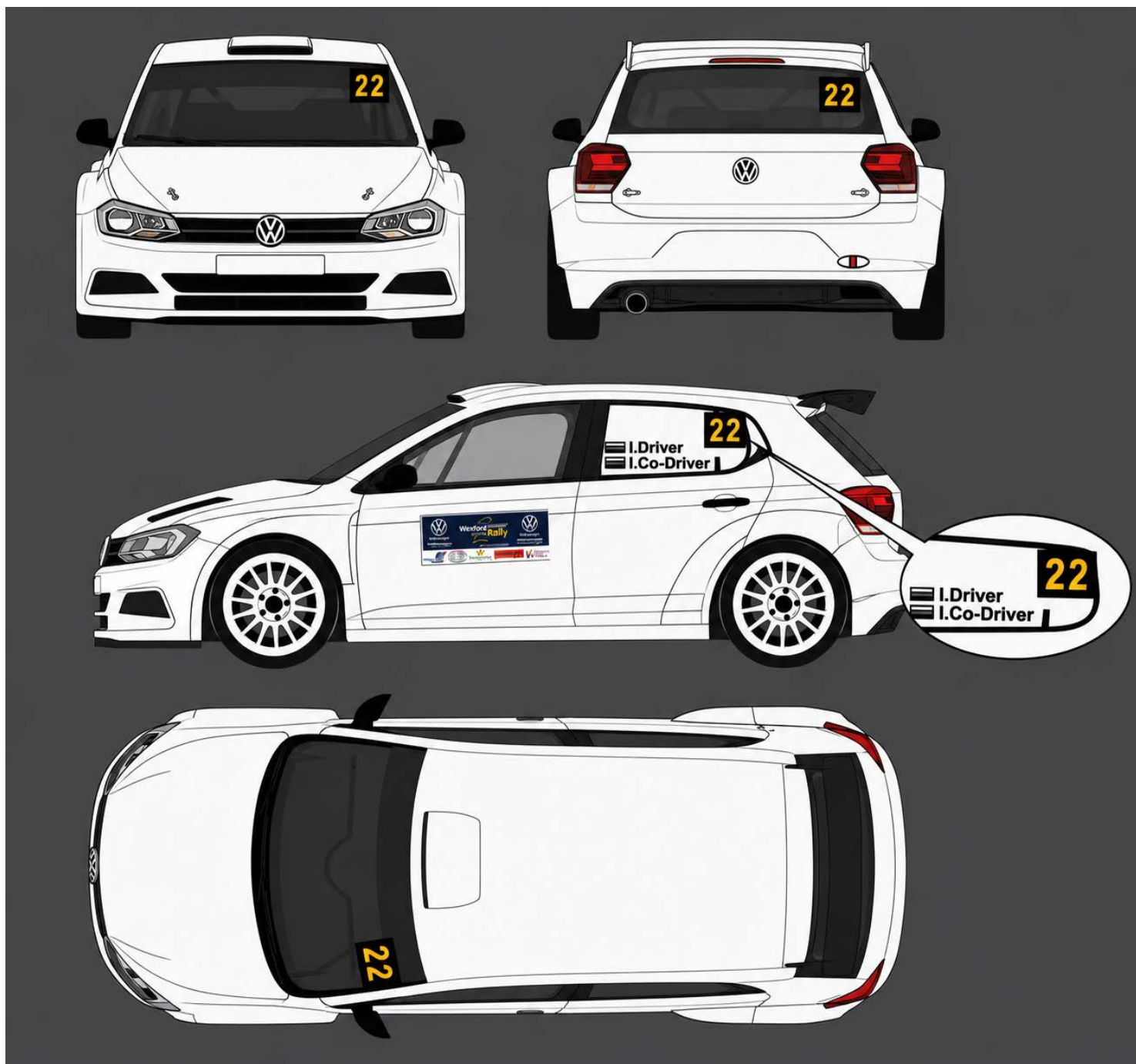
Appendix 2: Trailer Park:



Appendix 3: Service & Refuel Area:



Appendix 4: Car Decal Instructions:



Appendix 5: Event Safety Messages



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EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

Spectate Safely
Your safety - your life

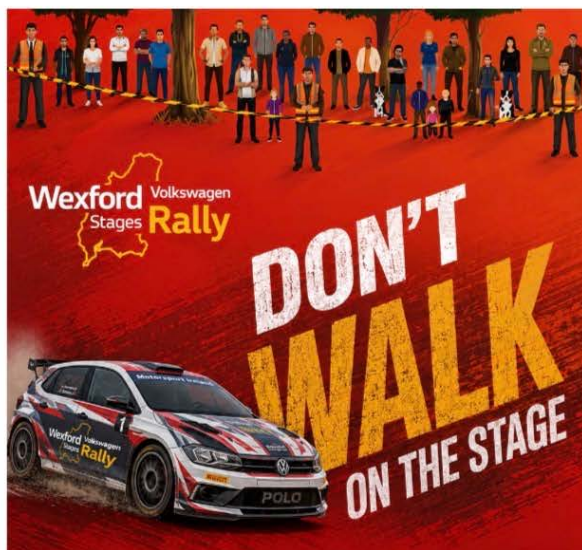
- Stay at the designated spectator areas.
- Remember that in an accident anything can happen.
- Always follow the instructions of the marshals.

WARNING MOTOR SPORT CAN BE DANGEROUS
BEWARE THE UNEXPECTED
TAKE ALL REASONABLE PRECAUTIONS
UNFORESEEN ACCIDENTS CAN HAPPEN

YOU ARE APPROACHING A MOTOR RALLY SPECIAL STAGE

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DON'T WALK ON THE STAGE

Spectate Safely
Your safety - your life

- Don't sit when watching or waiting.
- Respect the tape and signage.
- Keep children and pets under control.

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LEAVE THE DRONE AT HOME

Spectate Safely
Your safety - your life

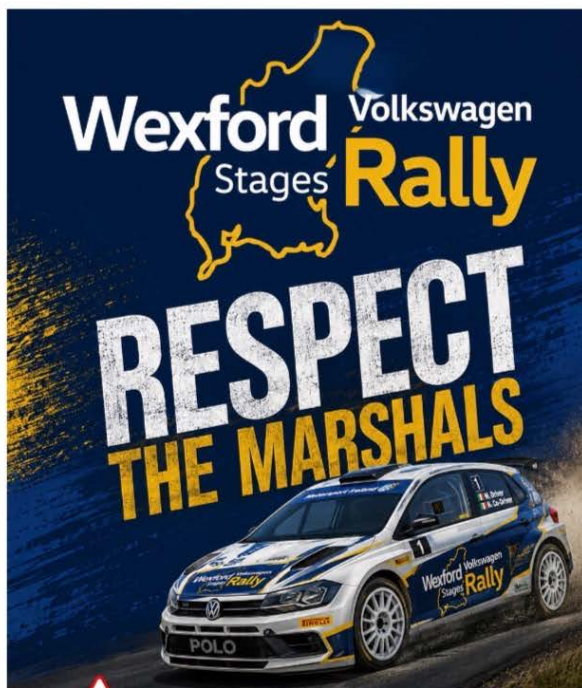
- Don't fly drones.
- Stay in the designated spectator areas.
- Respect the tape and signage.
- Keep children and pets under control.

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RESPECT THE MARSHALS

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