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To:	All Competitors & Officials	No. of Attachments:	1

Dear competitor, thank you for your entry for the 2025 R Kings Down Rally. The seeded entry list is now available to view at www.rallyscore.net.

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS No.1.

1. CHANGES TO SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS:

The following changes to the Supplementary Regulation should be noted:

2.7 Senior Officials:	
Assistant Clerks of the Course:	David Clucas - Remove* (MSUK Licence 283726)

*Reason: Official no longer able to attend

9.2.5 Number of Reconnaissance Passes:	
Competitors may make a maximum of TWO THREE* passes of each special stage during the Reconnaissance period. This applies even if a stage is used more than once during the event. Each Crew can choose ONE day from a choice of two (13 July or 18 July) to carry out their Reconnaissance. Please do not ask for any special reconnaissance requests outside of these arrangements as we will be unable to accommodate.	

*Reason: To allow more time for crews making their own notes.

12.1.1 Ceremonial Start	
The Friday evening Ceremonial Event will be located within the main shopping precinct at The Boulevard, Banbridge. The top 20 seeded Competitors and a number of invited competitors will be displayed after completing Scrutineering, with the first seeded competitor due at 19:30 with all cars to be in place by 19:00* on Friday 18 July.	

*Reason: extended time to allow fans to view static cars and Ceremonial Event to be Live Streamed.

12.5.2 Retirement / Super Rally:	
Super Rally: If a crew retires and is able to rejoin for the final loop (Special Stage 6, 7 & 8), they must retain their Timecard and inform the Accountability Car, or TC Official, of their intention to rejoin. They must also immediately inform the CLO (details in Appendix 3) of their intention and ability to rejoin for the last loop of 3 stages at TC 5C-TC 5D* . This will allow a re-scrutiny inspection to be arranged and an appropriate restart time to be considered.	

*Reason: Correction to Service Out control reference.

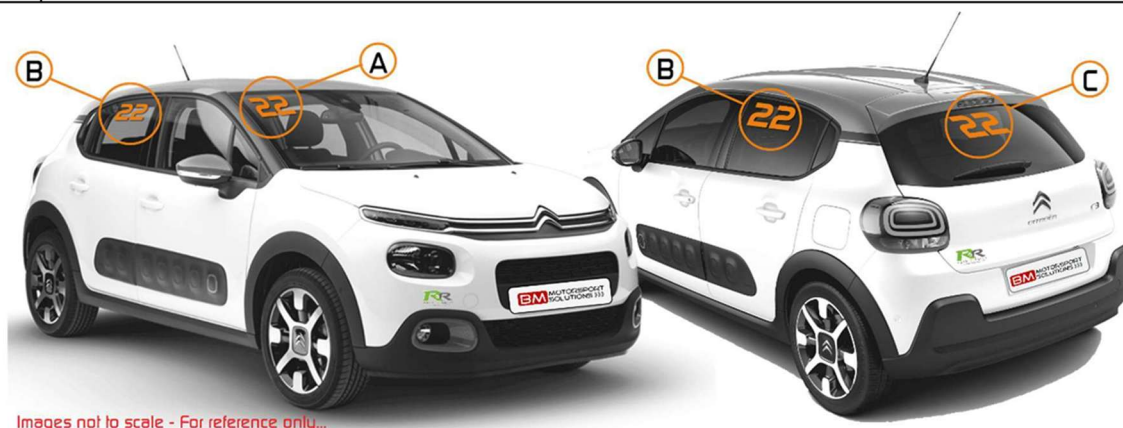
11.7 Installation of the Safety Tracking System:	
In association with Sporttraxx the Down Rally will operate a GPS Safety Tracking system that will enable the speed and position of each competing vehicle to be monitored and logged. Before the start, all cars will be fitted with a tracking device at the exit of the Service Area (TC-0) during Scrutineering on Friday 18 July* . The tracker will remain active throughout the event. This must be retained in the car until the finish of the event where it will be removed by the system providers at the final control* .	

*Reason: Change to Tracking device fitment and removal locations.

2. FINAL ADMIN CHECKS & RECONNAISSANCE

Competitors should refer to ART 9.2 of the Supplementary Regulations for Specific Reconnaissance Regulation which remain unchanged except for the amendment to 9.2.5 detailed above.

Mandatory Reconnaissance Identification Decal Locations: <i>Must remain in place at all times.</i>	
A	Top of front windscreen
B	Top of rear quarter windows – both sides
C	Top of rear windscreen



2. RESEED REQUESTS.

Reseeding requests can ONLY be made on the official form which can be downloaded from the Digital Notice Board (Sportity). Competitors should submit actual results which support their reseeding request. Reseeding requests must be submitted by 12 Noon on Friday 18 Jul 2025 to downrally@gmail.com or to the Entries Secretary.

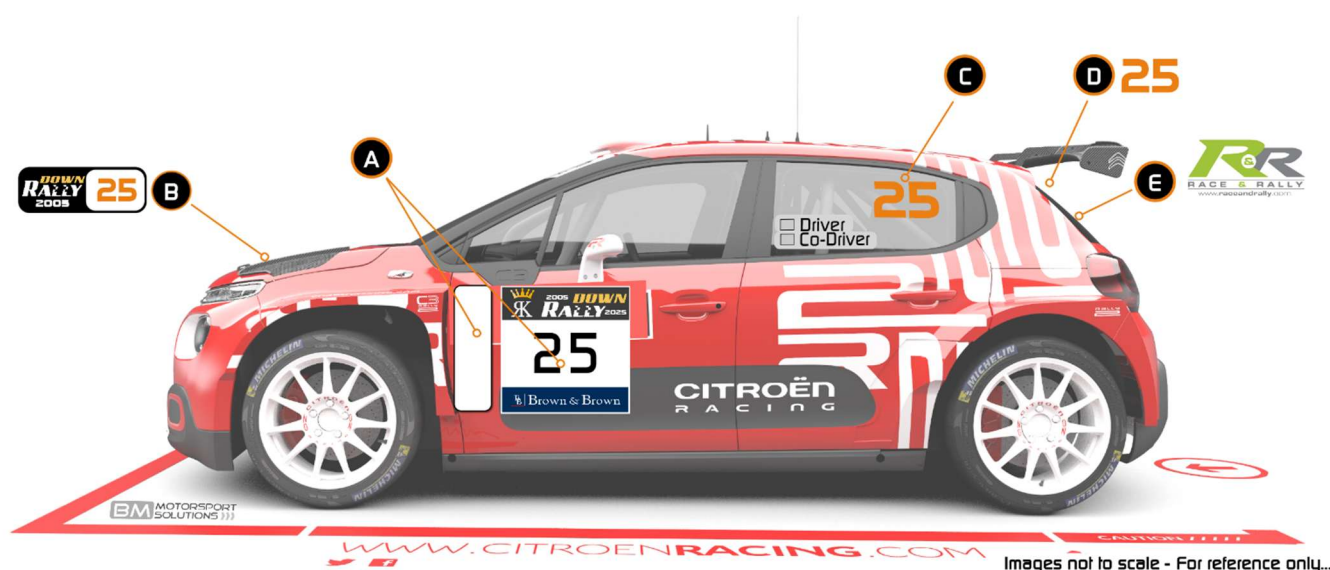
3. NOISE TEST & MECHANICAL SCRUTINEERING & SERVICE PARK.

Mechanical scrutineering and noise testing will take place between 14:00hrs & 20:00hrs on Friday 18th July at Eagle Overseas, Cascum Road Banbridge. There will be no Scrutineering outside of these dates and times without prior approval. No specific Scrutiny times will be allocated however any car participating in the Fan Zone activities should be fully Scrutineered and in place at the Fan Zone area no later than 18:45 hrs. A list of attendees at the Fan Zone will be published in due course.

The Scrutiny location can be found on the attached map. All cars must be presented for Scrutiny at the appointed location. Please follow marshal's instructions for unloading and trailer parking when you first enter Cascum Road. There is a separate trailer park beside the Service Area. Trailers will not be permitted to enter the Service Park. All competing cars can be placed in the Service Area following Scrutiny.

Please note that there are no overnight Parc Ferme as per previous years. Cars & Service Vehicles can remain in the Service Park at the owners' risk however the organisers have engaged private Security which will remain in the immediate area overnight.

Decals will be supplied and must be fitted prior to entering the Scrutiny area. Tracking devices will be fitted to all cars within the Scrutiny Area. Any cars not placed must be in place by 07:30 hrs on 19 July 2025.



Images not to scale - For reference only...

Organisers Obligatory Advertising:

A	Doorplate & Ancillary Sponsor Plate (if provided) applied both sides of Rally Car
B	Bonnet plate with Hi-Vis numbers
C	Hi-Vis numbers on side windows – both sides
D	Hi-Vis numbers on rear window
E	Race & Rally decal on rear window
<i>All Decals must be in place as detailed below before the car is presented for Mechanical Scrutiny.</i>	

Any competitor proposing to use an in-car camera at any time during the event must advise the Clerk of the Course and the Event Scrutineer in writing of their intentions and produce the notification (bearing your name and competition number) at Scrutineering. The camera installation must be completed before the car is presented to the Scrutineer, and the installation must comply with current Health & Safety Regulations. (In –car camera notification forms are available from the event Scrutineer and can also be downloaded from the Digital Notice Board (Sportity))

Competitors must present all necessary documentation at Mechanical Scrutiny relating to the eligibility of their vehicles. Competitors who wish to use auxiliary lighting if the weather and lighting conditions deteriorate during the event must have any lights fitted for presentation at Scrutiny.

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE PRODUCED TO THE SCRUTINEER:

- An MSUK or MI Rally Car Logbook. (Any other document e.g. FIA passports, cannot be accepted)
- Homologation papers (if applicable.)
- Letter requesting to use in-car camera (if applicable)
- An SOS/OK board.

Competitors are reminded that only one service van per entry will be allowed. Only Vehicles with the Official Service decal fitted will be allowed into the service park. All service vehicles must be in place before 07:30hrs on the morning of the event. The Service area Risk management policy is available to download from the Digital Notice Board (Sportity).

Crews are reminded that event notifications will also be published on the Sportity app – the password for this event is **RKDR25**.

4. Timing & Penalties:

Target Timing will apply on this event. Each special stage will have a Bogey Time set at 80mph for sealed surfaces and a target time which will be indicated on the Timecards.

For all sections of the event timing is set to BBC/BT Timing and will be timed using Digital clocks to 1/10th of a second from standing start to flying finish on Roads closed to the Public. (2025 NCR Ch.13 App.13 Art.8.4.)

Penalty free lateness is accumulated between consecutive Main TCs. Maximum lateness is 15 minutes. Cumulative lateness in excess of 15 minutes will be deemed as retired subject to Article 15.13

Competitors' performance will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria outlined in Chapter 13, Appendix 8, Article 1.3 of the 2025 NCR.

(a) (i) Not reporting or reporting OTL at a Control; Multi-Venue Stage Rallies Or Not completing or missing a Stage	Retired 15 Minutes plus stage maximum per stage
(b) Not complying with a requirement of the Road Book	10 minutes
(c) Not performing a Stage correctly	Stage maximum
(d) Not attempting or being ready to attempt a stage when instructed to do so	1st Offence – 10 minutes 2nd Offence - Disqualification
(e) Making a false start at a Special Stage	1st Offence – 10 seconds (plus actual false start time) 2nd Offence – 1 minute 3rd Offence – 3 minutes Further Offences – at the Clerk of the Course' discretion
(f) (i) Every second taken to complete a Special Stage where timing is to the preceding whole second	1 second

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(f) (ii) Every second and 10th of a second taken to complete a Special Stage where timing is to the preceding whole 10th of a second	1 second and 10th of a second
(g) For each minute under target time on a road Section or in a service area	1 minute
(h) Only if specifically mentioned in the Official Documents, for each minute over target time on a road Section or for each minute over Target Time in a service area	10 seconds
(j) For each minute before or after due time at Main Time Control (out)	10 seconds
(k) Breach of any statutory requirement concerning the use of a motor vehicle	10 seconds
(m) Excessive Noise	10 minutes
(n) Receiving assistance contrary to App.18 Arts.4 - 14	Disqualification & reported to the ASN
(o) Breach of App.18 Art.1.3, Art.1.7 and Art.1.8.	10 minutes
(p) Breach of Regulations: App.9 Arts.4, App.5 Art.11.3, App.10 Art.7.1-7.2, Arts.7.5-7.9, Arts.7.21-7.32, App.13 Art.14.4.	Disqualification
(q) Unauthorised presence on a Stage (App.9 Art.1.7)	Disqualification & reported to the ASN
(r) Failure to comply with App.10 Art.7.22 - 7.32	Disqualification & reported to the ASN
(s) Breach of Regulations: App.2 Art.4.17 or App.10 Art.7.30	Disqualification
(t) Breach of Regulation: App.18 Art. 1.9	Disqualification & reported to the ASN
(u) Breach of Regulation: App.16 Art.7.11	5 minutes
Penalties left to the discretion of the Clerk of the Course which may go as far as disqualification (2025 NCR Ch.5 Part A App.5 Art.2 & 2025 NCR Ch.13 App.8 Art.2).	
(aa) Failure to follow the instructions of an official.	
(bb) Further breaches of (b), (c), (d), (e), (k), (l), (m) or (n).	
(cc) Repeated misbehaviour of service crew.	
(dd) Reporting late for Scrutineering.	
(ee) Misuse of SOS and/or OK boards	
(ff) Unauthorised testing or practicing (App.12 Art.3.27).	
(gg) Causing an obstruction (App.2 Art.4.39)	
(hh) Breaches of Regulations detailed in Chapter 2.	
(ii) Failure to comply with control check-in procedures.	

Competitors will start with zero-time penalties. The results will be established by adding the times taken during the special stages and the time penalties incurred on the road sections together with all other penalties expressed in time. The competitor with the lowest total will be the winner and so on. (2025 NCR Ch.13 App.8 Art.1.1).

If there is a tie, the competitor who accomplished the best time for the first special stage will be declared the winner. If this is not sufficient to be able to decide between the tied competitors, the times of the second, third, fourth etc. special stages will be taken into consideration. (2025 NCR Ch.13 App.13 Art.14.3).

5. NAMED JUDGES OF FACT:

The following named Officials are appointed as Judge of Fact in respect of Driving Standards (NCR Ch.13 App.2 Art.4.41. & Art.4.44), Noise levels (NCR Ch.13 App.2 ART. 4.41,) and compliance with Reconnaissance Regulations:

Malcolm Johnston	Mark McGarrity	Sam Magill
Barry Arundell	Lawrence Fair	Caroline McGuinness
Richard Finley	Dessie Fair	Niall McGreevy
Stephen Kearney	Colin Lavery	Mo Downey
William Wylie	Barry Savage	Thomas Murphy
Conrad Walls	Jenny Frater	Dylan Murphy
Alan Graham	Paul McCann	Gary Knowles
Paul Biggerstaff	Ryan Kearney	Ian Hull

6. PROTESTS & APPEALS:

Appeals are in accordance with 2025 NCR Ch2. App.4 Protests are in accordance with 2025 NCR Ch2. App.9

Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the event finish.



Mark Quayle
Clerk of the Course



Tom Brown
Secretary of the Meeting

ATTACHMENT 1

