

STAGE RALLY PENALTY NOTES

Section R

Competitors' Regulations

5.1.4. Any Competition Licence holder who Permits the unauthorised presence at any time of any vehicle on a known or former Special Stage or on private property including land owned or managed by the Defence Infrastructure organisation, Natural Resources Wales, Forestry and Land Scotland, the Forestry England or DAERA Forest Service NI will be disqualified from any related event and referred to the MSC National Court.

The Crew

5.4. Those people occupying any car will be collectively referred to as its crew.

5.4.1. Each car must carry at least one Passenger (as Navigator or Co-Driver) as well as the Driver.

5.4.2. Except in accordance with official approval or instructions, the persons carried at the start must not be varied during the event.

5.4.3. Only the nominated Driver and Co-Driver listed on the Official entry form can drive during a Competition, unless the SRs specify otherwise.

5.4.4. No-one is allowed to travel other than in a proper seat.

5.4.5. No competing vehicle can carry more than one physically disabled person, whose participation must be authorised by H.12.

Duties and Responsibilities of the Clerk of the Course

24.4.5. On any special stage where extreme circumstances make it necessary to neutralise the competition e.g. where spectator safety is compromised, or to authorise the movement of non-competing or rescue vehicles, the system of Red Flags must be in place. These should be located at mid stage rescue points, all locations where a rescue/emergency vehicle may reenter the stage following a shortcut and at each mandatory Radio Point (29.5). Red Flags will be displayed at all mandatory Radio Points preceding the incident, only on the specific instruction of the Clerk of the Course or Stage Commander.

Red Flags must be prominently displayed (held out steady not waved) by a designated marshal who MUST wear a marshals' tabard. Red Flags shall measure a minimum of 60cm x 70cm.

(i) Competitors who have been shown a Red Flag will be given a notional time for the stage.

(ii) The time of the deployment of the Red Flags will be recorded and notified to the Clerk of the Course.

(iii) No flag other than a Red Flag may be deployed at any point along the route of the special stage.

Competitors

25.1. Competitors and their associated service vehicles and personnel may only fit or use radio transceiving equipment and frequencies that are licensed according to Regulations issued by Ofcom.

25.1.1. They must not use or carry any radio transmitting device that operates on, or interferes with, the Motorsport UK licensed Frequencies.

25.1.2. Contravention of these regulations will be penalised in accordance with 32.2(p) or 32.13(q).

25.2. Competitors must present at scrutineering a valid Motorsport UK Competition Car Log Book/Vehicle Passport obtainable from Motorsport UK Scrutineers by appointment (46.1.3).

25.3. In conjunction with scrutiny of the car, Drivers' and Co-Drivers' crash helmets, FHR Devices, and overalls must be produced for approval.

25.3.1. All crew members must wear a crash helmet bearing a Motorsport UK approval sticker (K.10.1 to K.10.3.1) and a safety belt throughout any Special Stage.

25.3.2. The crew must also wear flame resistant overalls homologated to either FIA 8856-2018, FIA 8856-2000 or FIA 1986 Standard. Attention is drawn to (K.9.1.2 and K.9.1.5 to K.9.3).

25.4. Competitors must carry an A4-size white board with a red SOS on one side and black OK on the other (letters to be a minimum of 12cm high with a minimum stroke width of 1.5cm), with means to secure them on display for oncoming competitors.

25.4.1. In the case of an accident where urgent medical attention is required, the red SOS sign should be displayed as quickly as possible to alert following cars and aid any helicopter attempting to assist.

25.4.2. Any crew that sees a red SOS sign displayed on a car, or sees a major accident where both crew members are inside the car but not displaying the SOS sign, must immediately and without exception stop to give assistance.

25.4.3. All following cars must also stop and the second car arriving at the scene must inform the next radio point.

25.4.4. Subsequent cars must leave a clear route for emergency vehicles.

25.4.5. The Clerk of the Course may award a discretionary time to any Competitor delayed in such circumstances.

25.4.6. Any crew which is able to but fails to comply with the rule will be reported to the Clerk of the Course who may impose penalties.

25.4.7. In the case of an accident where medical intervention is not required, the OK sign must be clearly shown to following vehicles, and to any helicopter attempting to assist. If the crew leave the vehicle, the OK sign must be left clearly visible to other Competitors. The Emergency Red Warning Triangle should be placed at least 100m down the stage, appropriate to the approaching speed of following competitors to provide a visible advanced warning.

25.4.8. Any crew failing to comply will be subject to a penalty at the Clerk of the Course's discretion.

25.4.9. Competitors who misuse the SOS or OK signs will be penalised and may be reported to Motorsport UK for further action.

25.5.1. All Competitors must comply with any instructions in the Road Book concerning stopping at road junctions.

25.5.2. Failure to comply will be penalised as in 32.2(b) or 32.13(c).

25.5.3. Crew members must not smoke during any stage.

25.6. During a special stage, the prescribed route must be followed and any direction signs displayed are mandatory.

25.6.1. Competitors overshooting the Stop line at the end of any stage are forbidden to reverse back to the Control.

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25.6.2. They are also forbidden to traverse any part of a Special Stage in the opposite direction to rally traffic.

25.6.3. Competitors must not voluntarily leave the prescribed route of a Special Stage without the express permission of the Stage Commander.

25.9. Unless specifically allowed by the SRs, the use of or possession of pace notes or any other means of giving a Competitor advice relating to the traversing of a Special Stage on a Multi-Venue Rally that has not been provided by the Organisers is forbidden (24.7).

25.9.1. On any Single Venue Rally taking place on a venue that is currently, or was previously, a licensed Race, Speed or Kart circuit, or any airfield type venue (disused or not), the use, provision or possession of such information, unless in accordance with 25.9.2. is prohibited and cannot be varied by the SRs.

25.9.2. This does not however preclude a crew from recording or annotating information during an event on the route instructions issued by the organisers for use later on in the same event.

25.9.3. Neither does it preclude the use of Ordnance Survey maps of 1:25,000 or 1:50,000 scale along with others that are specified in the SRs as being necessary to complete the route.

25.9.4. The only supplementary information that may be shown on the maps is information given by the Organisers (including route details).

25.9.5. Contravention will be penalised as in 32.2(q) or 32.13(r)

Arrows and Signs

29.3.3. Judges of Fact should be placed at any split junction to note and report for penalty any Competitor overshooting and reversing back against the route of rally traffic.

Servicing and Organised Assistance

38.1.1. Organised assistance (service) may be Permitted on Special Stage Rallies if the SRs allow and providing that the Organisers have provided suitable service areas and a specific time allowance.

38.1.2. *Organised assistance anywhere other than in Permitted areas is forbidden.

38.1.3. Service vehicles may be required by the SRs or the Official Instructions to follow a prescribed route to and from service areas. All other areas would then be 'Out of Bounds' to service vehicles and crews.

38.1.4. In any area where Service is not Permitted, the presence of a service vehicle, or any vehicle from which equipment or parts are supplied or obtained, or the setting up or the collection or the use of equipment previously deposited, will be considered to be servicing.

38.1.5. The above Regulations do not prohibit Organisers advising Competitors of any garages en route, where facilities are available.

38.1.6. Paragraph 38 does not prevent Competitors from making their own vehicles safe to drive.

38.1.7. Competitors may only refuel in areas, not being road sections, specifically designated by the organisers or by using commercially available pump fuel dispensed directly from pumps at filling stations on the rally route. No one must be within the vehicle e.g. driver, navigator, service crew, and the engine must be stopped throughout any refuelling operation.

38.2. Crews may work unassisted on their own cars, using equipment carried in their car, in 'No Service Areas' except: (a) Within 100m of any Control. (b) Between a Special Stage Arrival Control and the Special Stage Start Control. (c) In any Parc Fermé.

38.2.1. The only work permitted in these areas is the following (unassisted): Cleaning lamp glasses, windscreens, windows, identification markings and vehicle registration numbers.

38.2.2. Except in the areas listed above, Competitors may also work on their cars with the assistance of other Competitors or any nationally recognised breakdown service or commercial garage not associated with the Entrant and not organised in advance. Such service vehicles will not be allowed to enter Official service areas.

38.3. Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their service crews understand and comply with Regulations, and if Official Service Plates are issued, that at all times service vehicles bear the Official Service Plate.

38.3.1. A Competitor may be fined or otherwise penalised by the Clerk of the Course if the crew of any service vehicle associated with their entry contravenes any regulation or any Official instruction, or acts in a manner contrary to the interests of the event. Competitors may also be fined, but not otherwise penalised, for breach of Road Traffic Laws by their service crews.

Results

40.1.3. Competitors at the conclusion of their Competition must sign a declaration form confirming they have not been involved in any incident that may have caused damage to persons or property, or alternatively give details of any such incident. Failure to comply will be penalised in accordance with R32 and may be reported to Motorsport UK for further disciplinary action.

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Other Offences

C1.1.4. Any proceeding and/or act prejudicial to the interest of the MSC and/or motor sport generally.

C1.1.5. Driving in a manner incompatible with general safety, and/or departing from the standard of a reasonably competent driver.

C1.1.7. Any contravention of these Regulations in respect of alcohol or doping or illicit drugs and testing in respect thereof.

C1.1.8. Misbehaviour or unfair practice.

C1.1.9. Abusive language or behaviour, physical assault, or threats of physical assault within the area under control of the Organising Club.

Penalties

2.1. Any Promoter, Organiser, Official, Entrant, Competitor, Passenger, Driver, Mechanic or other Person committing a breach of these Regulations or of any conditions attached to an organising Permit, or of any Instruction to Competitors, or of any special Track Rules may be penalised as hereinafter provided.

2.1.1. The penalties that may be inflicted are, in order of increasing severity, as follows:

(a) Reprimand (2.4).

(b) Fine (2.4).

(c) Time Penalty (or Position/lap Penalty - Karts or Endurance Racing or Grid Place Penalty - Circuit Race) (2.3) or qualifying lap time(s) disallowed (Q12.27).

(d) Disqualification (2.5).

(e) Suspension (2.6).

(f) Exclusion (2.7).

One or more of the above may be imposed as appropriate