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## Welcome to Al Ula

We are pleased to see everyone here safe and sound, and we hope that everyone has thoroughly enjoyed the first day of the event and that now everyone is more confident and experienced in the use of the road book and the navigation equipment.

Before getting into the details of tomorrow, just a reminder that the rally will start tomorrow at 08:00 am in the morning and you have to collect all your belonging and deliver it either tonight or early morning to the person in charge at the reception as to arrange taking all your stuff to Al Ula by truck instead of carry them with you in the stage.

Also before we go into the details of the stage, we would like to reiterate and repeat the tips/guidelines of yesterday and some new.

## Very Important:

- Very Strict traffic Laws in KSA, So make sure you Abide with all traffic laws, Speed Signs, overtaking Signs, Seat Belt, and Mobile Phone. Cameras are spread all over the Rally route.
- There is no need at all for over speeding, the time given on the road sections is more than sufficient.
- Take Extra care when crossing any main road which is inside a selective section,
- Also take extra care when driving through towns/villages, abide with all traffic laws.
- **FALSE SOS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU DO NOT PRESS THE SOS UNLESS THERE IS A REAL EMERGENCY. PRESSING THE SOS AUTOMATICALLY UNLEASHES A CHAIN OF EVENTS THAT GO ALL THE WAY UP TO THE AUTHORITIES AND THE STANDBY SKY SAFETY. ANY INFRINGEMENT OF THIS WILL BE REPORTED TO THE STEWARDS WHO WILL TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.**
- **DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE UNPLUG THE SAFETY TRACKING UNIT FROM THE LIGHTER OUTLET IN THE CAR (IF IT IS PLUGGED IN OVER THERE). IF THE UNIT RUNS OUT OF BATTERY, THE ORGANISERS WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE IN ANY WAY AND IT WILL BE SOLELY YOUR RESPONSIBILITY IF YOU ARE NOT NO LONGER ABLE TO NAVIGATE.**
- **DO NOT LOCK YOUR CAR IN THE SERVICE PARK. STELLA NEED TO BE ABLE TO CHECK THE UNITS.**
- Note that fuel stations, shops, etc.. are closed during prayer times.
- It is worth mentioning that your car insurance does not cover any damage or accident that occurs in the desert, and any accident on the road should be covered by a report from the Police (Najem Report), otherwise the insurance company will never take any liability to fix the damaged car.
- Make Sure that you always have Extra Water with you in the desert, don't get dehydrated. Always Drink Water.
- Don't Get Under the Car in any Circumstance, if the car is lifted / Jacked, if you want to check the underneath of the car make sure it is on the parking Gear , breaks are engaged, and the four wheels

are on ground.

- If you have a Flat tire make sure you stop in a safe place, and outside the Rally Track, Please Please Please don't block the Rally Route.
- Helmets are not required when on Road Sections. But it is a must in the Selective Sections, don't forget to put and strap very well your helmets on when starting a Selective Section, or you will not be allowed to Start.
- Always Wear the Seat belt while the Car is in Motion.
- Team Members, Friends, Photographers (except for accredited Media), Cheer leaders, are not allowed to Drive on any part of the Selective Section.
- When driving in the desert, in some cases, especially when there is soft sand, the bottom of your car may scrape the sand, in rare cases this could cause an oil leakage or overheating, therefore always keep an eye on the temperature and oil pressure gauges.

### **Refueling:**

Fuel tankers will be available as follows:

- Just outside the hotel in Al Ula.
- At the start of Stage 2
- After the finish of Stage 2 and before reaching the main road
- Outside the hotel in Umluj, about 550 meters away,
- There are also commercial fuel stations which are shown on the road book.

### **Road Book & Notes**

SECTION 2: Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 first car start from TC 1B Al Ula Service out at 8:00 am.

The second day of the Rally (Al Ula – Umluj) has a total of about 394 KM. The first Road Section to reach the stage is about 66 KM and the stage itself is about 129 KM.

There will be 3 Speed Control Zones in SS2 with speeds of 40, 30, and 30 km/h

There will be 2 Average Speed Challenge (ASC) Zone in SS2, speeds of 34 km/h, and 43 km/h

### **Reminders:**

If by any chance you want to stop in the selective section, try to stop on a defined tulip in the road book and mark it so as not to get lost, and always write the odometer from Stella when you stop.

If you have a danger 1, 2 or 3 during the ASC or !!, you have to slow and forget the Average speed specially on Danger 3 its too risky to maintain the speed even if it is below 40kmh

Some places in the ASC a bit Sandy you might need to keep the speed or increase so as not to get stuck in the Sand.

Always keep in Mind that the Selective Section is not closed for the Rally cars, you are driving in an open Desert, and you might face some other people who are using the same route, reaching their destination, or camping in the desert, this is normal and you have to deal with such a situation. So expect other

vehicles, people and animals. Our advice is to slow when approaching people or animals.  
All WPM way points will open at a radius of 800 meters and will be validated in a radius of 90 meters.

All WPS way points will open at a radius of 1000 meters and will be validated in a radius of 30 meters (!!!  
WPS alarm will turn on in 300 meters radius)

### Important Notes:

If you are driving in an ASC, and a way point has been validated, and you get an open arrow straight, and you follow it, then it may negatively affect the average speed you were doing, so always follow the road book.

When following a certain cap, keep an eye on the last box on the right, if it shows a distance and a different cap then you should follow it, do not stay on the same cap until the next tulip.

In some cases, you may notice some differences between the road book and the actual route, this is caused by other competitors having opened new routes in front of you, most importantly keep following the cap, and you will find that you are on the right track.

### Notes on the route:

At the start, there are multiple routes, follow the cap, if you are in the right direction then after 1 km you will see a tree on your right, continuing following the cap.

After that, there are still multiple tracks, if you are in the right direction, you will see a tree on your left, continue following the cap.

At 6.47 km, follow cap.

At 9.18 km, Bumpy.

At 10.42 km, stay near the mountain, long sharp right turn, continue close to the mountain.

At 13.01 km, left 90 degree, it is not clear, pay attention.

At 14.50 km, fork right, it is not clear, watch for it.

At 14.86 km, cross tracks, no track, follow the cap.

At 16.28 km, road not clear, follow the cap.

At 18.35 km, stones, careful not to get flat tires.

At 23.42 km, !! close to main highway

At 33.49 km, fork right, it is not clear, watch for it. Stones.

At 35.71 km, fork right, white ground.

At 39.90 km !! 90 degree right, road not clear at all, follow cap. After 700 meters bumps.

At 41.36 km, fork right, not clear, pay attention.

At 42.80 km, Bumpy.

At 47.37 km, keep straight, road not clear, follow cap.

At 53.56 km, fork right, between bushes.

At 55.55 km, into wadi, follow the clear track.

At 60.48 km, left 90 degree into graded road. RADMIEH.

At 61.98 km, right 90 degree after tree, then road not clear, zig zag.

At 61.93 km, no clear road, follow cap.

At 64.19 km, long left into black surface between mountains.

At 65.65 km, fork right into uphill.

At 73.67 km, fork left, after 700 meters bumpy.

- At 77.61 km, fork right, into rough, bumpy.
- At 81.79 km, cross wadi then between trees/bushes.
- At 90.61 km, fork left into graded road. Choose any track.
- At 91.70 km, fork left into graded road.
- At 93.43 km, fork left into graded road ! Ditch !
- At 93.82 km, bumpy. RADMIEH
- At 94.36 km, bumpy. RADMIEH
- At 95.69 km, bumpy, follow obvious route.
- At 98.83 km, 90 degree left, leave track, pay attention to it, not clear.
- At 111.01 km, 90 degree right, it is not clear, watch for it.
- At 112.70 km, into wadi with green bushes.
- At 118.08 km, keep straight, after 1km open desert.
- At 121.69 km, once you see green bushes, wadi. !!

Note that after the end of the stage, the road section for about 12 km is an agricultural road.

### In Case of Accident:

In case of an accident where urgent medical assistance is required, where possible the red "SOS" sign should be immediately displayed to the following cars and to any helicopter attempting to assist.

Any crew which has the red "SOS" sign displayed to them or sees a car which has sustained a major accident where both crew members are seen inside the car but is not displaying the red "SOS" sign shall immediately and without exception stop to render assistance. All following cars shall also stop. The second car at the scene shall proceed to inform the next radio point of the incident details. Subsequent cars shall leave a clear route for emergency vehicles.

Any crew which is able to but fails to comply with this rule will be reported to the stewards who may impose penalties in accordance with the International Sporting Code.

In case the accident does not require immediate medical assistance, the "OK" sign must be clearly shown by a crew member to the following vehicles and to any helicopter attempting to assist.

If the crew leaves the vehicle, the "OK" sign must be displayed so that it is clearly visible to other competitors.

Each competing car must carry a red reflective triangle which, in the event of the car stopping in a special stage, must be placed in a conspicuous position by a member of the crew at least 50 meters before the car's position, to warn following drivers. Any crews failing to comply may be subject to a penalty at the discretion of the stewards.

This triangle must be placed even if the stopped car is off the road.

The road books contain a page stating the accident procedure.

Any crews retiring from a rally must report such retirement to the organizers as soon as possible, save in a case force majeure. Any crew failing to comply will be subject to a penalty at the stewards' discretion.

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