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Good Evening and welcome to Umluj,

Great job, well-done.

Tomorrow we will start from the service out at 09:00 in the morning for stage number 3, Umluj to Yanbu.

The distances for tomorrow are generally shorter, total distance for the day will be about 200 km, of which 143 km is a special stage. The first liaison to the start is about 25 km.

Again speed is not the name of the game, by collecting all the way points and maintaining the average speed while in the ASC, you will win the stage.

Again, just a reminder to collect all your belonging and deliver them either tonight or early morning to the person in charge at the reception as to arrange taking all your stuff to Umluj by truck instead of carry them with you in the stage.

Once again, before we go into the details of the stage, we would like to reiterate and repeat the tips/guidelines of the previous two days.

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 UNLEACHES 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:

- Outside the hotel (about 500 meters), before reaching the main road. (In order to avoid delays on the morning of the Rally, it is strongly recommended to refuel on the evening before).
- At the start of Stage 3
- After the finish of Stage 3 and before reaching the main road
- Outside the hotel in Yanbu, about 50 meters.
- There are also commercial fuel stations which are shown on the road book.

Road Book & Notes

SECTION 3: Thursday, March 7th, 2024 first car start from TC 2B Umluj Service out at 9:00 am.

The third day of the Rally (Umluj - Yanbu) has a total of about 200 KM. The first Road Section to reach the stage is 25 KM and the stage itself is about 136 KM.

There will be 3 Speed Control Zones in SS3 with speeds of 50, 50, and 30 km/h

There will be 2 Average Speed Challenge (ASC) Zone in SS3, with speeds of 37 and 33 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.

Notes on the route:

On Road section after 28.03 take extra care there might be some camels

SS2

At 2.71 km, fork right, sandy.

At 5.36 km, between poles, !!

At 6.50 km, !! jump, then jump, then left 90 degrees off track at 7.20 km

At 7.69 km, into Twisty road for about 12 km with stones

At 12.60 km, fork left, rocky, careful of flat tires.

At 19.55 km, join Asphalt road, watch for traffic !

At 22.24, twisty, between trees.

At 27.60 km, multiple tracks, follow the cap.

At 27.84 km, fork left, caution, unclear, follow the cap.

At 28.75 km, fork right, caution !, not clear,

At 32.22 km, cross track, Jumps, caution !

At 45.99 km, cross asphalt, watch for cars.

At 47.23 km, right 90 degrees in sandy track, not clear, follow cap.

At 65.47 km, track not clear look for it.

At 68.47 km, into bumpy area.

At 70.92 km, take care for the next tulip R fork after 100 meters only and follow cap.

At 73.88 km, follow the caps
At 74.69 km, Join RADMIYA !
At 75.79 km, ! out of RADMIYA follow CAP
At 82.91 km, kp L follow CAP
At 86.12 km, not very clear 90 L, take care and follow cap.
At 87.63 km, !! take extra care when crossing the wadi.
At 87.90 km, BAD rocky area, watch for rocks (flat tiers)
At 88,70 km, Rocky area watch not to have flat tires,
At 90.35 km, kp R, follow cap mountain on R
At 90.81 km, hard stones watch for flat tires.
At 91.42 km, hard stones watch for flat tires.
At 91.74 km, very rough track down hill, take extra care while down, ends twisty with hard stones.
At 92.13 km, ! Rough / stones possibility of flat tires.
At 92.25 km keep close to mountains on R.
At 92.46 km, kp R close to mountains on R.
At about 93.70 km, hard rocks, watch for flat tires.
At 93.98 km, inside the wadi / dry river bed.
At 96.18 km, into stones.
At 114.07 km, into kp L, CLIFF / EDGE on R
At 121.36 km, look for the best route after the tree on L (maybe kp R looks better) follow the cap.
At 125.31 km, watch not to hit the farm Fence or enter the farm (not clearly visible).
At 125.70 km, follow caps
At 126.35 km, ! 90 L
At 127.01 km, Sharp R not clear follow cap.
At 127.44 km, watch not to hit the farm fence, it is not clear.
At 127.60 km, watch not to hit the farm fence, it is not clear.
At 128.49 km, L & follow cap.
At 132.38 km, not clear 90 L look for it.
At 133.15 km, then kp R.

Road section to Yanbu Hotel.

At 0.53 km,!! make a U Turn (not official) police will be there to help a smooth Turn.

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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