

NEMADJI TRAIL WINTER RALLY

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS



December 2, 2023

**Round 1 of the 2024 American Rally Association
Central Region Championship**



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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Welcome to the 2023 Nemadji Trail Winter Rally. Our plan is to run exactly the same event as last year with the exception of recce which will be 2-pass with controlled access. This will be the first round of the 2024 ARA Central Region Championship.
- 1.2 This event will be held under the current General Competition Rules, Rally Technical Rules, and Rally Competition Rules of the American Rally Association (ARA). The 2023 American Rally Association Rules and Regulations can be found at <https://www.americanrallyassociation.org/rulesandbulletins>
Modifications, amendments and/or changes to these Supplementary Regulations will be announced only by numbered and dated Bulletins posted on Sportity.
- 1.3 Road surface is gravel. Depending on the weather it may be dry, wet or possibly frozen. There may be snow or ice.
- 1.4 Overall SS distance is 33.2 miles and total distance of the itinerary is 71.4 miles.

2 ORGANIZATION

2.1 The Nemadji Trail Winter Rally is organized by Ojibwe Forests Rally, Inc.
3715 Knox Ave N
Minneapolis MN 55412

2.2 Organizing Committee and Officials

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Chair | Jon Atkins | 701-367-9867 | jonathan@gofarfoto.com |
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| Chief of Scrutineering | Greg Lahlum | 701-793-6919 | Greg.lahlum@gmail.com |
| Chief of Emergency Services | Nate Koppenhaver | 701-541-7348 | nkoppenhaver@rrrdc.com |

2.3 ARA Officials

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| Competition Director | Preston Osborn | 720-646-4331 | preston@ara-rally.com |
| General Inquires/Media Contact | Marni Nagy | | ara@ara-rally.com |
| Technical Director | Doug Nagy | 949-637-7856 | doug@ara-rally.com |
| Steward | Greg Messler | 612-282-1261 | greg.messler@gmail.com |

2.4 Headquarters Location

Nemadji Trail Winter Rally will be headquartered at:
Duquette Community Center
88235 MN-23
Duquette, MN 55756
(218) 496-5855

2.5 All event activities will be held in or just outside of the Duquette Community Center. Check-in, meetings, and awards will be in the Duquette Community Center.

2.6 The Official Notice Board will be Sportity as well as located on the bulletin board inside of the main door of the Duquette Community Center. Sportity will be the primary form of official communication, but due to the limited cell service in Duquette, all bulletins and other communications will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Competitors are responsible for checking the board regularly. The Sportity code is NFR2023. The public version is <https://webapp.sportity.com/channel/nfr2023>

3 SCHEDULE

(all times central time zone)

Thursday, November 2nd, 2023

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| 1900 | Entry Opens | Rallylicense.com |
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Sunday, November 26th, 2023

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| 2359 | Entry Closes | Rallylicense.com |
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Monday, November 27th, 2023

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| | Provisional Start Order Published | Sportity |
| 1900 | Novice Briefing | Virtual |

Friday, December 1nd, 2023

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| 1900 | Stewards Meeting | Virtual |
| 1930 | Official Start Order Published | Sportity |

Saturday, December 2nd, 2023

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| 0730 – 0930 | Competitor Check-in | Community Center |
| 8000 – 1030 | Volunteer Check-in | Community Center |
| 0830 – 1100 | Scrutineering | Service Area |
| 0830 – 1130 | Competitor Recce | |
| 1040 | Volunteer Meeting | Community Center |
| 1115 | Volunteers head to the forest | Kerrick Pick Up Point |
| 1300 | FCO Leg 1 | |
| 1507 | FCI Service | Service Area |
| 1757 | First Car finishes Rally | |

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| 1830 (approx.) | Awards Presentation | Community Center |
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4 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Entry and payment may only be made online at <http://www.rallylicense.com>. Entry fees must be paid in full at the time of registration
- 4.2 The total size of the competitive field for this event will not exceed 20 entries. Entries are non-transferrable
- 4.3 Entry Schedule

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| Regular entry TBD – November 10 | \$330 |
| Late entry November 11 – November 26 | \$450 |

- 4.4 Entry includes a printed route book, organizer supplies notes and a service space.
- 4.5 Competitors may revise or withdraw their entry prior to the closing date by completing an entry update/withdrawal form available in the registrar folder on the Sportivity App. Once entries close, withdrawals and entry revisions are actioned by filing an inquiry.
- 4.6 Refunds will be in compliance with GCR 4.9
Prior to 2359 on 11/12/2023 – full refund
After 2359 on 11/12/2023 and until 2359 on 11/26/2023 – full refund less \$100
After 2359 on 11/26/2023 on 11/26/23 – no refund
If the event is cancelled; a full refund will be issued.

5 INSURANCE

- 5.1 Third party liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage, effective during the competition, will be provided by a policy secured by USAC and displayed on the Official Notice Board.
- 5.2 Competitors, service crew members, and all event participants including officials, marshals, staff, stewards and all other volunteers who have signed an ARA waiver and have been issued and are in possession of an event wristband confirming the signature of the waiver will be covered by a secondary ARA participant accident insurance policy which covers excess medical expenses to their primary medical insurance provider.

6 EVENT SPONSOR ADVERTISING

- 6.1 N/A

7 FUEL

- 7.1 A fuel depot will be utilized. Competitors have the option of providing their own fuel or purchasing fuel from the General Store. Fueling will *only* be allowed in this area and

shall occur during transit time *after* service. Service crew may set up fueling in the fuel depot but area asked to do so in a manner that does not interfere with the General Store's customer.

8 RECONNAISSANCE

- 8.1 Several teams expressed concern with two-way traffic during recce last year, so this year there will be two passes with controlled starts so there is only one-way traffic. Crews are reminded that the banner crew will be on stage and the road is open to public traffic, so caution is still required. This is intended to eliminate head-on traffic among the teams participating in recce.
- 8.2 Competitors must complete check-in prior to beginning recce. Due to the nature of our course including transits, competitors will use their own Route books and Organizer Provided Notes for Recce.
- 8.3 Recce speed limit is 35 MPH. Please use caution at all times.
- 8.4 Entrance to SS1/3 stage will open at 0830 and close at 0850. Entrance to SS2/4 will open as soon as all the cars which started SS1 have finished or are otherwise accounted for. This is estimated to be at 0915. The second pass of SS1/3 is estimated to open at 1000 and the second pass of SS2/4 at 1045. Recce will conclude once all cars have finished the second pass of SS2/4 or are otherwise accounted for.
- 8.5 No competition vehicles are allowed on recce. Violators will be excluded from competing in the rally and will forfeit their entry fee.
- 8.6 There will be no advance packet will be issued as the course is very compact.

9 ON-SITE CHECK-IN

- 9.1 Competitor Check-In will be per schedule above. All entry information, including Crew Members, must be complete and final prior to the close of entries. Onsite registration will not be available.
- 9.2 A single email address will be specified by each team to be used for all event communications.

NOTE The data/Internet connectivity in Duquette is virtually non-existent. DO NOT assume that you will be able to use the Internet to obtain a license or prove you have one at registration! We highly encourage all competitors and crew members to send all documents to the event registrar ahead of the event to avoid any issues!

10 SCRUTINEERING

- 10.1 Scrutineering will be held in the service area, in the lot just north of the Duquette General Store (see Appendix 2). Cars will be inspected in their service location. Tech inspection and recce times overlap so competitors without crew should arrange to have their car inspected before departing for recce. Please contact the Chief of Scrutineering with any concerns.
- 10.2 *Note: Logbooks and visual packages will not be available at the event. Please make arrangements with American Rally Association ahead of time.

11 SERVICE

- 11.1 Service will be in the lot just north of the Duquette General Store. The Duquette General Store will be open for food and supplies. Let's all be good neighbors; everyone pick up their service area so it is cleaner than when you arrived!
- 11.2 The organizers will fine those who do not clean their service area a minimum of \$100.
- 11.3 Crew members must pre-register and pay for their crew license with ARA via <http://www.rallylicense.com/>.

12 TESTING

- 12.1 There will be no event organized practice or testing.

13 FEATURES OF THE RALLY

- 13.1 Starting order will be determined in accordance with ARA rules and posted Sportity and the official notice board.
- 13.2 The rally begins and ends outside the Duquette Community Center
- 13.3 There will be a full sweep team on every stage which will have limited time to extract vehicles. A competitor will be allowed to continue in competition after assistance by sweep. Due to the nature of the roads being utilized, the Chief of Sweep has the authority, after consulting with the CoC via Net Control, to determine if the extraction must wait until service time following the first two stages or after the final stage of the day. This determination will be based on the Chief of Sweep's estimate of the amount of time necessary for extraction.
- 13.4 The Provisional and Final Results will be posted on Sportity and the Official Notice Board at the Duquette Community Center as soon as possible after the event
- 13.5 The awards presentation will be held at the Duquette Community Center. As a condition of our use of the Community Center, No Alcohol will be allowed. If you are found with alcohol, it will be confiscated and you will be asked to leave. We appreciate your cooperation as we want to be invited back. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable rally!

13.6 Teams are strongly encouraged to bring swag for volunteers (we average around 100 amazing volunteers!). This has been popular in the past. If you have swag, please contact Eric or Tyler Linner and plan on dropping it off at check-in. Thank you!

13.7 Competitors and crew are encouraged to grab a bite to eat while waiting for awards, but we do move the start of awards up as soon as times are official. An announcement will be made at the Duquette Tavern just prior to the start of the awards so no one misses out!

14 LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS

The Duquette Tavern: The Tavern has a full menu and alcoholic beverages.

The General Store: A fast meal option is the deli counter. Their sandwiches are highly recommended!

Both locations have been very welcoming, so please consider supporting their businesses!

Accommodations are available in nearby towns, approximately 20 minutes from rally headquarters.

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| DAYS INN MOOSE LAKE | 400 Park Place, Moose Lake, MN 55767 |
| AMERICA'S BEST VALUE INN | 60671 State Highway 23, Finlayson, MN 55735 |

15 EXCEPTIONS FROM AMERICAN RALLY ASSOCIATION RULES

15.1 None.

Appendix 1: Itinerary

2022 Nemadji Trail Winter Rally

| TOTALS OF THE RALLY | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| | SS | TRANSIT | TOTAL | % |
| Total -- 4 SS | 33.2 | 38.2 | 71.4 | 46% |

| START Leg 1 | | SATURDAY DECEMBER 3, 2022 | | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| TC | LOCATION | SS DIST | TRANSIT DIST | TOTAL DIST | LATENESS TIME | TRANSIT TIME | FIRST CAR DUE |
| 0 | MTC OUT (Duquette) | | | | | | 12:38 |
| | distance to next refuel | (16.6) | (19.1) | (35.7) | | | |
| 1 | | | 9.4 | 9.4 | | 0:18 | 12:56 |
| SS 1 | Nemadji Trail East | 8.3 | | | 0:12 | | 12:59 |
| 2 | | | 0.3 | 8.6 | | 0:41 | 13:52 |
| SS2 | Nemadji Trail West | 8.3 | | | 0:12 | | 13:55 |
| 2A | REGROUP IN | | 9.4 | 17.7 | | 0:18 | 14:25 |
| 2B | REGROUP OUT/SERVICE IN | | | | | 0:05 | 14:30 |
| | SERVICE A (Duquette) | (16.6) | (19.1) | (35.7) | | | |
| 2C | SERVICE OUT | | | | | 0:30 | 15:00 |
| RZ | REFUEL | | | | | | |
| 1 | distance to next refuel | (16.6) | (19.1) | (35.7) | | | |
| 3 | | | 9.4 | 9.4 | | 0:18 | 15:18 |
| SS 3 | Nemadji Trail East | 8.3 | | | 0:12 | | 15:21 |
| 4 | | | 0.3 | 8.6 | | 0:41 | 16:14 |
| SS4 | Nemadji Trail West | 8.3 | | | 0:12 | | 16:17 |
| 4A | MTC IN (Duquette) | | 9.4 | 17.7 | | 0:18 | 16:47 |
| Leg 1 Totals | | 33.2 | 38.2 | 71.4 | | | |

Section 1

Section 2

Appendix 2: Map Duquette, Minnesota

