

2026 QATAR OFF-ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP (Cars)

GENERAL REGULATIONS

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1. General conditions

1.1 Qatar Motor and Motorcycle Federation (QMMF) organises the following competitions for cars:

- 2026 Qatar Off-Road Championship / cars (2026 QORC / cars)
- 2026 Qatar Off-Road Championship for co-drivers
- 2026 Baja Trophy / cars
- 2026 Rally Trophy

Each round of the above competitions is organised in accordance with the FIA International Sporting Code, the 2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations or 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations (where applicable), these General Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations of the event concerned.

Depending on the competitions, two types of events will be held:

- Cross-Country Baja (see Appendix 1 for specific regulations)
- Rally (see Appendix 2 for specific regulations)

1.2 2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations (CCRSR) and 2025 FIA Regional Rallies Sporting Regulations (RRSR) are available at <https://www.fia.com>

2. Organisation Committee

Chairman Abdulrahman Al Mannai

Members Abdulrazaq Al Kuwari

Amro Al-Hamad

3. Calendar

Round	Date	Event	2026 QORC	Rally Trophy	Baja Trophy
1	03/04 Apr	Rally 1	X	X	
2	17/18 Apr	Rally 2	X	X	
3	24/25 Apr	Baja 1	X		X
4	24/25 Sep	Baja 2	X		X
5	19/20 Nov	Rally 3	X	X	
6	04/05 Dec	Baja 3	X		X

The organising committee reserves the right to modify the calendar and/or to cancel any round, particularly if less than 7 vehicles have been entered.

4. Definitions

For the application of any article of these General Regulations, to be considered as participant in a round, a competitor must pass administrative checks and scrutineering, regularly check-in at TC1 (where applicable) and take the start of the competitive element of that round.

5. Participation, Entry Application and Entry Fees

5.1 An electronic entry application (Internet) will be accepted on the organisers' website [\[www.qmmf.com\]](http://www.qmmf.com) no later than 96 hours before the beginning of scrutineering.

An entry application will be accepted only if accompanied by the proof of payment of the entry fees which is **QR 1,600 per event**.

5.2 Entry fees must be paid by bank transfer, to the following bank account:

Qatar Motor & Motorcycle Federation (QMMF)

Bank name: Qatar National Bank

Account Number: 0013-009860-002

IBAN: QA14 QNBA 0000 0000 0013 0098 6000 2

Swift: QNBAQAQA

The registration office must be notified by e-mail once a transaction is made through the bank.

5.3 Entry fees will be refunded in full:

- to candidates whose entry has not been accepted,
- in case of the event not taking place.

5.4 Anyone registered to take part in a round of 2026 QORC / cars will be automatically registered and may score points for

- 2026 Qatar Off-Road Championship / cars
- 2026 Qatar Off-Road Championship for co-drivers
- 2026 Baja Trophy / cars or 2026 Rally Trophy (as applicable).

5.5 «One-Event Licence» will be accepted only once throughout the racing season.

6. Eligible Vehicles

6.1 Each round of 2026 QORC / cars will be open to vehicles of the following classes:

- Class 1 – FIA Group CHALLENGER vehicles complying with Appendix J Art. 286 and FIA Group SSV vehicles complying with Art. 286A.
- Class 2 – National T3 vehicles providing they comply with scrutineering and safety eligibility.
- Class 3 – T1 and T2 vehicles providing they comply with scrutineering and safety eligibility.
- Class 4 (exclusively for rallies)

Rally4 (atmo over 1390cc and up to 2000cc & turbo over 927cc and up to 1333cc)	Group Rally4 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260 Group R2 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260
R3 (atmo / over 1600cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc)	Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260
R3 (turbo / up to 1620cc / nominal)	Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260D
Group A up to 2000cc	Group A cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 255
Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1333cc)	Group Rally5 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2025 Appendix J, Art. 260
Rally5-Kit (atmo or turbo up to 1600cc)	Group Rally5-Kit cars homologated from 01/01/2024 and conforming to the 2025 Appendix J, Art. 260B
Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1067cc)	Group R1 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260
Rally6 (turbo up to 1620cc and atmo up to 2000cc)	Group Rally6 cars homologated from 01/01/2026
National	Cars homologated by an ASN, complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 253 and approved by the FIA after submission of the national/regional car acceptance form (see FIA RRSR Art. 12.3)
Local	Cars with expired FIA homologation, providing they comply with scrutineering and safety eligibility

6.2 Class 1

Vehicles of Class 1 must be of a CHALLENGER or SSV model homologated by FIA and have a FIA Technical passport, which must be presented at the scrutineering of each event.

6.3 Class 2

Vehicles similar to the ones of Class 1, not homologated as CHALLENGER or SSV by FIA or not having a FIA Technical passport.

6.4 Minimum weight

- Class 1 – as per 2026 FIA Appendix J, Article 286 /5.1 (FIA Challenger) or 2021 FIA Appendix J, Article 286A /6.1 (FIA T4)
- Class 2 – 900 kg

6.5 Air restrictors (valid for all vehicles)

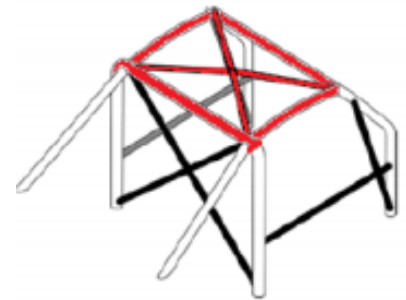
All supercharged engines must be fitted with an air restrictor. All the air necessary for feeding the engine must pass through this (these) restrictor(s), which must comply with Article 284-6.1, except for its maximal internal diameter which is 32 mm.

It is possible to use 2 air restrictors provided that the diameter normally used for one restrictor is divided by 1.4142.

6.6 Roll-cages and protective paddings (valid for all vehicles)

All vehicles must be fitted with a roll-cage which, in case of no certification, will be checked by the scrutineers for approval.

All tubes of the cage identified on the drawing and all roof reinforcements must be fitted with paddings in compliance with FIA standard 8857-2001, type A (see technical list n°23). Each padding must be fixed in such a way that it is not moveable from the tube.



6.7 Fire extinguishers (valid for all vehicles)

As a strict minimum, a manual 1kg fire extinguisher cylinder is compulsory.

6.8 Engine cut-off switches (valid for all vehicles)

External engine cut-off switch and internal engine cut-off switch must be present on the vehicle with indication stickers.

6.9 Battery (valid for all vehicles)

Must be located within the body compartment and properly secured.

6.10 Seats & harnesses (valid for all vehicles)

Upon checking, the scrutineers will decide if the seats and harnesses are in good condition and meet the safety requirement.

6.11

A competitor may freely replace the vehicle declared on the entry form with another from the same class, up to the moment of scrutineering.

7. Insurance

The entry fees include third party insurance.

8. Administrative checks and Scrutineering

8.1 2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Articles 22, 23 and 24 apply.

Details concerning the location and individual convocation times shall be given in the supplementary regulations of each event.

Only vehicles with all rally plates, competition numbers and advertising plates already fitted will be allowed to enter the scrutineering area.

Any delay on the presentation at the time controls installed immediately before administrative checks and before scrutineering will result in the following penalties:

from 1 to 15 minutes	200 QAR
> 15 minutes	Start may be denied

8.2 Documents required

During the administrative checks the following original and valid documents will be controlled:

- competitor's licence
- driver's and co-driver's competition licences
- driver's and co-driver's valid driving licences
- driver's and co-driver's passport or identification
- ASN authorisation, for all foreign competitors and/or drivers
- completion of all details on the entry form
- vehicle registration papers and proof of ownership
- FIA Technical Passport (if applicable)

9. Briefing

The presence at the briefing is optional.

10. Parc Fermé

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Article 57 applies.

11. Final Checks

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Articles 26 applies.

12. 2026 QORC / cars classification

12.1 In each round of 2026 QORC, Baja Trophy and Rally Trophy, according to the class classification the following points will be awarded:

1 st	25 points	5 th	12 points	9 th	6 points
2 nd	20 points	6 th	10 points	10 th	5 points
3 rd	17 points	7 th	8 points	11 th	4 points
4 th	14 points	8 th	7 points	12 th	3 points

All other classified drivers and co-drivers will be awarded 2 points.

All non-classified participants will be awarded 1 point.

12.2 Coefficients

Round	Date	Event	2026 QORC	Rally Trophy	Baja Trophy
1	03/04 Apr	Rally 1	1	1	
2	17/18 Apr	Rally 2	1	1	
3	24/25 Apr	Baja 1	1		1
4	24/25 Sep	Baja 2	1		1
5	19/20 Nov	Rally 3	1	1,5	
6	04/05 Dec	Baja 3	2		1,5

12.3 Number of results considered for the final classification

- 2026 QORC (including co-drivers) – Number of rounds held less one; if less than 6 rounds are held, all results will be considered.
- 2026 Baja Trophy – Number of rounds held.
- 2026 Rally Trophy - Number of rounds held.

12.4 Minimum number of participations

To be classified, a competitor must comply with the following minimums of participations and classifications:

Championship / Trophy	Participations	Classifications
QORC*	4	2
Baja Trophy	2	1
Rally Trophy	2	1

* including co-drivers

- 12.5** In the event of a points tie in any classification of the above competitions, priority will be awarded to the highest place in the classification of the latest round of the championship / trophy.

13. Prizes & Awards in each round of 2026 QORC / cars

13.1 General Classification

- 1st – Trophy
 2nd – Trophy
 3rd – Trophy

13.2 Class Classification

- 1st – Trophy
 2nd – Trophy
 3rd – Trophy
 and

No. of participants	1 – 4	5 – 8	9 or more
1 st	QR 5,000	QR 5,000	QR 5,000
2 nd		QR 3,000	QR 4,000
3 rd		QR 1,000	QR 3,000
4 th			QR 2,500
5 th			QR 2,000

14. Prizes & Awards of 2026 QORC / cars

14.1 In the event of a competitor scoring points in two different classes, for his final classification

- he will be considered as having participated in the class where he scored more points
- he will be entitled to the total number of points he scored in that class plus 50% of the total number of points he may have scored in his participation(s) in a second class, the total being subject to the application of the previous articles of the regulations

14.2 At the end of the season, the following prizes will be awarded according to each class classification:

14.3 2026 QORC / cars

1 st	Trophy and QR 70,000	6 th	Trophy and QR 10,000
2 nd	Trophy and QR 50,000	7 th	Trophy and QR 10,000
3 rd	Trophy and QR 40,000	8 th	Trophy and QR 10,000
4 th	Trophy and QR 30,000	9 th	Trophy and QR 10,000
5 th	Trophy and QR 20,000	10 th	Trophy and QR 10,000

All other classified competitors will be entitled to a prize of QR 10,000.

14.4 2026 Baja Trophy

1 st	Trophy and QR 25,000	4 th	Trophy
2 nd	Trophy and QR 20,000	5 th	Trophy
3 rd	Trophy and QR 15,000	6 th	Trophy

14.5 2026 Rally Trophy

1 st	Trophy and QR 25,000	4 th	Trophy
2 nd	Trophy and QR 20,000	5 th	Trophy
3 rd	Trophy and QR 15,000	6 th	Trophy

14.6 2026 QORC for co-drivers

1 st	Trophy	4 th	Trophy
2 nd	Trophy	5 th	Trophy
3 rd	Trophy	6 th	Trophy

15. Protests and Appeals

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Article 60 applies.

15.1 Protest Fees

- Sum of the protest fee: QR 5000.
- If the protest requires the dismantling and re-assembly of a clearly defined part of the vehicle (engine, transmission, braking system, electrical installation, bodywork, etc.), the claimant must pay an additional deposit of QR 5000.

If the protest requires the dismantling and re-assembly of different parts of a vehicle, the claimant must pay an additional deposit of QR 5000 minimum.

15.2 Appeal Fees

Sum of the national appeal fee: QR 8000.

1/ Characteristics of the events

Each round will be run over desert terrain. The total distance of the special stages of a Cross-Country Baja will be between 100 and 200 kms.

2/ Identification / Advertising

2026 FIA CCRSR Articles 19, 20 and 21 apply-

3/ Driving conduct and Reconnaissance

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Articles 27 and 28 apply.

4/ Tyres

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Articles 10.2 to 10.7 apply.

Paddle tyres are prohibited.

The maximum quantity of tyres that may be used in a Baja is 6 (six).

5/ Service

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Articles 49.1, 50, 51 and 53 apply.

5.1 During the competitive element of a round, outside of the Service Area, any repair on an entered vehicle can be done only by the competitor himself or any other competitor officially entered and still in the competition. Any other outside assistance, supply of equipment, fuel or parts will be considered as illegal service and reported to the Stewards.

5.2 The use of an environmental mat (minimum dimensions equal to the wheelbase of the vehicle plus 0,5m all around it) is obligatory.

The team must have a 5 kg minimum portable extinguisher (A.B.C. polyvalent powder) in the vicinity of the refuelling point (max. 5 m distance).

6/ Fuel – Refuelling

2026 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulations Articles 54.1, 54.3 and 56.1 apply.

6.1 While at the refuelling zone, only actions directly involved in the refuelling of the vehicle are permitted, no other intervention being allowed.

6.2 The following procedures will apply on the official refuelling zones:

- Only accredited persons with clothing approved by scrutineers may enter refuel areas,
- The use of an environmental mat (minimum dimensions equal to the wheelbase of the vehicle) is obligatory
- A 5 kg minimum portable extinguisher (A.B.C. polyvalent powder) in the vicinity of the refuelling point is obligatory,
- The engine of the vehicle must be stopped
- No food to be present in the official refuelling zone; drinkable fluids are permitted.

7/ Starting order and intervals

The starting order will be decided by lottery draw at administrative checks.

The start intervals will be 1 (one) minute between all crews unless anything different is stipulated in the supplementary regulations.

8/ Holding area

Vehicles must check in at the start holding area where any kind of service or refuelling is forbidden. Access to the holding area is limited to competitors with appropriate identification. Any delay on the presentation at the time control installed at the entrance of the holding area will result in the following penalties:

from 1 to 15 minutes	200 QAR
> 15 minutes	Start may be denied

9/ Road book distribution

The road book will be distributed to each crew 15 minutes before their due start time.

10/ Start of the Selective Section

- The electronic start procedure, clearly visible to the crew from the start line, will be displayed as a countdown clock and/or a sequential light system. In the event of having to use a manual start procedure, the start marshal will count down 30" – 15" – 10" and the last five seconds one by one.
- A false start, particularly one made before the signal has been given, will be penalised with 1 minute. For the time calculation the actual start time will be used. This penalty does not rule out more serious sanctions that may be applied by the Stewards, particularly in the case of a repeated offence.
- The start of a Selective Section can be delayed by the timekeeper only.
- In case of a delay at the start of a Selective Section, the crew will be considered to have started at its target start time.
- Any crew reporting more than 30 minutes late at the start of any section of the event shall not be allowed to start that section and will be deemed to have retired.

11/ Waypoints

FIA CCRSR Article 43 applies.

The following additional waypoint type should be considered:

Waypoint	Opening radius	Validation radius	Penalty for missed WP
WPQ	400m	45 m	15 minutes

1/ Characteristics of the events

- Rallies will be made of 3 similar sections, each one including 2 special stages and consequent road sections,
- The first section of the rally will be considered as reconnaissance and its special stages will not be timed,
- The total distance of the special stages of a QORC Rally will be between 20 and 40 kms per section,
- 2026 FIA RRSR (Main text and V3/ Middle East Rally Championship) will apply, as amended by the following articles and / or the supplementary regulations of each event.

2/ Identification / Advertising

2026 FIA CCRSR Articles 27, 28 and 29 apply.

3/ Driving conduct

2026 FIA RRSR Article 34 apply.

4/ Tyres

2026 FIA RRSR Art. 13 will apply.

The maximum quantity of tyres that may be used in a rally including reconnaissance is 6 (six).

5/ Service

2026 FIA RRSR Articles 56, 57 and 58 apply.

5.1 During the competitive element of a round, outside of the Service Area, any repair on an entered vehicle can be done only by the competitor himself or any other competitor officially entered and still in the competition. Any other outside assistance, supply of equipment, fuel or parts will be considered as illegal service and reported to the Stewards.

5.2 The use of an environmental mat (minimum dimensions equal to the wheelbase of the vehicle plus 0,5m all around it) is obligatory.

The team must have a 5 kg minimum portable extinguisher (A.B.C. polyvalent powder) in the vicinity of the refuelling point (max. 5 m distance).

6/ Fuel – Refuelling

2026 FIA RRSR Article 61 apply.

The following procedures will apply on the official refuelling zones:

- Only accredited persons with clothing approved by scrutineers may enter refuel areas,
- The use of an environmental mat (minimum dimensions equal to the wheelbase of the vehicle) is obligatory
- A 5 kg minimum portable extinguisher (A.B.C. polyvalent powder) in the vicinity of the refuelling point is obligatory,
- The engine of the vehicle must be stopped
- No food to be present in the official refuelling zone; drinkable fluids are permitted.

7/ Starting order and intervals

The starting order will be decided by lottery draw at administrative checks.

The start intervals will be 2 (two) minutes between all competitors unless anything different is stipulated in the supplementary regulations.

Considering the results of the previous stage(s), for safety reasons the Clerk of the Course may increase at any moment the gap between the start of two competitors.

8/ Holding area

Vehicles must check in at the start holding area where any kind of service or refuelling is forbidden.

Access to the holding area is limited to competitors with appropriate identification.

Any delay on the presentation at the time control installed at the entrance of the holding area will result in the following penalties:

from 1 to 15 minutes	200 QAR
> 15 minutes	Start may be denied

9/ Road book distribution

The road book will be distributed to each crew the moment his vehicle enters the start holding area.

10/ Reconnaissance

FIA RRSR Article 35 apply.

10.1 During reconnaissance, all national traffic regulation must be followed, including but not limited to the speed limits. Please note that the Special Stages will not be closed to public traffic during reconnaissance.

10.2 Unless a lower limit is indicated by traffic signs or by written instructions in the road book or in a bulletin, the maximum speed on special stages during reconnaissance is 90 kph.

Speeding during reconnaissance will be penalized as follows:

- Up to 10 km/h excess – 10 seconds per km/h over the speed limit
- Over 10 km/h excess – 30 seconds per km/h over the speed limit

11/ Compulsory itinerary of the rally

The compulsory itinerary of the rally is defined in the Road Book by the road direction diagrams and, between the road direction diagrams, by the defined roadway. Any deviation will be reported to the Stewards (cf. FIA RRSR Art. 19.2).

To clearly define the limits of the road and to minimize accidental situations of shortcutting, the route of the special stages will be marked by a number of QMMF flags – maroon colour on the right side and white colour on the left side of the route – each one associated to a metallic fence.

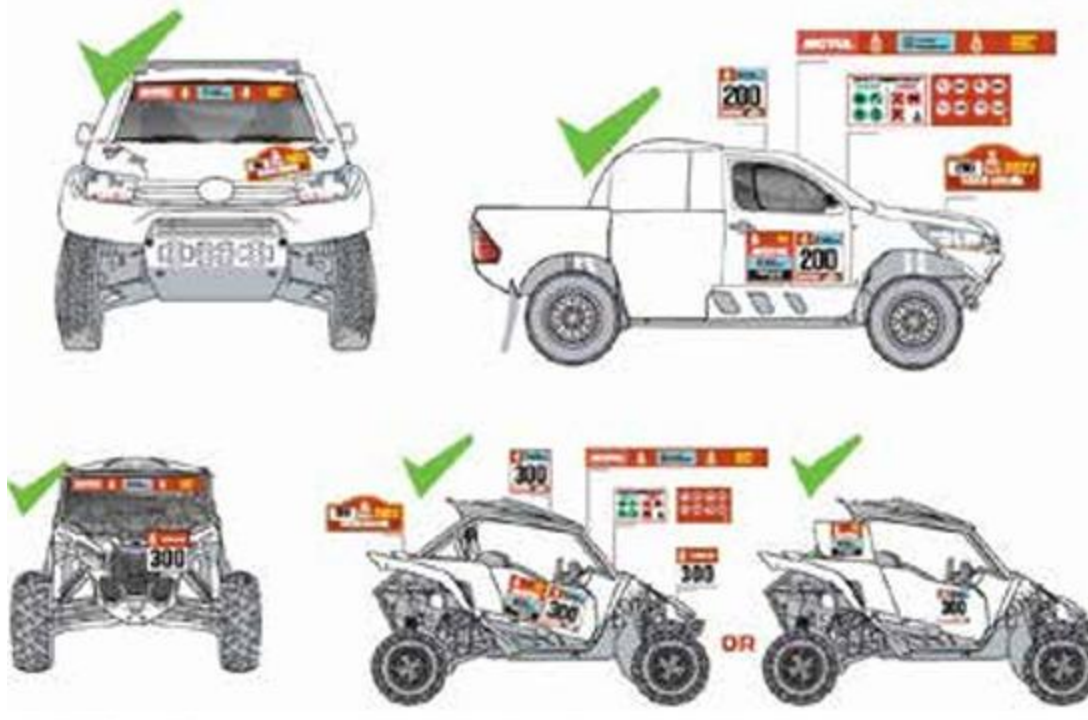
Any touch on a metallic fence and/or the associated flag as well as a deviation from the route limits defined by the flags will be penalised as follows:

- 1st offence: 5 seconds
- 2nd offence: 10 seconds
- 3rd offence: 30 seconds
- Beyond 3 offences: penalty at the discretion of the Stewards.

The sets flag/metallic fence will be already in place during reconnaissance.

Further sets flag/metallic fence may be placed by the organisers where they believe competitors have deviated from the roadway during reconnaissance or the first running of the stages. All modifications made will be informed to all competitors before the start of the concerned stage (cf. article 19.2 of FIA RRSR).

Bajas:



Rallies:

