# Rixy Stages 2023

### Competitor Bulletin no. 3

This bulletin is issued to reflect the structure of the event and timing procedures. It supersedes Para 20 of the Supplementary Regulations for the event.

## **Controls and Timing**

The event will be run using the Target Timing system as defined in Motorsport UK GR R31 of the General Regulations, amended:

Maximum Permitted Lateness will be 5 minutes between Main Time Controls (Motorsport UK GR R31.2.5). All controls will open at the due time for Car 1 and close 5 minutes after the due time of the last car. Special Stages will be timed by digital timers operated by Marshals under the control of the Motorsport UK Timekeeper. Such timing will be to the last completed second Motorsport UK GR R31.1.3. Should any of the timers fail the organisers reserve the right to use any other available means for timing. Marshals will fill in the times at the controls on the competitors' timecards.

Ties: If there is a tie, the Competitor who accomplished the best time for the first Special Stage will be judged the winner. If this is not sufficient to resolve the tie, the times of the second, third, fourth, etc., Special Stages will be taken into consideration, unless the SRs specify another method of resolving ties.

The Format will be 4 loops of two stages, there will be no Service between the two stages on each loop.

#### **Control Procedure**

You should book into the Main Time Control (MTC (Out)) 1 at the exit from the Service Area at the time published on the Virtual Notice Board.

After the Stop on the first stage of the loop there will be a short Road Section to the Arrival Control of the 2nd Stage on the Loop. After the Stage Stop Control of the 2nd Stage of the loop there will be a RC Control where you hand in your current time card and a new time card will be issued with your time for the next MTC (out) preceding the next loop of Stages.

The Final Control of the Rally is an MTC which is deemed an MTC (In).

## Main Time Controls (MTC (Out)) Re-join Point Motorsport GR R40.1.6 & R40.1.7

Rejoin Points are at MTC3, MTC5 & MTC7.

All Special Stages will be preceded by an MTC designated an MTC (Out) or an SSA. Two cars may be due at the MTC (Out) or SSA per minute. The Actual Arrival Time at MTC/SSA Controls will be the time that the competitor hands their timecard to the marshal. A "Real Time Display" will be sited at the Red Control board. Marshals will record that time on their check sheet and on the competitor's timecard. Any competitor who arrives early must wait outside the control area (before the yellow board), only entering the control on the minute before their due time. For example, if the due time is

09:04, then the control should be entered between after 09:03:00 and 09:04:59 and the card handed over between 09:04:00 and 09:04:59.

## **Special Stages (SS)**

Competitors will start Stages at either 1 minute or 30 second intervals as advised at the drivers' briefing. The interval may be varied during the day. A Bogey Time will be set at no more than 75 mph and a Stage Maximum Time set at approximately 30 mph.

All Competitors will receive penalties and accumulate lateness as follows: -

Bogey Time or under
Over Bogey, but under Stage Maximum
Stage Maximum or over
Bogey Time
Actual Time Taken
Stage Maximum

#### **Special Stage Start Control (SSS)**

Once a time has been given at the MTC (Out) or Arrival, a crew must proceed without delay to the SSS and be ready to start.

Competitors will be signalled visually to the Start Line in the order they entered the control.

The display at the Start Line will be dual function, with a display using "Real Time" plus the traditional countdown light sequence of five amber lights and a green indicating "GO". If a driver is not ready to go, they cannot wait for the next start time, as the stage has already started. The start marshal will assume that the crew are ready to start and will issue a time as soon as the start line is clear.

The Traffic Light Start Sequence is as below; no verbal warnings will be given, and the competitor should leave the start on the green light.

15 Seconds Red Light

10 Seconds Red & 5 Amber Lights

5 Seconds Red Light is extinguished and the 5 Amber Lights countdown 5-4-3-2-1 0 Seconds

Green Light

#### Special Stage Flying Finish and Stop Control (SSF)

The Flying Finish will have a light beam which is linked to the Digital Timer at the Flying Finish. The time is also transmitted to the Timer on the Stop Line.

At the Stop Line, a marshal will enter the Car Number onto their check sheet and onto the competitor's timecard. If there is a query, it must be raised with the Competitor Liaison Officers (who will normally be at Rally HQ), and not at the Stop Line. Competitors should move off swiftly as soon as the marshal has indicated to do so and return to the Service Area. Any crew who fails to stop at the Special Stage Finish Control (i.e. the stop line) must not, under pain of disqualification, reverse to the stop line, but must return on foot.

## **Regroup Control (RC)**

After the Stop Line at the end of Stages 2, 4, 6 & 8, competitors will return to the service area as stated in the Roadbook for the next Service Halt via a RC control which is designated an MTC (IN) Control. The time you are due at the next MTC (Out) will be recorded on your new timecard by the Marshal.

# Main Time Control (MTC (In))

After the last stage of the event there will be an MTC (In) Control which will be the finish of the event.