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LAHTI HISTORIC RALLY 2025

15th – 16th August 2025

RALLY GUIDE

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Dear Lahti Historic Rally 2025 competitors.

It is my pleasure and honor to welcome you to compete in Lahti Historic Rally, which is the only gravel rally of the FIA EHRC series.

This Rally is a part of "super weekend" of the rally in Lahti region. In this Event, there will be a national Historic Rally Trophy competition for historic cars and the national Finnish Rally Championship competition for modern rally cars as well.

There are 40 crews in EHRC, from which 8 are the FIA Priority Drivers and in the national section of the Event, an additional 150 crews. Competitors represent 12 nationalities in total. The furthest ones come from the Australia.

As usual, the Event is organized by association of Lahti Historic Rally.

On Friday the route goes to the East of Lahti, where six special stages will be run, and on Saturday to the West of Lahti, where also six special stages will be run.

Now that the competition is run during harvest time, I ask you as competitors to pay special attention in reconnaissance, because the owners of the farms may be at work during that time and therefore you may encounter agricultural machines and other slow-moving vehicles on the route.

Remember to follow speed limits and proper driving habits everywhere, but especially in built-up areas and courtyard areas. The reconnaissance schedule has been prepared in such a way that there is absolutely no need for overspeeding.

I would also like to remind you that during the reconnaissance, driving in the opposite direction of the special stage is strictly prohibited, unless the rally organizer or the police authority requires it for a special reason. Competitors may enter a special stage only from the start. For safety reasons, we are following this issue in particular. Drivers who fail to respect these instructions may be sanctioned up to refused start or disqualification.

During the competition, it is especially important to note that Service of a competing car may be carried out only in the Service park of the Lahti harbour.

I wish all of you and your teams all the best and good luck in Lahti Historic Rally 2025!

Riku Bitter
Clerk of the Course
Lahti Historic Rally 2025

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 PROGRAMME DURING THE RALLY WEEK

Please, find the programme from the Supplementary Regulations and the Bulletin no. 1. Both documents can be found in the Sportity mobile application.

1.2 LOCATION AND CONTACT DETAILS OF THE RALLY HQ

Rally HQ location from Wednesday 13 August until Saturday 16 of August:
Sibeliustalo
Address: Ankkurikatu 7, 15140 Lahti
Tel: +358 40 532 4550
GPS cordinates: N60.9950, E25.6523

Rally HQ opening hours:

Wednesday 13 Aug 2025	13:00 - 19:00
Thursday 14 Aug 2025	12:00 - 21:00
Friday 15 Aug 2025	07:30 – 20:00
Saturday 16 Aug 2025	06:30 – 20:00

1.3 OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD:

Virtual Notice Board (VNB) is online at Sportity mobile application (password: LHR2025) and https://lahtihistoricrally.fi/.

1.4. COMPETITORS' RELATIONS OFFICER:

Mr. Ari Uusikartano, Tel. +358 40 356 7570
Languages: FIN, ENG
Mr. Uusikartano is identified by a red tabard with text CRO.

The best way to contact CRO is by phone.

The CRO is preset in the places below:

- Administrative checks
- Scrutineering
- Starting area
- Service area, Regrouping area
- Finish Area

2. IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE THE START OF THE RALLY

2.1 ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

Location: Autosalpa Oy, Vanhanradankatu 2, 15520 Lahti, Tel. +358 40 532 4550

At Administrative Checks the following documents to be presented and checked:

- Driver and Co-driver valid driving licences
- Driver and Co-driver competition licences
- Valid personal accident insurance of non-EU drivers

Administrative Checks will take place as follows:

Wed 13 Aug 2025	07:30 - 12:00
Thu 14 Aug 2025	07:00 – 12:00

Drivers and Co-drivers must be present at Administrative Checks.

2.2 GPS-TRACKING DEVICE AND TIMING TRANSPONDER

Please notice that reconnaissance car must be equipped with GPS Safety Tracking Device!

Collection and returning of the GPS Safety Tracking Device:

- **Wed 13 Aug 2025:** To be collected between 07:30-12:00 when collecting reconnaissance material.
The GPS Device must be left to its place in the reconnaissance car.
- **Thu 14 Aug 2025:** To be collected between 07:00-12:00 when collecting reconnaissance material.
The GPS Device must be moved to the competition car after reconnaissance and left to its place after Leg 1.
- **Sat 16 Aug 2025:** The GPS Device must be returned at the Finish of the Rally (TC 12A).

If there are any problems with the Safety Tracking Device during the reconnaissance or the competition, please contact Mr. Mikko Huuska, tel. +358 40 547 8775..

If a competitor fails to return the Safety Tracking Device, a fee of € 250 is charged.

Instructions for the installation and using of the Safety Tracking Device can be found in the Bulletin no. 1 and the Sportity mobile application.

Collection and returning of the Timing Transponder:
- **Fri 15 Aug 2025:** Timing Transponder will be given from the starting area just before the TC 0.. At the end of Leg 1, the Timing Transponder is left its place in the competition car. It will shut down automatically.
- **Sat 16 Aug 2025:** Please notice that the device must be turned on in the beginning of Leg 2.

The device must be returned at the Finish of the Rally (TC 12A).
If any problems occur with the Timing Transponder during the competition, please contact
Mr. Elmeri Mäki-Kulmala, tel. +358 45 273 5022.

Instructions for the installation and using of the Timing Transponder can be found in Appendix 2 of this Rally Guide.

2.3 RECONNAISSANCE
Competitors must follow the reconnaissance schedule found in the Appendix 2 of the Supplementary Regulations. Number plates (2 stickers) for reconnaissance car must be displayed at the top right of the front windscreen and rear right side window and remain visible during entire reconnaissance.
If, for any reason, a crew is forced to replace the reconnaissance car during the reconnaissance, the Secretary of the Rally (Tel: +358 40 532 4550) must be informed about the details of the new reconnaissance car. Failure to follow this procedure will result in refusal to participate in the reconnaissance.

During the reconnaissance the speed limit is 80 km/h on special stages unless a lower limit is indicated by traffic signs or signs placed along the route by the organizer..

Please notice that competitors are personally responsible for any damages they cause during the reconnaissance!

Reconnaissance cars can be parked at P-area of Pikku-Vesijärvi (Jalkarannantie).

2.4 SCRUTINEERING

Location:

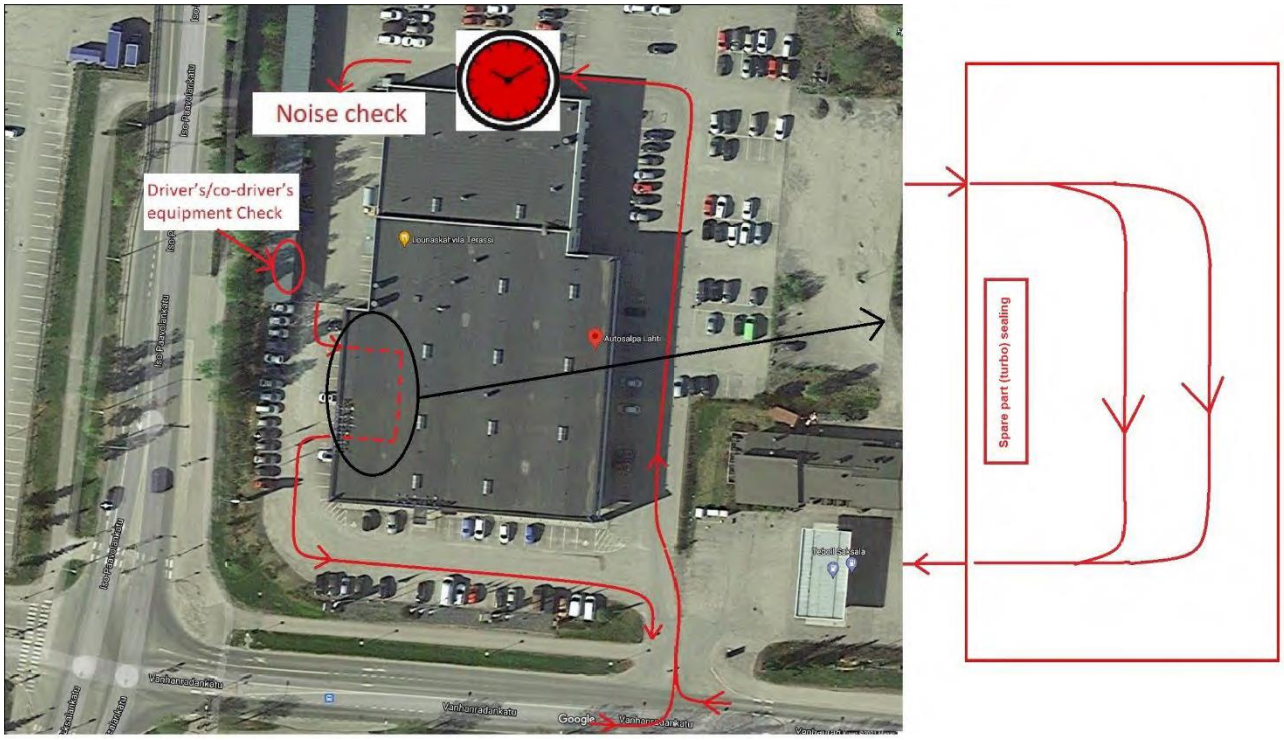
Autosalpa Oy, Vanhanradankatu 2, 15520 Lahti
GPS-koordinaatit: N60.9741 E25.6766
Contact: Marko Lindberg, Puh. +358 44 735 7148, Email. napsu671@gmail.com

Detailed schedule of the pre-event scrutineering found in the Bulletin no 1.

The drivers' equipment must be removed from the car when it arrives at the scrutineering hall. The competitor representative in charge of crew's equipment will place them on a table reserved for this purpose. When the equipment inspection is done, the competitor representative can pack the equipment and put the equipment back to the competition car after the pre-event scrutineering.

All competition cars must have an A3 sized laminated SOS/OK sign, either fixed to the inside-roof with magnets or placed well visible/ reachable to the rear side of Driver's seat or between the seats. The Organizer will offer this sign for foreign Competitors if it is missing.

The driving directions to the Scrutineering venue are marked in the following figure:



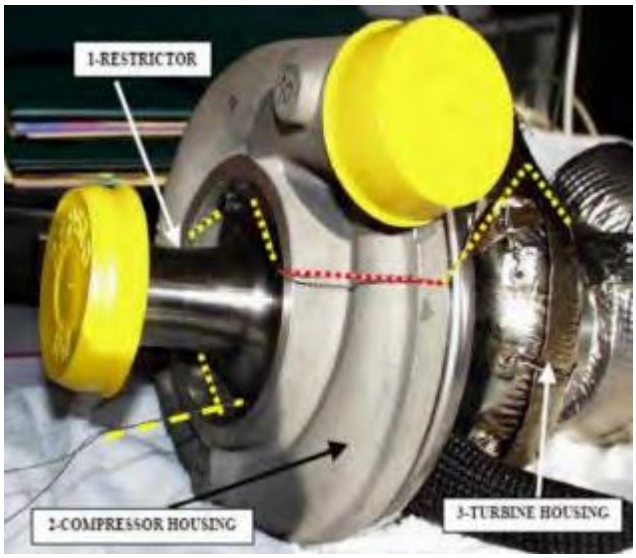
Please note, it is not allowed to arrive the scrutineering area by transport or service vehicles, and it is allowed to arrive the scrutineering area by competition car not earlier than 15 minutes before the scheduled scrutineering time.

Location of the trailer parking area can be found from the Appendix 1 of the Rally Guide.

A limited number of competitor representatives will be allowed in the scrutineering area (1-2 persons with the competition car and 1 person for the drivers' equipment check (total max. 3 persons).

There will be a mandatory noise measurement at the pre-event scrutineering (maximum 103 dB at 3500 rpm.). Any vehicle exceeding this limit will not pass pre-event scrutineering.

Compressor (turbocharger) equipped cars: all unsealed restrictors to be measured in the pre-event scrutineering, including spare unit. Make sure that the restrictor is easily accessible for that task. If this requires removing any parts, competitor is responsible to remove and re-attach these parts. All removed parts must be with the car during the scrutineering.



Competitors are responsible to make all the preparations for sealing before arriving to the pre-event scrutineering. Holes for the sealing wires must be drilled and a reliable wire must be installed to these holes/bolts so that any part of charger can't be dismounted without cutting the wire. The wire must be wrapped for a maximum 20 mm after last bolt/hole and an excess of at least 20 cm of unwrapped wire must be available. If this is not done, the scrutineering will be aborted. There is no place or time in the scrutineering area to do this.

3. IMPORTANT INFORMATION DURING THE COMPETITION

3.1 START OF THE COMPETITION

List of crews admitted starting and exact start times will be published in the Official Noticeboard on Thursday14 Aug 2025 at 19:30 in the Sportity mobile application. .

There will be no Parc Fermé at the start area of the competition, but the Competitors are requested to enter the start area 30 minutes before their given start time.

Time Cards will be given for Competitors on the following Time Controls: TC 0, TC 3C, TC 6C ja TC 9C. Time Card user guide can be found in the Appendix 3 of the Rally Guide.

3.2 ANTI-CUT OBSTACKLES

Please notice that there are two different types of anti-cut obstacles on the special stages. The obstacles are not marked in the Road Books, but they are in place during the reconnaissance..

3.3 SERVICING AND SERVICE AREAS

Competitors and their service crews are expected to handle fuel, oil, and other liquid substances very carefully. Ground protective sheets/tarpaulins must be placed under rally car and service car whenever servicing the rally car under pain of exclusion.

In the Service Park a service space of 6 x 8 meters will be reserved for each team. Joint service spaces are possible upon request.

The request for a larger service space or joint service for more than one competitor (with the size of the service space needed) and the information of the competitors (driver names) must be sent to the Service Park Manager by email to yrjolakirsi@gmail.com not later than Friday 08 August 2025 at 23:59. The organizer will charge € 200 for each request which are made after 08 August 2025.

During the competition, it is especially important to note that Service of a competing car may be carried out only in the Service Park of the Lahti harbour.

Please note that it is absolutely forbidden to drill any anchors into the ground at any location inside the Service Park without the prior written consent of organiser's Service Park Manager. Competitors are reminded to prepare for fastening all structures with concrete ballast or equivalent. A list of minimum ballast for various types and sizes of temporary structures, as required by Finnish health and safety authorities, can be obtained from SP Manager, who may also be able to help you in sourcing such ballast on location (if contacted early). Should the given prescriptions not have been followed, the authorities may require the structures to be taken down.

3.4 REFUELLING

Service stations have clearly marked card or card/cash fuel pumps. Each competitor must have credit card with them. Cash payment is not possible in all refuelling stations. We recommend Competitors to make themselves familiar with the refueling places during the reconnaissance).

Refuelling is allowed only on refuelling zones (RZ), on commercial fuel stations marked in Road Books. Competitors' cars may be refuelled in RZ from fuel pumps or from their own petrol cans with commercially available fuel (FIA Appendix K, article 3.9).

Refuelling is strictly prohibited on Service Park and on road sections (excluding the refuelling zones marked in Road Books) and the breaking the rule impose sanction up to exclusion. The engine must be stopped, and crew must remain outside the car during refuelling. Competitor is responsible to protect the ground with an Absorbent Mat or Environmental Spill Kit which shall be composed of an absorbent upper part and an impermeable lower part.

Two team members may access the RZ to assist each crew. The personnel assisting refuelling must wear clothing which will provide adequate protection against fire and includes at least: long trousers, long sleeved top, closed shoes, a balaclava, and gloves. Competitor is solely responsible for the refuelling.

3.5 PARC FERMÉ AFTER LEG 1

In the Parc Fermé, there must be an Absorbent Mat under the vehicle's engine to avoid oil contamination.

For safety reasons, fuel tank must be as empty as possible when entering Parc Fermé in to Ranta-Kartano Parking Hall in the end of Leg 1!

3.6 STOPPING ON SPECIAL STAGE AND RETIREMENT - RED SOS AND GREEN OK SIGN

Competitors must use the SOS sign to get medical assistance for injured persons. The marshals have been instructed of its meaning. Show it to the marshals or to fellow competitors, so that they will know to call for help. If you see this sign given by another competitor, please give the message to the closest possible place (on Special Stages marked radio points or start/finish). If you are not requiring any medical help, place the OK sign on the car visible for other competitors.

3.6.1 Retirement

If the crew must retire from the competition, they must immediately notify the Rally Control Center. The telephone number can be found in the Road Books. Please remember to collect Your FIA HTP from the Rally HQ in case of retirement.

Vehicles left along a special stage, can be picked up only after the SS has been opened to public traffic, unless permitted earlier by the Rally Control Center..

3.7 RE-START AFTER RETIREMENT

Any crew which has failed to complete Leg 1 can re-start the rally from the start of Leg 2, unless if they confirm otherwise to the Clerk of the Course before publication of Start List of Leg, on Friday 15 Aug 2025 at 21:00.

The restarting crew must report to the overnight Parc Fermé prior to Leg 2, on Saturday 16 Aug 2025 at 7:30 ((30 minutes before the start of the Leg 2). The re-scrutineering will take place at the Parc Fermé area, Ranta-Kartano Parking Hall.

3.8 CEREMONIAL FINISH AND PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

The finish podium ramp will be located at the Harbor of Lahti. To be classified the Drivers must pass the last Time Control TC 12 A. Early check-in is permitted without time penalty.

All cars will be driven to a holding area to be organized in order by category and class. In this area, it is forbidden to make any service procedures. Drivers are not allowed to leave their cars before prize-giving to ensure that cars could be arranged in the correct order without any problems. From the holding area, marshals will guide the competitors to the finish podium ramp where the awards will be given.

Finally, after prize-giving each car must be driven to the nearby Parc Fermé area according to the Road Book and under supervision of marshals. Drivers must leave their cars in the Parc Fermé area.

Please notice that the competition cars are under Parc Fermé regulations all the time from the TC 12A to the end of Parc Fermé. The Parc Fermé will be opened when final classifications have been published.

3.9. FINAL CHECKS

Crews which are selected to be checked must be accompanied by their Service crew and all service equipment.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

CLERK OF THE COURSE¨
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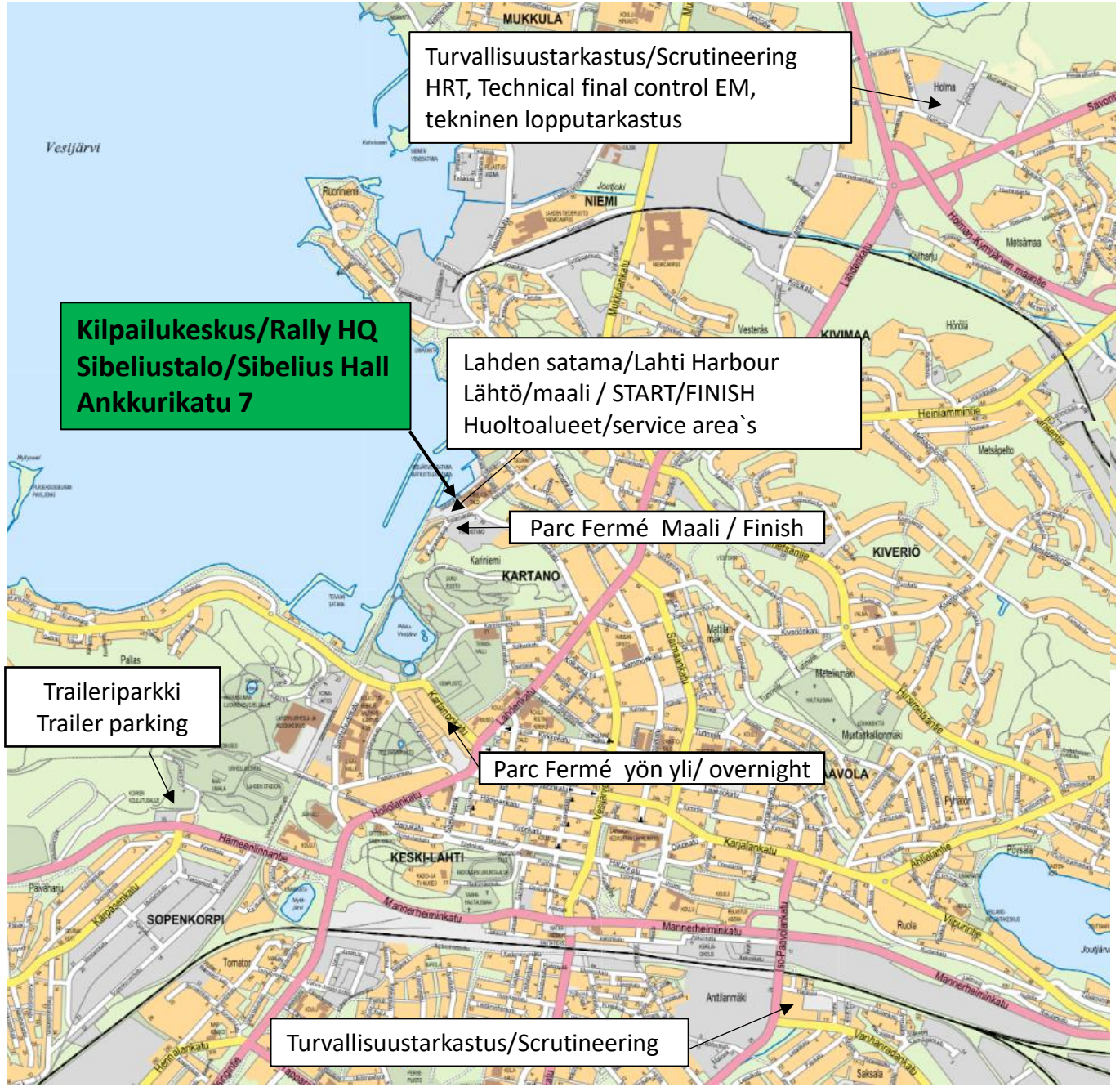
KILPAILIJOIDEN OPASKARTTA / GUIDE MAP FOR COMPETITORS



OSOITETIETOJA / ADDRESS INFORMATION

KILPAILUKESKUS / RALLY HQ	SIBELIUSTALO / SIBELIUS HALL Ankkurikatu 7, 15110 Lahti
HUOLTOALUEET, LAHTI / SERVICE AREAS IN LAHTI	Lahden satama / Lahti harbour Satamakatu 5, 15140 Lahti
LÄHTÖ / MAALI - RALLY START / FINISH	Lahden satama / Lahti harbour Satamakatu 5, 15140 Lahti
TRAILERIPARKKI / TRAILER PARKING	Lahden Vanha ravirata / Old Horse Race Track of Lahti Vaskilaisenrinne 11, (Hämeenlinnantie 35), 15800 Lahti
TURVALLISUUSTARKASTUS / SCRUTINEERING	AUTOSALPA OY Vanhanradankatu 2, 15520 Lahti VOLVO TRUCK CENTER LAHTI Jatkokatu 1, 15230 Lahti
PARC FERMÉ	Ranta-Kartanon -pysäköintihalli Parking hall Ranta-Kartano / Kartanonkatu 6, 15140 Lahti Lahti Aqua –pysäköintialue / Lahti Aqua parking area Satamakatu 4, 15140 Lahti

Timing transponder

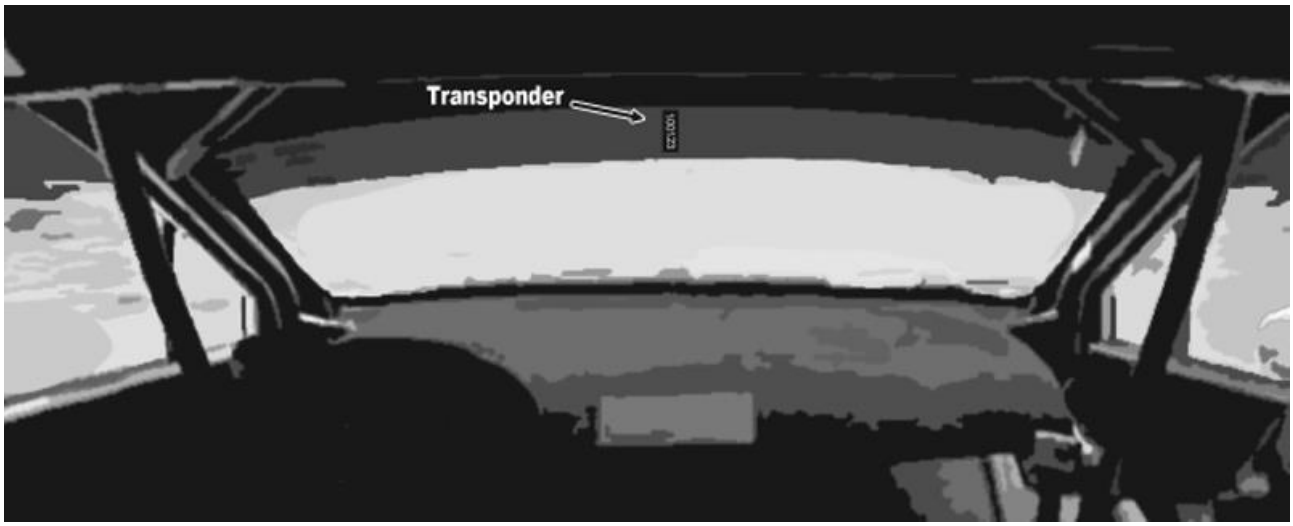
Timing transponder is used for event's official timing. The use of transponder doesn't require much from competitors, just follow these steps:

- Receive transponder at the starting area just before the TC 0.
- Turn transponder on and install to race car before scrutineering.
- The led-light may be blanked with tape if necessary
- At the end of Leg 1, leave transponder at its place in the car. It will shut down automatically, **and needs to be put back on in the beginning** of Leg 2.
- If you retire friday but will continue in the Super Rally, keep the transponder in the car.
- The transponders are returned at TC in event Finish. In case of retirement, please return the transponder with the retirement notice to an official. If competitor fails to return the transponder, a fee of 200,00€ is charged from the competitor.

Starting and installing the transponder

The transponder has one button and a led light. By pushing the button transponder turns on, led flashes every three seconds.

Transponder is installed with the supplied sticker inside the car to middle of windscreen as shown on the image. **Do not attach transponder to roll cage.**



If there's any question about the device, please contact

Elmeri Mäki-Kulmala
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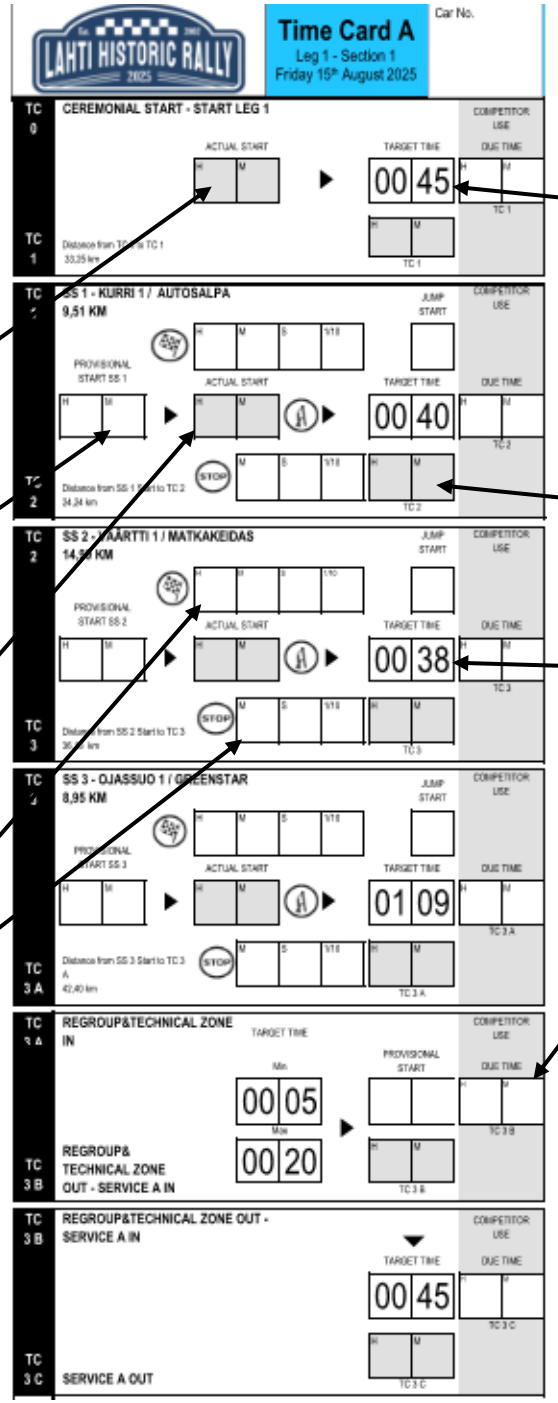
Ohje kilpailijoille kansainvälisen aikakortin käyttämiseksi / Instructions for competitors on how to use an international time card



Käytettävissä oleva aika (Target time) siirtymään erikoiskokeelle

Lähtöaika seremonia lähdöstä (Actual start)

Aikakortin antaminen tulo-AT:lle, merkitään todellinen aika / issuing a time card, the actual time is recorded

Ihannelähtöaika (Provisional start)

Todellinen lähtöaika (Actual time)

Käytettävissä oleva yhteenlaskettu aika (Target time) erikoiskokeelle sekä siirtymään seuraavalle at:lle / available time for the SS and transition to next tc.

Maaliintuloaika / finish time

EK-suoritusaika / SS time

Vain kilpailijan käyttöön – saa merkitä oman lasketun tuloajan AT:lle / for competitor use only