

THE CARRICK ON SUIR MOTOR CLUB LTD.



# *Willie* **Loughman**

**FOREST RALLY 2023**

## ***EVENT REGULATIONS***

**Carrick on Suir Motor Club  
Willie Loughman Forestry Stages 2023**



***Round of Sligo Pallets National Forest Rally Championship 2023***

***Round of Suirway Group South East Stages Rally Championship 2023***

***Motorsport Ireland Permit No: 23/132***

## 1. Announcement

The Willie Loughman Forestry Rally 2023 is promoted by Carrick On Suir Motor Club and will be held on the Sunday 8th October 2023.

The competition will be held under the International Sporting Code of the FIA, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland including Appendix 25, Appendix 26, Appendix 28, Appendix 29, Appendix 29.1 and Appendix 32 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, and these Supplementary Regulations.

Amendments to these Supplementary Regulations will be issued by numbered bulletins. All competitors who submit completed entry forms agree to be bound by these regulations.

## 2. Organisation

**2.1** These regulations have been submitted to, and approved by Motorsport Ireland who have issued Permit No: 23/132 for the holding of the competition.

Championships for which the rally is a counting round:

**1. Round of Sligo Pallets National Forestry Rally Championship 2023**

**2. Round of Suirway Group South East Stages Rally Championship 2023**

### 2.2 Officials

Steward appointed by Motorsport Ireland:	Ed Colton
Steward appointed by Organizing Club:	John Naylor
Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate:	Coleman Hegerty
Club Safety Delegate:	Dave McCormack
Clerk of the Course:	Eilish Dunne
Deputy Clerk of the Course:	Liam Mackey
Motorsport Ireland Chief Scrutineer:	Vicky O'Dowd
Assistant Clerk of the Course:	Pierce J Doheny
Assistant Clerk of the Course:	Richard O'Shea
Assistant Clerk of the Course with responsibility for tracking:	James Coleman
Secretaries of the Event:	Jenny Morahan & Jessica Long
Entries Secretary:	Pierce Doheny Jr.
Chief Marshal:	Paul Downey
Chief Timekeeper:	Eamonn McGee
Radio Controller:	Mary Fitzgerald
Press Officer:	Larry O'Shea
Children's Officer:	Angela Henehan
Competitors' Relations Officer:	Pat Shiel
Super Rally Co-Ordinator:	Winnie Shiel
Results Provider:	Angus Sealy
Chief Medical Officer:	Dr Declan O'Brien
Emergency Services Liaison Officer:	Seamus Anderson
Spectator Safety:	Aiden Harper
Service Area Coordinator:	Derek Butler
Car Accountability:	Pat Kerley
Equipment Officer:	Joe O'Brien
Chief Rescue Officer:	Paddy Russell
Stage Commanders:	Stage 1/4: Stefan Comerford
	Stage 2/5: John Murphy
	Stage 3/6: Mark Cooper
Deputy Stage Commanders:	Stage 1/4: Mick Comerford
	Stage 2/5: Michael Murphy
	Stage 3/6: Graham Scanlon
Assistant Stage Commander	Stage 3/6: Simon Reid
Safety Cars:	Safety 001: Brendan Dowling/Larry Brady
	Safety 002: Stephen Sheehan/Paul Sheehan
	Safety 003: Garry Higgins/Liam Higgins
	Safety 004: Michael Linehan/Karen O'Dowd

**2.3 Rally Headquarters:** The Rue Glen, Luffany, Slieverue, Co Kilkenny. X91 E395.

**2.4 Entries Secretary Contact Details:**

Pierce Doheny

Email: [piercers1800@yahoo.com](mailto:piercers1800@yahoo.com)

Phone: +353 87 9028766 (Calls after 7pm)

**2.5 Official Notice Board:**

The official notice board will be situated in the Rally Office in The Rue Glen Hotel and will be in operation from 14.00 7th October 2023 until final result 8th October 2023.

The event will also have an Electronic Notice Board (E.N.B.) on the Sportity App. Password: CarrickFR23.

### 3. Programme

Event	Date	Time	Location
<b>Supplementary Regulations available</b>	On Publication		Carrick On Suir Motor Club
<b>Entries Open</b>	On Publication		<a href="http://www.shannonsports.ie">www.shannonsports.ie</a> or Sportity App
<b>Entries Close (Including Priority)</b>	28/9/2023	2100 hrs	<a href="http://www.shannonsports.ie">www.shannonsports.ie</a> (online entry only )
<b>Final Instructions Posted</b>	03/10/2023		Sportity App and Notice board Rally HQ
<b>Mechanical Scrutineering</b>	7/10/2023	14.00 - 18.00	Suir Shipping Ltd. Belview Port, Slieverue, Co Kilkenny. X91 R3NF
<b>Documentation Scrutineering</b>	07/10/2023	14.00 - 19.00	Rally HQ
<b>Competitors Safety Briefing</b>	08/10/2023	07:15 Juniors 07:45 Main Field	Rally HQ
<b>Rally Start (first car)</b>	08/10/2023	08:30	Parc Ferme Out
<b>Rally Finish</b>	08/10/2023	17:07	Parc Ferme In
<b>Results</b>	08/10/2023	No later than 45 mins approx after last car depending on class/overall dispute	Rally HQ
<b>Prizegiving</b>	08/10/2023	No later than 30 mins after final results	Rally HQ All cars will remain in parc ferme until results are final

## 4. Entries

### 4.1 Information:

- 4.1.1 Entries may be submitted by all persons holding a valid FIA Competition License or Commercial Entrants License as issued by a recognized ASN.
- 4.1.2 All entries must be made on the Official Entry Form, be fully completed and signed by the entrant, driver and navigator, accompanied by the appropriate fee and forwarded to the Entries Secretary. Incomplete or illegible forms will be returned.
- 4.1.3 Entries from other (non MI/MSUK) ASN INTERNATIONAL grade STAGE RALLY licence holders from abroad may be accepted provided:
  - 4.1.3.1 The license holder has written permission from his/her ASN (National Governing Body) to compete in the declared “national competition organised abroad”.
  - 4.1.3.2 The license holder holds an FIA INTERNATIONAL grade STAGE RALLY licence.
  - 4.1.3.3 The Motorsport Ireland (MI) office has been contacted in the first instance and has given PRIOR approval for each individual competitor before an entry can be accepted. Written proof of which must be provided to the organisers.

**Note:** The license holder must be listed on the IRDS/ BRDS Database Published weekly on MI Website. BRDS can be applied for via the MI website or by contacting the MI office. This must be applied for a minimum of 2 weeks before the event

- 4.2 **Entry Fee:**
  - The Main Field entry fee is €750 .**
  - The Junior (Class 16) entry fee is €750**
  - The J1000 entry fee is €495**

The entry fee includes the Personal Accident Insurance, IRDS / BRDS Insurance at standard rate. The fee is also inclusive of fee for Rally Tracking System.

All competitors should ensure they are listed on the IRDS / BRDS Data Base prior to the event, as published weekly by Motorsport Ireland. Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries +353 (0)1 6775628.

Entries for this event is by online entry submission only via the Online Shannon Sports IT EVO system **ONLY** <https://www.shannonsports.ie/evo/login>

- 4.3 It is the competitor’s responsibility to submit their entry on the EVO system by the closing date of entries 28th of September 2023. Once an entry is made on the EVO system, payment of entry fee must be made by means of Electronic Bank Transfer using the **online entry reference no** and paid in full no later than 48hrs after submitting an entry, entries not paid in full within this timeframe will be withdrawn as not valid entries and will not be seeded.

#### **Electronic Bank Transfer Details:**

**VERY IMPORTANT: Please ensure EVO entry reference no is included in payment reference**

**Carrick On Suir Motor Club**  
**Bank of Ireland**  
**NSC: 905969**  
**BIC: BOFIE2D**  
**IBAN: IE05 BOFI 9059 6925 9648 50**

Entries enquiries to be sent to:

Pierce Doheny  
Email: piercers1800@yahoo.com  
Phone: +353 87 9028766 (Calls after 7pm)

## 5. Classes

- 5.1** The event will include classes, as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook
- 5.2** Notes on Classes:  
For further details on requirements for cars in classes 1 to 7, refer to [www.fia.com](http://www.fia.com), Appendix J, articles 252 to 261 (Article 260 refers to cars in Group R).  
  
Refer to Appendix 29.1, Notes on Classes, Articles 1 to 24 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for further information on class eligibility.

## 6. Pace Notes

- 6.1 Information:**  
Safety Notes will be allowed on this event. Competitors will not be permitted to Recce the stages before the event.
- 6.2 Safety note providers:**  
Safety notes will be available for sale by third parties. The club is not involved in their preparation and accepts no responsibility or liability for their accuracy or otherwise.
- 6.3 Penalties:**  
As per Appendix 29, Article 4 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook. Reports of breaches of above regulations will be submitted to Motorsport Ireland who may convene a tribunal of inquiry.

## 7. Administrative Checks

### Administrative checks:

Documentation scrutineering is located at Rally Office, The Rue Glen, Slieverue, Co Kilkenny on 07/10/2023:

**14:00 – 19:00 hrs**

Competition licences, and other documentation as requested and must be presented at documentation scrutineering.

## 8. Scrutineering

Mechanical Scrutiny will take place on 08/10/2023: 14:00 – 18:00 in Suir Shipping Ltd, Belview Port, Slieverue, Co Kilkenny X91 R3NF. Post Event Mechanical Scrutiny will take place by invitation in Rue Glenn Hotel Car Park. Refer to Appendices 2 and 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for scrutiny requirements.

## 9. Servicing

There will be a designated fixed Service Area at Suir Shipping Ltd, Belview Port, Slieverue, Co Kilkenny. X91 R3NF

- Outside of the Service Area, Support / Service is expressly forbidden (Article 11.5, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook).
- Judges of Fact will monitor the route.
- Ground sheets must be utilised by all crews.
- Waste /Recycling bins will be provided in the Service Area and all crews are requested to place all rubbish and recyclable items in the bins.
- Competitors are requested to remove all oil / fluids and tyres from the Service Area.
- Please refer to Appendix 25, Art. 2.10.2 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook regarding fire extinguishers requirements and signage in the Service Area.
- Smoking by competitors or service crews is prohibited within the Service Area.

## 10: Features of the Rally

### 10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:

Junior Competitors safety briefing will be held on 08/10/2023 AT 7:15am in The Rue Glen, this will be a short briefing. Junior competitors are asked **TO STAY** for the main competitors briefing also.

Competitors Safety Briefing will be held on 08/10/2023 AT 7:45am in The Rue Glen. It is compulsory for both members of the crew to attend. (Appendix 25, Article 3.2).

### 10.2 Route Information:

The rally will take place over a challenging route of approximately 70 stage kilometres and over 200 road kilometres and will comprise of 6 stages with service after SS3. Cars in the Junior Class (Class 16) & J1000 Class will compete over ALL 6 stages and the kilometres listed above.

### 10.3 Super Rally:

A restart after retirement facility (Super Rally), as per Art 13, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, will be operated on the rally.

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### 11.1: General

**11.1.1** The rally will operate Super Rally in accordance with Art 13, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

**11.1.2** A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control of SS3, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 3 stages (subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below).

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 3, 4, 5 or 6.

A restart will not be permitted where a crew has been excluded for non-compliance with eligibility requirements, traffic violations or a decision of the COC / SRC (Super Rally Co-Ordinator).

On retirement the crew must hand in their time cards to Car Accountability or the marshal / timekeeper at the next available location / Time Control.

Crews must retain the duplicate copy of the time card, to present to SRC as proof of stages completed.

**11.1.3** Competitors must register for Super Rally if they wish to restart from Service Out Control after 3 stages by contacting the SRC prior to a time that will be specified in Final Instructions.

Service Vehicles will not be permitted to access the Stage or any closed road between runs. The organisers will, where possible, endeavour to remove any car to the nearest location where it can exit the stage.

The transport of the car from that location is the responsibility of the competitor. The car must return by direct route to the Service Area.

**11.1.4** Competitors availing of Super Rally must present themselves at Service Out Control after 3 stages, with their car, for re-scrutineering.

Due time is 10 minutes before their original due time at that Control, and 15 Minutes maximum lateness will apply.

**11.1.5** The SRC, once satisfied that the crew meets the conditions for a restart, will issue new time cards which will have a restart time and restart Control Number.

The restart position within the field shall be at the discretion of the COC / SRC.

**11.1.6** The organisers reserve the right to disallow restart on safety grounds or if the restart would interfere with the running of the rally.

### 11.2 Penalties:

**11.2.1** Penalties will be applied as per Article 13.5, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

### 11.3 Award Eligibility:

**11.3.1** In order to be classified as a finisher the crew must complete a minimum of 3 special stages, which must include the final loop of stages and the finish control.

**11.3.2** Crews completing the rally under Super Rally regulations will be eligible to score points in Championships.



## 12: Awards

### 12.1 Award Details:

1 st Overall 2 Trophies and Willie Loughman Award

2 nd Overall 2 Trophies

3 rd Overall 2 Trophies

1 st in each Class 2 Trophies

2 nd in each Class 2 Trophies

3 rd in each Class 2 Trophies

1st Overall Ladies Crew 2 Trophies or will be split between 1st Lady Driver and 1st Lady Navigator

### 12.2 Notes:

Overall winners are not eligible for class awards. If 5 or more entries are not received in each class, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes or reduce the awards accordingly.

## 13: Judge of Fact

List of Judges of Fact will be advised in final instructions and will be posted on the official notice board. The decision of a Judge of Fact will be final.

## 14: Provision Regarding Postponement, Abandonment or Cancellation of the event

The organisers reserve the right to postpone, cancel or abandon the event in circumstances such as:

- Insufficient entries received at the closing date for entries.
- On safety grounds (upon consultation with the MI Stewards reference GCR 129.11)
- Force Majeure (upon consultation with the MI Stewards reference GCR 129.11) 14.1: If a decision to postpone, cancel or abandon the event is made, the organisers will communicate this decision using one of or a combination of the following
- Final instruction posted on Sportity App
- Final instruction posted on official notice board The Rue Glen & Sportity App
- Final instruction posted or emailed directly to the crew member nominated as official contact on entry form
- Direct instruction to at least one of the crew from an official of the event.

Every effort will be made by the organisers to communicate such a decision in a timely manner however, in circumstances of force majeure or on safety grounds, it may be necessary to make such a decision during the running of an event. In such cases, this decision will be communicated via direct instruction from an official of the event. In the event of cancellation or postponement for more than 24 hours, entry fee shall be refunded in accordance with GCR 51.2