



Important information for all participants

Increased fire risk

None of us – neither we as organizers, nor you as participants, nor our spectators – want a fire to start because of the rally. Each of you can play a crucial role in preventing fires through your behavior. Therefore, we ask you **to take the current situation seriously** and act responsibly together with us.

Due to the ongoing drought, there is currently an increased risk of forest and field fires. Together with the responsible fire departments, we have significantly expanded the fire protection plan and doubled the usual amount of firefighting equipment available along the special stages. Independently of the rally, local farmers have already filled water barrels at various locations within the rally area as a precautionary measure, in order to quickly access additional water reserves if needed. The locations of these water barrels and the contact details of the respective farmers are known to the responsible fire departments and the rally management. Nevertheless, the best possible protection can only be achieved if everyone does their part. Therefore, please pay particular attention to the following points:

- **Smoking:** Never carelessly discard cigarettes. **Under no circumstances should you throw cigarette butts out of car windows!** Even the smallest embers can be enough to start a bush or forest fire. Use only suitable ashtrays. Ashtrays are available in the service park and spectator areas. Additionally, free mini ashtrays for use on the go can be picked up at Rally HQ from Friday.



- **Parking of vehicles:**

Avoid parking recce vehicles and rally cars in dry or tall grass whenever possible. This applies, for example, to areas before time controls or after stop controls. If this is unavoidable, take particular care to ensure that no fire develops in the vicinity of the vehicle. Please also be mindful of other participating vehicles.

- **Fire extinguishers in case of retirements:**

Every rally car must carry at least one fire extinguisher. Should your vehicle come to a stop during a special stage due to a technical defect or accident, please take a fire extinguisher from the vehicle and place it visibly and within easy reach next to the vehicle. This allows for an immediate response in an emergency – even by other people if you are not directly next to the vehicle.

- **Additional fire extinguishers:** If you have additional fire extinguishers at home, we kindly ask you to bring them to the event, take them with you in the recce vehicle, and keep them readily accessible in the service area. This will further increase safety and can save valuable time in an emergency.

The current situation is exceptional and requires special attention from all of us. If everyone does their part and acts responsibly, we can all contribute to ensuring that the Mühlstein Rally can be carried out safely and without incident.

Thank you for your help!

The organizing team