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RALLY GUIDE



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1. General Information

1.1 Welcome

After a one-year break, Kitee, the home town of Keski-Karjalan Urheilutoimilijat, is once again hosting a round of the Finnish Rally Championship. Keski-Karjalan Urheilutoimilijat ry would like to thank all 83 entered crews who are coming to enjoy our August rally event!

The organizing committee of the FIXUS SM Rally Kitee, together with numerous clubs, associations, companies, and private individuals, has worked hard to provide excellent conditions for competing for Finnish Rally Championship points and awards in the supporting classes. We are also pleased to see a strong entry list in support classes 20-23, which will compete in the shorter six-special-stage rally. Café services will already be available along the route during reconnaissance. We encourage you to stop for refreshments and take a moment to admire the beautiful lakes, forests, and hill landscapes of the Keski-Karjala region.

Welcome to Kitee, and good luck in the rally!

1.2 About These Competitor Instructions

These Competitor Instructions provide additional details regarding procedures at Rally HQ and during the rally, as well as a reminder of some important information. All other necessary information can be found in the FIXUS SM Rally Kitee 14-15 August 2026 Supplementary Regulations, the Finnish Rally Championship 2026 Championship Regulations, and the Finnish Rally Sporting Regulations. Competitors are therefore encouraged to review the rally regulations carefully.

1.3 Official Notice Board

The Official Notice Board of the rally is available through the Sportity application. The password is SMKITEE2026. The official time of the event (time.is) is also available via the Official Notice Board. The Notice Board will be updated throughout the rally, so competitors are requested to follow all published information regularly.

1.4 Competitor Relations Officers

The Competitor Relations Officers for the event are Aulis Ahonen and Ari Uusikartano. Before and during the rally, they can be contacted primarily by email at yhteyshenkilö@smrallikitee.fi, as well as by telephone.

Aulis Ahonen +358 505 355100



Ari Uusikartano +358403567570





1.5 Programme

Friday, 14 August 2026

at 7.00	Service Park opens at Rally HQ, Aimontie 47, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki.
at 7.30	Distribution of competitor materials and Administrative Checks begin at Rally HQ, Aimontie 47, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki. Distribution of reconnaissance materials begins for Classes 1-15.
at 8.00	Reconnaissance starts for Classes 1-15, excluding SS 4.
at 12.00	Distribution of reconnaissance materials ends.
at 15.00	Reconnaissance of SS 4 (Spectator Special Stage) begins.
at 16.00	Scrutineering starts at Veekmas Oy, Tolosentie 3, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki. (Scrutineering will end 10 minutes after the last scheduled inspection time.)
at 18.00	Reconnaissance ends.
at 19.00	Deadline for electronic submission of the Tyre Barcode Form to rallikatsastus@autourheilu.fi for Classes 1-6. Rally Office closes.
at 19.00	Pre-Rally Gathering ("Etkot") at Rantakenttä, Tohmajärventie 10, FI-82500 Kitee.

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at 7.00	Rally Office opens at Rally HQ, Aimontie 47, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki. Distribution of competitor materials and Administrative Checks begin.
at 8.00	Scrutineering begins at Veekmas oy, Tolosentie 3, 82380 Tolosenmäki.
at 8.00	List of Crews Authorised to Start is published on the Official Notice Board in the Sportity application (password: SMKITEE2026). The list will be updated in accordance with the scrutineering schedule.
at 9.01	Rally Start, Kiteentie14, 82500 Kitee.
at 11.40 (approx.)	Service 1, Rally HQ.
at 14.40 (approx.)	Service 2 / Regroup, Rally HQ.
at 16.00 (approx.)	Rally Finish and Prize Giving Ceremony for Classes 20-23, Rally HQ.
at 18.13(approx.)	Rally Finish, PK-Rengas, Peltotie 4, FI-82500 Kitee. Publication of Provisional Results begins with Class SM1
at 18.30 (approx.)	Prize Giving Ceremony at Kitee Baseball Stadium (Rantakenttä), Tohmajärventie 10, FI-82500 Kitee. According to the provisional results, beginning with Class SM1 and continuing in class order.

1.6 Ticket Sales

Rally passes and Special Stage (SS) tickets can be purchased online at <https://www.coregoshop.fi/sm-ralli-kitee-2026>.

Sales of Rally Packages will begin on Friday, 14 August 2026 at 09:00 at the following locations:

- Gulf Honkavaara
- Neste Tolosenmäki
- Kulkurinhovi Kitee



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The Rally Package, priced at EUR 25, includes a route map and one wristband, granting one person access to all special stages. Children under 12 years of age are admitted free of charge when accompanied by an adult. Individual Special Stage tickets will be sold at the stages for EUR 15 each. Cash payment only.

As a special offer, a combined Rally + Baseball ticket package (Rally Package or SS ticket) are also available. This ticket includes admission to the Finnish baseball match between Kiteen Pallo and Imatran Palloveikot at Kitee Rantakenttä on 16 August 2026 at 17:00.

2. Before the Rally

2.1 Arrival and Service Park

The Rally HQ and Service Park are located at the Kitee Race & Event venue, Aimontie 47, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki, Kitee. The Service Park will open on Friday, 14 August 2026 at 07:00.

Unloading of competition vehicles must take place in the designated trailer park area at Rally HQ, where all trailers must be left for the duration of the event. A guide map is available in the Sportity application. Trailers are strictly prohibited in the Service Park and in the scrutineering area.

Overnight security will be provided in the Service Park.

In addition to the rally car, each competitor may bring one service vehicle displaying the Service Vehicle plate included in the competitor material package. There is no space for reconnaissance vehicles in the Service Park; these must be parked in the trailer park area.

Requests for shared service areas and other Service Park arrangements must be submitted by Friday, 7 August 2026 at 21:00 to Service Park Coordinator Risto Pirhonen by email at rp40674@gmail.com. After this deadline, the organiser will charge EUR 150 per crew for any approved changes. The organiser reserves the right to refuse any request.

All service tents must be erected in accordance with the TUKES safety instructions available in Sportity. The Service Park is located in a groundwater protection area. Therefore, special attention will be paid to cleanliness, safety, and spill prevention by Service Park personnel. Competitors are required to carry spill prevention and firefighting equipment in accordance with Article 8 of the Supplementary Regulations. Waste containers, including a recycling point for waste oil, will be provided by the organiser. The handling of flammable liquids is prohibited within Rally HQ and the Service Park. Smoking is permitted only in designated smoking areas.

Penalties for infringements in the Service Park and Refuelling Zone will be applied in accordance with Article 8 of the Supplementary Regulations.

On rally day, the K-KUA Rally Restaurant will operate in the Service Park, offering a wide selection of refreshments, including traditional rally snacks, grilled sausages, and hot meals.

2.2 Administrative Checks and Distribution of Materials

Administrative Checks will be conducted electronically using the forms available in the Sportity application (Classes 1-15 and Classes 16-23). The forms must be completed and submitted no later than Wednesday, 12 August 2026 at 23:59. Competitors must also complete and submit the "Contact Information During the Rally" form.



Any changes to an entry must be made using the forms available in Sportity. An administration fee in accordance with the 2026 Finnish Rally Sporting Regulations, EUR 35 or EUR 50, will be charged and paid to the Rally Office. Payment may be made by cash or card. Any withdrawal of an entry must always be submitted with reasons by email to sihteeri@smrallikitee.fi.

Distribution of reconnaissance materials for Classes 1-15 will take place on Friday, 14 August 2026 from 07:30 to 12:00 at Rally HQ. Contact person: Sari Peltonen, tel. +358 500 678600, email sari.peltonen@savonkinot.fi

Both drivers must be present when collecting the competitor materials. Identity and driving licences will be checked in accordance with Article 8.4 of the 2026 Finnish Rally Sporting Regulations. Distribution of materials will take place at Rally HQ on both event days.

Contact person: Sari Peltonen, tel. +358 500 678600, email sari.peltonen@savonkinot.fi

Competitor materials distributed on Friday, 14 August 2026:

- Road Book, 1 copy
- Route Map, 2 copies
- Reconnaissance Vehicle Identification Plates, 2 pieces
- Championship windscreen sticker, if applicable
- Competition numbers for the rally car
- Service Vehicle plate, 1 piece (the registration number of the service vehicle must be marked on the plate and the plate must be displayed on the service vehicle windscreen so that it is clearly visible from outside)
- Any organiser-issued information material
- GPS tracking device

Competitor materials distributed on Saturday, 15 August 2026:

- Road Book, 1 copy
- Route Map, 2 copies
- Championship windscreen sticker, if applicable
- Competition numbers for the rally car
- Service Vehicle plate, 1 piece (the registration number of the service vehicle must be marked on the plate and the plate must be displayed on the service vehicle windscreen so that it is clearly visible from outside)
- Any organiser-issued information material
- GPS tracking device

The timing transponder will be distributed at the Rally Start on Saturday, 15 August 2026 at Kiteentie 14, FI-82500 Kitee.

2.3 Reconnaissance

Reconnaissance is permitted for competitors in Classes 1-15 on Friday, 14 August 2026, from 08:00 to 18:00. Reconnaissance of SS 4 is permitted from 15:00 to 18:00. For detailed instructions, please refer to the Supplementary Regulations of the Rally.



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Attention! As schools have resumed, children may be present along the route and school transport services will be operating. Competitors are therefore reminded to exercise extreme caution at all times during reconnaissance

2.4. Scrutineering / Technical Inspection

Scrutineering will take place at the premises of Veekmas Oy, Tolosentie 3, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki. A location map is available in the Sportity application.

Scrutineering on Friday, 14 August 2026 is reserved exclusively for vehicles in Classes 1-6. Please take this into account when booking your scrutineering appointment through the Slotti booking system:
<https://slotti.fi/booking/rallism/>

Booking for Classes 1-6 (no entries have been received in Classes 7-9) opens on Thursday, 6 August 2026 at 15:00.

Booking for Classes 10-23 opens on Monday, 10 August 2026 at 9:00.

Booking closes on Tuesday, 11 August 2026 at 18:00.

In case of any problems, please contact Assistant Chief Scrutineer Juha Pykäläinen, tel. +358 50 520 4125. For changes to a scrutineering appointment after the booking system has closed, the organiser will charge a fee of EUR 50.

Scrutineering will be conducted in accordance with Article 13 of the Supplementary Regulations.

2.5 Competitors' Changing and Washing Facilities

Competitors' changing and shower facilities are located in the basement of the yellow building at Rally HQ. Access to the facilities is from the Service Park side through the doors marked "WC".

3. During the Rally

3.1 List of Crews Authorized to Start

The list of competitors eligible to start will be published on the Official Notice Board in Sportity on Saturday, 15 August 2026 at 08:00. The list will be updated in accordance with the Safety Scrutineering schedule.

3.2 Rally Start

The start of the rally will take place on Saturday, 15 August 2026, beginning at 09:01 in the centre of Kitee at Kiteentie 14, FI-82500 Kitee. As there is ample space in the start area, competitors are requested to arrive well in advance of their scheduled start time to be presented to the public. The timing transponder/device will be distributed at the start area.

3.3 Time Card and Time Control (TC) Procedures

An international time card will be issued to each crew at the Start Time Control (TC) of the rally. The time card will not be exchanged during the event. A sample time card is available in Sportity.



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Time Control procedures will be conducted in accordance with the 2026 Finnish Rally Championship Regulations. The Time Control official will show the recorded time to the competitor from the time sheet, and the competitor must enter the time on the time card themselves, clearly indicating that the time has been received, for example by giving a thumbs-up signal. Competitors are solely responsible for their own time card.

The moment of presenting and handing over the time card is defined as the moment when the crew presents the time card by holding it clearly visible at the side window of the competition car for the official to see.

Note: Competitors in classes 20-23 will only run the first six Special Stages. They will use a separate international time card, with the finish of their event located at TC 6A.

3.4 Safety

Please familiarize yourself carefully with the GPS Tracking Device User Guide (available in Sportity).

Finnish Rally Championship Regulations 2026, Article 14: Route and Special Stages.

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14.4. Accidents and Compliance with the SOS/OK Sign

If a competitor retires and does not require medical or firefighting assistance on a special stage, the OK sign must be displayed or placed in a position clearly visible to other competitors.

If a crew spots a car involved in an accident but no SOS or OK sign is visible, the crew is obliged to stop and verify the condition of the crew involved in the accident.

Every crew shown an SOS sign, or who sees a car involved in an accident, must stop immediately and without exception to provide assistance. The need for help must be reported as quickly as possible to the competition's SOS emergency number. Following cars must also stop. Cars arriving later must keep the road clear for emergency vehicles. A calculated time will be awarded to all stopped crews by the Clerk of the Course.

Failure to provide assistance, stop, and/or report an accident will automatically result in a 10-minute time penalty and a potential additional penalty imposed by **AKK-Motorsport.**"

The rally emergency telephone number is: +358 401242110

A warning triangle must be used to warn following competitors of any obstruction on the route.

Crews must ensure unobstructed access for rescue vehicles to the scene of an accident.

If you require medical assistance during the rally, for example a medical examination after an off-road incident, you are advised to seek assistance from an ambulance located along the route. Within the Rally HQ area, please contact the Rally Office if you require medical attention.

If an accident requires further treatment at a central hospital, the competition car must be presented for technical inspection by the scrutineering personnel at: (Huoltopalvelut Kinnunen E&J, Kiteentie 48, 82500 Kitee).

Any retirement from the rally must be reported using the telephone number provided in the Road Book. The tracking and timing devices must be returned to the organiser.



3.5 Refuelling

Refuelling during the rally is permitted only at the fuel stations indicated in the Road Book using fuel pumps, or from competitors' own fuel containers at the designated and supervised refuelling zones marked in the Road Book.

The refuelling zone in the Service Area (Race & Event) will open on Saturday, 15 August 2026, at 08:00.

Refuelling from Fuel Pumps	Special Stage	Liaison	Total
	km	km	km
Start	0	0	0
Neste Tolosenmäki	25,47	55,99	81,46
Neste Tolosenmäki	10,38	13,98	24,36
Neste Tolosenmäki	4,07	16,06	20,13
Kulkurin Hovi Kitee	0	6,77	6,77
Neste Tolosenmäki	25,47	57,22	82,69
Neste Tolosenmäki	0	15,80	15,80
Kulkurin Hovi Kitee	0	6,77	6,77
SEO / ABC Tohmajärvi	30,15	78,90	109,05
Finnish	0	16,96	16,96
	95,54	268,45	363,99

Refuelling from Cans	Special Stage	Liaison	Total
	km	km	km
Start	0	0	0
Neste Tolosenmäki	25,47	55,99	81,46
Neste Tolosenmäki	10,38	13,98	24,36
Race & Event	4,07	8,36	12,43
Neste Tolosenmäki	0	7,7	7,70
Neste Tolosenmäki	25,47	63,99	89,46
Race & Event	0	8,10	8,10
Neste Tolosenmäki	0	7,70	7,70
Niirala	16,16	40,90	57,06
Finnish	13,99	61,73	75,72
	95,54	268,45	363,99

3.6 Slow Zone

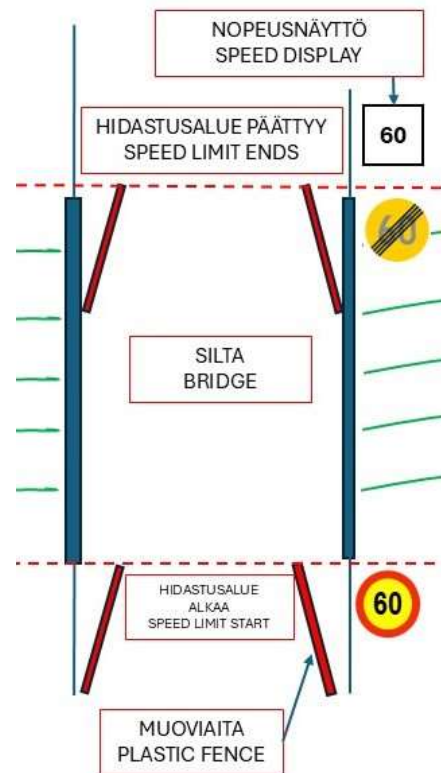
Due to permit requirements imposed by the Regional Vitality Centre, one (1) Speed Reduction Zone will be used on a Special Stage that is run twice.

The maximum speed permitted within the Speed Reduction Zone is 60 km/h. The vehicle's speed must be at or below the prescribed limit throughout the entire length of the zone. Compliance will be monitored by a speed display device showing the vehicle's actual speed.

The approach to the Speed Reduction Zone is marked with warning signs located 100 metres before the start of the zone. The beginning and end of the Speed Reduction Zone are marked by plastic safety barriers.

The correct execution of the Speed Reduction Zone will be monitored by a Judge of Fact.
The penalty for incorrectly completing the Speed Reduction Zone differs from Article 23.6.2 of the Finnish Rally Sporting Regulations and will be applied in accordance with the following table:

- First infringement: 30-second time penalty
- Second infringement: 5-minute time penalty



3.7 Servicing

The centralised Service Area is located at the Rally HQ:
Aimontie 47, FI-82380 Tolosenmäki (Kitee Race & Event Area).
Servicing is permitted in accordance with Article 8 of the Supplementary Regulations.

Service 1: 30-minute service period, including a possible technical inspection of 3 minutes.
Service 2: Flexi Service procedure in operation during the regroup. Service time: 30 minutes.

Note: Competitors in classes 20-23 will visit the Service Area only once (Service 1). Their event finishes at TC 6A.

3.8 Rally Finish and Prize Giving Ceremony

Classes 1-19 The finish of the rally is located at: PK-Rengas, Peltotie 4, 82500 Kitee.
The prize-giving ceremony will take place immediately after competitors reach the finish, at approximately 18:30, at the Kitee Baseball Stadium: (Rantakenttä, Tohmajärventie 10, 82500 Kitee). Prizes will be awarded based on the provisional results, starting with SM1 and continuing class by class. Only prize-winning crews will be directed to the prize-giving venue after reaching the finish.



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The finish of the rally for classes 20-23 is located at TC 6A in the Rally HQ area.

The prize-giving ceremony will take place immediately after the finish (TC 6A), at approximately 16:00, at the Rally HQ: (Aimontie 47, 82380 Tolosenmäki). Prizes will be awarded based on the provisional results, beginning with Class 20.

3.9 Post-Rally Scrutineering / Technical Inspection

Competitors selected for Technical Scrutineering who are not receiving awards will be escorted directly to Technical Scrutineering immediately after arriving at the finish.

Award-winning vehicles selected for Technical Scrutineering will be escorted directly to Technical Scrutineering immediately following the Prize-Giving Ceremony.

4. After the Rally

4.1 Service Park Clean-up

Competitors are responsible for keeping their service area clean and tidy. If any litter, waste, or other debris is found at the service area after the event, the organiser will charge the competitor a cleaning fee of €100.

5. Contact Information

The rally emergency telephone number	+358 401242110
General Emergency Number	112
Medical Helpline (Non-Emergency)	116117
Recovery Service Kärripojat Oy Tero Koponen	+358 40 0577799
Rally Office	+358 50 3096735

Local shops, service stations, cafés and other services, including their opening hours, can be found online. We encourage you to explore the local offerings. You may discover some hidden gems!

Thank you for taking the time to read these Competitors' Instructions. We warmly welcome you to the beautiful and friendly region of Eastern Finland.

Keski-Karjalan Urheiluautoilijat ry
Fixus SM Ralli Kitee Organising Committee