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BULLETIN 1 IS PUBLISHED IN SPORTITY, please read it carefully there are several changes that affect the Supplementary Regulations of the Race.

1/ Tyres

Prologue is considered as race day. Riders are authorized to change the set of tires (front and rear).

2/ Pre-start area

Vehicles will be assembled in a pre-start area in two different occasions:

Thursday, 16 March	Before TC0	from 13:15 to 13:45h
Friday, 17 March	Before TC1C	from 0:30 to 07:00h

No service is allowed in the pre-start area.

3/ Prologue

Reconnaissance:

Each driver will be allowed to do one reconnaissance lap of the Prologue as passengers of an organization vehicle driven by an organization marshal.

The meeting point for reconnaissance will be at the start of the Prologue. The route from the Service Park to the Prologue start (32km) will be published in Sportity on 16 March by 6.00h.

Time slots for the Prologue reconnaissance were published in Bulletin n° 1.

The recce shuttle will depart on schedule and will not stop along of the reconnaissance lap.

Any competitor not on time for their allocated recce will be deemed as a non-participant in reconnaissance.

Running of the prologue:

Competitors are reminded that the mandatory itinerary of the Prologue is defined in the Road Book by the road direction diagrams and between the road direction diagrams, by the road/track if it exists.

Each box of the road book will correspond to a WPP (opening radius: 100m / validation radius: 20m) and in case of a missed waypoint, the penalty of 2' will apply. (2023 FIM BAJAS World Cup Regulations art. 80.11.2)

The route of the Prologue will be marked with a number of QMMF flags – maroon colour on the right side and white colour on the left side of the route – each one associated to a metallic fence.

Any touch on a metallic fence and/or the associated flags as well as a deviation from the route limits defined by the flags will be penalized as indicated in SRs Art. 11.5.

The sets “flags/metallic fence” will be already in place during reconnaissance.

3/ Refuelling_Remote Refuelling

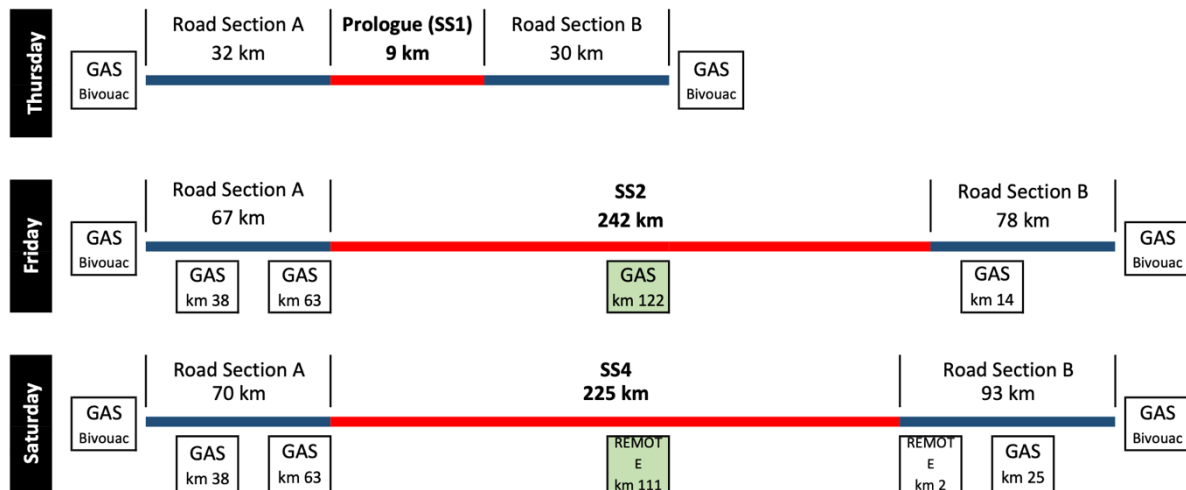
General

The official **refuelling zone at the bivouac** will be operational during the following periods:

Wednesday, 15 March	14.00h / 18.00h
Thursday, 16 March	08.00h / 13.00h & 14.00h / 19.00h
Friday, 17 February	06.00h / 10.00h & 13.00h / 19.00h
Saturday, 18 March	06.00 / 11.00h

It is not authorized the use of vehicles to transport fuel to **RZ0 / RZ1 / RZ2**.

Please find below a diagram with the partition “road sections / selective sections” and the location of the commercial filling stations along the road sections, and refuelling on the selective sections.



Marked in green

Friday: Commercial filling station in a transfer zone inside SS2; kilometre 122 of the race.

Saturday: Remote Refuelling in a transfer zone inside SS3; kilometre 111 of the race.

In the remote refuelling the organiser will provide an environmental mat and fire suppression system. Fuel must be transported by the teams to the remote zone.

The route to be followed from the Service Park to this remote refuelling zone is available in the Rally Guide.

REMANDER:

At the refuelling zones, all external assistance on a machine is forbidden on pain of penalties at the discretion of the Jury. Only competitors still in the competition are allowed to help other competitors

4/ Choosing for Stage 1 – Section 2 and Ceremonial Start

The ceremonial Start will take place on 16 March by 19.20h at Lusail Boulevard and all drivers are requested to wear race clothing.

Bike/Quad must be ridden by the rider or a team representative to the holding area, where they will enter between 18.00 and 18.30h. The route to be followed from the bivouac to the holding area and back to the bivouac is available in the Rally Guide.

No service is allowed inside the holding area.

Choosing position:

Following the Prologue, the starts for section 2 shall be given according to the procedure laid down below: The first ten competitors in the classification of the Prologue will choose their start positions among the first ten positions as follows:

- the competitor in tenth place will choose his start position first.
- the competitor in ninth place may choose to start before, after or on the position of the previous competitor. Unless he has chosen a taken position, he will also decide whether the previous competitor will move up or down by one position.
- the competitor in eighth place may choose to start before, after or on the position of the previous competitors. Unless he has chosen a taken position, he will also decide whether the previous competitors will move up or down by one position.
- and so on.

The rider will be responsible for choosing the position and must be present throughout the procedure.

Non attendance to the start position selection: start position of the absent driver chosen by the fastest

5/ Road book / Itinerary

ROAD BOOK DELIVERY:

Section 1 (PROLOGUE)

- At the start of the Baja (TC0)

Section 2

- For the first road section: at the start of the section (TC1B)
- For SS2: at TC2, 15' before the start of the selective section

Section 3

- For the first road section: at the start of the section (TC2D)
- For SS3 , 15' before the start of the selective section

Friday, 17th March – Stage 1 – Section 2 (SS2)

At **km 117.05** of the SS2 riders will physically find the Flying finish, Finish and Stop panels on the ground, but these panels do not affect to BIKES/QUADS riders. There are the panels for the end of the car section. So you should not take them into consideration.

Have a Safe Baja!



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