

Laois Rallysport Club
Laois Heartlands
Mini Stages Rally
2016

REGULATIONS

Sunday 12th June 2016

Round 3

LOUGHRANSIGNS.COM
MIDLANDS EAST
RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 2

Laois Rallysport Club Championship

Rally HQ:

O'Loughlin's Hotel
Main Street, Portlaoise

ORGANISED AND PROMOTED BY

Laois Motorsport Club Ltd

Organisation.

(A) The Laois Heartlands Mini Stages Rally is promoted and organised by Laois Motorsport Club Ltd t/a Laois Rallysport Club (hereinafter called the promoters).

(B) The Rally is a qualifying round of the **Loughransigns.com Midlands East Rally Championship.**

(C) The Rally will take place over a route of approx. 90 stage kilometres.

(D) These regulations have been submitted to and approved by Motorsport Ireland and the necessary permit for holding of the competition has been granted.

MI Permit Number: **16/081**

Article 1.

The Competition will be held under the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland and Appendices 25, 29 and 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2016 and these supplementary Regulations. All Competitors who forward completed Entry Forms agree to be bound by these rules.

Article 2.

(A) The Supplementary Regulations for the Rally are as stated by the Motorsport Ireland Regulations and definitions Motorsport Ireland Year Book 2016. Copies of the regulations can be obtained from www.motorsportireland.com .

(B) Final Instructions will form an integral part of the Supplementary Regulations.

Article 3.

(A) Entries open on the publication of these regulations

(B) All completed entry forms must be sent to the Entries Secretary with the appropriate fee:

Entries Secretary, Kate Scott, Bridge Meadow Farm Cappagh North, Portlaoise, Co. Laois. R32vc57

Phone: 0867577613 **email:** katec@lightstream.ie

(C) **Entry Fee: €370 plus €125 insurance levy**, including Personal Accident Insurance and Standard IRDS Insurance.

Cheques may only be post-dated to the 9th June 2016

(D) **All drivers must produce a letter of acceptance from one of the IRDS/BRDS Insurance Schemes.**

(E) The Club reserves the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason. Closing Date for entries is on Wednesday 8th June 2016.

Article 4.

(A) Pace notes will be available for sale from Third Parties. The club has no involvement with their preparation or sale and **accepts no responsibility** for their accuracy or otherwise.

(B) Entries are confined to 131. Should more than 131 fully paid up entries be received, entries will be allocated as follows:

- (a) Priorities in Loughransigns.com Midlands East Rally Championship, as per Championship Regulations.
- (b) Previous Entrants.
- (c) Ten at organiser's discretion.
- (d) The remainder will be drawn on a ballot.

TIMETABLE (Subject to Change)

Entries Open: Wednesday 4th May 2016.

Entries Close: Wednesday 8th June

Final Instructions Posted: Thursday 9th June.

Entry List Published: Thursday 9th June.

Saturday 11th June

08:15am to 11:30am Recce Sign-On at Rally HQ.

08:30am to 16:00pm Recce, maximum 3 runs per stage.

(Penalty of exclusion for exceeding this number).

14:00pm to 18:30 Mechanical scrutiny at Plaza Laois County Hall.

15.00pm to 18:30 Paper Scrutiny at Rally HQ.

19:30 Ceremonial Start Portlaoise Town Centre – top 50 Cars compulsory attendance.

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8.30am Competitors Safety Briefing in Rally HQ (Compulsory for all crews).

9.50am First Car Away.

16:00 pm First Car Finishes.

Full Provisional Results no later than 17:30pm.

Final Results half hour later if no queries.

Prizegiving will take place no later than 30 Minutes after final results.

LIST OF OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course:	Sean McEvoy
Deputy Clerk of the Course:	Tim Conroy
Assistant Clerk of the Course:	Eoin Longworth
Stage Commanders:	SS1 Eoin Langton, SS2 Padraig Gorman
Deputy Stage Commanders:	SS1 Ray Dunne, SS2 Paddy Nolan
Motorsport Ireland Stewards:	Paul Hughes Conor Crowley
Motorsport Ireland Safety Officer:	John Tynan

Club Safety Officer:	John Fogarty
Club Steward:	Louie Garry
Event Secretary:	Kate Scott
Chief Medical Officer:	Dr. Gerry White
Chief Marshall:	Alma Cleere
Chief Scrutineer:	Frank Clancy
Radio Controller:	Mary Fitzgerald
Press Officer:	Emma Brennan
Results Officer:	Angus Sealy
Competitor Liaison Officer:	Liam Hayes
Car Accountability:	Jimmy Feeney
Equipment Officer:	Joe Moffitt
Chief Rescue Officer:	Athlone Rally Rescue
Road Closed:	Gerry O'Brien
Chief Time Keeper:	Barry Duggan
Service Area Manager:	Dominic Dunne
Emergency Services Liaison Officer	Tony Walsh
Rally 2 Co-ordinator	John Lacey

CLASSES

Class 1 Group N up to 1600 cc (Previously N1 & N2); R1 (atmospheric up to 1600 cc - VR1A/VR1B and turbo up to 1067 cc – VR1A/VR1B)

Class 2 Group A up to 1600 cc (Previously A5 & A6); R2 (atmospheric over 1390 to 1600 cc - VR2B and turbo over 927 to 1067 cc – VR2B); Kit cars up to 1600 cc; Group N 1601 to 2000 cc (Previously N3)

Class 3 Group A 1601 to 2000 cc (Previously A7); R2 (atmospheric over 1600 to 2000cc - VR2C and turbo over 1067 to 1333cc – VR2C); R3 (atmospheric over 1600 to 2000 cc – VR3C and turbo over 1067 to 1333cc –VR3C); R3 (Turbo up to 1620 cc nominal - VR3T); R3 (Diesel up to 2000 cc nominal – VR3D); Super 1600 cars

Class 4 Group N over 2000 cc (N4 FIA Appendix J 254)

Class 5 Group R4 (Appendix J 260); S2000 Rally (2.0 Atmospheric)

Class 6 All cars homologated in FIA R-GT

Class 7 Group A over 2000 cc (Previously A8)

Class 9 Modified cars up to 1450 cc, 2 wheel drive

Class 10 Modified cars 1451 to 1650 cc, not more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive

Class 11F Modified FWD cars 1451 to 1650 cc, more than 2 valves per cylinder

Class 11R Modified RWD cars 1451 to 1650 cc, more than 2 valves per cylinder

Class 12 Modified cars 1651 to 2100 cc, not more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive

Class 13 Modified cars 1651 to 2100 cc, more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive

Class 14 Modified cars 2101 to 3500 cc, 2 wheel drive. (Max 2 valves per cylinder over 3000 cc)

Class 15 Four-wheel drive cars whose homologation has expired. See notes 3 & 5

Class 16 Juniors (see Appendix 29.1, Article 21)

Class 17 Historics up to 1600 cc (see Appendix 29.1, Article 18.2)

Class 18 Historics over 1600 cc (see Appendix 29.1, Article 18.2)

Class 19 Historics – FIA Appendix K

Class 20 Modified 4 Wheel Drive Cars (4WD) See note 16 on classes

For further details on requirements for cars in classes 1 – 7 refer to www.fia.com Appendix J articles 252 – 261 (Article 260 refers to cars in Group R)

10. Rally 2 (Restart after Retirement)

10.1: General

10.1.1 The rally will operate Rally 2 in accordance with Art 13, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook (as published on MI Website)

10.1.2 A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control SS2, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 2 stages, or Service Out Control after 4 stages.

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 2 or 3, or the following road sections, may only restart from Service Out Control after 4 stages.

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 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/R2C (Rally 2 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 R2C as proof of stages completed.

10.1.3 Competitors must register for Rally 2 if they wish to restart by contacting the R2C 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.

10.1.4 Competitors availing of Rally 2 must present themselves at the appropriate Out Control, with their car, for re-scrutiny. Due time is 10 minutes before their original due time at that Control, and 15 Minutes maximum lateness will apply.

10.1.5 The R2C, 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/R2C.

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

10.2 Penalties:

10.2.1 Penalties will be applied as per Article 13.5, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook (as published on MI Website)

10.3 Award Eligibility:

10.3.1 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.

10.3.2 Crews completing the rally under Rally 2 regulations **will** be eligible to score points in Championships.

AWARDS

Overalls 1st, 2nd & 3rd overall - 2 trophies per crew.

Classes 1st, 2nd & 3rd - 2 trophies per crew.

Other Awards.

Please note your eligibility on your entry form.

Best Ladies Crew.

1st. 2nd & 3rd Laois Rallysport Club Crews, regardless of class finish positions, both crew to be club members.

1st Overall Toyota Corolla AE86 Twincam crew. Car to be exactly as originally manufactured, with the 1.6 4 A-GE engine. Safety features allowed.

Other awards at Club's discretion.

The onus is on competitors to ensure that they are entered for the appropriate awards.