



**MAYO & DISTRICT
MOTORSPORT CLUB LTD.**

Mayo Stages Rally 2017

Final Instructions 1

7th March 2017

Dear Competitor,

Thank you for your entry to the Óstán Oileán Acla Connacht Print & Signs Mayo Stages Rally 2017. Your entry has been accepted and you have been seeded as per the Seeded Entry List available on the club website, www.mayomotorsportclub.com.

Please note the following points:

The event H.Q. is Óstán Oileán Acla, Achill Sound, Co. Mayo.

Parking of trailers is strictly forbidden in the hotel car park. A trailer park is provided adjacent to the hotel and an overflow trailer parking facility will be provided if necessary, close by to the Hotel. Please do not park trailers or service vehicles along the road in front of the Hotel and please do not carry out any servicing in this area.

We thank you for your co-operation.

GARDA SPEED CHECKS WILL BE ENFORCED THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND.

1. Due to a change in circumstances regarding the motorsport insurance premium and excess payable for 2017, the note below, including the competitor's liability for €5,000 of any excess, which was in the event Supplementary Regulations **no longer applies**:

“IMPORTANT NOTE: Competitors are reminded that Motorsport Ireland's Public Liability insurance policy carries a policy excess for all personal injury and property damage claims. Competitors are responsible for the first €5,000 of this excess for each and every claim caused by them or their cars during this event. This responsibility is capped at €10,000 per event.”

2. **Change of Official:**

Jimmy Halligan has been replaced by Noel McGrath as the Motorsport Ireland Chief Scrutineer.

3. Entries/Documentation:

There will be no Scrutineering or Sign on available on Sunday morning.

Please note that IRDS/BRDS insurance will only apply for the Rally Route, the Scrutineering Route and the Ceremonial Start Route as detailed in the event Roadbook.

4. Reconnaissance:

Drivers must have their IRDS / BRDS insurance completed at reconnaissance sign on.

Please ensure Reconnaissance Stickers are displayed prominently on the top corner of the windscreen **BEFORE** commencing reconnaissance.

Please Note:

Appendix 29 of MI Yearbook 2017:

App. 29 Art. 4.5: “The maximum speed allowed on special stages is 60 Kph, during reconnaissance unless a lower limit is indicated by a traffic sign or a written instruction issued by the Organisers.

App. 29, Art. 4.6: “During the reconnaissance period the Gardai and the Organisers will arrange speed checks and general patrols of special stages

App. 29, Art. 4.6.1: Competitors found in cars exceeding speed limits during reconnaissance will be penalised as follows:

1st Offence 2 minutes penalty.

2nd Offence start refused.

App. 29, Art. 4.6.2: Competitors driving or being driven at an excessive speed or in a manner which in the opinion of the organisers causes or could cause danger or inconvenience to other road users or local residents or could bring the sport into disrepute will be penalised as follows:

1st Offence 2 minutes penalty.

2nd Offence start refused.

App. 29, Art. 4.6.3. Reconnaissance is limited to a maximum of three passes per stage or any part thereof. Competitors who exceed this limit will be penalised by exclusion from the event.

THE ABOVE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED AS WE RELY ON THE GOOD WILL OF THE PUBLIC AND THE RESIDENTS ALONG THE ROUTE TO RUN EVENTS.

Judges of Fact will patrol the Rally Route during Recce and on Rally Day. The decision of a Judge of Fact will be final.

5. Scrutineering:

Mechanical Scrutineering will take place at Ted’s Garage, Cashel, Achill. Parc Ferme is located at Coláiste Pobail Acla, adjacent to Rally HQ. Scrutiny slot times will be provided at Recce Sign On, to assist crews who wish, to complete scrutiny in time to attend the Ceremonial Start.

Unloading of cars is to take place in front of the scrutiny area but once unloaded, vans and trailers must be moved to the Trailer Park immediately. Please follow the instructions of the Marshals in this regard and to avoid congestion to businesses in that area.

The driving of competing cars outside of the route after Scrutineering may lead to exclusion.

Please present cars ready for scrutiny in accordance with Appendices 2, 25, 29 & 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017, with decals attached and the scrutiny sheet completed.

6. Ceremonial Start

A Ceremonial Start will take place at Rally HQ on Saturday evening 11th March. Attending competitors, with their rally cars, are asked to participate in the Ceremonial Start from 20:00 hrs to 20.30 hrs on Saturday evening.

Competitors required to attend the Ceremonial Start are the top 10 seeded entries and all Mayo & District Motorsport Club members. The list of cars required to attend the Ceremonial Start will also be posted on the Official Notice Board on Saturday morning, 11th March.

If other competing crews wish to participate, please inform staff at Recce Sign-On of your intention to do so.

Participating crews will be led in convoy from Parc Fermé to the Ceremonial Start at 19.50 and must return to Parc Fermé immediately on leaving the Ceremonial Start.

7. Road Damage – SS 2/4/6

Due to recent damage caused to the road surface and road verge on SS 2/4/6 “The Valley”, there will be water barriers placed along the left-hand verge of the road at 15.88Km, 0.5Km after Location 19, to prevent cutting of the road verge at that location.

8. Start of the Rally:

At least one member of the crew **MUST** attend the Competitors Safety Briefing (Appendix 25 Art 3.2) at 08:00 on Sunday Morning 12th March at Rally HQ, Óstán Oileán Acla. There will be a random roll call. A 2 minute penalty may be applied for not attending.

Start of the rally will be at Control 0: Start / Parc Ferme Out.

9. Service:

Service Stickers will be supplied in the Competitors Pack at Documentation Scrutiny.

The Service Area is located on the site of Keel Sandybanks Caravan & Camping Park, Keel, Achill.

GPS: N 53° 58' 29" W 010° 4' 38"

Service Vehicles will be able to access the Service Park on Saturday evening at their own risk. Service Park will open at 07:30 hrs on Sunday.

For ease of organisation, the Service Park will be planned in different sections which will be signposted from the entrance. Cars must be serviced on the tarmac bays located within the park and vans must be parked on the grass areas. One bay only must be utilised by any one crew. Servicing must not take place along the roadways within the park as this will cause congestion. There are a number of larger areas which can facilitate bigger service vehicles / trucks and where multiple cars may be serviced from the one service vehicle. It is advised to contact the Service Area Co-Ordinator, Michael Tighe, Tel: 087 929509, to arrange your location.

Please Note: A 5m x 4m ground sheet must be used for servicing and any oil spills must be cleaned up promptly. All waste must be disposed of in bins provided.

10. Finish of the Rally:

The finish of the rally will be Parc Fermé IN TC 6A.

The organisers will select crews as required to go over the Finish Ramp who will be directed from Parc Fermé to the Finish Ramp located in front of Rally Head Quarters, Óstán Oileán Acla, Achill Sound.

11. Rally 2 (Restart after Retirement):

The rally will operate Rally 2 in accordance with Art 13, Appendix 29 of the 2017 Motorsport Ireland Yearbook (as published on MI Website)

Rally 2 Co-ordinator: Elaine Shinnors Ph. 087 8221067

12. Rally Guide:

Further information regarding the event is contained in the Rally Guide available at www.mayomotorsportclub.com.

13. Breakfast is available in the Hotel for non-residents on Saturday morning from 06:30am and on Sunday morning from 06:30am.

Trevor O'Connell,

Clerk of the Course
Mayo Stages Rally