



# Joule Donegal International Rally 2017

## Regulations



**DONEGAL MOTOR CLUB LTD.**

## FOREWORD

It gives me great pleasure to present to you the Regulations for the 2017 Joule Donegal International Rally and extend to you a Cead Mile Failte to Donegal for the rallying, the hospitality and the craic.

We are delighted to welcome back this year rally sponsor, Joule, a young, dynamic Irish company dedicated to the manufacturing of advanced energy saving and renewable energy technologies.

Again the event is a qualifying round of the 2017 Irish Tarmac Rally Championship.

The Mount Errigal Hotel will host Rally Headquarters for this the 44th Donegal International Rally. Many of the familiar International Stages have been retained with centralised servicing for each of the three days.

Once again the Donegal Historic Rally is included in the Tarmac Historic Championship, using many of the Classic Stages ideally suited to Historic Cars, along with the highly competitive Junior event.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Organising Committee for their efforts and hard work on this year's event, also all our Sponsors, Residents, Landowners, Ordnance Survey, Garda Siochana, Donegal County Council & Government Departments, Media, and all who have contributed towards the 2017 Joule Donegal International Rally.

On behalf of the Club, I wish you a safe and enjoyable weekend and hope you will savour the hospitality that awaits you. Perhaps you can extend your stay in the County and appreciate the welcome, only experienced here in Donegal.

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## SECTION 1- PROGRAMME

Publication of Regulations.....	Entries Open
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May.....	Entries close 18.00hrs
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May.....	Notice of Acceptance/Refusal posted - - - Webpage
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Final Instructions issued.
June 10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup> .....	Reconnaissance Sign On 08:30 -- 11:00 Rally HQ, Mount Errigal Hotel
June 10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup> /13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> .....	Reconnaissance 09:00 -- 18:00
June 15 <sup>th</sup> .....	Reconnaissance 09:00 -- 15:00
15.00 Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Rally Office opens, Mount Errigal Hotel
14.00--15.00 Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Sealing/checking of spare turbo chargers McGinley Motors, Letterkenny.
15.00--20.00 Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Scrutiny at McGinley Motors, Letterkenny
15.30--20.30 Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Documentation Scrutiny at Rally HQ.
08.00—09:00 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Scrutiny (Re Calls Only) McGinley Motors, Letterkenny.
09.00 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Team Entries close
09:30 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Competitors Safety Briefing, An Grianan Theatre
11:15 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Rally Start from Station Road Roundabout
20.00 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Provisional results (Leg 1) @ Rally HQ
09:00 Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Re-start from LYIT, Port Road
20.30 Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Provisional results (Leg 2) @ Rally HQ
10.00 Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Re-start from LYIT, Port Road
17:40 Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Rally finish at Mount Errigal Hotel
20.00 Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Provisional Results at Rally HQ.
21.00 Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June.....	Prize giving at Mount Errigal Hotel.

## SECTION II – ORGANISATION

### ARTICLE 1 ORGANISATION

1. This is an International competition promoted and organised by Donegal Motor Club Ltd. (Hereinafter called the Promoters). It will take place from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 18th June 2017. These Regulations have been submitted to and approved by Motorsport Ireland. FIA Visa No xxXXX/xxxxxx has been issued for the event. Motorsport Ireland Permit No. **17/083** has been issued for the holding of the event.
2. The Organising Committee and Officials of the Rally are as follows:

FIA Chairman of Stewards	Gary Milligan
FIA 2nd Steward / Observer	Andy Millns
Motorsport Ireland Stewards	Sean McHugh, Willie Walsh
Motorsport Ireland Safety Officer	Richard Talbot
Club Steward	Damien Crawford
Clerk of the Course	Eamonn McGee
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Paul Lyons
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Danny Gormley
Assistant Clerk of the Course	John Crumlish
Assistant Clerk of the Course	TBN
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Sam Pearson
Secretary of the Meeting	Suzanne Mulhern
Assistant Secretary	Louise McCarron
Rally Manager	Ciaran Doherty
Chief Scrutineer	Raymond Knox
TROA Eligibility Scrutineers	Rab Mc Donald
Chief Marshal	Tony Boyle / Ger Hayes
Chief Medical Officer	Dr. Padraic Conneally
Chief Rescue Officer	Frank Henehan
Chief Timekeeper	Elizabeth Devine
Club Safety Officer	John Keys
ESLO	Ann Theresa Boyle
Chief Equipment Officer	Nigel Moore
Competitor Liaison Officer	Michael Chance
Radio Controller	Cynthia Fuery
Serious Incident Officer	Attracta McCay Crawford
Spectator Control	Aiden Harper, Larry Harper
Press Officers	Kevin Glendinning / Claire Crumlish
Results Officer	Stephen McCay
Rally 2 Co-Ordinator	TBN
3. Judges of Fact  
The named Officials are deemed Judges of Fact and this list, with additional nominated judges, will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Rally HQ.
4. Rally Office and Official Notice Board  
Rally office will be situated in the Rally H.Q. – The Mount Errigal Hotel, Ballyraine, Letterkenny. The Official Notice Board will be located in the lobby of the Rally H.Q. Both Rally Office and Notice Board will be operational from Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017

## **SECTION III - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **ARTICLE 2 - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

1. The competition will be held under the International Sporting Code of the FIA, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland (the ASN) and these Regulations including Appendix 25 (Rally Code) and Appendix 29 and Appendix 29.1 (Standard Regulations for all Stage Rallies), of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook. Copies of the General Competition Rules will be obtained from Motorsport Ireland, 34 Dawson Street, Dublin 2.
2. The event is a qualifying round of the  
2017 FIA Celtic Rally Trophy  
2017 Clonakilty Black Pudding Irish Tarmac Rally Championship  
Donegal Commercials Donegal Motor Club Championship.

### **ARTICLE 3 - DESCRIPTION**

1. The total length of the Rally including non-competitive sections will be approximately 700 kilometres, including 20 special stages of 300 kilometres approximately and is divided into 3 legs.
2. The interval between each car will be 30 seconds, which may be increased. The official Rally time will be that published by R.T.E.
3. The use of Pace Notes is permitted and crews will be allowed a maximum of three days to make low speed reconnaissance on special stages, subject to Article 21.
4. The sections of the Rally, as well as the Time Controls, Passage Controls, Neutral Zones, Regrouping Controls, Parc Ferme and Special Stages, are described on the Time Cards or in the Road Book
5. There will be NO "Sunday Run" on this event. There will be a Rally 2 (Restart after Retirement) procedure, see section VIII

### **ARTICLE 4 - ELIGIBLE CARS**

1. Homologated vehicles complying with current Appendix J of the International Sporting Code (Group A, N and R cars). The Rally will be divided into the following FIA Homologated classes:

- Class 1.** Group N up to 1600cc (Previously N1 & N2), R1 (atmo up to 1600cc - VR1A/VR1B and turbo up to 1067cc – VR1A/VR1B).
- Class 2.** Group A up to 1600cc (Previously A5 & A6), R2 (atmo over 1390cc to 1600cc - VR2B and turbo over 927cc and up to 1067cc – VR2B), Kit cars up to 1600cc, Group N 1601cc to 2000cc (Previously N3).
- Class 3.** Group A 1601cc to 2000cc (Previously A7), R2 (atmo over 1600cc and up to 2000cc – VR2C and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc – VR2C), R3 (atmo over 1600cc and up to 2000 cc –VR3C and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc – VR3C), R3 (Turbo up to 1620cc / nominal VR3T), R3 (Diesel up to 2000cc / nominal – VR3D), Super 1600 cars.
- Class 4.** Group N over 2000 cc (N4 FIA Appendix J 254).
- Class 5.** Group R4 (Appendix J 260), Group R5 (S2000 - Rally - 2.0 Atmospheric).
- Class 6.** All cars homologated in FIA R-GT.
- Class 7.** Group A over 2000cc (Previously A8), WRC (1.6T), WRC (2.0T), S2000 Rally 1.6T 28mm Restrictor (also known as Regional Rally Car - RRC).

2. If the number of cars entered in the same cubic capacity class is less than five (5), the Organisers reserve the right to reduce the number of awards for that class.  
Cars entered in a Group or Groups containing less than ten (10), cars may compete only for the General Classification.

## ARTICLE 5 - ELIGIBLE COMPETITORS

1. Entries may be submitted by any person, organisation, or body, holding a valid Competition Licence recognised by the F.I.A.
2. If the entrant is not a crew member, the first driver nominated on the Entry Form shall be deemed to be his agent. Wherever the entrant is referred to in these regulations this shall also mean his agent if appropriate.
3. Entries may be submitted by any person, organisation or body, holding a valid Competition Licence. The minimum grade of Licence for drivers is as follows:

International Rally	International Licence.
National Rally	National B up to 1650cc, National A over 1650cc.
Historic Rally	National B up to 1650cc, National A over 1650cc.
Junior Rally	National B up to 1650cc.

Or equivalent grade licence issued by MSA.
4. Co - Drivers must have a competition Licence, of a grade valid for event entered.

## ARTICLE 6 - ENTRY FORMS & ENTRIES

1. **All entries, must be made on the Official Entry Form, properly completed in all particulars and accompanied by the appropriate entry fee, and forwarded to the Secretary at address shown on Entry Form Before 18.00 hours on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Telephone Entries will not be accepted.**
2. Entries can only be withdrawn in writing, fax or email to the Entries Secretary at the nominated address or contact details as per identified on the official entry form.
3. The organisers reserve the right to refuse any application or entry. (F.I.A. Art.).
4. The number of starters will be limited to a combined total of 151 incorporating the International and National Events. (Total stages 10 x 2)
5. In the event of an excess of 151 entries being received the following criteria will be applied to all entries received from the opening to the closing date of entries.
  - A. Previous winners of the Donegal International Rally
  - B. Previous winners of the Irish Tarmac Rally Championship
  - C. Previous winners of the MI National Rally Championship
  - D. The winning overall driver of the Junior section of the 2016 Donegal International Rally.
  - E. Up to 10 Entries allocated at Organiser's discretion.
  - F. Up to 5 Entries allocated to overseas crew.
  - G. Up to 20 entries allocated to D.M.C. members using Club criteria applied.
  - H. Finishing in the first 15 in a World Championship Rally.
  - I. Finishing in the first 5 in Class in a World Championship Rally.
  - J. Finishing in the first 10 in a European Championship Rally.
  - K. Finishing in the first 5 in class in a European Championship Rally.
  - L. The first 5 overall in the 2017 Irish Tarmac Rally Championship at closing date for entries.
  - M. The first 3 in class in the 2017 Irish Tarmac Rally Championship at closing date for entries.
  - N. Finishing in the first 15 overall in any International Rally.
  - O. Finishing in the first 3 overall on National section of International rally.
  - P. Up to 20 Donegal Motor Club members finishing in the first 20 overall selected in the order of : (1) an International Rally, (2) a National Stages rally, (3) a National section of an International Rally.
  - Q. Finishing in the first 15 overall in a National Stages Rally.
  - R. Finishing first 3 in Class on an International Rally including National Section.
  - S. Finishing in the first 3 in class in any National Stages Rally.
  - T. Finishing in the first 20 overall on any other Stage Rally.
  - U. Any other Speed Event.

### Notes

Results from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2015 to closing date of entries to count except in relation to (A) above. Category (B)) & (C) entries apply to winners in the 10 years prior to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017.

Category (D) entry is restricted to the 2016 Junior winning driver only. No substitution of driver will be permitted. To qualify under (G) of criteria, the highest 20 eligible crews accumulating points within the DMC new points system at 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

In category (P) Donegal Motor Club members shall be those holding continuous membership of Donegal Motor Club Limited since at least 2015.

Only results attained by the driver as a driver will be taken into consideration.

The onus will rest with the competitor to provide documentary proof of results stated if requested to do so by the organisers.

Any false declaration of results will result in the entry in question being placed at the end of the list.

Names of drivers given discretionary entries will be disclosed by the organisers if they are requested to do so.

Claims on an Entry Form relating to the above will be subject to verification by the selection committee.

6. By the very fact of signing the Entry Form, the Entrant and all crew members acknowledge and accept unreservedly these regulations, and the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A.

## ARTICLE 7 - ENTRY FEE AND INSURANCE

1. The Entry Fee will be €1000 **plus €375 insurance levy**. Entry Fee includes IRDS at standard rate and competitor P.A. insurance. **CURRENCY IN EURO ONLY PLEASE.**
2. The entry application will only be accepted if accompanied by the total entry fee or by a receipt issued by the competitors' N.S.A. Cheques should be made payable to " Donegal Motor Club Limited".
  - (a). Where payment of an entry fee is, for any reason, the subject of dispute at the closing date, such entry will not be accepted.
  - (b). Notice of acceptance, or refusal of individual entries will be posted to Entrants on week starting 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017. This notification will include the Competitors Scheduled Time at Scrutineering for which lateness will be penalised.
3. **Motorsport Ireland licence holders MUST hold current IRDS cover, valid for 2017, and pay any additional premium loading specified at documentation scrutiny in order to be permitted to start the event..**
4. **All other licence holders MUST hold current BRDS Insurance Cover, valid for 2017 and pay any additional premium loading specified at documentation scrutiny in order to be permitted to start the event.**

**The Motorsport Ireland Insurance Database Listing published and updated weekly on [motorsportireland.com](http://motorsportireland.com) is the ONLY proof that valid IRDS/BRDS is held by a competitor.**  
**Each Co-Driver not in possession of their own IRDS must sign a declaration stating that at no time during the event, will he/she drive the competing car.**  
**I.R.D.S./B.R.D.S Cover will commence on arrival at Scrutiny Out Control before Parc Ferme in control on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2017.**

  - (a) Cover only exists while travelling the Official Route, i.e. via the Road Book - during the course of the competition and while under the control of the Organisers.
  - (b) Cover will cease on arrival at the Final Parc Ferme In Control or at the point where the competitor(s) retire from the Event.
5. Entry fees will be refunded:
  - (a) To candidates whose application was refused;
  - (b) In the case of the rally not taking place;
  - (c) If the entry is withdrawn before 18.00 hours on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017.
  - (d) If a reserve entry is not allowed to take part in the rally;
  - (e) In special circumstances at the discretion of the organisers.
6. The Organisers decline liability in any accident caused by or to competitors and the competing cars during the whole of the event. The Organisers also decline any liability for breach of the laws and regulations of the countries covered by the rally. Competitors shall be held entirely responsible for any accident or breach of laws in which they may be involved and shall declare to the Organisers particulars from any accident from which liability may arise and shall indemnify the organisers in regard to any liability. An entrant or driver(s) shall have no claims against the Organisers arising out of any action of the Organisers, their servants or officials, during the course of the rally.



## **ARTICLE 8 - AMENDMENTS AND INTERPRETATION**

1. The Organisers, in compliance with the F.I.A. Sporting Code reserve the right to alter the provisions of the present regulations in accordance with conditions and circumstances, which may arise. In such a case competitors will be notified in due course by the Secretary of the Meeting concerning any eventual alteration.
2. Any alteration or addendum will be duly communicated by dated and numbered information bulletins, which will constitute an integral part of the present regulations. These bulletins will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Rally Headquarters. The onus is on a competitor to keep informed of any additional instructions.
3. Any case not foreseen in the present regulations shall be decided by the Organisers and approved by the Stewards, using the International Sporting Code as far as suits the case.
4. In the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation of these regulations, the English version shall take precedence, and the ruling of the Stewards shall be final subject to the right of appeal as provided by the International Sporting Code.

## **SECTION IV - GENERAL OBLIGATIONS**

### **ARTICLE 9 – COMPETITORS AND DRIVERS**

All appropriate regulations pertaining to Competitors and Drivers are contained in Appendix 29/29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017

### **ARTICLE 10 - STARTING ORDER, PLATES, NUMBERS**

1. The numerical order of entries will be determined by reference to the list of F.I.A. Graded Drivers for rallies. List A will take precedence over List B which will in turn will take precedence over all other drivers. The order of the other entries will be determined as far as possible according to their performances during the previous two years of the nominated first driver. Any claim found to be false may entail exclusion.
2. Competition numbers will be supplied and will measure approximately 20 in x 20 in (50 cm x 50 cm). These numbers must be displayed on the front doors on both sides of the car during the event. FIA Code Article 15 rules apply. Additional promotional decals may also be provided.
3. Identification Marks may be affixed to any part of the competing cars before or during the event. The Organisers may at any time during the rally check these marks. A missing Identification Mark will result in exclusion.  
Altering, retouching, or in any way interfering with Identification Marks will result in exclusion. Any other competitor who in any way assists in the above will also be excluded.
4. This will not prejudice the fact that the A.S.N. to which the competitor or his accomplice belongs, may inflict further penalties.
5. The onus is on competitors to see that Identification Marks affixed to his car are in position at the finish.
6. A competitor who has withdrawn from the rally shall at once remove or cover up all rally identification markings, rally plates, and competition numbers on his car. He shall notify his retirement immediately to Rally Headquarters.

### **ARTICLE 11 - SERVICE AND REPAIRS**

- 1 (A) Servicing of a competition car may only be carried out in specific areas designated by the organisers (Service Areas) and from vehicles bearing an official plate supplied by the organisers of the event. The official plate will include the competitor's competition number and must be affixed to the front of the service vehicle throughout the event.  
(B) Official Service Areas where servicing is permitted will be identified in the event Road Book.

- (C) Competitors must only refuel in the official service area(s), at a pre-designated official re-fuelling zone if designated in the event road book and/or at a commercial fuel station en-route.

All appropriate regulations pertaining to Service and Repairs are contained in Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017

## **SECTION V - RUNNING OF THE EVENT**

### **ARTICLE 12 - RALLY ROUTE AND TIMING**

1. Each competitor will be provided with a Road Book. This road book will detail the route to be followed during the event, the time schedule planned by the organisers, the location and order of controls, special stages, re-grouping areas, service areas, and Parc Fermes. It will also include the length of each section and the Target Time allowed to complete the said section. It will include as well all other relevant information pertaining to the running of the event as is necessary to the competitor. All distances in the Road Book will be in Kilometres and shall be deemed to be correct.
2. The entire route will be contained on the O.S. Map, 1: 50.000 series, - Sheets No. 2, 3, 6.
3. Time cards will be issued to Competitors during the event. Competitors will be responsible for handing in each Time Card and recording their times at the last Control shown on that Card, collecting a new card at the same place or otherwise as directed, if necessary.

All additional information / regulations pertaining to Rally Route and Timing are contained in Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017

### **ARTICLE 13 - CONTROLS, GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

All additional information / regulations pertaining to Controls / Warning signs are contained in Appendix 26 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017

### **ARTICLE 14 - REGROUPING CONTROLS, REST HALTS**

1. Regrouping controls may be set up along the route. Their entry and exit controls shall be subject to the general rules governing the control posts. The purpose of these regroupings will be to reduce the intervals, which may occur between crews as a result of late arrivals and/or retirements. Thus, the starting time from the regrouping control and not its duration must be taken into account.
2. On their arrival at these regrouping controls, the crews will hand the official their time card and possibly the sheets for the special stages covered. They will receive instructions on their starting time. They then must drive their car immediately and directly to the Parc Ferme. The starting order shall be that of the arrival.

### **ARTICLE 15 - SPECIAL STAGES**

1. Special Stages will be timed to 1/10<sup>th</sup> second from a standing start to a flying finish on roads closed to the public.
2. In addition to, or in the absence of instructions in the road book, the organisers may erect direction signs. Such direction signs as indicate the route of a special stage will be mandatory and non-compliance will be penalised with Exclusion, Otherwise such signs will be advisory only.  
Other signals given to competitors will be in accordance with Appendix H of the International Sporting Code. During darkness, flags may be replaced by light signals of an appropriate colour or flags may be illuminated.  
All additional regulations pertaining to Special Stages are contained in Appendices 25 & 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017

## **ARTICLE 16 - PARC FERME**

1. The cars shall be subject to the "Parc Ferme" rules: -
  - (a) Following completion of scrutiny, from the moment they enter the starting area, a regrouping zone or an end of leg, until they leave one of these (Art. 14.2).
  - (b) From the moment they enter a control area until they leave it (Art. 12; 13; 15).
  - (c) Competing cars must remain in Parc Ferme at the conclusion of the event for a period of 30 minutes after their recorded time at Parc Ferme In control.
2. While the vehicles are subject to the "Parc Ferme" rules, any repairs or refuelling is strictly forbidden, under pain of exclusion.
  - (a) However, if the Scrutineers note that a vehicle seems to be in a condition which is not compatible with normal road use, they must immediately inform the Clerk of the Course thereof who may request that the car be repaired.
    - (b) The minutes used for such repairs shall be considered as the same number of minutes lateness registered on a road section.

They will therefore be taken into consideration for the calculation of the exclusion. After repairs have been carried out, the crew shall possibly be given a new starting time.
    - (c) In no case may the time used for the repairs exceed the allowed time before a car is penalised by exclusion. If this time is exceeded exclusion shall be announced.
3. By way of exception and under the supervision of the competent Marshal the crew may, while in the Parc Ferme, at the start, regrouping zone or end of leg.
  - (a) change a punctured or damaged tyre using the equipment on board;
  - (b) have a new windscreen fitted with the possibility of having outside help.

These repairs must be completed before the starting time; otherwise a penalty shall be imposed for late arrival at time control.
4. As soon as they have parked their car in the Parc Ferme, the drivers will leave the Parc Ferme and no member of the crew will be allowed to re-enter it.
5. To leave a Parc Ferme for the start, regrouping halt or end of leg (Art. 16.1a) the crew shall be allowed to enter the Parc Ferme 10 minutes before its starting time.
6. If a crew is unable to present its car with the engine running at the exit of the starting areas, regrouping points or end of leg, a thirty second penalty shall be imposed. This penalty shall not count towards exclusion.
7. Any infringements of the Parc Ferme regulations shall result in exclusion from the event.

## **SECTION VI - SCRUTINEERING – PENALTIES**

### **ARTICLE 17 - SCRUTINEERING AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

1.
  - (a) Any team taking part in the rally must arrive at Scrutineering with its full crew and car at the time notified to them
  - (b) Competitors arriving late for Scrutineering will be penalised as follows except in the case of Force Majeure duly recognised by the Stewards of the Meeting: -
    - (1) Up to 30mins later than scheduled time as notified in Article 7.2b  
€50.00
    - (2) Over 30mins later than scheduled time as notified in Article 7.2b Deemed to be a non-starter.

Full Scrutineering Requirements can be found in Appendix 2 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017.

Additional Car / Scrutiny Requirements can be found in Appendix 29/29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017.

### **ARTICLE 18 - FINAL CONTROL**

1. After the finish, all cars must be driven to Parc Ferme, where a check will take place to find out if the car is the same as that presented at scrutineering as provided for in Article 10. All cars will be held in Parc Ferme at the conclusion of the event until 30 minutes after the recorded time of the competitor at the parc ferme in control, extended if necessary in the event of official delay.



The Jim Kennedy Perpetual Cup	First Overall (Driver)
The Thomas Maguire Award	First Overall (Navigator)
Declan Gannon Award	Highest Placed Donegal Motor Club Crew (International Event)
Lottie Reid Award	Highest Placed Donegal Motor Club Crew (National Event)
Spirit of the Rally Award	

Additional Awards at Organisers discretion.

5. Award winners in the General Classification will not be eligible for class awards. Class awards will be given to next in class.
6. For the Ladies Award both members of the crew must be Female.

## ARTICLE 21 – RECONNAISSANCE

1. (a). The use of "pace notes" is permitted and reconnaissance on special stages is allowed.
- (b). Reconnaissance may only be carried out between 09.00hrs and 18.00hrs on the following dates: - 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017, and between 09:00hrs and 15:00hrs on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017, competitors may use any 3 days.
2. Before commencing reconnaissance, competitors must register with the Organisers.
  - (a). **Competitors must sign on at the start of each day. (08.30 to 11.00) at rally headquarters.**
  - (b). Competitors must declare the make, model and registration number of the car that they will be using for reconnaissance. All recce cars must comply with App 29, Article 4.3.
  - (c). Entrant Decals supplied by the organisers, must be displayed clearly on the windscreen of the car during the reconnaissance period. These plates must be returned to the Secretary before 09.30am on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Fine of €65.00 for non-return.
  - (d). Any competitor found on a special stage without having registered as above, or in breach of these registration regulations, will not be permitted to start the rally.

Full Reconnaissance Requirements and penalties are available in Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017

## ARTICLE 22 - RIGHTS OF ORGANISERS

1. The organisers may at their discretion: -
  - (a). Refuse any entry without giving a reason.
  - (b). Offer an applicant whose entry is refused, a reserve entry.
  - (c). Refund any entry fee, or excuse a competitor payment of an entry fee in circumstances other than those defined in Article 7.5.
  - (d). Abandon, cancel, or postpone the competition in the case of unforeseen circumstances.
  - (e). Delete or amend any part of the route, competition, or time requirements in the case of unforeseen circumstances.
  - (f). Distribute the awards at their discretion, if through unforeseen circumstances the competition is stopped before its scheduled completion.
  - (g). Reduce the number of awards in any class.
  - (h). Exclude any person or car appearing on examination to be ineligible for the competition or the class therein, to which the entry refers.
  - (i). Before the start of the competition offer the entrant of any person or car liable to exclusion under Paragraph (h) above the option to transfer to the appropriate class.
  - (j). Publish an instruction, which will have the force of these regulations. Such instructions will be displayed on the official notice board or at a control and will be signed by the Clerk of the Course or his deputies.
  - (k). Exclude a competitor from the rally and refuse his application for entry for the following 3 years for contravention of Article 21.
  - (m). Appoint Judges of Fact to determine whether or not the requirements of these regulations have been complied with. In particular, these judges will be empowered to determine whether a competitor has followed the correct route, and /or travelled at an excessive speed, and or

caused an excessive noise and /or obeyed instructions concerning servicing and service areas. Appendix 29 Art 3.3 & Art 11 Motorsport Ireland 2017 Yearbook

- (n) The promoters decline liability in any accident caused to or by a competitor or competitors. The promoters also decline any liability for breach of laws, regulations, ordinances or cases in force, the consequences of which are the entire responsibility of the competitors.

## **ARTICLE 23 - COMPETITORS' LIAISON OFFICER: Michael Chance**

- 1 The function of a CLO is to liaise with competitors and play the role of mediator at all times.
- 2 This post is entrusted to an official who has a knowledge of the regulations and the GCR's, and the CLO may be invited to attend meetings of the panel of the Stewards in order to keep informed of all decisions taken.
- 3 He/she must be easily identifiable to the competitors. To this end it is advisable that he/she be introduced to the competitors at competitor's safety briefing.
- 4 The Competitor Liaison Officer shall refrain from saying anything or taking any action which may give rise to a protest.

## **SECTION VIII. RALLY 2**

### **ARTICLE 24 Restart after Retirement**

#### **24.1: General**

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

#### **RE-START AFTER RETIRING ON LEG 1:**

**24.1.2.1** A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control SS3, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 3 stages, or Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Saturday morning).

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 3, 4, 5 or 6, or the following road sections, may only restart from Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Saturday morning).

If they are unable to re-start at Service Out Control after 3 stages, they must have their car in Parc Ferme not later than 22.30 hours on Friday night. They may then restart, subject to passing scrutiny, on Leg 2 at Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Saturday morning) if they are to continue to be classified in overall results.

Notwithstanding the above, a crew retiring from the rally during Leg 1 is entitled to not attempt any of the stages during Leg 2. They must have their car in Parc Ferme not later than 22.30 hours on Saturday night. They may then restart, subject to passing scrutiny, on Leg 3 at Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning) if they are to continue to be classified in overall results. They must also comply with the requirements of Article 24.3.1.

#### **RESTART AFTER RETIRING ON LEG 2:**

**24.1.2.2** A crew retiring from the rally between Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Saturday morning) and Arrival Control SS8 may re-start the rally from Service Out Control after 8 stages, or Service Out Control after 10 stages, or Service Out Control after 12 stages, or Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning).

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 8 or 9, or the following road sections, may restart from Service Out Control after 10 stages, or Service Out Control after 12 stages, or Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning).

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 10 or 11, or the following road sections, may restart from Service Out Control after 12 stages, or Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning). Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 12, 13 or 14, or the following road sections, may only restart from Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning).

If they are unable to re-start at Service Out Controls after 8, 10 or 12 stages, they must have their car in Parc Ferme not later than 22.30 hours on Saturday night. They may then restart, subject to passing scrutiny, on Leg 3 at Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning) if they are to continue to be classified in overall results.

### **RESTART AFTER RETIRING ON LEG 3:**

**24.1.2.3** A crew retiring from the rally between Overnight Parc Ferme Out Control (Sunday morning) and Arrival Control SS17 may only re-start the rally from Service Out Control after 17 stages.

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Stage 17, 18, 19 or 20.

The above re-start procedure on Legs 2 and 3 will also be made available as appropriate to the Historic and Junior Classes with the following relevant sections applying to all classes throughout the event.

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.

**24.1.3** 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.

**24.1.4** 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.

**24.1.5** 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.

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

### **24.2 Penalties:**

**24.2.1** Penalties will be applied as per Article 13.5, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 **(as published on MI Website)**

### **24.3 Award Eligibility:**

**24.3.1** In order to be classified as a finisher the crew must complete a minimum of 10 special stages (or 50% of the total number of stages for Historic and Junior Classes), which must include the final loop of stages and the finish control.

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

# THE DONEGAL NATIONAL RALLY 2017

## Organisation

The Donegal National Rally is promoted and organised by the Donegal Motor Club Ltd. (Hereinafter called the Promoters). It will take place from the 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017 over a route of approximately 700km containing 20 special stages, comprising 300km approximately. These Regulations have been submitted to and approved by Motorsport Ireland. Motorsport Ireland Permit No. **17/083** has been issued for the holding of the event. There will be no Sunday Run on this event. (However there will be a restart procedure – Rally 2)

**Officials:** As stated in the Donegal International Rally 2017 Regulations.

**Headquarters:** The Mount Errigal Hotel Letterkenny.

**Timetable:** As stated in the Donegal International Rally 2017 Regulations.

## Classes

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

**Class 22** Homologated cars – for drivers with National A or National B licence as appropriate. WRC cars are not eligible for this class.

## Notes on Classes:

See Appendix 29/29.1 Classes / Notes / Clarifications of the Motorsport Ireland 2017 Yearbook.

## Awards

- (a) As stated in Article 20 of the Donegal International Rally 2017 regulations
- (b) If the number of cars entered in the same cubic capacity class is less than five (5), the Organisers reserve the right to reduce the number of awards for that class.

## Supplementary Regulations

### Article 1

1. The competition will be held under the International Sporting Code of the FIA, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland and these Supplementary Regulations including Appendix 25 (Rally Code) and Appendix 29/29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland 2017 Yearbook. Copies of the General Competition Rules may be obtained from Motorsport Ireland, 34 Dawson Street, Dublin 2.
2. The event is a qualifying round of the:
  - (a) Irish Tarmac Rally Championship Modified Challenge
  - (b) Donegal Commercials Donegal Motor Club Championship..

### Article 2 Entries

- 1 Entry Fee is €1000 **plus €375 insurance levy**. Entry Forms, Entries and Insurance are as stated in Article 6 and 7 of the Donegal International Rally 2017 Regulations.

### Article 3 Reconnaissance

- 1 Reconnaissance regulations and penalties are as stated in Article 21 of the Donegal International Rally 2017 Regulations.

### Article 4 Penalties

- 1 Penalties for the event will be applied in accordance with penalties stated for the Donegal International Rally 2017.



# THE DONEGAL NATIONAL HISTORIC RALLY 2017

## Organisation:

The organisers and Promoters of the Donegal National Historic are Donegal Motor Club Ltd. The Rally will take place from 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

The Regulations for the Donegal International Rally apply to the Donegal National Historic Rally except as varied below.

The event is a qualifying round of the IRISH TARMAC HISTORIC RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP.

## Article 1 – DESCRIPTION AND SCHEDULE

1. The total length of the Donegal National Historic Rally is approx. 527km which includes stage distance of 214km approx. and is divided into 2 legs. The Schedule is as follows: -

17.00 - 19.00	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Scrutiny at McGinley Motors, Letterkenny.
19.00 – 19.30	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Competitor Safety Briefing, Mount Errigal Hotel
09.30	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Start from LYIT, Port Road
10.40 -	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Re-start from LYIT, Port Road.
17.00 -	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Rally finish at Mount Errigal Hotel.

## Article 2 - ELIGIBLE VEHICLES

**Cars must comply with the requirements of Appendix 29/29.1 of MI Yearbook 2017 (Articles 17-19).**

All cars in Categories 1,2,3 & 4 must have an HRVIF or HTP which must be produced at scrutiny.

CATEGORY 1: HISTORIC CARS - Vehicles first registered prior to 31.12.1967.

Class B1:	Up to 1000cc
Class B2:	1001cc up to 1300cc
Class B3:	1301cc up to 1600cc
Class B4:	1601cc up to 2000cc excluding all Porsche 911/2
Class B5:	Over 2000cc including all Porsche 911 and 912

CATEGORY 2: POST HISTORIC CARS - Vehicles first registered from 1.1.1968 to 31.12.1974.

Class C1:	Up to 1300cc
Class C2:	1301cc up to 1600cc
Class C3:	1601cc up to 2000cc
Class C4:	Over 2000cc
Class C5:	All cars having engines with both more than one camshaft and more than 2 valves per cylinder and all cars with rotary engines.

CATEGORY 3: CLASSIC RALLY CARS - Vehicles first registered from 1.1.1975 to 31.12.1981.

Class D1:	Up to 1300cc
Class D2:	1301cc up to 1600cc
Class D3:	1601cc up to 2000cc
Class D4:	Over 2000cc
Class D5:	All cars having engines with more than one camshaft and more than 2 valves per cylinder and all cars with rotary engines.

CATEGORY 4 – HISTORIC RALLY CARS. Vehicles first registered from 1.1.1982 to 31.12.1985.

Class E1 –	up to 1300cc
Class E2 –	1301cc to 1600cc
Class E3 –	1601cc to 2000cc
Class E4 –	over 2001cc

Includes cars registered and homologated in Groups A,N and B between 1.1.82 and 31.12.85 excluding any cars that were regulated out from rallies by the FIA in period, for safety reasons. Cars in Category 4 must comply with their Homologation forms and appendix J of the 1985 FIA Yellow book. Cars homologated in Group B with an effective engine capacity exceeding 1600cc must have

been issued with a valid FIA Historic Technical Passport (HTP), be in compliance with this document and the current FIA Appendix K at all times.

#### CATEGORY 5 - All FIA Approved. Appendix K CARS

Vehicles to run to current F.I.A. Regulations.

Vehicles that comply AND RUN with the current FIA App. K Regulations and must be in possession of a valid FIA Historic Technical Passport. (HTP).

All vehicles in this category are to be in compliance with their HTP but will be required to be equipped with FIA homologated seats and fire extinguisher equipment as required by MI/MSA regulations and the particular event. (May be sub-divided if sufficient entries are received)

#### **Article 3 - Entry Form, Entries and Insurance**

- 1 Entry Fee is €652 **plus €188 insurance levy.** Entry Forms, Entries and Insurance are as stated in Article 6 and 7 of the Donegal International Rally 2017 Regulations.
- 2 The number of entries will be limited up to 20, subject to a total overall international and national event entry maximum of 151. If less than 10 entries are received the Organisers reserve the right to cancel the event.

#### **Article 4 - Scrutineering**

1. Scrutineering will take place at McGinley Motors, Letterkenny, between 17.00hrs - 19.00hrs on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017. **Documentation at Mount Errigal Hotel.**

See Article 17 of the Donegal International Regulations

#### **Article 5 - Trophies and Awards.**

Only cars in Cat 1 and the FIA App K will compete for the Overall Awards in addition to their Class Awards.

Category 2, 3 & 4 will compete for Class Awards only.

To the outright winners, second and third in general classification, a souvenir award to driver and co-driver.

To the crew finishing first, second and third in each class, a souvenir award to driver and co-driver. (Provided 3, 5 or 8 starters respectively)

**Special Award:** Basil Carr Award (1st overall driver)

# REGULATIONS FOR THE 2017 JUNIOR DONEGAL RALLY.

## Organisation:

The Junior Donegal Rally will take place on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2017. The regulations of the Donegal International Rally apply to the Junior Rally as varied below. These regulations have been submitted to and approved by Motorsport Ireland.

## ARTICLE 1 - Description and Schedule

- 1 The total distance of the Donegal Junior Rally is 251km with a stage distance of 93km approx, of the 2017 Donegal International Rally.
- 2 The provisional Schedule is as follows:
  - (a) **Recce:** Any one of the recce days specified for the Donegal International Rally.
  - (b) **Scrutiny:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017 17.00hrs-19.00hrs, McGinley Motors, Letterkenny.
  - (c) **Documentation:** Mount Errigal Hotel. 17.00 – 19.00 hrs
  - (d) **Briefing** Competitor Safety Briefing 19.00 hrs Mount Errigal Hotel.
  - (d) **Start:** Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017 from Parc Ferme at LYIT, Port Road.  
Competitors will compete on all Sunday stages.  
Competitors will be advised of start time.

## ARTICLE 2 - Eligible Vehicles

The following vehicles are eligible to take part in the Donegal Rally (including Super 1600 and Kit-Car variant 1600)

Class J1: Cars up to 1450cc, 2 wheel drive, normally aspirated

Class J2: Cars 1451cc to 1650cc, 2 wheel drive, normally aspirated.

## ARTICLE 3 - ELIGIBLE COMPETITORS

Any person holding an MI/MSA National B or higher graded Licence valid for 2017 provided that the Driver is under 26 years of age on 1st January 2017.

## ARTICLE 4 - Entry form and Entries

- 1 Entry Fee is €377 **plus €188 insurance levy**. Entry Forms, Entries and Insurance are as stated in Article 6 and 7 of the Donegal International Rally 2017 Regulations.
2. The number of entries will be limited up to 20, subject to a total overall international, national and historic event entry maximum of 151.  
If less than 10 entries are received the Organisers reserve the right to cancel the event.

## ARTICLE 5 — Trophies & Awards

### General Classification

1st Overall Crew	2 Trophies
2nd Overall Crew	2 Trophies
3rd Overall Crew	2 Trophies

### Classification by Class

1st in Class	2 Trophies
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Crews who finish first, second and third overall are not eligible for class awards.