

QATAR
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BAJA

**QATAR BAJA
CHAMPIONSHIP**

REGULATIONS FOR CARS 2017



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GENERAL CONDITIONS

Art.1 – DEFINITION & REGULATIONS

Qatar Motor And Motorcycle Federation (QMMF) organises the **2017 Qatar Baja Championship**.

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The following awards are included:
Championship Trophy T1 Driver
Championship Trophy T2 Driver
Championship Trophy T3/ATV Driver

1.1 - Every round will be held in accordance with the National Sporting Code (and its appendices), the 2017 FIA Cross Country Rallies General Prescriptions and its appendices, the FIA International Sporting Code and its appendices, & supplementary regulations specific to the 2017 Qatar Baja.

The Championship will be made up of the five days of Sealine Cross Country Rally, with each day counted as an individual round, plus three further rounds.

1.2 - The Championship is organised in accordance with the provisions of the National Sporting Code, International Sporting Code and its appendices, as amended or completed, with the General Prescriptions applicable to the Championship, with these Sporting Regulations, with the Technical Regulations applicable to the eligible vehicles, and with the Supplementary Regulations of the Event concerned.

1.3 - Regulations

The official language of the 2017 Qatar Baja Championship is English. The English version will be used should any dispute arise as to their interpretation.

1.4- General undertaking

All drivers/ competitors participating in the Qatar Baja 2017 undertake, on behalf of themselves, their employees, agents and team members to observe all the provisions, as supplemented or amended, of the National Sporting Code, FIA International Sporting Code, and the present Championship Regulations.

1.5 - Modifications to the regulations- Appendices.

The Organiser with the approval of the Stewards reserves the right to modify the provisions that are contained in these Regulations depending on circumstances and any cases that might arise. The participants will be informed as soon as possible.

Information about any modifications that might be made or supplementary provisions that might be added will be given by **bulletin**. These will be written on **yellow paper** of dated and numbered appendices and will form an essential part of these Regulations.

1.6 – Application and interpretation of the regulations.

In compliance with the National Sporting Code, the FIA Cross-Country Rallies General Prescriptions, and FIA International Sporting Code, the Clerk of the Course is the



person who is responsible for applying these Regulations and their provisions throughout the course of the event. However, the Stewards must be informed about any major decision that is taken when applying the general or specific event regulations.

Any disloyal, incorrect or fraudulent acts committed by the participants or their team members will be judged by the Stewards, who will apply the National Sporting Code.

If, in the opinion of the QMMF, a competitor fails to operate his team in a manner compatible with the standards of the Qatar Baja 2017 or in any way brings the Qatar Baja 2017 into disrepute, such a competitor will be brought before the QMMF board members.

Art. 2 – ORGANISATION

2.1 - Secretariat of the event.

The Secretary of the Event can be located at the address shown below:

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Art. 3 – INSURANCE

The company providing the third party liability insurance cover is:

Doha Insurance Company. PO Box 7171- Doha- State of Qatar.

All competitors, their personnel, guests, etc. must be covered by third party insurance.

Third party insurance arranged by QMMF shall be in addition and without prejudice to any personal insurance policy held by a competitor or any other participant in the event.

Drivers taking part in the 2017 Qatar National Baja are not third parties with respect to one another.

Art. 4 – OFFICIALS

4.1 - Organising committee

Chairman of the Meeting
Members

Abdulrahman Al-MANNai
Sulman Al-Khater
Khalid Al-Remaihi
Saif Al-Kuwari
Sultan Zaher Al-Muraiki
Rashid Al-Sulaiti



4.2 – Stewards of the Meeting

Chairman of the Panel

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Authority of the stewards of the meeting: QMMF National Sporting Code, Chapter VIII - **Art. 85:**

Duties of the Clerk of the Course: QMMF National Sporting Code, Chapter VIII - **Art. 86:**

Art. 5 – LICENCES

5 - All drivers/ competitors participating in the Qatar Baja 2017 must hold a current **valid ASN FIA licence grade R.**

Art.6 – COMPETITOR'S APPLICATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR ENTRY

6.1 – Registration

The individual application form and fees to enter in the Sealine Cross Country Rally entitles drivers with GCC nationality to participate in Qatar Baja Championship 2017.

Championship fees	Individual Round
As per Sealine Cross Country Entry fee	1000QR Driver

6.2 - The Organiser reserves the right to reject the registration of any participant (National Sporting Code).

Art. 7– THE EVENTS

7.1 - Each Qatar Baja 2017 event will have the status of a restricted national event.

7.2 - The maximum number of events in the Championship is set at **eight (8)**. 1-5 will take place within the Sealine Cross Country Rally. Each leg constitutes one round.

7.3 – Each event of the rally will count towards:

- Qatar Baja Championship for Drivers- Groups T1, T2, & T3/ATV

7.4 - Eligible vehicles:

7.4.1- Groups:

Group T1: Prototypes Cross-Country Vehicles, (FIA 2017 Appendix “J” of the FIA, Art.285.)



Class: T1

Group T2: Series Production Cross-Country vehicles, (FIA 2017 Appendix "J" of the FIA, Art. 284.)

Class: T2

Group T3: Improved Cross-Country Vehicles –

Classes: T3: MODIFIED CORSS-COUNTRY VEHICLES - LIGHTWEIGHT

Group T3.1: Lightweight vehicles of over 1,050 cc fitted with an engine that can be homologated in Group N or T2;

Group T3.2: Lightweight vehicles less than 1,050 cc with an atmospheric petrol engine.

Group T3.3: Lightweight vehicles over 1,050 cc equipped a motorcycle engine or an engine derived from a motorcycle. These engines must strictly be without modifications.

Group T3 « Open » : Lightweight vehicles less than 1,000 cc with a turbo petrol engine. These vehicles will respect the T3.3 regulations.

7.4.2 - Vehicles entered in a group with less than 5 entrants will be competing only for the general overall classification.

7.5 – Eligible Entrants:

Drivers and co-drivers holding ASN FIA competition licences.

'B' seeded drivers are eligible to complete in Qatar Baja Championship 2017

'A' seeded drivers are only permitted to enter as per the approval of the organiser.

7.6- The organiser has the right to cancel a round if less than 7 vehicles have been entered.

Art. 8 – THE CHAMPIONSHIP

8.1 – Qatar Baja 2017 Winning Driver – Points

The Qatar Baja 2017 Champion Driver's title and Co-driver's title will be awarded to the driver and co-driver who have scored the highest number of points, taking into consideration all the results obtained during the Events which have taken place.

8.2 – Classification

In each Event, a number of points will be awarded to the drivers according to their positions in the group classification.

In each Event, a number of points will be awarded to the co-drivers according to their positions in the group classification. No points scored in the driver's championship can be transferred to the co-driver's championship and vice-versa.

For drivers and co-drivers in the Qatar Baja Championship points awarded will be to the following FIA scale for Group classification:

1 st :	25 points
2 nd :	18 points
3 rd :	15 points
4 th :	12 points
5 th :	10 points
6 th :	8 points
7 th :	6 points



8th: 4 points
9th: 2 points
10th: 1 point



8.3 - An additional 5 points will be awarded to all drivers who take the start at each event of the championship.



8.4 - All results will be taken into consideration for the final classification. The winner will be the Driver or the Co-driver having obtained the highest number of points.

8.5 - If two or more drivers finish the Qatar Baja 2017 with the same number of points, the highest place in this Championship shall be awarded to:

a) the holder of the greatest number of first places,

b) if the number of first places is the same, the holder of the greatest number of second places,

c) if the number of second places is the same, the holder of the greatest number of third places, and so on until a winner emerges,

8.6 – Minimum Participation Requirements

Drivers must participate in 3 rounds including the final Round 8 to be eligible for classification in the championship. Sealine Cross Country Rally is considered as 1 round with 5 events.

If the driver does not take part in the required minimum number of events and the final round, they will be withdrawn from the final classification of the Championship concerned. In that case, the points will not be redistributed to those still in the Championship.

Art. 9 – ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

9.1 – Administrative controls

9.1.1- Administrative controls for Round 1 will be as per the Supplementary Regulations for Sealine Cross Country Rally.

9.1.2- For rounds 6, 7 & 8 administration will take place at QMMF Main building, Losail Circuit

9.2 - All documents, materials and number panels will be distributed during Administrative Checks.

9.3 - The following items will be checked at Administrative Checks:

- Drivers' and Co-drivers' competition and driving licences.
- Car documents and registration papers
- Permission and/or Power of Attorney from the owner to use his/her vehicle in the case he/she is not a crewmember.
- Insurance cover towards the third parties (Green Card)
- Correctness and completion of all information given on the entry form.

Art. 10 – SCRUTINEERING

10.1.1 – Scrutineering, sealing, and marking for Rounds 1 to 5 will take place as per the Supplementary Regulations for Sealine Cross Country Rally.



10.1.2 – Scrutineering, sealing, and marking for rounds 6, 7, & 8 will take place at QMMF, Losail Circuit as per the programme.

A penalty of 1000 QR will be charged for late scrutineering.

Late scrutineering times will be communicated by means of a bulletin.

10.2 – Scrutineering

Vehicles admitted:

Competitors must ensure that their cars comply with the conditions of eligibility and safety throughout practice and the race in accordance with the FIA Cross Country Regulations.

All participants must submit the homologation documents to the scrutineers.

Scrutineers have the right to:

- a) Check the eligibility of a car or of a competitor at any time during the event.
- b) Require a competitor to supply them with such parts or samples as they may deem necessary.

10.3 - No car may take part in the event until it has been passed by the scrutineers.

10.4 – All entered vehicles must be visually examined in the designated scrutineering area at the time stated on the scrutineering card.

10.5 – Competitors must report for scrutineering with their vehicles clean and complete in all respects and in conformity with all technical and safety regulations (FIA appendix J).

10.6 – Competitors must report for scrutineering with ALL driver's and co-driver's safety equipment and helmets.

10.7 - DRIVER & CO-DRIVER SAFETY EQUIPMENT

1. **Helmet:** Must meet FIA approved standards for helmets. FIA Technical list No. 25.
2. **Racing suit:** Must meet FIA approved standard 8856-2000 for homologated racing suits & boots. FIA Technical list No. 27 (section 1).
3. **Undergarments:** Must meet FIA approved standards 8856-2000. FIA Technical list No. 27 (section 2).
4. **Gloves:** Must meet FIA approved standard 8856-2000. FIA Technical list No. 27 (section 3). (Optional for co-drivers.)
5. **Hans Device:** Must meet FIA approved standard 8858-2002. FIA Technical list No. 29

PLEASE NOTE: In accordance with Appendix L, Chapter III, Article 2, the wearing of long underwear homologated to the FIA 8856-2000 standard on special stages is MANDATORY for all drivers and co-drivers.

Infringements are subject to the penalty of refusal to take the start.

10.8 - Helmets and Hans devices meeting requirements will be issued with an identification sticker. These stickers MUST NOT be removed or covered.



Art. 11- COMPULSORY IDENTIFICATION & ADVERTISING

11.1 - General

11.1.1 The organiser will provide each crew with the number identification, which must be affixed to their car in the positions stated prior to scrutineering.

11.1.2 Any advertising within this identification is obligatory and may not be refused by the competitors.

No modifications are allowed to these panels.

Art. 12 – PRIZES

12.1- Race prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 placed overall drivers and top 3 placed drivers in each group for each round. There must be a minimum of 5 participants in a group for group trophies to be awarded.

12.2 - Championship Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 placed overall drivers and top 3 placed drivers in each group. There must be a minimum of 5 participants in a group for group trophies to be awarded.

Art. 13 – PROTEST & APPEAL

- a) Each protest must refer to a single subject only and must be presented in writing to the Clerk of the Course within 30 minutes after the publication of the provisional classification of results.
- b) The sum of the protest fee is **5000 QR**, which shall not be returned if the protest is judged unfounded.
- c) The sum of the National appeal fee (ASN) is **8000 QR**

Art. 14 – PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEO CAMERAS

QMMF has the right to use and license the use of video footage, photographs, images and representations of the vehicles and competitors entering in the 2017 Qatar National Baja for the purposes of producing merchandise, exploiting and/ or promoting the championship.

Furthermore, QMMF has the right to place and use on-board cameras on any vehicle entering any round of the championship. This is obligatory if requested.

Art. 15 – ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

Teams/ competitors must undertake to have a minimal impact on the environment of Qatar. It is the responsibility of each team to ensure that the area of the service park and/ or refuelling area used is kept free of trash, oil/ fuel spills are dealt with, and on leaving the service park their area is clean and free of trash. Any competitors found



not to be in compliance with this may be fined up to the maximum stated in the National Sporting Code.