

2020 QATAR NATIONAL BAJA MOTO / Round 2

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1. Stewards of the Meeting

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3. Programme

Date	Time	Event	Location
Thu, 03/12	17.00h	Closing date for entries with reduced fees	
Tue, 08/12	17.00h	Navigation theoretical training (Step 1)	
Wed, 09/12	08.00/18.00h	Install assistance of navigation kits (1)	Rally Office
	13.00h	Closing date for entries with normal fees	
	15.00h	Publication of the entry list	
	17.00h	Navigation theoretical training (Step 2) Navigation Equipment and Rider Training	
	From 19.00h	Administrative checks (1)	
Thu, 10/12	08.00/18.00h	Install assistance of navigation kits (1)	
	14.00h	Navigation practical training (Step 1)	tba
	From 18.00h	Scrutineering (1)	Rally office
Fri, 11/12	08.00h	Navigation practical training (Step 2)	tba
	18.00h	Publication of the start list Briefing	Rally Office
Sat, 12/12	07.00 / 07.30h	Vehicles enter pre-start holding area	tba
	08.00h	Start of the Baja	
	(2)	Post-event scrutineering	
	12.30h	Publication of provisional classification	
	13.00h	Prize Giving	

(1) Detailed schedule to be published by means of a CoC Communication

(2) Immediately after the arrival of the first vehicles

4. Administrative checks and scrutineering

For each competitor, the attendance will be limited to one person at administrative checks and two persons at scrutineering.

Only vehicles with all rally plates, competition numbers and advertising plates already fitted will be allowed to enter the scrutineering area.

Any delay on the presentation at the time controls installed immediately before administrative checks and before scrutineering will result in the following penalties:

from 1 to 15 minutes	200 QAR
from 16 to 30 minutes	400 QAR
> 30 minutes	Start may be denied

5. Briefing

The presence at the briefing (see programme) is compulsory for all riders. Any rider not present at the pre-event briefing will incur a penalty of 400 QAR.

A maximum of two persons per entered motorcycle may attend the briefing.

6. Service

A service park will be set close to the start/finish area.

Service is permitted only at the service park.

Access to the service park is limited to the rider and a maximum of two team members with appropriate identification.

The movement of service/assistance vehicles is forbidden along the route of the Baja. For any infringement of this rule a penalty of up to and including disqualification from the event may be imposed by the Stewards on the competitor for whom the transgressors are servicing.

7. Holding area

Motorcycles must check in at the start holding area where any kind of service or refuelling is forbidden.

Access to the holding area is limited to team members with appropriate identification.

Any delay on the presentation at the time control installed at the entrance of the holding area will result in the following penalties:

from 1 to 15 minutes	200 QAR
from 16 to 30 minutes	400 QAR
> 30 minutes	Start may be denied

8. Event format

8.1 The itinerary of the baja, defined by a precise road book, is made of two consecutive laps over a 70 km route (140 km in total) including clear tracks and off piste sections.

The respect of the itinerary and particularly the passage by a certain number of waypoints will be controlled by STELLA equipment.

8.2 The following types of waypoints (see General Regulations) will be used:

- WPE (Eclipse Waypoint)
- WPS (Waypoint Safety)
- WPM (Masked Waypoint)

8.3 There will be no physical information on the terrain regarding any waypoint location.

8.4 The penalty for the non-validation of a waypoint is 15 minutes.

8.5 The maximum times allowed to complete the first lap and the entire selective section are as follows:

- 1st lap: 02h00
- Total stage: 03h30

8.6 Between the finish of the 1st lap and the start of the 2nd one there will be a neutralisation of 15 minutes exclusively dedicated to the refuelling of the motorcycle. During this period only actions directly involved in the refuelling of the motorcycle are permitted.

Solely for the purpose of assisting with the refuelling procedure of their motorcycle, two team members may access the refuelling area.

It is recommended that these team members wear goggles and homologated clothing, and it is mandatory to wear long clothes.

Engines must be switched off throughout the refuelling operation.

The use of mobile phones and radio communication is forbidden while in the refuelling zone.

The responsibility for refuelling (conformity and quantity) is on the competitor alone.

8.7 Service may be carried out at the service area immediately after the start of the 2nd lap. The time spent by a crew at the service area will not be deducted from his/her total stage time.

8.8 Timecards will not be used.

8.9 Speed control zone

The start / finish area of the selective section will be considered a 50 km/h speed control zone.

The start of the speed control zone will be indicated in the Road Book by a box marked "SZ" and by a waypoint. 90 metres before this waypoint, competitors will be informed by their NAVGPS that they are approaching a speed control zone. 90 metres after this waypoint, the tolerance zone, within which no penalty applies, ends.

The end of the speed control zone will be indicated in the Road Book by a box marked 'FZ' and by a waypoint. 90 metres before this waypoint the tolerance zone, within which no penalty applies, begins.

In the event of an infringement, the competitor will be penalised by the Clerk of the Course. The penalties will be as follows:

- Between 1 and 5 kph: 10 seconds x the number of pulses
- Between 6 and 15 kph: 1 minute x the number of pulses + a fixed amount of QR 200
- Between 16 and 40 kph: 2 minutes x the number of pulses + a fixed amount of QR 400
- Over 40 kph: 5 minutes + a fixed amount of QR 1,000

8.10 To be classified a competitor must

- validate at least 50% of the total number of waypoints + 1
- cross the finish line after lap 1 and lap 2 within the maximum times indicated
- enter the final parc fermé.

9. Navigation / Tracking / Safety equipment

A deposit of 1500 QR (one thousand five hundred) is required for the Navigation / Tracking/ Safety equipment, which is refundable at the end of the baja after the receipt of all equipment in good condition.

The Organizing Committee