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1. SERVICE PARK GENERAL PROCEDURES

- Speed limits within LCSC are 50km/h, within service park speed limit is strictly 30 km/h as per 2022 FIM Baja Word Cup Regulation Art. 82.16.2.
- Power will be available in service park.
- Environmental mats / ground protection must be used vehicles when in LCSC (Losail Circuit Sports Club) as per 2022 FIM Baja Word Cup Regulation Art. 82.8.2.3 and 82.16.2.
- Waste oil / fluids / disposal drums will be available close to every competitor's space, it is forbidden to dispose of any fluids by any other method.
- Only vehicles with **Service** sticker will have access to the Service Park. **Auxiliary** sticker vehicles maybe parked in the adjacent car park.
- A manned car wash will be positioned for competition vehicles close to LCSC petrol station.

2. SERVICING OF VEHICLES

- Service is permitted only at the service park (article 9.2 of SR Qatar International Baja)
- Vehicles are subject to Parc Fermé rules where no intervention is possible (even by the competitors):
 - at the pre-start area
 - at a neutralisation zone
 - at refuelling zone
 - at any control zone

3. REFUELLING

- Inside LCSC competitors may refuel only inside the designated refuelling area close to Service Park.
- Refuelling must be done before entering the overnight parc fermé as this will not be possible after exiting the parc fermé for the start of next section.
- On Friday, there will be 3 remote refuel zone, located in the same place. RZ2 before SS2 start, RZ3 in the kilometer 124,86 inside SS2 and RZ3 after the finish of SS2 .
- On Saturday, there will be 3 remote refuel zones. RZ6 before SS3 start, RZ7 at kilometer 75,23 of SS3 and RZ8 after the finish of SS3.

In order to prevent the assistance go to RZ6 since they go to that point they will not have time to arrive on time to RZ7, the competitors can refuel at the last gas station on the road section A.

This gas station is at km 62,24 of road section, meaning 30,88 km before TC3 & SS3 start. Considering that RZ7 refuelling zone is at kilometer 75,23 of SS3, the competitors will have enough fuel to arrive to RZ7 (30,88 + 75,23 = 106,11 km from gas station to RZ7)

Restrictions

- **At the refuelling zone (RZ0, RZ1, RZ5) close to the service park area and remote refuel zone (RZ2, RZ6) , only actions directly involved in the refuelling of the competing vehicle are permitted.**
- **At the remaining refuelling zones, all external assistance on a machine is forbidden on pain of penalties at the discretion of the Jury. Only competitors still in the competition are allowed to help other competitors.**
- **At all remote refuel zones the refuelling operation must be conducted by the competitors without external assistance.**

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4. **REMOTEREFUELLINGZONESLOCATION** A Service Book containing road books with the access from LCSC to each remote refuel zone has been distributed during Administrative Checks. The GPS coordinates of the different remote refuelling zones are as follows:

- RZ2 / RZ3 – N25 32.074' E51 01.152
- RZ5 – N25 11.285 E50 55.218
- RZ5A (for National Event vehicles only) – N24 55.817 E51 13.452
- RZ6 – N24 58.433 E51 16.331

5. RECONNAISSANCE OF THE QUALIFYING STAGE

- During administrative checks, each competitor has been given the possibility of choosing a slot of their convenience from 08.00 to 13.00h on Thursday to do one reconnaissance lap of the Qualifying Stage as a passenger of an organization vehicle driven by an organization marshal.
- The access route from the service park to the meeting point will be announced on Sportity by 07.00h on Thursday. The road book for the QS, in normal printed paper to taking notes, will be distributed at the meeting point. The road book roll will be distributed at TCO on Thursday.
- The recce vehicle will depart on schedule and will not stop along of the reconnaissance lap.
- Any competitor not on time for their allocated recce will be deemed as a non-participant in reconnaissance.

6. PRE-START AREA

- On Thursday, before the start of the competition element of the event, each vehicle must be driven to a pre-start area adjacent to the service park no later than 1 hour before its due start time for the Baja.
- No service is allowed in the pre-start area.

7. KM 0,00 OF ROAD SECTION A

- A sign **km 0,00** placed at the gate around 300 meters after the Parc Fermé TC OUT indicates the exact location of the next road section distances origin.
- The same way, the distances of the last road section of the day were measured until the gate that precedes TC1A / TC2A / TC3A.

8. QUALIFYING STAGE

- The official itinerary of the Qualifying Stage is that shown in the road book. To assist competitors, directions and features of the route may be indicated by means of arrows and/or tape.
- Should a competitor accidentally leave the route he must retrace his tracks and return to that point before continuing.
- Each diagram of the road book will correspond to a WPP (Precise Waypoint) with an opening radius of 100 meters and validation radius of 20 meters.
- The penalty for each missing waypoint is 2 minutes (Art 11.13.4 SR Qatar International Baja).

9. START INTERVALS

- Thursday
FIM vehicles will start one by one every 1 minute
National Event vehicles will start one by one every 1 minute
- Friday and Saturday
FIM – 10 first vehicles will start one by one every 2 minute; remaining vehicles will start one by one every 30 seconds.
National Event – all vehicles will start one by one every 30 seconds.

10. TIME CONTROLS

- The target check-in time is the responsibility of the competitors alone.
- The target check-in time is the time obtained by adding the allowed target time to the Selective Section start time or the previous TC time, these times being expressed to the minute.
- The check-in time shall correspond to the exact moment at which the competitor hands the Timecard to the appropriate marshal.
- The only time controls where competitors are authorized to check in ahead of time without incurring a penalty are those indicated in the Itinerary with an asterisk (example: TC1A*)

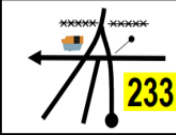




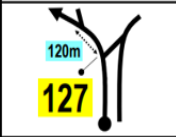



11. ROAD BOOK / ITINERARY

See articles 82.11 / 82.11.2

- It is authorised to carry in the vehicle only the official Roadbook and personal notes resulting from a previous passage (in whatever direction) in the current rally. For the application of this rule, the reconnaissance lap of the Qualifying Stage is considered as « a previous passage in the current rally».
- It is forbidden to carry any map (paper or digital) in the vehicle except for those supplied by the Organiser. No notes may be made on the maps.
- In a Selective Section, it is always forbidden to use a surfaced (asphalt, concrete) road other than those indicated in the Roadbook. If a competitor follows a surfaced road and re-joins the route of the Selective Section at a different point, it is deemed to have retired from the stage.
- For details on the different types of waypoints see Art. 80.11.2 of 2022 FIM Cross-country Rallies World Championship Regulations
- The competitor must pass through all waypoints in chronological (ascending) order and is not allowed to drive back to get a previously missed waypoint. If a competitor validates a waypoint before validating one or more previous ones, the missed waypoints will be automatically considered as non-validated.

- Each WPP number and its order of passage in relation to other waypoints will only be listed in the Roadbook's waypoint list.

To assist competitors, a red line between the two last columns of the roadbook will also identify the possible location of every WPP.

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| 76,95 | 0,26 (M) |  |  | |
| 78,81 | 1,86 |  |  | |
| 79,66 | 0,85 ↓ |  | | |
| 79,89 | 0,23 |  | |  |
| 80,68 | 0,79 (M) |  | |  |

- During a «hors-piste» (off-track) sector, every competitor may choose a different route and, consequently, may find dangerous situations not described in the road book.
- Bottles of water will be available from the timekeepers and/or marshals at the start and finish of the selective sections and at every passage control.

12. VIRTUAL PASSAGE CONTROLS

- Each Passage Control will be considered as a Virtual Passage Control (VPC).
- After validation of the waypoint, **the competitor must come to a full stop at the red control sign.**
- The marshal in post will count loud 1-2-3 and the vehicle may then continue without any entries in the timecard.
- Any infraction and particularly not stopping will be penalised for a missed Passage Control (15 minutes penalty)

13. SAFETY ZONES / SPEED CONTROL ZONES

See articles 82.19 of 2022 FIM Baja Word Cup Regulation

- There will be no physical signs for the waypoints 'DZ' and 'FZ'.
- One «Safety Zone» will be installed at each Passage Control
- There will be several «Speed Control Zones» (DZ/FZ) during the selective sections of the Baja.

Have a Safe Baja!

The Clerk of the Course