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1. SERVICE PARK GENERAL PROCEDURES

- Speed limit within LCSC (Losail Circuit Sports Club) premises is 50km/h, within service park speed limit is strictly 30 km/h as per 2022 FIA CCRSR Art. 51.3.
- Power will be available in service park.
- It is recommended to use environmental mats / ground protection underneath rally cars when in LCSC.
- 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 may be 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 11.10 of SR)
- Art. 50.1.4 of 2022 FIA CCRSR will not apply.
- Vehicles are subject to Parc Fermé rules where no intervention is possible (even by the members of the crew):
 - at the pre-start area
 - at a neutralisation zone
 - at a regrouping zone
 - at any control zone

3. REFUELLING

- Inside LCSC premises crews 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.
- Remote refuel zones are dedicated to T3/T4 vehicles only (and National Event vehicles)
- On Friday, there will be a remote refuel zone (RZ2) before TC2 & SS2 start and another one (RZ3) after the finish of SS3 (total of 247,59 km of stages) but none between the finish of SS2 and the start of SS3.

- On Saturday, the last gas station on the road section A is at km 62,24, meaning 31 km before TC4 & SS4 start. Considering that SS4 is 200,39 km long, refuelling at this gas station will allow T3/T4 vehicles to do the remaining of the road section and the entire stage (31 + 200 = 231 km) within the fuel range of 250 km and avoid the use of the remote refuelling zone RZ5 at the start of SS4.

4. REMOTE REFUELLING ZONES LOCATION

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 crew has been given the possibility to choose 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 will be distributed at the meeting point.
- The recce vehicle will depart on schedule and will not stop during 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 / TC3A / TC4A.

8. QUALIFYING STAGE

See articles 33 and 34.3.3 of 2022 FIA CCRSR.

- 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. 43.1.6 of 2022 FIA CCRSR).

9. CHOICE OF START POSITIONS FOR LEG 1 / SECTION 2

- The first ten competitors in the classification of the Qualifying Stage will choose their start positions for Leg 1 / Section 2 among the first ten positions according to the procedure laid down in Art. 33.5.1 of 2022 FIA CCRSR.
- The function will take place at 18.45h on Thursday at the Baja Conference Room.

10.START INTERVALS

- Thursday
FIA vehicles will start with 2-minute intervals
National Event vehicles will start with 1-minute intervals
- Friday and Saturday
FIA – 10 first vehicles will start with 3-minute intervals; remaining vehicles will start with 1-minute intervals
National Event – all vehicles will start with 1-minute intervals

11.TIME CONTROLS

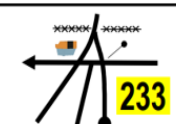
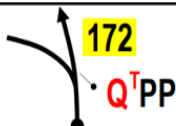

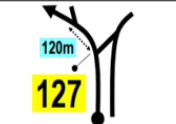

- The target check-in time is the responsibility of the crews alone.
- The target check-in time is the time obtained by adding the allowed target time to the Selective Section start time or the previous TC time, these times being expressed to the minute.
- The actual timing and entry of the time on the Timecard may be carried out if the two crew members and the vehicle are in the control area and within the immediate vicinity of the control table.
- The check-in time shall correspond to the exact moment at which one of the crew members hands the Timecard to the appropriate marshal.
- The only time controls where crews are authorized to check in ahead of time without incurring a penalty are those indicated in the Itinerary with an asterisk (example: TC1A*).

12.ROAD BOOK / ITINERARY

See articles 14.2.6 / 14.2.7 / 14.2.8 / 43 of 2022 FIA CCRSR.

- 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 crew 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 leg.
- For details on the different types of waypoints see Art. 43 of 2022 FIA CCRSR.
- The crew must pass through all waypoints in chronological (ascending) order and is not allowed to drive back to get a previously missed waypoint. If a crew validates a waypoint before validating one or more previous ones, the missed waypoints will be automatically considered as non-validated.

- As per regulations (Art. 43.7 of 2022 FIA CCRSR), 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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78,81	1,86		
79,66	0,85		
79,89	0,23		S
80,68	0,79 (M)		PP EMP (39)

- During a «hors-piste» (off-track) sector, every crew 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.

13.VIRTUAL PASSAGE CONTROLS

- Each Passage Control will be considered as a Virtual Passage Control (VPC).
- After validation of the waypoint, **the car 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)

14.SAFETY ZONES / SPEED CONTROL ZONES

See articles 36 / 37 of 2022 FIA CCRSR.

- 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.

15.VEHICLE-TO-VEHICLE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

See article 48.3 of 2022 FIA CCRSR AND Appendix 6 of SR (Bulletin #1)

Have a Safe Baja!

The Clerk of the Course