



## The Old Orchard Inn Donegal Harvest Stages Rally 2024

### Supplementary Regulations

#### 1. Announcement

The Old Orchard Inn Donegal Harvest Stages Rally 2024 is promoted by Donegal Motor Club and will be held on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2024. The competition will be held under the International Sporting code of the FIA, the General competition rules of Motorsport Ireland including Appendix 25, Appendix 26, Appendix 28, Appendix 29.1 and Appendix 31 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook and these Supplementary Regulations. Amendments to these supplementary Regulations will be issued by numbered bulletins. All competitors who submit entry forms agree to be bound by these regulations.

#### 2. Organisation

**2.1:** These regulations have been submitted to and approved by Motorsport Ireland who have issued Permit No. 24/127 for the holding of the competition.

Championships for which the rally is a counting round:

1. Triton Showers Motorsport Ireland National Rally Championship 2024
2. Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship 2024
3. Donegal Commercial Vehicles Donegal Motor Club Championship

#### 2.2: Officials

<b>Motorsport Ireland Steward (Chair)</b>	<b>Jim Reilly</b>
<b>Motorsport Ireland Steward (Observer)</b>	<b>Graham Scallan</b>
<b>Club Steward</b>	<b>Brian Brogan</b>
<b>Clerk of the Course</b>	<b>John Crumlish</b>
<b>Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate</b>	<b>Aidan Kelly</b>
<b>Club Safety Delegate</b>	<b>Tony Boyle</b>
<b>Chief Scrutineer</b>	<b>Breacan McBreen</b>
<b>Deputy Clerk of the Course</b>	<b>Johnny Baird</b>
<b>Assistant Clerks of the Course</b>	<b>Eamonn McGee, Leonard Wilson, Ronan Comerford</b>
<b>Secretary of the Event</b>	<b>Sharon Walsh</b>
<b>Assistant Secretary</b>	<b>Suzanne McClafferty</b>
<b>Chief Marshal</b>	<b>Ger Hayes</b>

Chief Timekeeper	Elizabeth Devine
Radio Controller	Mary Fitzgerald
Press Officer	Claire Crumlish
Communications Officer	Shane Forde
Children's Officer	Ita Doonan
Competitors' Relations Officer	Michael Chance
Results Provider	Shannonsports
Results Officer	Philip Nicholson
Assistant/Deputy COC for Tracking	John Crumlish & Shane Forde
Emergency Services Liaison Officer	Anneteresa Boyle
Chief Medical Officer	Dr Declan O'Brien
Service Area Coordinator	Kevin Shiels
Spectator Control	Alan Verso
Stage Commanders	Francis Fox, Padraig Murray, Ted Murphy
Deputy Stage Commanders	Sean Meehan, Eoghan McCarthy, Eoghan O' Boyle
Car Accountability	Eoin Longworth
Sweeper	Martin Boyle
Super Rally Co-Ordinator	Brendan McDaid
Chief Rescue Officer	Fergal Heneghan
Road Closed	Noel McBride
Equipment Officer	Keith Sheridan

#### Safety Cars

001 Safety Car	John Ward/Hugh Martin Molloy
002 Safety Car	Pat Bonner/Michael Doherty
003 Safety Car	Joe Doherty/Tony Gallagher
004 Safety Car	Damien Gallagher/Brian Gibbons

#### 2.3 Rally Headquarters:

The Old Orchard Inn, High Road,  
Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.  
Phone: 074 9121112  
Email: [info@orchardgastropub.ie](mailto:info@orchardgastropub.ie)

#### 2.4 Secretary Contact Details:

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Garryharry  
Letterkenny  
Co. Donegal  
Phone: 087 7700015  
Email: [scat.walsh@gmail.com](mailto:scat.walsh@gmail.com)

#### 2.5 Official Notice Board:

The official notice board will be situated in Rally Office in Rally HQ, The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny and will be in operation from 08:30 on October 6<sup>th</sup> until 30 minutes after prize giving on October 12<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a live Notice Board on the Sportity App, which will be deemed to be supplementary to the Official Notice board.

***The Password to the Sportity app will be :: Harvest24***

**3. Programme:**

Event	Date	Time	Location
Supplementary Regulations Available	On publication of these regulations		<a href="https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/">https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/</a> Sportity: <b>Harvest 24</b>
Entries Open	On publication of these regulations		<a href="https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/">https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/</a> Sportity: <b>Harvest 24</b>
Entries Close (including priority)	24 <sup>th</sup> September	18:00	
Final Instructions Posted	28 <sup>th</sup> September	18:00	Sportity
Reconnaissance Registration	06 <sup>th</sup> October	08:30 – 10:30	The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny
Reconnaissance Registration	11 <sup>th</sup> October	08:30 – 10:30	The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny
Reconnaissance	06 <sup>th</sup> October	09:00 – 16:00	
Reconnaissance	11 <sup>th</sup> October	09:30 - 15:00	
Mechanical Scrutineering	11 <sup>th</sup> October	14:30 – 19:15	Ferrys Garage, Lisnennan, Letterkenny, F92 CV09
Documentation Scrutineering	11 <sup>th</sup> October	15:00 - 19:45	The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny
Competitors Safety Briefing	11 <sup>th</sup> October	21:00	The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny
Rally Start	12 <sup>th</sup> October	09:30	Service Out
Rally Finish (first car)	12 <sup>th</sup> October	17:00	Finish Ramp / Parc Fermè
Provisional Results	12 <sup>th</sup> October	After last car enters Parc Fermé	Notice Board & Sportity
Prize giving	12 <sup>th</sup> October	22:00	The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny

#### **4. Entries:**

##### **4.1 Information:**

**4.1.1** Entries may be submitted by all persons holding a valid FIA competition licence or Commercial Entrants Licence by a recognized ASN.

**4.1.2** All entries must be made on the official **online** Entry Form, via EVO Online Entry <https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/> to be fully completed and signed by the entrant, driver, and navigator with the appropriate fee submitted by Electronic Funds Transfer, **with the entrant's name as reference** to the account details below.

**Incomplete or illegible forms will be returned. Entry fee bank transfers must have a reference included otherwise they cannot be accepted as payment of entry fees.**

**Please note: Entries will be deemed incomplete and will not be accepted unless accompanied by the full entry fee.**

**4.1.3** Entries from other (non-MI/MSUK) ASN licence holders from abroad may be accepted provided:

**4.1.3.1** The licence holder has written permission from his/her ASN (National Governing Body) to compete in the declared "national competition organised abroad".

**4.1.3.2** The licence holder holds an **STAGE RALLY** licence of an appropriate grade.

**4.1.3.3** The Motorsport Ireland (MI) office has been contacted in the first instance and has given **PRIOR** approval for each individual competitor before an entry can be accepted. Written proof of which must be provided to the organisers

Note: The licence holder must be listed on the IRDS/BRDS database published weekly on [www.motorsportireland.com](http://www.motorsportireland.com). BRDS can be applied for via the MI website or by contacting the MI office. This must be applied for a minimum of 2 weeks before the event

The number of starters will be limited to 160, including Juniors & Historics. The number of starters in the Junior Class will be limited to 25.

##### **4.2 Entry Fee:**

The entry fee is **€795**

The entry fee includes the Personal Accident Insurance, IRDS/BRDS Insurance at standard rate.

All competitors should ensure they are listed on the IRDS/BRDS database prior to the event, as published weekly on [www.motorsportireland.com](http://www.motorsportireland.com). Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries on +353 (0)1 6775628 or email [info@motorsportireland.com](mailto:info@motorsportireland.com)

Cheques, Bank Drafts or Postal Orders should be made payable to:  
**Donegal Motor Club**

### **Electronic Funds Transfers to be made to:**

Account Name: Donegal Motor Club

IBAN: IE43IPBS99064621538856

BIC: IPBSIE2D

### **IMPORTANT - Ensure competitor name is included as the reference**

Cash should not be sent with an entry

### **Withdrawals:**

If an entry is withdrawn before 18.00 hrs on the 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2024 the entry fee will be fully refunded. Entries withdrawn after that time will be refunded less the cost of insurance related to the entry.

**Please note: Withdrawal of all entries must be completed via email to the Event Secretary.**

### **4.3 Entry Criteria:**

Completed entries will be accepted on a **first come first served basis**. **Please note: Entries will be deemed incomplete and will not be accepted unless accompanied by the full entry fee.**

In the event of an excess of 160 entries being received, a reserve list will be compiled in order of receipt of entries.

The Club will allocate priority to the following entries only:

- (a) Appendix 31 Article 7 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.
- (b) Previous winners of the event.
- (c) Up to 10 entries allocated at organiser's discretion.
- (d) Up to 25 entries allocated to D.M.C members of the basis of points accumulated (subject to no change of crew)
- (e) First 3 in class in the Border Championship 2024 at close of entries.
- (f) Up to 5 entries allocated to former winners of Border or National Championship O/A awards.
- (g) Finishing in the first 20 O/A on a National Stages Rally.
- (h) Finishing in the first 20 O/A on an International Rally.
- (i) Finishing in the first 3 in class on a National Stages Rally.
- (j) Finishing in the first 3 in class on an International Rally.
- (k) Finishing in the first 20 O/A on any other stage rally.
- (l) Finishing in the first 3 in class on any other stage rally.
- (m). Finishing in the first 3 in class on any other speed event (e.g. Hillclimbs, Sprints)

### **Notes:**

- Results from Jan 1st 2022 to closing date of entries to count except in relation to a, b, c & e above.
- 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.
- The club reserves the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason.

## 5. Classes

**5.1** The event will include classes, as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

**5.2** Notes on Classes:

For further details on requirements for cars in classes 1 to 7, refer to [www.fia.com](http://www.fia.com), Appendix J, articles 252 to 261 (Article 260 refers to cars in Group R).

Refer to Appendix 29.1, Notes on Classes, Articles 1 to 24 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for further information on class eligibility.

## 6. Reconnaissance

### 6.1 Information:

Pace notes will be allowed on the event and competitors will be allowed to make pace notes on (6<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> October ) from (09:00 – 16:00 on the 6<sup>th</sup> October and also 09:30 -15:00 on the 11<sup>th</sup> October). Competitors must sign on before commencing reconnaissance at:

**Location:** The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

**Time:** Between 08:30 and 10:30

Recce stickers must be displayed on the reconnaissance car windscreen on the top left-hand corner on the outside of the windscreen.

### 6.2 Pace note providers:

Pace notes will be available for sale by third parties. The club has no involvement in their preparation and accepts no responsibility or liability for their accuracy or otherwise.

### 6.3 Restrictions:

- Your attention is drawn to Appendix 29, article 4 of the current Motorsport Ireland yearbook referring to a competitor found on a stage outside the reconnaissance period.
- The maximum speed allowed on a stage during the reconnaissance is **60 KPH** unless a lower limit is indicated by a traffic sign, or a written instruction issued by the organisers.
- Traversing the stage in the wrong direction is expressly forbidden.
- A maximum of three runs per stage are permitted, competitors will be signed in and out of each stage.
- The special stages will be open to normal traffic therefore the safety and rights of other road users must be respected and due care must be shown to other traffic.
- The organisers will monitor the behaviour of competitors on the reconnaissance route.

### 6.4 Penalties:

As per Appendix 29, Article 4 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook. Reports of breaches of any of the above regulations will be submitted to Motorsport Ireland who may convene a court of inquiry.

## **7. Administrative Checks:**

- Documentation scrutineering will take place on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October at:

**Location:** The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

**Time:** Between 15:00 and 19:45

- Competition licences, and other documentation as requested must be presented at documentation scrutineering.

### **\* IMPORTANT – COMPETITORS UNDER 18**

Competitors under 18 years of age (Minor) must be entered in the event by the holder of a Minor Entrant Licence who must countersign the entry form. A Minor Entrant who is not the parent/legal guardian of the Minor, must be Garda Vetted. Where an adult sits in the same car as a Minor competitor, the adult must be the holder of a Minor Entrant Licence, if they are not the Minor's Parent/Legal Guardian this licence must include Garda Vetting. It is not permitted to have two minors in the same vehicle

## **8. Scrutineering**

- Mechanical Scrutineering will take place on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October at:

**Location:** Ferry's Garage, Lisnennan, Letterkenny, F92 CV09

**Time:** Between 14:30 and 19:15

- Post Event Mechanical Scrutineering will take place by invitation.
- Refer to Appendices 2 and 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for scrutiny requirements

## **9. Servicing:**

- There will be a designated fixed Service Area.
- Outside of the Service Area, Support / Service is expressly forbidden (Article 11.5, Appendix 29 of the current (Motorsport Ireland Yearbook).
- Judges of Fact will monitor the route.
- Ground sheets are compulsory for each crew.
- Waste /Recycling bins will be provided in the Service Area and all crews are requested to place all rubbish and recyclable items in the bins.
- Competitors are requested to remove all oil / fluids and tyres from the Service Area. PLEASE LEAVE THE AREA AS YOU FOUND IT.
- In the Service Park / Area all competitors are required to have 2 fire extinguishers visible with displayed signage. The minimum requirement for the extinguishers is: 1 X 6 kg ABC Dry Powder Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced) 1 X 6 Litre AFFFF(Foam) Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced).
- Smoking by competitors or service crews is prohibited within the Service Area.

## **10. Features of the Rally:**

### **10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:**

Competitors Safety Briefing will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October at 19.00 in Rally HQ, The Old Orchard Inn, High Rd, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. It is compulsory for both members of the crew to attend the safety briefing as per Appendix 25, Article 3.2 (no excuses accepted). To insure full attendance timecards can be collected at the safety briefing. Failure to attend the safety briefing will result in a non-start for the competitor(s) in question and they will forfeit their entry.

### **10.2 Route Information:**

The rally will take place over a route of approximately (104) stage kilometres and (130) road kilometres and will comprise of 9 sealed surface stages with service after SS3 and SS6. Cars in the Junior Class (Class 16) and Historic Classes (17, 18, 19) will compete over all stages.

### **10.3 Super Rally:**

A restart after retirement facility (Super Rally), as per Art 13, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, will be operated on the rally. Super Rally (Restart After Retirement)

## **11. Super Rally (Restart After Retirement)**

### **11.1: General**

**11.1.1** The rally will operate Super Rally in accordance with Art 13, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

**11.1.2** A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control of SS3, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 3 stages or Service Out Control after 6 stages, subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below.

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 3, 4, 5 or the following road sections, may only restart from Service Out Control after 6 stages or Service Out Control after 6 stages, subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below.

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 6, 7, 8 or 9.

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/SRC (Super Rally 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 SRC as proof of stages completed.

**11.1.3** Competitors must register for Super Rally if they wish to restart from Service Out Control after 3 stages, or from Service Out Control after 6 stages by contacting the SRC 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.

**11.1.4** Competitors availing of Super Rally must present themselves at Service Out Control after 3 stages or Service Out Control after 6 stages, with their car for re-scrutineering. Due time is 10 minutes before their original due time at that Control, and 15 Minutes maximum lateness will apply.

**11.1.5** The SRC, 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/SRC.

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

### **11.2 Penalties:**

**11.2.1** Penalties will be applied as per Article 13.5, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

### **11.3 Award Eligibility:**

**11.3.1** In order to be classified as a finisher the crew must complete a minimum of 4 special stages, which must include the final loop of stages and the finish control.

**11.3.2** Crews completing the rally under Super Rally regulations will be eligible to score points in Championships

## **12. Awards:**

### **12.1 Award Details:**

1st Overall	2 Awards
2nd Overall	2 Awards
3rd Overall	2 Awards

1st in each class	2 Awards
2nd in each class	2 Awards
3rd in each class	2 Awards

Ladies Award 2 Trophies Special Award:

Gerard Conroy Memorial Trophy to the winners of class 12

Special Award: Eoin McGroddy Memorial Cup to the Top 2WD Crew

### **12.2 Notes:**

Overall winners are not eligible for class awards. If 5 or more entries are not received in each class, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes or reduce the awards accordingly.

## **13. Judges of Fact**

### **13.1 Judges of Fact:**

A list of Judges of Fact will be advised in Final Instructions and will be posted on the official notice board and Sportity. The decision of a Judge of Fact will be final.

## **14. Provision Regarding Postponement, Abandonment or Cancellation of the event.**

The organisers reserve the right to postpone, cancel or abandon the event in circumstances such as:

- Insufficient entries received at the closing date for entries
- On safety grounds (upon consultation with the MI Stewards reference GCR 129.11)
- Force Majeure (upon consultation with the MI Stewards reference GCR 129.11)

**14.1:** If a decision to postpone, cancel or abandon the event is made, the organisers will communicate this decision using one of or a combination of the following:

- Final instruction posted on Sportity App
- Final instruction posted or emailed directly to the crew member nominated as official contact on entry form
- Direct instruction to at least one of the crew from an official of the event

Every effort will be made by the organisers to communicate such a decision in a timely manner however, in circumstances of force majeure or on safety grounds, it may be necessary to make such a decision during the running of an event. In such cases, this decision will be communicated via direct instruction from an official of the event. In the event of cancellation or postponement for more than 24 hours, entry fee shall be refunded in accordance with GCR 51.2