



# **Heartlands Mini Stages Rally 2025**

## **Supplementary Regulations**

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025

*Counting Round of*

**Hugo Loonam Midlands  
East Rally Championship**

**And**

**Top Part West Coast  
Championship**

**Rally HQ:**

St Colman's National  
School

Stradbally, Co. Laois

## **1. Announcement**

The LRSC Acesigns Heartlands Mini Stages Rally is promoted and organised by Laois Rallysport Club (hereinafter called the promoters) and will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025. 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, and Appendix 29.1 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 completed 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 has issued Permit No: 25/065 for the holding of the competition. The rally is a counting round for the Hugo Loonam Midlands East Rally Championship and the Top Part West Coast Rally Championship.

### **2.2 Officials:**

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| Motorsport Ireland Steward (Chair):    | Jim Reilly                       |
| Motorsport Ireland Steward (Observer): | Joe Corcoran                     |
| Steward appointed by Organizing Club:  | David Fitzgerald                 |
| Clerk of the Course:                   | Pat O'Connor                     |
| Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate:    | Noel Devlin                      |
| Deputy Clerk of the Course:            | Ruaidhri Nash                    |
| Assistant Clerks of the Course:        | Eoin Langton                     |
| Deputy/Assistant COC - Tracking:       | Jeff Case                        |
| Secretary of the Event:                | Jeff Case                        |
| Entries Secretary:                     | Louise Moffitt                   |
| Club Safety Delegate:                  | Dave McCormack                   |
| Chief Marshal:                         | Paul Downey                      |
| Chief Timekeeper:                      | Eamonn McGee                     |
| Radio Controller:                      | Mary Fitzgerald                  |
| Press Officer:                         | Kieran Murphy                    |
| Child Protection Officer:              | Louise Moffitt                   |
| Competitors' Relations Officer:        | Johnny Baird                     |
| Results Provider:                      | Angus Sealy                      |
| Emergency Services Liaison Officer:    | Tony Walshe                      |
| Chief Medical Officer:                 | Dr. Breffni Reynolds             |
| Service Area Coordinator:              | Brendan Downey                   |
| Refueling Area Co-Ordinator            | Simon Reid                       |
| Spectator Safety:                      | Aiden Harper                     |
| Stage Commander (1/3/5)                | Brendan Hearn                    |
| Deputy Stage Commander (1/3/5):        | Paddy Nolan                      |
| Stage Commander (2/4/6)                | Brendan Dowling                  |
| Deputy Stage Commander (2/4/6):        | Lorenzo Cushen                   |
| Car Accountability:                    | Eoin Longworth                   |
| Sweeper:                               | Fint Byrne                       |
| Super Rally Co-Ordinator:              | Liam Hayes                       |
| Chief Rescue Officer:                  | Arthur Walshe                    |
| Safety 004:                            | Dermot Hasset / Niamh Hasset     |
| Safety 003:                            | Stephen Kellett / James McEnaney |
| Safety 002:                            | David Forde / TJ O'Brien         |
| Safety 001:                            | Stephen Sheehan / Paul Sheehan   |

2.3 Rally Headquarters: St Colman's National School, Church Ave, Stradbally, Co. Laois. R32 VR84

2.4 Entries Secretary Contact Details: Louise Moffitt  
Phone: 087 090 3664 (After 6pm only)  
Email: [lou.moffitt59@gmail.com](mailto:lou.moffitt59@gmail.com)

2.5 Official Notice Board:  
The Official Notice Board will be hosted on the SPORTITY app. The Password is **HEARTLANDS25**

### 3. Programme (subject to change)

| Event                                      | Date                           | Time                                       | Location  |
|--|--------------------------------|--|---|
| <i>Supplementary regulations available</i> | <i>On publication of these</i> | <i>On publication of these regulations</i> | Sportity + Shannon Sports Entry Service   |
| <i>Entries open</i>                        | <i>On publication of these</i> | <i>On publication of these regulations</i> | <a href="https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/evo/Login">https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/evo/Login</a> |
| <i>Entries close</i>                       | 30/05/2025                     | 23:59                                      |   |
| <i>Entry list published</i>                | 01/06/2025                     | 20:00                                      |   |
| <i>Final Instructions posted</i>           | 04/06/2025                     | 20:00                                      |   |
| <i>Reconnaissance registration</i>         | 07/06/2025                     | 09:00-12:30                                | Rally HQ  |
| <i>Reconnaissance</i>                      | 07/06/2025                     | 09:30-16:00                                |   |
| <i>Mechanical scrutineering</i>            | 07/06/2025                     | 14:00-18:30                                | Pat Deegan Engineering<br>Stradbally<br>R32 YF43  |
| <i>Documentation scrutineering</i>         | 07/06/2025                     | 14:30-19:00                                | Rally HQ  |
| <i>Competitors safety briefing</i>         | 08/06/2025                     | 08:30                                      | Rally HQ  |
| <i>Rally start (first car)</i>             | 08/06/2025                     | 09:15                                      | Parc Ferme Out  |
| <i>Rally finish (first car)</i>            | 08/06/2025                     | 16:44                                      | Parc Ferme In   |
| <i>Results</i>                             | 08/06/2025                     | After last car enters<br>Parc Fermè        | Sportity  |
| <i>Prizegiving</i>                         | 08/06/2025                     | 30 mins after final results                | Rally HQ  |

#### **4. Entries**

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

ON-LINE ENTRIES ONLY. ENTRY FORM and PROCEEDURE ACCESSIBLE AT  
EVO On-line Entry - Login (shannonsportsit.ie)

<https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/evo/Login>

An electronic entry application must be confirmed by way of personal signature by the competitor by the latest, at administrative checks. The entry form must be accompanied by a copy of the valid competitor's license. A change of competitor is permitted up to the close of entries. Only the competitor entered in the event will be allowed to make this request.

Queries to Entry Secretary. Details Art 2.4 above.

4.2 An entry application (also made electronically) will be accepted only if accompanied by the total entry fees. According to the International Sporting Code Art.

3.8.1 an entry compels the competitor to take part in the Competition in which they have been accepted to run, except in case of duly established Force Majeure.

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

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

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

4.3.1.3 The licence holder holds a STAGE RALLY licence of an appropriate grade.

4.3.1.3 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 license holder must be listed on the IRDS/BRDS database published weekly on MI Website. 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 in the main field will be limited to 140 (including Historic Classes and a maximum of 10 Juniors).

##### **4.4 Entry Fee:**

The entry fee is €725

The entry fee includes CPA IRDS / BRDS insurance at standard rate. All competitors should ensure they are listed on the IRDS / BRDS database, as published by Motorsport Ireland on the Thursday prior to the event. Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries +353 (0)1 6775628.

Once an entry is made on the EVO system payment must be made to the club by means of Bank Transfer

THE SHANNONSPORTS ENTRY REFERENCE MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE BANK TRANSFER REFERENCE.

Bank of Ireland:  
IBAN - IE80BOFI90182991572759  
BIC - BOFIE2D

There is no facility for the organising club to accept cash payments before or on the day of the event.

Entry Criteria:

In the event of an excess of 140 entries being received the following criteria will be applied to all entries received from the opening to the closing date of entries.

Laois Rallysport Club Members  
Hugo Loonam Motors Midlands East Rally Championship Registered Competitors  
Top Part West Coast Championship Registered Competitors  
20 Entries Allocated at the Organisers Discretion.  
The remaining available entry places will be allocated on the basis of earliest valid entry will get priority.

The club reserve the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason.

If an entry fee is withdrawn via e-mail before 20:00 on Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> the entry fee will be fully refunded. Entries withdrawn after this time and before 20:00 on Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup> will be refunded less a €50 admin fee. Entries withdrawn after June 4<sup>th</sup> will be refunded less 20% of the entry fee. All refunds will be issued within 2 weeks of the rally date.

Please note that it is very disruptive to the club and to other competitors where entries are not completed fully in the online system. Priority will be given to entrants who have made a fully complete online entry at recce sign on – those who have not made a fully complete entry will be directed to a separate sign on area.

## 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:

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

Currently homologated WRC, RRC, S2000 Rally 1.6T, R5 cars and modified versions of these car types are not permitted to compete on this event. Currently homologated S2000 atmospheric cars may take part. WRC cars which are out of homologation may compete in Class 15.

## 6 **Reconnaissance**

### 6.1 Information:

Pacenotes will be allowed on the event and competitors will be allowed to make pacenotes on: June 7<sup>th</sup> 09:30 – 16:00

Competitors must sign on before commencing reconnaissance at Rally HQ.

Recce stickers will be issued and must be displayed on the reconnaissance car windscreen.

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### 6.2 Pacenote providers:

Pacenotes 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 also drawn to Appendix 29, article 4 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook referring to a competitor found on a stage outside the reconnaissance period.

### 6.4 Penalties:

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

## 7 **Administrative Checks**

Administrative checks:

- Documentation scrutineering is located at Rally HQ, on June 7<sup>th</sup> from 14:30- 19:00
- Competition licenses, 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 Scrutiny will take place on June 7<sup>th</sup> from 14:00-18:30 at Pat Deegan Engineering, Stradbally R32 YF43.
- Post Event Mechanical Scrutiny will take place by invitation at Pat Deegan Engineering, Stradbally R32 YF43.
- 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 at Cosby Hall Stradbally.
- 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 must be utilized by all crews.
- 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 refer to Appendix 25, Art. 2.10.2 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook regarding fire extinguishers requirements and signage in the Service Area.
- Smoking by competitors or service crews is prohibited within the Service Area.
- No Refueling is permitted in the service area.
- A Refueling area near but separate to the service area has been designated by the organisers along the rally route.
- Competitors will be bound to adhere to the / refueling regulations issued by MI that will be posted with final instructions.
- A commercial filling station is located on rally route shortly before Stage 1.
- Competitors must submit an application via an RF1 form at paper scrutiny when opting to use a commercial filling station.

## 10 **Features of the Rally**

### 10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:

Competitors Safety Briefing will be held at 08:30 on June 8<sup>th</sup> at Rally HQ. It is compulsory for both members of the crew to attend. (Appendix 25, Article 3.2).

### 10.2 Route Information:

The rally will take place over a route of approximately 90 stage kilometers and will comprise of 2 stages repeated 3 times, with service after SS2 and SS4.

### 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.

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

### **General**

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

11.2 A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control of SS2, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 2 stages, or Service Out Control after 4 stages (subject to compliance with 11.10 below).

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages on 2, 3, or the following road sections up to and including the Arrival Control of SS4, may only restart from Service Out Control after 4 stages (subject to compliance with 11.10 below).

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 4, 5, or 6.

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.

11.3 Competitors must register for Super Rally if they wish to restart from Service Out Control after 2 stages or from Service Out Control after 4 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, endeavor 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.

11.4 Competitors availing of Super Rally must present themselves at Service Out Control after 2 stages or Service Out Control after 4 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.

11.5 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.

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



#### 11.7 Penalties:

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

#### 11.9 Award Eligibility:

11.10 In order to be classified as a finisher the crew must complete a minimum of 3 special stages, which must include the final loop of stages and the finish control.

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

### 12 **Awards**

#### 12.1 Award Details:

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> overall - 2 trophies per crew.

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in class - 2 trophies per crew.

Other Awards.

Best Ladies Crew.

James McEvoy Memorial Trophy - Best LRSC Crew: Regardless of class finish positions, both crew to be club members.

#### **Twin Cam Challenge:**

##### **Overall Twincam Challenge Winner:**

**Car complies with Class 10, 11R, 16 and Suitable Historic Classes.** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> - 2 trophies per crew. All suitably qualified competitors are eligible to win awards regardless of overall and class positions.

##### **Open Class Winner:**

**Toyota Corolla Twin Cam AE86 that complies with Class 12, 13, and 14 regulations.**

1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> - 2 trophies per crew.

Other awards at the discretion of the club. The onus is on competitors to ensure that they are entered for the appropriate awards.

#### 12.2 Notes:

Overall winners are not eligible for class awards.

If less than 5 entries are received in a class, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes or reduce the awards accordingly.

### 13 **Judges of Fact**

- List of Judges of Fact will be advised in final instructions and will be posted on the official notice board.
- The decision of a Judge of Fact will be final.

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

The organizers 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 on official notice board
- 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.