

YEATS RIDGE FORESTRY RALLY

February 15th 2026



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Regulations



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1. Announcement

The Yeats Ridge Forestry Rally is promoted by Connacht Motor Club (Sligo) CLG and will be held on Sunday the 15th February 2026. 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 32 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. 26/011 for the holding of the competition.

Championships for which the rally is a counting round:

- Irish Forest Rally Championship
- Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Series (J1000, Rally4 & R2)

2.2 Officials:

Motorsport Ireland Steward (Chair):	Conor Crowley
Motorsport Ireland Steward (Observer):	Damian Crawford
Club Appointed Steward:	Padraic Roche
Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate:	Stephen Kellett
Club Safety Delegate:	Joe Conboy
Chief Scrutineer:	John Prendergast
Clerk of the Course:	Ultan McGowan
Deputy Clerk of the Course:	Seamus McTigue
Assistant Clerk of the Course (Tracking):	Joe Corcoran
Secretary of the Event:	Jackie Corcoran
Chief Marshal:	Kieran Carroll
Chief Timekeeper:	Dermot Quigley
Radio Controller:	Mary Fitzgerald
Communications Officer:	David Currid
Equipment Officer:	Declan Wilson
Press Officer:	Padraic Boylan
Children's Officer:	Jackie Corcoran
Competitors' Relations Officer:	Niall Burns
Results Provider:	Angus Sealy
Emergency Services Liaison Officer:	Rosemary Walsh

Chief Medical Officer:	TBC
Service Area Coordinator:	Kevin Coogan
Spectator Control:	Aiden Harper
Stage Commanders:	Pat Taaffe, John Walsh, Gerry McGarry, Francis Corcoran
Deputy Stage Commanders:	TBC, Simon Love, David Rooney, Francis Fox
Car Accountability:	Jimmy Feeney
Sweeper:	Sean Maloney
Super Rally Co-Ordinator:	Elaine Shinnors
Chief Rescue Officer:	Fergal Henehan
Road Closed:	Darren McTigue
00 Safety Crews:	001 - Gerard Hyland/Brian McGarraghy 002 - Ed Muldoon/Ray Fitzpatrick 003 - John Ward/Hugh Molloy 004 - Kenneth McHale/David Walsh
2.3 Rally Headquarters:	Callaghan Forklifts, North West Business Park, Collooney, Co. Sligo, F91 E7WH
2.4 Secretary Contact Details:	Jackie Corcoran Phone: 087-6599622 Email: Sligostagesrally@gmail.com
2.5 Official Notice Board:	The official notice board will be a digital notice board on the Sportity App. The Password to the Sportity App will be YeatsRidge26 .

3. Programme

Event	Date	Time	Location
Supplementary Regulations available	On publication of these regulations		www.connachtmotorclub.com & Sportity app
Entries open	On publication of these regulations		https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/evo/Entry?event=IE-CONN-SF26 & Sportity app
Entries close (including priority)	2 nd February	20:00	
Final Instructions posted	9 th February		www.connachtmotorclub.com & Sportity app
Mechanical Scrutineering	Sat 14 th February	14:30 – 19:30	Carty Group, North West Business Park, Collooney, Co. Sligo, F91 E8PK
Documentation Scrutineering	Sat 14 th February	15:00 – 20:00	Rally Headquarters
Competitors Safety Briefing (Main Field)	On-Line		
Competitors Safety Briefing (J1000)	Sat 14 th February	Time tbc	Collooney, Co. Sligo
Rally Start – TC 0	Sun 15 th February	08:00	Rathripon Business Park, Collooney, Co. Sligo, F91 PPT0
Rally Finish – TC 8B	Sun 15 th February	16:18	Rathripon Business Park, Collooney, Co. Sligo, F91 PPT0
Provisional Results	Sun 15 th February	After last car enters Parc Ferme	Finish Ramp & Sportity App
Prize Giving	Sun 15 th February	Immediately after Final Results	Finish Ramp

4. Entries

4.1 Information:

4.1.1 Entries may be submitted by all persons holding a valid FIA competition license or Commercial Entrants License 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/evo/Entry?event=IE-CONN-SF26> 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. **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 license holders from abroad may be accepted provided:

4.1.3.1 The license 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 license holder holds a STAGE RALLY license 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 license holder must be listed on the IRDS/BRDS database published weekly on 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.

4.2 Entry Fee:

As per Appendix 32 of the 2026 Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, the agreed championship fees for MI rounds are:

- 4 Wheel Drive: €850
- 2 Wheel Drive: €820
- J1000: €670

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. Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries on +353 (0)1 6775628 or email info@motorsportireland.com

Payments can be made by direct lodgement via Electronic Funds Transfer. All payments must be paid prior to closing date of entries.

Payments to be made to:

Account Name: Connacht Motor Club (Sligo) clg

IBAN: IE87 BOFI 9054 4080 220299

BIC: BOFI IE 2D

IMPORTANT - Ensure competitor name is included as the reference. Payment currency in EURO only. EFT payments must include all charges associated with the transfer.

Entries Secretary: Jackie Corcoran

Phone: 087-6599622

Email: sligostagesrally@gmail.com

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.

The max Number of Starters will be 100.

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

4.4 Withdrawal of Entries:

- Withdrawals Wed 11th February to Fri 13th February 20% of entry fee withheld
- Thereafter 50% of entry fee withheld

These fee penalties will be enforced. Failure to withdraw an entry in the correct manner i.e. by contacting the event secretary directly, by email or phone, may result in the loss of the full entry fee.

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, 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. Safety Notes

6.1 Information: Safety Notes will be allowed on this event. Competitors will not be permitted to Recce the stages before the event.

6.2 Safety notes providers: Safety 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 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

- Documentation scrutineering will take place at Callaghan Forklifts, Collooney, Co. Sligo, **F91 E7WH** from 15.00 – 20:00 on Saturday 14th February.
- 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 License 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 License, if they are not the Minor's Parent/Legal Guardian this license must include Garda Vetting. It is not permitted to have two minors in the same vehicle.

8. Scrutineering

- Mechanical Scrutineering will take place at Carty Group, North West Business Park, Collooney, Co. Sligo, **F91 E8PK** between 14.30 – 19:30 on Saturday 14th February.
- 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. **PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO SPECTATOR ACCESS TO THE 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 AFFF (Foam) Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced), as per Appendix 25, Article 2.10.2 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.
- Smoking by competitors or service crews is prohibited within the Service Area, as per Appendix 25, Article 2.10.2 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.
- A refuel area will be in operation in the service park and all competitors are reminded that cars are not be refuelled outside of this area.

10. Features of the Rally

10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:

Competitors Safety Briefing will be on line for main field with a further briefing for J1000 crews held in Collooney, Co. Sligo on Saturday 14th February, time tbc. It is compulsory for both members of the crew to attend the safety briefing as per Appendix 25, Article 3.2 (no excuses accepted). A random roll call will also take place. 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 approx. 55 stage kilometres and approx. 168 road kilometres and will comprise of 8 loose surface stages with service before SS1 and after 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)

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 SS 4, may only restart the rally from Service Out Control after 4 stages subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below.

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8.

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 timecards to Car Accountability or the marshal / timekeeper at the next available location / Time Control. Crews must retain the duplicate copy of the timecard, 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 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, 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 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.

11.1.5 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:

1 st Overall	2 Trophies	
2 nd Overall	2 Trophies	
3 rd Overall	2 Trophies	
1 st in each class	2 Trophies	
2 nd in each class	2 Trophies	
3 rd in each class	2 Trophies	
Ladies Award	2 Trophies	To the highest placed ladies' crew
Connacht MC Award	2 Trophies	To the fastest Connacht Motor Club 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

A list of Judges of Fact will be advised in Final Instructions and will be posted on 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)

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.