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Galway Summer Rally

Sunday 23rd August, 2026

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1. Announcement

The Galway Summer Rally is promoted by County Galway Motor Club CLG and will be held on Sunday 23rd August 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 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. 26/109 for the holding of the competition. Counting rounds of Motorsport Ireland National Rally Championship, Top Part West Coast Rally Championship, Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Series, Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship, Dacia Sandero Challenge Cup, Stellantis Rally Cup Ireland.

2.2 Officials

Motorsport Ireland Steward (Chair)	Anthony O'Connor
Motorsport Ireland Steward (Observer)	Paul Hughes
Club Steward	Ultan McGowan
Clerk Of the Course	Gary Leonard
Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate	Stephen Kellett
Club Safety Delegate	Dave Ray
Motorsport Ireland Chief Scrutineer	John Prendergast
Deputy Clerk Of the Course	Shane Burns
Assistant Clerks Of the Course	Bobby Clinton / Keith Leonard / Frank Moloney Rafferty
Assistant COC Responsible for Tracking	Graham Scallan
Secretary of the Event	Leonie Quigley
Entries Secretary	Emma Keane
Chief Marshal	Maria O'Donoghue
Time Equipment Provider	Eamon McGee
Radio Controller	Mary Fitzgerald
Communications Officer	Bill Fitzgerald
Results Provider	Angus Sealy
Results Officer	Ger O'Connor
Competitor Relations Officer	Pat M Sheil
Super Rally Co-Ordinator	Winnie Sheil
Emergency Services Liaison Officer	Fergal Heneghan
Chief Medical Officer	Dr Declan O'Brien
Service Area Co-Ordinator	John Coughlan
Spectator Control	Pat Healy
Chief Rescue Officer	Fergal Heneghan
Equipment Officer	John McDevitt
Children's Officer	Margaret McCluskey
Stage Commanders	Jack O'Sullivan / Darren Delaney / Larry Harper
Deputy Stage Commanders	Alannah Barry / Alan Geraghty / Kevin Keane
Car Accountability	Eoin Longworth
Press Officer – Club	Nathan Moloney
Press Officer – Event	Sean Moriarty
Road Closed	John Kelly
Sweeper Car	Gerry O'Brien
Safety Crew 001	Christy Carey / Richard Talbot
Safety Crew 002	Sean Lyons / John Devine
Safety Crew 003	Aidan Doyle / Rebecca Bane
Safety Crew 004	Ciaran Burke / Susan Smyth

2.3 Rally Headquarters

Name: Shearwater Hotel,
Address: Marina Point, Dunlo, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 F5P9
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Email: info@shearwaterhotel.com

2.4 Secretary Contact Details

Event Secretary Contact Details

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Entries Secretary Contact Details

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2.5 Official Notice Board:

During the event, individual and general communication between all Rally Officials (Rally Control/COC, Rally Secretaries, CRO, Stewards, Technical Staff, etc.) and the competitors/crew members will primarily and as far as possible be conducted via Sportity App. The Official Notice Board will be the Digital Notice Board (DNB), available in the Sportity App. There will be no physical Official Notice Board. All competitors will be informed only by Sportity of notifications about the publication of any documents on the Digital Notice Board.

Sportity app is downloadable for iOS devices on Appstore and for Android devices on Google Play.

The Password to the Sportity app will be: **GSR2026**

3.0 Programme

Event	Date	Time	Location
Supplementary Regulations Available	On Publication of these regulations		DNB: Sportity www.shannonsportsit.ie
Entries Open	On Publication of these regulations		www.shannonsportsit.ie
Entries Close (including priority)	13 th August 2026		
Final Instructions posted	13/08/2026		DNB: Sportity
Reconnaissance Registration	22/08/2026	08:00 – 11:00	Rally HQ
Reconnaissance	22/08/2026	08:30 – 16:00	
Collection & Installation of Safety Tracking Devices	22/08/2026	13:00-18:00	Kelly Print Works, Poolboy Ind Estate, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 FF80
Mechanical Scrutiny	22/08/2026	13:30- 18:00	Domac Plant & Tool Hire, Poolboy Ind Estate, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 X673
Documentation Scrutiny	22/08/2026	14:00 – 18:30	Rally HQ
Competitors' Safety Briefing	Online	Online	DNB: Sportity
Rally Start	23/08/2026	09:30	Parc Ferme Out
Rally Finish	23/08/2026	18:00	Parc Ferme In
Return Of Safety Tracking Devices	23/08/2026		Parc Ferme
Provisional Results	23/08/2026	After Last Car Enters Parc Ferme	DNB: Sportity
Prizegiving	23/08/2026	30 mins 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 licence or Commercial Entrants Licence by a recognised ASN.

4.1.2 All entries must be made on the official Online Entry Form via EVO Online Entry.

This is 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 or the OL/XXXX entry number provided for as the 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.

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

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 a **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 give 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. BRDS can be applied for via MI website or by contacting the MI Office. This must be applied for a minimum of 2 weeks before the event

The number of starts will be limited to 150 including Juniors & Historic. The number of starters in the Junior Class will be limited to 25. The number of starters in the Dacia Sandero Challenge Cup will be limited to 25 but these are in addition to the total amount of starts as they are not starting from the first control.

4.2 Entry Fee

The entry fee is **€825**

The entry fee for Dacia Sendero Challenge Cup competitors is **€577**

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 to be made to:

Account Name:	Co. Galway Motor Club Ltd
Bank	Bank Of Ireland
Branch	Eyre Square , Galway
Sort Code	90-38-16
Account Number	97748807
IBAN	IE97BOFI90381697748807
BIC	BOFIE2D

IMPORTANT – Ensure competitor on-line EVO reference {OL / XXXXX} is included as the reference

Payment currency in Euro only. EFT payments must include all charges associated with the transfer.

Entries Secretary: Emma Keane
Telephone: 085 853 0592
Email: emmakeane576@gmail.com

Withdrawals:

- Entries withdrawn by **23:59** hours on **Friday 14th August 2026** will receive a full refund.
- Entries withdrawn by **22:00** hours on **Tuesday 18th August 2026** will receive a refund with the possibility of 50% of their entry fee being forfeited.
- Entries withdrawn after **22:00** hours on **Tuesday 18th August 2026** may not receive a refund & potentially forfeit 100% of their entry fee

All withdrawal refunds are at the discretion of the COC. Any refunds will be issued within two weeks after the conclusion of the rally.

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

4.3 Entry Criteria

In the event of an excess of 150 entries being received, a reserve list will be compiled in order of receipt of entries. The following criteria will be applied to all FULLY PAID entries received from the opening to the closing date of entries.

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 Club will allocate priority to the following entries only:

- a) Appendix 31 Article 7 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.
- b) Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship registered competitors
- c) Top Part West Coast Rally Championship registered competitors
- d) Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Series registered competitors
- e) Stellantis Rally Cup Ireland registered competitors
- f) Fully Paid-up Members of Co. Galway Motor Club (both crew members)

Note: 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, 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.

Dacia Sandero Challenge Cup cars will run in Class 23.

6.Reconnaissance

6.1 Information:

Pace notes will be allowed on the event, and competitors will be allowed to make pace notes on Saturday 22nd August 2026 from 08:30 to 16:00. Competitors must sign on before commencing reconnaissance at:

Location: Shearwater Hotel, Marina Point, Dunlo, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 F5P9

Time: Saturday 22nd August 2026, between 08:00 – 11:00

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 **60KPH** unless a lower limit is indicated by a traffic sign or written instruction 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 there fore 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 routes.

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 at Rally HQ, Shearwater Hotel, Marina Point, Dunlo, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 F5P9. During the hours as noted in the Event Programme (Art.3 of these regulations) on Saturday 22nd August 2026. 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 on 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 at Domac Plant & Tool Hire, Poolboy Industrial Estate, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 X673 between the hours as noted in the Event Programme (Art.3 of these regulations) on Saturday 22nd August 2026.
- 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 6kg ABC Dry Powder Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced) 1 X 6 Litre AFFF (Foam) Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced)
- Smoking by competitors or service crew is prohibited within the Service Area.
- A refuel zone will be in operation and all competitors are reminded that cars are not to be refuelled outside of this area other than at designated commercial filling stations on rally route.

10. Features of the Rally

10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:

Competitors will be requested to log onto Sportivity channel for the event and click on the link to watch the competitor safety briefing online. This video must be viewed by both driver and co-driver prior to documentation scrutiny. At documentation scrutiny, when completing the event declaration, crews will be asked to tick a box confirming that both crew members have watched the video in full.

10.2 Route Information

The rally will take place over a route of approximately 110 stage kilometres and 123 road kilometres and will comprise of 3 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. Cars in the Dacia Sandero Challenge Cup (Class23) will start the event after first service and compete over the final two loops of stages.

10.3 Super Rally

A restart after retirement facility (Super Rally), as per Art13, 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 Art13, 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 3, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 3 stages, or from Service Out Control after 6 stages, subject to compliance with 11.1.3 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 Stage 6, 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 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 3 stages, or Service Our 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 responsibility of the competitor. The car must return by direct route to 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 timecards which will have a restart time and restart Control Number. The restart position within the field shall be at the discretion of the 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 the Championships

12. Awards

12.1 Award Details

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| ▪ 1 st Overall | 2 Awards |
| ▪ 2 nd Overall | 2 Awards |
| ▪ 3 rd Overall | 2 Awards |
| ▪ 1 st in each Class | 2 Awards |
| ▪ 2 nd in each Class | 2 Awards |
| ▪ 3 rd in each Class | 2 Awards |

Galway Motor Club Award:

Conroy Cup and 2 Trophies to the highest placed Galway Motor Club Crews, both of whom must be fully paid-up members on 31st January 2026.

- Galway Motor Club Members MUST CLAIM ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ABOVE AWARD IN THEIR ENTRY FORM

Mattie Mc Namara Memorial Cup:

Awarded by the Clerk Of the Course to a competitor or official to have shown the spirit of motorsport over the course of and leading up to the event.

12.2 Notes on Awards:

- Overall winners are not eligible for Class Awards.
- The onus is on the Competitor to ensure that they have entered for the appropriate awards.
- Any awards not collected / claimed by 30th November 2026 will be forfeited.
- 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 Sportivity. 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 GCR129.11)
- 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 members 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.