



County Galway Motor Club Limited

Bluebird Care Galway Summer Stages Rally

Sunday 28th August 2022

Regulations

1. Announcement

The 2022 Bluebird Care Galway Summer Stages Rally is promoted by County Galway Motor Club Limited and will be held on Sunday 28th August 2022.

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, Appendix 29.1 and Appendix 31 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, these Supplementary Regulations and current HSE and Government Health regulations and guidelines in place at the time of the event. 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: 2022/ 92 for the holding of the competition.

Championships for which the rally is a counting round:

1. Triton Showers Motorsport Ireland National Rally Championship
2. Top Part West Coast Rally Championship
3. Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship
4. Galway Motor Club Members Championship

2.2 Officials:

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| Stewards appointed by Motorsport Ireland | Patrick Haughey / Greg McCarthy |
| Steward appointed by Organizing Club | Ray Bent |
| Clerk of the Course | Mark Parsons |
| Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate | Rosemary Walsh |
| Chief Scrutineer | Brecan McBreen |
| Deputy Clerk of the Course | Joe Donoghue |
| Assistant Clerks of the Course | Bobby Clinton/ Carmel Leonard/Richard Smith |
| Tracking Officer | Victor Farrell |
| Secretary of the Event | Gary Leonard |
| Entries Secretary | Gary Leonard |
| Club Safety Officer | Kieran Ambrose |
| Chief Marshal | Patsy Finnerty / Eddie Quinn |
| Chief Timekeeper | Eamonn McGee |
| Radio Controller | Mary Fitzgerald |
| Press Officer | Kevin O'Driscoll |
| Youth Liaison Officer | Ivor Gleeson |
| Competitors' Relations Officer | Pat M Shiel |
| Results Officer | Angus Sealy |
| Emergency Services Liaison Officer | Ivor Gleeson |
| Chief Medical Officer | Declan O'Brien |
| Service Area Coordinator | Gerry O'Brien |
| Spectator Safety | Aiden Harper |
| Stage Commanders | Cyrill Rollins, Pdraig Murray, Declan O'Leary |
| Deputy Stage Commanders | Seamus McTighe, Breda Ryan, Ciara Murphy |
| Car Accountability | Eoin Longworth |
| Sweeper | Mike Bird |
| Super Rally Co-Ordinate | Winnie Shiel |
| Chief Rescue Officer | Ivor Gleeson |
| Safety Cars | Christy Carey / Richard Talbot; Stephen Kellett / James McEaney; Davy Forde / TJ O'Brien; Gerry Hyland / Maeve Hyland |

2.3 Rally Headquarters: Athenry Mart

2.4 Entries Secretary Contact Details:
 Gary Leonard:
 Tel 087 9005617
 Email:
 Co.galwaymc@gmail.com

2.5 Official Notice Board:

The official notice board will be the Sportity App. The password is **GSR22**.

3. Programme

| Event | Date | Time | Location |
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| Supplementary Regulations available | On Publication | | www.rally.ie & Sportity App |

| | <i>of Regulations</i> | | |
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| Entries open | 11 July 22 | 09.00 | |
| Entries close (including priority) | 16 August 22 | 17.00 | |
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| Final Instructions Posted | 20 Aug 22 | | <i>Sportity App</i> |
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| Reconnaissance Registration | 27 Aug 22 | 08.30 – 11.00 | The Mart, Athenry |
| Reconnaissance | 27 Aug 22 | 09.00 – 16.00 | |
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| Mechanical Scrutineering | 27 Aug 22 | 14.00 – 19.00 | The Mart, Athenry: H65 DW74 |
| Documentation Scrutineering | 27 Aug 22 | 15.30 – 19.30 | The Mart, Athenry |
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| Competitors Safety Briefing | 28 Aug 22 | 07.30 | Presentation College, Athenry H65 VA49 |
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| Rally Start | 28 Aug 22 | 09.10 | Parc Ferme, The Mart, Athenry |
| Rally Finish | 28 Aug 22 | 17.09 | Parc Ferme, The Mart, Athenry |
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| Results | 28 Aug 22 | 19.00 | Shannonsport.ie / Sportity App |
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| Prize giving | 28 Aug 22 | Insert time | At the finish ramp in Athenry Mart |

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 as issued by a recognized ASN.

4.1.2 All entries must be made on the Official Entry Form, available on Shannonsport.ie/evo/, and must be fully completed and signed by the entrant, driver and navigator. The Entry Fee must be paid by Electronic Funds Transfer or cheque and forwarded to the Entries Secretary. Incomplete or illegible forms will be returned.

Please note that Entries will be deemed incomplete unless accompanied by the full entry fee.

4.1.3 Entries from non-MI or MSUK International grade Stage Rally license holders 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 an FIA INTERNATIONAL grade STAGE RALLY license.

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 car drivers name must be listed on the IRDS/ BRDS Database. This is published weekly on the 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 will be limited to **150 - including Juniors.** The number of starters in the Junior Class will be limited to **25.**

4.2 Entry Fee:

The Main Field entry fee is €750.

The Historic (Classes 17-19) entry fee is € 750.

The Junior (Class 16) entry fee is €700.

All competitors should ensure they are listed on the IRDS / BRDS Data Base, as published by Motorsport Ireland on the Thursday prior to the event. Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries +353 (0)1 6775628.

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

Cheques / Bank Drafts or Postal Orders should be made payable to: **County Galway Motor Club**

Electronic Funds Transfer to be made to:

Account Name: County Galway Motor Club Limited
IBAN: IE97BOFI90381697748807
BIC: BOFIIIE2D
Bank: Bank of Ireland, Eyre Square, Galway.

Entries to be sent to:

Name: Gary Leonard
Address: C/O 87 The Willows, Raheen, Athenry, Co Galway
Tel: 087 9005617
E: Co.galwaymc@gmail.com

4.3 Entry Criteria:

In the event of an excess of 150 entries being received the following criteria will be applied to all entries received from the opening to the closing date of entries.

Motorsport Ireland Triton Showers National Rally Championship:

- The first two registered drivers in classes 3 and 5.
- The first three registered drivers in classes 1, 2,9,10 and 15.
- The first four registered drivers in classes 11F, 11R, 12, 14 and 20.
- The first seven registered drivers in classes 4, 7 and 13.
- The first seven registered drivers in class 16.

The above will be entitled Priority – provided that their entries are in order at the closing date. If not, the Priority will pass to the next registered driver in that class with a valid completed entry.

The above will facilitate a maximum of 67 registered drivers receiving priority entries.

Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship:

- First two drivers in each class.

Top Part West Coast Rally Championship

- First two drivers in each class

25 Entries at the organizer's discretion.

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. Reconnaissance

6.1 Information:

Pace notes will be allowed on the event and competitors will be allowed to make pace notes on 27th August 2022. Competitors must sign on before commencing reconnaissance at:

Location: The Mart, Athenry
Time: 08.30 – 11.00

Recce stickers must be displayed on the reconnaissance car 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 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 The Mart, Athenry
- ☒ Competition licenses, IRDS or BRDS compliance and other documentation as requested must be presented at documentation Scrutineering.

8. Scrutineering

- ❓ Mechanical Scrutiny will take place on Sunday August 27th between 14.00 & 19.00 at Athenry Mart❓
- ❓ Post Event Mechanical Scrutiny will take place by invitation at Athenry Mart❓

- ❓ 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 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.

10. Features of the Rally

10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:

Competitors Safety Briefing will be held at 19.00 **Saturday** 27th at Presentation College, Athenry. It is compulsory for at least one member of the crew to attend. (Appendix 25, Article 3.2).

10.2 Route Information:

The rally will take place over a route of approximately 109.4 stage kilometers and 116.8 road kilometers and will comprise of 9 sealed surface stages with Service after Stages 3 and 6.

Cars in the Junior Class (Class 16) will compete over all 9 stages, as above.

Cars in the Historic Classes (Class 17, 18 and 19) will compete over all 9 stages

Note – historic section may be deleted if the event does not run a historic category

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 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 (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, 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.

11.1.4 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 5 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:

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| 1 st Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 1st in each class | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd in each class | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd in each class | 2 Trophies |

Galway Motor Club Award: Conroy Cup and 2 Trophies
To the highest placed Galway Motor Club Crew, both of whom must be fully paid up members on 1st March 2022.

Mattie McNamara 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:

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

- ☐ All named officials are Judges of Fact. Any additional 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 official notice board – 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
In the event of cancellation or postponement for more than 24 hours, entry fee shall be refunded in accordance with GCR 51.2.