



**Motorsport
Ireland**

GARDA SIOCHANA MOTOR CLUB LTD

**GERMAINES HOTEL
STAGES RALLY 2022**

REGULATIONS

Sunday 25th September 2022

Round 4

Hugo Loonam Motors

MIDLANDS EAST RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

**Rally HQ: Germaines Hotel, Baltinglass,
Co Wicklow (059) 648 1005**

ORGANISED AND PROMOTED BY

Garda Siochana Motor Club Ltd.

1. Announcement

The GSMC Baltinglass Stages Rally is promoted and organised by Garda Siochana Motor Club Ltd (herein after called the promoters.) and will be held on 25th September 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/government 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: 22/109 for the holding of the competition.

Championships for which the rally is a counting round:

1. Hugo Loonam Motors Midlands East Rally Championship

2.2 Officials

Clerk of the Course:	David Mc Cormack
Deputy Clerk of the Course:	Dave Ashton
Assistant Clerk of the Course:	Dave Lynch
Motorsport Ireland Stewards:	John Carroll, Declan O'Keeffe
Motorsport Ireland Safety Officer:	Stephen Kellett
Club Safety Officer:	Richie Gamble
Club Steward:	Pat Fox
Spectator Control:	John Donnellan
Event Secretary:	Sarah Ashton
Chief Medical Officer:	Dr Declan O'Brien
Chief Marshal:	Pat Lordan
Chief Scrutineer:	Paul Lacey
Radio Controller:	Mary Fitzgerald
Press Officer:	Pdraig Reddington
Results Provider	Angus Sealy
Competitors' Relations Officer:	Pat Laracy
Car Accountability:	Eoin Longworth
Sweeper Car	Dave Fitzgerald
Equipment Officer:	Billy Gorman
Road Closed:	Eoin Flynn
Chief Timekeeper:	Eamon McGee
Service Area Manager	Ronan Judge
Super Rally Co-Ordinator	Tom O'Brien
Emergency Services Liaison Officer	Brian Power

2.3 Rally Headquarters: **Germaines Hotel, Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow**

2.4 Entries Secretary Contact Details: **gsmcbaltinglassrally@gmail.com**

2.5 Official Notice Board:

The official notice board will be located in Rally H.Q. Lobby of Germaines Hotel Baltinglass and will be in operation from 23/9/2022 until 25/09/22. Sportivity app will be in operation with password available upon receipt of fully paid entry.

3. Programme

Event	Date	Time	Location
Supplementary Regulations available	On publication of these regulations		Rally.ie /Sportity
Entries open	On publication of these regulations		Rally.ie /Sportity
Entries close	16/09/22	24.59	
Final Instructions Posted	19/09/22		Sportity
Reconnaissance Registration	24/09/22	08.15 - 11.30	Rally Office, Germaines Hotel
Reconnaissance	24/09/22	08.30 - 16.00	
Mechanical Scrutineering	24/09/22	14.00 - 19.30	NCT Centre, Baltinglass
Documentation Scrutineering	24/09/22	15.00 - 20.00	Rally Office, Germaines Hotel
Competitors Safety Briefing	25/09/22	07.45	Germaines Hotel
Rally Start	25/09/22	09.16	
Rally Finish (first car)	25/09/22	16.00	Germaines Hotel
Results (provisional)	25/09/22	Not later than 19.00	Germaines Hotel Rally Hq Notice Board
Results (final)	25/09/22	Half an hour after publication of provisional results subject to no queries	Germaines Hotel Rally Hq Notice Board
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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 online Entry Form, <https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/evo/Entry?event=IE-GSMC-GD22> 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 INTERNATIONAL grade STAGE RALLY 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 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 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

Completed entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis. In the event of an excess of 150 entries being received, a reserve list will be compiled in order of receipt of entries.

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

The number of starters will be limited to 140.

4.2 Entry Fee:

The entry fee is €725.

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 by Motorsport Ireland. Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries +353 (0)1 6775628.

Electronic Funds Transfers to be made to:

Bank Details; AIB. 9 Terenure Road East, Rathgar, Dublin 6.

Account Name; The Garda Siochana Motor Club Limited.

IBAN; IE13AIBK93107117608084

BIC; AIBKIE2D

IMPORTANT - PLEASE ENSURE TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND YOUR EVO ENTRY REFERENCE NUMBER IN THE REFERENCE FIELD OF THE PAYMENT BANK TRANSFER

Withdrawals:

If an entry is withdrawn before 18:00 hrs on 16/09/22, 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:

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:

Priorities in Hugo Loonam Motors Midlands East Rally Championship, as per Championship Regulations.
10 entries at the organisers discretion.
The remainder will be drawn on a ballot.

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, Article 2.6 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for further information on class eligibility in Mini Stage Rallies.

6. Reconnaissance

6.1 Information:

Pace notes will be allowed on the event and competitors will be allowed to make pace notes on 24th September 2022 from 08.30-16.00 hrs

Competitors must sign on before commencing reconnaissance at:

Location: Rally Office, Germaines Hotel

Time: 08.15-11.30 hrs

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 Rally Office, Germaines Hotel on 24th September from 15.00-20.00 hrs.
- Competition licences and other documentation as requested must be presented at documentation scrutineering.

8. Scrutineering

- Mechanical Scrutiny will take place on 24th September from 14.00-19.00 hrs at NCT Centre, Baltinglass.
- Post Event Mechanical Scrutiny will take place by invitation at NCT Centre, Baltinglass.
- 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 on September 25th at 07.45 hrs in Germaines Hotel, Baltinglass. 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 90 stage kilometers and 19 road kilometers per loop and will comprise of 2 stages run 3 times with service after SS2 and SS4.

Cars in the Junior Class (Class 16) 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.

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 SS2, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 2 stages, or Service Out Control after 4 stages (subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below).

Cars retiring from the rally between Service Out Control after 2 stages and Arrival Control of SS4, may 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 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.

11.1.3 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 3 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

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. The onus is on competitors to ensure that they are entered for the appropriate awards. All Trophies not collected/claimed by September 30th 2022 will be forfeited.

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 club website
- 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.