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Notes:

GP = 2017 FIA Cross-Country Rally General Prescriptions

SR = 2017 Qatar Cross-Country Rally Supplementary Regulations

1. COMPETITOR RELATIONS SCHEDULE

See attachement.

2. ON-BOARD CAMERAS

For safety reasons and in accordance with article 50 of GP

- the fitting of cameras on the exterior of the vehicle is strictly forbidden
- the fitting of cameras inside the car is subject to the agreement of the organizer and must be approved by the scrutineers at pre-event scrutineering.

3. PRE-START HOLDING AREA

Rally cars must enter the holding area at Losail Circuit according to the schedule published in Bulletin nr. 2.

A representative of the team may deliver the car using the relevant time card (Time Card 0).

The pre-start holding area will be under vigilance. Access to the holding area is limited to team members and media representatives with appropriate identification.

4. TIME CONTROLS

The only controls where crews are authorized to check in ahead of time without incurring a penalty are the time controls at the end of the legs (article 38.10 of GP).

5. OFFICIAL ITINERARY

- As per article 21.6 of GP, between two waypoints the route described in the road book is not obligatory but strongly recommended.
Only this route is opened by the FIA opening car.
- In a selective section, it is forbidden at all times to use a surfaced (asphalt, concrete) road other than those indicated in the road book (article 21.7 of GP)
- In order to validate any waypoint (WPV, WPE, WPM, WPS), a competitor must pass within 90 meters of it (article 15.1 of SR).

6. SELECTIVE SECTIONS

Bottles of water will be available from the timekeepers and/or marshals at the start and finish of the selective sections and at every passage control.

7. SPEED CONTROL ZONES

See article 24 of GP.

There will be several speed control zones (DZ/FZ) during the selective sections of the rally:

8. SAFETY ZONES

See article 43.2 of GP.

- With the aim of ensuring safety in the PC zone, a "Safety Zone" will be installed at each PC;
- Speed in the zone will be limited to 30 kph and controlled by the GPS;
- The speed check will be carried out according to the sketch inserted in article 43.2 of GP;
- The regulation boards at the entry to the PC zone do not indicate the Start of the Safety Zone (SSZ);
- There will be no physical signs on the track (no DZ/FZ boards)
- Only the information displayed on the GPS monitor(s) will be considered authentic;
- In the event of an infringement, the competitor will be penalized (time and money).

9. VEHICLE TO VEHICLE ALARM SYSTEM

Crews are reminded that:

- The operation of the system is the responsibility of the competitor. If it is noted that the system is not in operation, through the fault of the crew a penalty of 1 hour plus €300 will be applied and the offence reported to the stewards for possible further action (article 27.3 of GP)
- A competitor who refuses to respond to the alarm will be reported to the stewards who may penalize that competitor or another member of the same team (article 27.4 of GP)
- It is prohibited to deliberately block a following competitor or prevent them from overtaking (article 27.7 of GP)
- The instructions for the use of the unit are available in the supplementary regulations.
- During the 1st briefing an ERTF representative will provide instructions on the function and use of their equipment.

10. TRACKING SYSTEM & ACCIDENT RESPONSE

Crews are reminded that:

- The operation of the system is the responsibility of the competitor. If it is noted that the system is not in operation, through the fault of the crew a penalty of 1 hour plus €300 will be applied and the offence reported to the stewards for possible further action (article 28.3 of GP)
- Should a competitor arrive at the scene of an accident which involves injury they must stop and provide whatever assistance is appropriate until the arrival of the emergency services. A competitor who stops to aid another competitor may apply in writing to the stewards for a time allowance to be applied (article 28.5 of GP)
- Each car will carry at least one red triangle which in every case when a car has stopped will be placed by the crew, or those aiding them, approximately 50 metres before the stopped vehicle (article 28.6 of GP)
- A competitor who has stopped on a selective section is obliged to display either the red "SOS" or green "OK" panels located at the rear of the standard road book (article 28.7 of GP)
- The instructions for the use of the unit are available in the supplementary regulations.
- During the 1st briefing a CRONOBANDEIRA representative will provide instructions on the function and use of their equipment.

11.SERVICE

See article 31 of GP and article 10 of SR.

Crews are reminded that:

- Service is permitted only at the bivouac (article 10.3 of SR)
- Servicing may only be carried out in an area freely open to officials of the rally (article 31.9 of GP)
- The maximum speed in the bivouac is 30 kph (article 31.10 of GP).

12.REFUELING

As per article 9 of SR, refueling is only permitted:

- a) in the bivouac in an official refuelling zone,
- b) in the fuel stations indicated in the road book using only that station's fuel
- c) after SS2, SS3 and SS5 in an official remote refuelling zone indicated in the road book (a maximum of 40 litres of fuel will be provided to each rally car and the official remote refuelling zone will close 15 minutes after the closing time of the previous STOP control).

The refueling facilities set before the start of every selective section are available for motorcycles and quads only.

On every selective section except SS1 there will be a mid-stage refueling zone exclusively for motorcycles and quads.

13.CAR WASHING FACILITIES

There will be a car washing area at the bivouac, close to the refuel zone and operational during the same period of this one (see article 9 of SR).

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COMPETITORS' RELATIONS OFFICER SCHEDULE



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Monday, 17 April	08:30 - 12:45	Administrative checks
	13:30 - 16:30	Scrutineering
	16:30 - 18:30	Rally Office
Tuesday, 18 April	08:00 - 09:30	Rally Office
	10:30 - 11:00	Official Notice Board
	12:15 - 12:30	Road Book distribution
	12:30	Pre-event briefing
	15:30 - 17:00	Pre-start holding area / Rally start
	18:15	Start position procedure draw
	19:00 - 19:30	Official Notice Board
Wednesday, 19 April	07:00 - 08:30	Start Leg 2
	08:30 - 18:00	Rally Office / Bivouac
	18:00 - 18:30	Official Notice Board
Thursday, 20 April	07:00 - 08:30	Start Leg 3
	08:30 - 18:00	Rally Office / Bivouac
	18:00 - 18:30	Official Notice Board
Friday, 19 April	07:00 - 08:30	Start Leg 4
	08:30 - 18:00	Rally Office / Bivouac
	18:00 - 18:30	Official Notice Board
Saturday, 20 April	06:30 - 07:30	Start Leg 5
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	18:00 - 18:30	Official Notice Board