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1. Introduction & Welcome

Circuit of Ireland International Rally Guide has been created to give you information regarding the event and to assist you to plan your travel and accommodation.

The 2015 Circuit of Ireland Rally comprises 2 separate events:

The Circuit of Ireland International Rally
The Circuit of Ireland National Rally

Rally Guide should be read in conjunction with the Circuit of Ireland International Rally Supplementary Regulations, the FIA Regional Rally Championship Sporting Regulations, the FIA European Rally Championship Regulations and the MSA regulations.

The Rally Guide may be updated; current versions will be available from
<http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally-documents--forms.html>

The event website can be found at: <http://www.circuitofireland.net>

The organising team looks forward to welcoming you to Northern Ireland in April.

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Welcome

On behalf of the Organising Team it gives me great pleasure to welcome everyone including competitors, spectators and volunteers to the 2015 Circuit of Ireland Rally. Round three of the FIA European Rally Championship, round two of the new FIA ERC Junior Championship, round three of the Irish Tarmac Rally Championship.

The event also incorporates a well supported national rally which also counts for the Irish Tarmac Rally Championship and the Northern Ireland Rally Championship.

For 2015, the Rally Headquarters, Parc Fermé and the Service Park will be located in Belfast's Titanic Quarter. The event will have a high profile Ceremonial Start in Belfast. The event will also be visiting Newtownards town on the Friday evening and the city of Lisburn on Saturday afternoon for city street stages. There are 18 challenging stages in Counties Down and Antrim.

Good luck to everyone, please obey the marshals and stay safe

Tom Walsh
Clerk of the Course (International)

2. Contact Details

2.1 Organisers' Name / Permanent Secretariat

Circuit of Ireland Rally Secretariat,
Address: Ground Floor, Studio 2, Strand Studios, 150 Holywood Road, Belfast, BT4 1NY
Tel: +44 (0) 7899 946265 (between 19.00 and 21.00hrs GMT)
Fax: +44 (0) 871 9188597
Email: secretary@circuitofireland.net
Web: www.circuitofireland.net

2.2 Key Officials & Contacts

Event Director	Bobby Willis	bobby@circuitofireland.net
Clerk of the Course	Tom Walsh	tom@circuitofireland.net
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Andrew Kellitt	andrew@circuitofireland.net
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Alan Bolton	alan@circuitofireland.net
Administration Manager	Brian McConnell	brian@circuitofireland.net
Entries Co-ordinator	Keith Somerville	entries@circuitofireland.net

2.3 Rally HQ Location and Contact Details

Rally HQ from Tuesday 31 March until Saturday 4 April.
Address: Titanic House, 6 Queens Rd, Belfast BT3 9DT
Tel: +44 (0) 7899 946265
Fax: +44 (0) 871 9188597

2.4 Rally Office opening hours:

Monday 30 March	18.00 – 20.00
Tuesday 31 March	07.00 - 22.00
Wednesday 1 April	07.00 - 22.00
Thursday 2 April	07.00 - 22.00
Friday 3 April	06.00 - 00.00
Saturday 4 April	06.00 - 22.00

2.5 Media Contact Details

Ciara Conlon ciara@circuitofireland.net

2.6 Media Centre opening hours:

Thursday 2 April	07.00 - 20.00
Friday 3 April	07.00 - 00.00
Saturday 4 April	07.00 - 22.00

3. Programme and Critical Deadlines

3.1 Schedule before the Rally Week

Friday 6 February	
	Publication of Supplementary Regulations
Monday 1 March	
	Rally Guide issued
Tuesday 17 March	
17.00	Closing date for entries
17.00	Closing date for order of Service Park facilities
17.00	Closing date for Media Accreditation
Thursday 19 March	

12 noon	Original Entry form must reach the Organiser
Friday 4 April	
	Closing date for Media Accreditation
Monday 23 March	
	Publication of Entry List
Information published on www.circuitofireland.net	

3.2 Schedule during the Rally Week

Monday 30 March		
18.00 - 20.00	Collection of material and documents, Administration Checks and "First on Scene" briefing	Rally HQ, Belfast
17:00	Application for submission of on board camera	Rally HQ, Belfast
Tuesday 31 March		
07.00 - 22.00	Opening of Rally Office	Rally HQ, Belfast
07.00 - 10.00	Collection of material and documents	Rally Office, Rally HQ, Belfast
07.00 - 10.00	Issue of Reconnaissance Safety Tracker	SS 1 Start
14.30 - 20.30	Reconnaissance	
18.00 - 20.00	Administration Checks (optional)	Rally Office, Rally HQ, Belfast
18.00 - 20.00	Return of Reconnaissance Safety Tracker	Qualifying Stage Finish
Wednesday 31 March		
07.00 - 22.00	Opening of Rally Office	Rally HQ, Belfast
07.00	Service Park opens	Service Park, Belfast
07.00	Trailer Park opens	Trailer park, Belfast
07.00 - 10.00	Collection of material and documents	Rally Office, Rally HQ, Belfast
07.00 - 10.00	Issue of Reconnaissance Safety Tracker	SS 9 Start
09.30 - 17.00	Reconnaissance	
14.00 - 20.00	Scrutineering, Sealing and Marking for Priority Drivers	Belfast Metropolitan College, Castlereagh Campus Belfast BT6 9JD
18.00 - 21.00	Administration Checks (optional)	Rally Office, Rally HQ, Belfast
16.00 - 20.00	Return of Reconnaissance Safety Tracker	Rally HQ, Belfast
20.00	Team Managers Meeting (Priority Drivers)	Rally HQ, Belfast
21.00	Latest Time for return of Reconnaissance Card	Rally HQ Belfast
22.00	Service Park closes	
Thursday 2 April		
07.00 - 22.00	Opening of Rally Office	Rally HQ, Belfast
07.00	Service Park opens	Service Park, Belfast
07.00	Trailer Park opens	Trailer Park, Belfast
07.00	Opening of Media Centre	Media Centre, Rally HQ, Belfast
07.00 - 20.00	Media Accreditation	Media Centre, Rally HQ, Belfast
08.00 - 13.00	Scrutineering, Sealing and Marking for Non Priority Drivers	Belfast Metropolitan College, Castlereagh Campus Belfast BT6 9JD
10.00	Publication of Start Times for Qualifying Stage	Official Notice board & VNB
10.00	Publication of Ceremonial Start Order	Official Notice board & VNB
11.00 - 12.30	Free Practice for Priority Drivers	
12.00	Holding Area Opens	Ulster Folk Museum
12.00	Helicopter pilots briefing	Rally HQ, Belfast
13.00	Cars of all FIA & ERC Priority Drivers to be at Ulster Folk Museum holding area	
13.25	First car leaves Ulster Folk Museum holding area	

14.00	Qualifying Stage for Priority Drivers	
15 - 16.15	Optional Shakedown for Non Priority Drivers	
17.30 – 18.00	Autograph Signing Session	Belfast City Hall
18.00	Start order selection	Belfast City Hall
18.20	Pre-event Press Conference	Belfast City Hall
19.00	Ceremonial Start	Belfast City Hall
20.00	1st Stewards Meeting	Rally HQ, Belfast
21.00	Publication of Start List for Leg 1	Official Notice board, VNB
22.00	Service Park closes	
Friday 3 April		
06.00 - 00.00	Opening of Rally Office	Rally HQ, Belfast
06.00	Service Park opens	Service Park, Belfast
09.15	Safety Tracker check	TC0 Service Park – Out
09.20	Start of leg 1	TC0 Service Park
	Safety Tracker check	TC8A Technical Zone
20.01	Finish Leg 1	Service Park, Belfast
00.00	Publication of Start List for Leg 2	Official Notice board, VNB
00.00	Service Park closes	
Saturday 4 April		
06.00 - 22.00	Opening of Rally Office	Rally HQ, Belfast
06.00	Service Park opens	Service Park, Belfast
06.15	Scrutineering of restarting cars	Parc Fermé
07.55	Safety Tracker check	TC8E Parc Parc Fermé Out
08.00	Start of Leg 2	TC8E Parc Parc Fermé Out
18.45	Podium ceremony and prize giving	TC18D - Finish Podium, Belfast
19.15	Parc Fermé after finish	TC18E - Titanic, Belfast
17.49	Safety Tracker removal	TC18A Technical Zone
19.15	Final Scrutineering	Belfast (SR Art 15.1)
19.15	Post Event Press Conference	Titanic Quarter, Belfast
21.00	All Safety Trackers must be returned	Rally Office
21.00	Service Park closes	
21.15	Publication of provisional final classification	Official Notice board, VNB
21.45	Publication of final official classification	Official Notice board, VNB

4. Entry Packages

Package	ERC 1	ERC 2	ERC 3	Non ERC Registered
Service Area- 2 Car	200m2	200m2		100m2
Service Area - 1 Car	150m2	100m2	100m2	50m2
Service Area - Additional Cars	50m2	50m2	50m2	50m2
Road Book	2	1	1	1
Programme	2	2	1	1
Service Vehicle Pass	2	2	2	1
Auxiliary Vehicle Pass	2	1	1	1
Guest plates	2	1	1	1

Additional Service Area space may be ordered at a cost of £20 per m2

5. Service Park

5.1 Location

The Service Park and Rally HQ will be located in Belfast's Titanic Quarter. The post code for this location is BT3 9DT. GPS Coordinates; N54 36.565 W5 54.374. The Service Park will be open from 07.00 Wednesday 1 April.

The Service Park has a mixed hard surface.

5.2 Service Park Entry Procedure

- Before arrival at the service park it is the competing driver's responsibility to ensure the 'Service Park Entry Form' is in the relevant service vehicle.
- Service vehicles for the International Rally should report to security at service in.
- On arrival at the appropriate gate the driver of the service vehicle will be asked to surrender the embossed tear of Service Park Entry Request slip at the bottom of the Service Park Entry Form. Entry will then be permitted.
- Service vehicles are permitted to enter service only once each day.
- If a vehicle is being taken out of service in the evening, a new 'Service Park Entry Form' will be issued by security; the embossed tear of Service Park Entry Request slip must then be surrendered on arrival the following morning.
- It is the crew's responsibility to ensure they have a new 'Service Entry Form' to gain re-admittance.
- Auxiliary vehicles are not allowed into Service, but may park in the Auxiliary parking area, providing they display their 'Auxiliary' decal, affixed to their vehicle.

5.3 Security at the Service Park

Limited Security will be provided within the Service Park when it is closed. Should further security be required, please contact our security company:

Samdec Martin Cheshire + 44 (0) 7866 593576 +44 (0) 28 6634 1120

There will be no security at the Trailer Park and competitors are advised to lock their trailers. Trailers are parked at own risk.

5.4 Service Park opening / closing times

Wednesday 1 April	07.00 – 22.00
Thursday 2 April	07.00 – 22.00
Friday 3 April	06.00 – 24.00
Saturday 4 April	06.00 – 21.00

5.5 Service Park Competitor Liaison

For any questions or additional information, please email: service@circuitofireland.net

5.6 Allocated service areas

Package	ERC 1	ERC 2	ERC 3	Non ERC Registered
Service Area- 2 Car	200m2	200m2		100m2
Service Area - 1 Car	150m2	100m2	100m2	50m2
Service Area- Additional Cars	50m2	50m2	50m2	50m2

Additional Service Area space may be ordered at a cost of £20 per m2

5.7 Health and Safety Guidelines

All personnel working in the Service Parks must adhere to the Health and Safety Guidelines in Appendix 6

6. Two-Way Radio

Ofcom is the regulator for the UK communications industries, with responsibilities across television, radio, telecommunications and wireless communications services.

Any radio equipment used by a competitor and/or the associated support teams in the UK must be covered by a licence issued by Ofcom.

Its operation must be strictly within the terms and conditions of the licence. The installation or use of equipment without a licence, or outside the terms, renders the operator/installer liable to prosecution. Upon conviction the equipment is liable to forfeiture together with fines and/or imprisonment.

Should you have any enquiries about your frequency or equipment requirements please contact:

Ofcom Northern Ireland
2nd Floor, Landmark House
5 Cromac Quay
The Gasworks
Ormeau Road
Belfast, BT7 2JD

Telephone: +44 (0)28 9041 7500
Fax: +44 (0)28 9041 7533
Email: ofcomnorthernirelandoffice@ofcom.org.uk
Website: www.ofcom.org.uk

7. Tyres and Fuel

7.1 Eligible Tyres

In addition to complying with the 2014 Regional Rally Sporting Regulations, the following quantities of tyres are confirmed for use

Type of Vehicle	Max.no of tyres	Total for Rally
4 WD Cars	18	18
2 WD Cars	14	14

For competitors eligible for Free Practice/Qualifying tyres will be taken from the overall quantity.
For competitors taking part in Shakedown, tyres will not be marked.

Homologated tyres that are on the FIA list MUST be used.

The list of eligible tyres can be found at: www.fia.com > Sport > Regulations > FIA Regional Rally Regulations > FIA Regional Rally Championships > 2015 List of eligible asphalt tyres for FIA Rallies

7.2 Eligible tyres for Registered ERC Junior Championship Competitors

Competitors Registered for the ERC Junior Championship must use tyres which comply with 2015 FIA European Rally Championship Regulations Art. 9.4

7.3 National Laws or Special Requirements

The use of studded tyres is prohibited

7.4 FUEL

7.4.1 Fuel Couplings

All cars must be fitted with FIA specified fuel couplings. (See FIA Technical List No 5)

7.5 Refuelling

For environmental and safety reasons NO refuelling is permitted by any competitor within the Service Park. There will be one remote refuel zone location per day. Crews may refuel only in the designated refuelling zones (RZ) or at commercial filling stations on the rally route indicated in the road book.

Competitors using electric pumps in refuel zones will need to provide the necessary certification for use in Northern Ireland.

Morrow Fuels in conjunction with Carless Racing Fuels will provide a fuel dispensing service in the Refuel Zone and Remote Refuel Zones. All Carless Racing fuels plus Super Unleaded fuel will be available.

Orders must be placed with Morrow Fuels by 17.00 on Friday 27th March 2015.

Contact details:

Philip Morrow

Morrow Fuels

Tel: 00 44 (0)28 92621741 Mobile: 00 44 (0) 7967 555962

E-mail: simonmorrow@morrowfuels.co.uk

See Appendix 9

7.6 Procedure at Commercial Filling Stations

- Drivers may use commercially available pump fuel dispensed from pumps at commercial filling stations marked in the road book. This fuel must be dispensed directly into the tank of the competing car.
- The crew must use solely the equipment on board and only the pumps with no external physical assistance.
- Cars equipped only with FIA-specified refuel couplings and using fuel from commercial fillings stations must transport the adaptor in the car and show it at pre-rally scrutineering.

8. Import of Vehicles and Spare Parts

8.1 Competitors from the European Union

Competitors coming from the European Union do not need to make any special customs clearance.

They may use any vehicle in Great Britain for up to 6 months, provided that the vehicle is not bought with the intention of selling it. All vehicles need to have valid traffic insurance.

Tyres and spare parts can also be imported without clearance.

8.2 Competitors from outside the European Union

Competitors coming from outside the European Union will have to report to customs on their arrival in Great Britain / Northern Ireland and Republic of Ireland.

Please prepare a list of all the tools and equipment you are bringing with you.

Please contact the Customs Service for detailed information.

Telephone Customs, duties, excise and VAT helpline - 0300 200 3700 (+44 2920 501 261 outside UK)

(Monday to Friday 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, Saturday 8.00 am to 4.00 pm)

Website: www.nidirect.gov.uk

9. Helicopters

9.1 For questions or information please contact the Helicopter Co-ordinator:

The Helicopter Registration Form is available on:

<http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally-documents--forms.html>

10. Reconnaissance

10.1 Reconnaissance Schedule

See Appendix 2.

10.2 Procedure for Registration

A reconnaissance pack will be issued with the road book. This will include:

- a registration card which must be completed and handed to the official at the first stage of reconnaissance.
- a record card, which will be marked by an official recording every run on each special stage (this card must be carried in the car for the duration of the reconnaissance)
- 2 reconnaissance number plates which must be fixed to the top left of the front and rear windscreen.

If a crew taking part in reconnaissance wishes to change the car or vary the occupants they should telephone the Rally Office on Tel: +44 (0) 7899 946265.

Failure to follow this procedure will result in refusal to participate in the reconnaissance.

There is no other registration required for reconnaissance.

The Reconnaissance Car Registration Form is available on

<http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally.html>

10.3 Restrictions

10.3.1 2015 FIA-RRSR Art. 25 applies.

10.3.2 Competitors are permitted a maximum of two passages over each special stage during reconnaissance.

10.3.3 The maximum speed on all special stages during reconnaissance is 70kph except where a lower limit is indicated. All traffic rules and regulations must be respected at all times.
It should be noted that reconnaissance trackers record speed as well as location.

10.3.4 On SS7/8 and SS13/14 it is not possible to drive the complete route. Parts of the route may only be inspected on foot.

10.3.5 The fitting or carrying of radar detection equipment during reconnaissance is not permitted.

10.3.6 Any member of the crew taking part or intending to take part in the Rally, who is found on the route of any special stage outside the listed reconnaissance dates and times will be deemed to be performing illegal reconnaissance.

10.3.7 Any driver not entered in the rally may take part in reconnaissance. The regulations regarding reconnaissance must be respected in their entirety and the Organisers must be informed. A Reconnaissance Registration Form can be found on www.circuitofireland.net. The fee for taking part in Reconnaissance only is £100.

10.4 Speeding Offences during Reconnaissance

During reconnaissance, any speeding offence whether recorded by police, in car tracker or officials on a special stage or on a road section, will result in a fine as shown in 2015 FIA-RRSR Art. 20.2

10.5 Fitment of Speed Control Checking Devices

A tracking system will be installed by the official at the start of the first stage of reconnaissance each day.

The reconnaissance car must have a working "cigarette lighter" socket to provide power to the Safety Tracker.

The Safety Tracker will be collected at the end of the last Special Stage as shown in Art. 3.2.

11. Scrutineering, Sealing and Marking

11.1 Scrutineering Venue and Timetable

Belfast Metropolitan College
Castlereagh Campus
Montgomery Road
Belfast BT6 9JD

GPS Coordinates: N 54 34.650 W 5 53.648

For FIA & ERC Priority Drivers:

Wednesday 1 April from 14:00 to 20:00

For Non Priority Drivers:

Thursday 2 April from 08:00 to 13:00

Individual scrutiny times will be given in a bulletin.

Any crew taking part in the rally, or their representative, duly designated in writing must arrive at the scrutineering and present the car in accordance with the timetable to be issued in a Bulletin. **Any lateness upon this schedule will be sanctioned with a fine of £150 per hour or part of an hour.**

Documents to be presented

- Vehicle technical passport will be required for all S2000, S2000 1.6T, and R5 cars
- S2000 1.6T cars (RRC) must be fitted with an FIA Data Logger System.
- Vehicle homologation papers (originals)

All engines, transmissions, turbos and spares will be marked and sealed.

Competitors must make the necessary preparations before attending scrutineering; this includes the removal of the sump guard which must be kept with the car for weighing purposes and the preparation of the car for sealing of components by making the necessary holes (2mm) and affixing wires for attachment of seals. (2015 FIA-RRSR Art. Art. 26 and 63).

The sealing holes on the engine block should be placed so that the seal is easily accessible and visible when opening the bonnet. All transmissions, spare transmissions, turbos and spare turbos must be prepared for sealing before attending scrutineering.

See Appendix 8 Preparation for Scrutineering..

At the noise test before scrutineering, cars will be checked for preparation of the necessary holes and fitment of wires. Cars which have not had the necessary preparation completed, will not be allowed to enter scrutineering.

For registered ERC Junior Championship competitors, Art. 9.5 also applies.

All vehicles will need to have passes to access the scrutineering venue. Additional Auxiliary Vehicle Packs can be purchased from the organisers at a cost of £75.00 each (This will include; 1 vehicle decal, 1 road book and 1 map book). These should be pre-ordered before 17:00hrs on Wednesday 25 March 2015. Payment must be made in cash on collection of the pack from Rally Office.

The additional Auxiliary Vehicle order form is available on
<http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally.html>

11.2 Windows/Nets

Silvered or tinted films on any windows are not allowed – Appendix J Art. 253.11

Advertising on Windscreen and Rear Window must comply with FIA regulations – maximum 100mm on windscreen and 80mm on rear window.

11.3 Driver's Safety Equipment

At scrutineering competitors or their nominated representative must produce all items of protective clothing, underwear, including helmets and a FIA approved head restraint (FHR, formerly called HANS) intended to be used. Compliance with Appendix L Chapter III will be checked. SOS/OK boards must be A3 size. These will be supplied by the organisers and available at administration checks.

11.4 Noise Level

A noise test will be carried out at scrutineering. The noise limit will be 100dB(A) at 4,500 rpm measured at 0.5m from the end of the exhaust pipe at an angle of 45°.

11.5 Other Requirements

All competing cars must carry a Spill Kit capable of effectively absorbing minor spillages of up to 1.25 litres of all vehicle fluids – oils, fuels, coolants, battery acid. Used Spill Kits are to be disposed of in accordance with local or National guidelines. Spill Kits can be purchased from the organisers at cost of £15.00 each. These should be pre-ordered by emailing entries@circuitofireland.net and pay on collection from Rally Office.

11.6 On-board Cameras

The provisions of FIA RRC SR Art. 65 must be complied with.

The following information must be sent to the organisers before Monday 30 March 2015: competitor name, car number, entrant address and use of footage.

The On-board Camera Registration Form is available on <http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally.html>

Authorised cameras will be identified by an adhesive decal and must be mounted in the car at the time of scrutineering.

11.7 Responsibility of the Competitor

The competitor will be responsible for the technical conformity of his car and for the intact preservation of all affixed identification marks throughout the rally. It is also the responsibility of the competitor to see to it that any part of the car, which has been handled during checking, is reinstalled correctly and that all tools used for scrutineering have been removed from the car.

11.8 Final Checks

Post Event scrutineering will take place on Saturday 4 April at 19.15 at Charles Hurst Tyres, 51-55 Sydenham Road, Belfast, BT3 9DJ.

GPS Coordinates: N54 36.200 W5 54.279

Competitors required to attend Final Checks will be advised by the Competitor Relations Officer at Control Tc18a

12. Safety Trackers

12.1 Safety Trackers

Each competitor will be issued with a safety tracking device at the start of the event. These trackers will allow the organisers to monitor the location of every competitor throughout the event. The information will assist the organisers in the safety of competitors, provide information on incidents and be used to ensure the safe and efficient running of the event.

Interference of any sort in relation to the use of safety trackers will be referred to the Stewards for deliberation and possible penalties.

To enable the fitment of the Safety Tracker, a cable will be supplied to each competitor at Collection of material and documents, administration checks & 'on Monday 30 March) This cable has to be connected to the car's electrical circuit in accordance with instructions in Appendix 7

The Safety Tracker will be supplied to each competitor and affixed by Velcro to the windscreen. Further details will be found in Appendix 7

- A refundable deposit of £200 **must** be paid at Administration Checks.
- **For Competitors who complete the event, the tracker will be collected by a technician at TC18A – Technical Zone In on Saturday.**
- For any competitor who fails to finish, the tracker must be returned to Rally office in Rally HQ, Titanic House by 21.00 Saturday 4 April 2015, in good condition.
- Competitors are responsible for the safe keeping and return of the device while it is in their possession. Failing this the deposit will be forfeited.
- The deposit can be paid by credit card, as a signed and dated cheque, or in cash (please complete the Safety Tracker Deposit Form for all payment methods).
- The Safety Tracker Deposit Form should be completed and submitted at administration checks.
- No money will be deducted if the tracking device is returned to the organisers.
- All completed credit card forms and cheques will be destroyed on confirmation that the tracker has been returned at the end of the rally.
- Cash deposits can be collected from Rally Office up to 21.00hrs on Saturday 4 April.

The Safety Tracker Deposit Form is available on

<http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally-documents--forms.html>

13. Free Practice, Qualifying and Shakedown

A Free Practice, Qualifying & Shakedown stage will be run in accordance with FIA-ERC Art. 30.

13.1 Qualifying and Shakedown Stage

Procedure for FIA & ERC Priority drivers only

Free Practice will take place at the Whinney Hill special stage between 11:00 and 12:30 on Thursday 2 April. The stage is 3.22 km in length and is located 10.87 km from the Service Park. In accordance with FIA RRSR a maximum of 2 passages of free practice are permitted.

After completing Free Practice all FIA and ERC Priority competitors must be present at a holding area located at Ulster Folk Museum (N54 38.901 W5 47.976). The holding area will open at 12:00 and all cars and drivers must be present by 13:00.

There is a café and toilets adjacent to the holding area.

No servicing of vehicles is permitted at any location other than the event Service Park during the Free Practice and Qualifying procedure.

Cars will leave the holding area exit at 2 minute intervals from 13:25 for Qualifying which will start at 14:00; the start order for this stage will be published at 10:00 on Thursday 2 April.

13.2 Procedure for all other International drivers

The Shakedown stage, which will use the same route as the Qualifying stage, will be open between 15:00 and 16:15. Non Priority drivers may complete a maximum of 2 runs on the Shakedown stage.

Registration for Shakedown is required at administrative checks

13.3 Timetable

Thursday 17 April	
10.00	Publication of Start Times for Qualifying Stage
11.00 - 12.30	Free Practice for Priority Drivers
13.00	Cars of all FIA & ERC Priority Drivers to be at Ulster Folk Museum holding area
14.00	Qualifying Stage for Priority Drivers
15.00 - 16.15	Optional Shakedown for Non Priority Drivers

14. Other Procedures

14.1 Start Order Selection Procedure (FIA RRSR-ERC Art 30.8)

The selection of Start positions for FIA and ERC Priority Drivers will take place on Thursday 2 April at 18.00 at Belfast City Hall, Donegall Square, Belfast. Both drivers and co-drivers, wearing their overalls, are required to attend.

Only the drivers who have set the 15 best times during qualification will be eligible to select their start positions.

14.2 Pre Event Media Conference

A pre event media conference will be held at Belfast City Hall at 18.20 for selected drivers and team members.

14.3 Ceremonial Start

The Ceremonial Start will be held at Belfast City Hall, Donegall Square, Belfast (N54 35.830 W5 55.813) from 19:00 on Thursday 17th April.


- All cars and crews must be present in a holding area situated at the Service Park Out control location in accordance with a schedule which will be published in a Bulletin. Cars will be released in groups of 10.
- Competitors must follow the route in the road book to reach Belfast City Hall.
- All competitors must be present at the ceremonial start wearing their overalls.
- The autograph signing session will take place at Belfast City Hall between 17:30 and 18:00 for invited crews.
- Teams should bring promotional material for use by their drivers.
- The start order for the Ceremonial Start will be published at 10:00 on Thursday 2 April.

14.4 Event Finish Procedure

Prize giving: Podium ramp in front of Titanic building, Belfast, Saturday 4 April at 18.15 approximately.

The final time control will be TC 18C (Service E Out). From here competitors will be required to follow the route, marked on the road book map of the service park, under Parc Fermé conditions via the Finish Podium and then directly into Parc Fermé.

- The leading ERC competitors will go the podium first in the order of 3rd, 2nd, 1st.
- The remaining crews will then be directed to the podium to receive any awards. They will then proceed to Parc Ferme.

15.	Media
15.1	Contact details for the Rally Ciara Conlan Email: ciara@circuitofireland.net
15.2	Location of Media Office during the Rally Titanic House Ground Floor 6 Queens Road Belfast BT3 9DT
15.2	Accreditation Procedure The Accreditation Application Form is available on http://www.circuitofireland.net/accreditation.html Completed forms should be returned no later than Friday 20 March to: Ciara Conlon, Rallymaps Ltd, Strand Studios, 150 Hollywood Road, Belfast BT4 1NU, Northern Ireland. Email: Ciara@circuitofireland.net
16.	Publicity
	A publicity form is available on http://www.circuitofireland.net/international-rally-documents--forms.html This information will be used for pre-event publicity, the official programme and by the commentary team.
17.	Hospitality
17.1	Teams Hospitality The event organiser has the sole rights to provide corporate hospitality on this event. Teams are permitted to provide their own catering for crew and team personnel in the Service Park – no further hospitality may be provided.
18.	Accommodation
	SPECIAL 'RALLY RATES' AT ANDRAS HOUSE HOTELS The Circuit of Ireland Rally has teamed up with Andras Hotel Group to offer discounted hotel rates for competing teams. For a 5% discount on the lowest current rate, please email or phone IN HOUSE reservations (details below) quoting 'COI' or 'Circuit of Ireland Rally'.  <u>Ramada Plaza Shaw's Bridge Belfast</u> – 117 Shaws Bridge, Belfast, BT8 7XP Situated in Belfast's Lagan Valley Regional Park, approximately 12 minutes' drive from Central Belfast, this 4-star luxury hotel offers full health club facilities including pool, spa, sauna and gym. The hotel also boasts an extensive range of dining facilities including three on-site restaurants and 24-hour food/room-service. Free WiFi throughout and Free onsite parking To make a booking contact reservations on +44 (0)28 90923 500 or email reservations@ramadaplazabelfast.com

Distance to Titanic Quarter Service Park - 11.26km - 7 miles



Holiday Inn Express Queens Quarter Belfast – 106 University Street, Belfast, BT7 1HP

Situated in the centre of Belfast's Queens University Quarter this modern 3-star hotel is near many restaurants and cafes of the popular Botanic Avenue and within walking distance of the main shopping and business areas of the city centre. The Holiday Inn Express offers a cooked Irish breakfast, full dinner service and 24-hour hot food and snacks.

Free WiFi throughout and Free onsite parking

To make a booking contact reservations on: +44 (0)28 9031 1909
or email reservations@exhi-belfast.com

Distance to Titanic Quarter Service Park - 4.83km - 3 miles



Days Hotel Belfast - 40 Hope Street, Belfast, BT2 5EE

Days Hotel is located right in the city of Belfast, the main shopping, business and entertainment districts are right on our doorstep. This quality 3-star hotel includes an A La Carte restaurant and 24-hour hot food and snacks.

Free WiFi throughout and Free midweek parking

To make a booking contact reservations on +44 (0)28 9024 2494
or email reservations@dayshotelbelfast.com

Distance to Titanic Quarter Service Park - 4.02km - 2.5 miles



Ibis Belfast City Centre – 100 Castle Street, Belfast, BT1 1HF

Ibis Belfast City Centre offers an excellent city centre location, close to all major transport links. Many of the City's businesses, shops, restaurants and attractions are close-by. The Ibis serves a cooked Irish breakfast and offers a full dinner service as well as hot meals and snacks 24 hours a day.

Free WiFi throughout and Free midweek parking

To make a booking contact reservations on: +44 (0)28 9023 8888
or email h7232-re@accor.com

Distance to Titanic Quarter Service Park - 3.70km - 2.3 miles



Ibis Belfast Queens Quarter – 75 University Street, Belfast, BT7 1HL

Situated in the centre of Belfast's Queens University Quarter, the hotel offers a Boutique environment. Located within 2 minutes' walk of the many restaurants, bars and cafes of popular Botanic Avenue. The main shopping and business areas of the city centre such as Victoria Square and Castle court are within walking distance of the hotel. The Ibis serves a cooked Irish breakfast and offers a full dinner service as well as hot meals and snacks 24 hours a day.

To make a booking contact reservations on: +44 (0)28 9033 3366
or email h7288-re@accor.com

Distance to Titanic Quarter Service Park - 4.83km - 3 miles

19. Travelling to Northern Ireland / Useful Facts

Travelling to Northern Ireland by Air

Belfast International Airport	www.belfastairport.com	19 miles/30.58Km from Service Park
George Best City Airport	www.belfastcityairport.com	3.1 miles/4.99km from Service Park
Dublin Airport	www.dublinairport.com	100 miles/161km from Service Park
City of Derry Airport	www.cityofderryairport.com	69.8 miles/112.33km from Service Park

Language

The main language in Northern Ireland is English.

Climate

Average temperatures for April are between 3 and 11°C with 140 hours of sunshine, the average monthly rainfall is 70mm

Time Zone

British Summer Time (GMT+1)

Sunrise - Sunset in Belfast

Thursday 2 April	Sunrise: 06.54	Sunset: 20.02
Friday 3 April	Sunrise: 06.52	Sunset: 20.03
Saturday 4 April	Sunrise: 06.49	Sunset: 20.06

Currency

Currency is pound sterling (£), divided into 100 pennies. The denominations in circulation are:

Notes: 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 pounds.

Coins: 1 and 2 pounds. 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 pennies.

Water

The tap water is safe to drink.

Electricity

The electric Voltage is the European 240V standard. Plugs and sockets are of a three pin design.

Telephones

Public telephones can be operated with either phone cards, coins or credit cards.

The International prefix for outgoing calls is 00.

The International prefix for incoming calls is +44, then delete the leading 0 in the area code.

Telephone Numbers

Police, Fire, Ambulance	999
Speaking Clock	123
Directory Enquiries	118 500

Smoking

Smoking is not permitted by law in enclosed public places and workplaces.

Seat Belts

The driver and all passengers (including those in the back of the vehicle) are required to use seat belts at all times.

Speed Limits

Built up areas 30mph (48kph)
Main roads 60mph (96kph)
Motorways or Dual Carriageways 70mph (112kph)
There are other limits indicated by traffic signs.

Mobile Telephones

It is illegal to use a hand-held mobile telephone whilst driving.

Alcohol

The Police can order breathalyser tests of drivers. The maximum permitted level of alcohol in the bloodstream is 0.08%.

Traffic Rules

Drive on the LEFT, and overtake on the right.

Motorway Tolls

There are no motorway tolls once you have entered Northern Ireland.

20. Belfast Useful Services

General Traffic Advice

Traffic Watch NI www.trafficwatchni.com

Tourist Information Centres

Visit Belfast Welcome Centre	www.visit-belfast.com	+44 (0) 28 9024 6609
Downpatrick Tourist Information Centre	www.downdc.gov.uk	+44 (0) 28 4461 2233
Lisburn Tourist Information Centre	www.visitlisburn.com	+44 (0) 28 9266 0038
Newtownards Tourist Information Centre	www.ards-council.gov.uk/Tourism	+44 (0) 28 9182 6846
Banbridge Tourist Information Centre	www.banbridge.com	+44 (0) 28 4062 3322
North Down Tourist Information Centre	www.northdowntourism.com	+44 (0) 28 9127 0069

Banks and Cashpoints (ATMS)

Ulster Bank	11-16 Donegall Square E, Belfast, BT1 5UB	+44 (0) 28 9024 4112
Bank of Ireland	University Rd, Belfast BT7 1ND	+44 (0) 28 9024 5616
First Trust Bank	Donegall Square N, Belfast BT1 5GB	+44 (0) 84 5600 5925
Halifax	10-11 Shaftesbury Square, Belfast, BT2 7DG	+44 (0) 28 9088 0767
Barclays Bank PLC	Imperial House, 4-10 Donegall Square East, Belfast, BT1 5HD	+44 (0) 84 5755 5555
HSBC Bank PLC	5 Donegall Square S, Belfast BT1 5JP	+44 (0) 84 5740 4404

Breakdown Services

A1 Marsden Recovery Specialists	+44 (0) 28 9068 2892
G & D Recovery	+44 (0) 75 2590 1508

Car and Van Hire

Hertz	www.hertz.co.uk	+44 (0) 28 9442 2533
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Emergency Services

Fire, Police and Ambulance		999 or 112
Police Service NI (non emergency)	18 Donegall Pass, Belfast BT7 1BS	+44 (0) 84 5600 8000
Royal Victoria Hospital	274 Grosvenor Rd, Belfast BT12 6BA	+44 (0) 28 9024 0503
Belfast City Hospital	51 Lisburn Rd, Belfast BT9 7AB	+44 (0) 28 9032 9241
Mater Infirmorum Hospital	47-51 Crumlin Road, Belfast, BT14 6AB	+44 (0) 28 9074 1211
Ards Hospital	Church St Newtownards, Ards, BT23 4AS	+44 (0) 28 9181 2664
Lagan Valley Hospital	39 Hillsborough Road, Lisburn, BT28 1JP	+44 (0) 28 9266 5141

Doctors

Royal Victoria Hospital	274 Grosvenor Rd, Belfast BT12 6BA	+44 (0) 28 9024 0503
The Health Centre	137 Ormeau Road, Belfast BT7 1SN	+44 (0) 28 9032 3251
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (Out of hour's service)	North and West Belfast	+44 (0) 28 9074 4447

Dentists

The Dental Practice	269 Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 1AF	+44 (0) 28 9045 2596
The Dental Practice	41/43 Holywood Road, Belfast, BT4 3BA	+44 (0) 28 9047 1266
Belfast City Hospital (Out of hours Emergency Dental Treatment)	51 Lisburn Rd, Belfast BT9 7AB	+44 (0) 28 9032 9241

More Government Services can be found at www.nidirect.gov.uk www.servicefinder.hscni.net

Pharmacies

Boots the Chemist	35-47 Donegall Pl, Belfast BT1 5AD	+44 (0) 28 9024 2332
Gordon's	35-45 Castlereagh Rd, Belfast, BT5 5FB	+44 (0) 28 9045 7852
Superdrug	21-23 Ann Street Town Centre, Belfast BT1 4EA	+44 (0) 28 9032 0400

Petrol Stations

Tesco Extra	Knocknagoney Road, Belfast, BT4 2PW	+44 (0) 84 5677 9402
Tesco Stores Ltd	Yorkgate Centre 100-150 York Street, Belfast BT15 1WA	+44 (0) 84 5677 9754
Albertbridge Filling Station	310 Albertbridge Road, Belfast, BT5 4GX	+44 (0) 28 9045 3337
Hollywood Rd Service Station	Hollywood Road, Belfast, BT4 1PD	+44 (0) 28 9091 5891

Taxis

Value Cabs	16 Wellington Park, Belfast BT9 6DJ	+44 (0) 28 9080 9080
Castle Cabs	26 King Street, Belfast BT1 1HU	+44 (0) 28 9024 1111
FonaCAB	23 Botanic Avenue, Belfast BT7 1JG	+44 (0) 28 9033 3333

Security Companies

Samdec	+44 (0) 28 6634 1120
	+44 (0) 7866 593 576

Mobile Phone Services

O2	Unit 9, Victoria Square Shopping Centre, Belfast BT1 4QG	+44 (0) 28 9024 1202
Vodafone	30 Donegall Place, Belfast BT1 5BA	+44 (0) 87 0070 0191
EE	Victoria Square, 1-3 Ann Street, Belfast, BT1 4FF	+44 (0) 84 5097 1434